

# Gender Identity and Pronoun Use

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2:15pm TSU Alvarado room

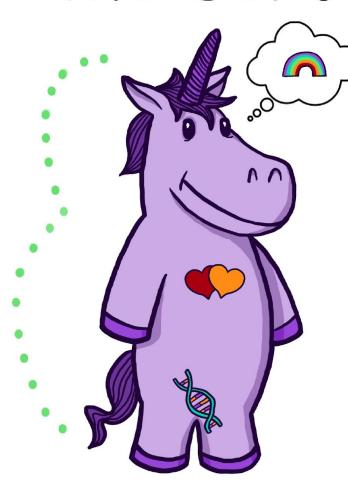




Women

Other Gender(s)

Men

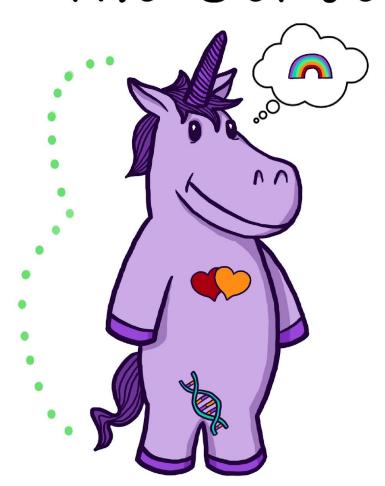


Gender Identity Female/Woman/Girl Male/Man/Boy Other Gender(s) Gender Expression **Feminine** Masculine Other 🐚 Sex Assigned at Birth Female Male Other/Intersex Physically Attracted to Women Men Other Gender(s) Emotionally Attracted to

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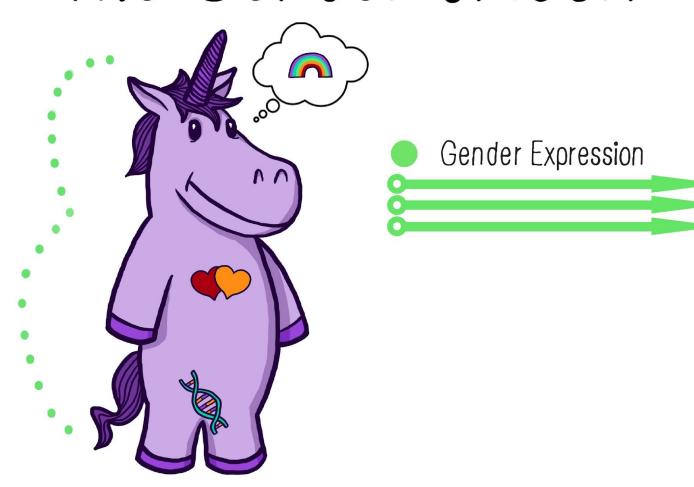




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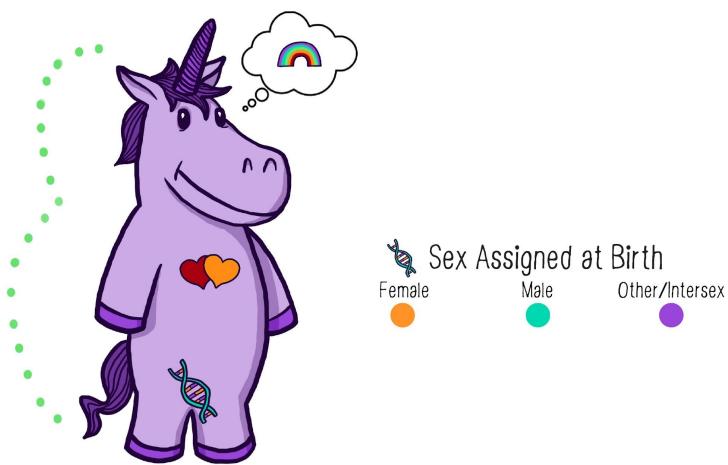
Feminine Masculine Other



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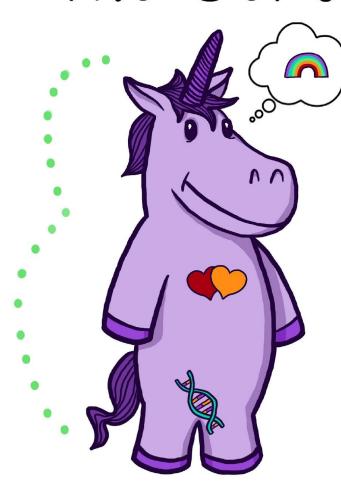
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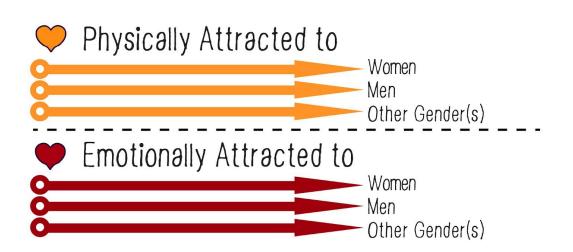
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## PERSONAL PRONOUNS

I	me	my, mine
we	us	our, ours
you	your, yours	
she, her, hers	he, him, his	they, them, theirs

"Who left their hat over here?

### INCLUSIVE PRACTICES

#### Introduce yourself with your own pronouns

- Offering your own pronouns can create space for another person to share theirs if they feel comfortable.
- "Hi, I'm Chloe and my pronouns are she/hers. Nice to meet you."

### INCLUSIVE PRACTICES

Don't assume pronouns based on someone's gender expression or identity

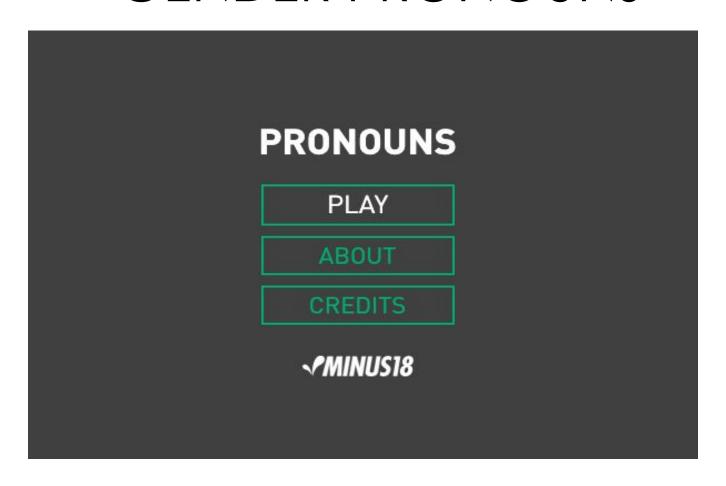
- If someone has not shared their pronouns, referring to that person by their name and they/them pronouns is usually a safe bet.
- "I hope Alex attends the seminar. I really liked their point about..."

### INCLUSIVE PRACTICES

Pronouns can be asked, but are not required to be provided.

- Some people (cis or trans) may not want to disclose their pronouns, but asking gives an individual agency to decide.
- Before asking, look for someone's pronouns in their email signature, or ask someone who knows them.
- "My pronouns are....May I ask your pronouns?"

## PRACTICE USING GENDER PRONOUNS



## MAKING MISTAKES

Apologize

Correct

Continue

"I was talking to hersorry, I mean them.

I was talking to <u>them</u> and they said <u>they</u> would meet us later.

## MAKING MISTAKES

#### Tips:

- Don't make it about you.
  - You may feel bad, but don't make a show of an apology it's not fun
    to be singled out, and it puts pressure on the individual to reassure you.
- Follow up.
  - A private apology email shows respect and consideration. "Dear \_\_\_\_\_, I wanted to apologize for misgendering you earlier today. I value you as a coworker and will do better in the future."
- · Practice!
  - The best thing you can do: Educate yourself and practice so you don't accidentally misgender someone again. Pronouns are like names it pays dividends to remember them.

### DAILY PRACTICES

- Introducing yourself with your pronouns
- Including gender pronouns on business cards
- Including gender pronouns on name tags
- Including gender pronouns in syllabus/Canvas
- Including gender pronouns in your email signature

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she/her & they/them (why pronouns matter)

### RESOURCES

- Gender Pronouns Practice on Minus 18 website
- International Writing Center Association's position statement on singular "they" (link)
- "What are personal pronouns and why do they matter?" (<u>link</u>)

## LGBTQ+ History Month



### WANT MORE?

LGBTQ Safe Space Training: Foundations

LGBTQ Safe Space Training:
Advocate

**LGBT Queer Resource Center** 

Location: Pollak Library South 180, Room 189

Phone: (657) 278-4218

Email: lgbtq@fullerton.edu

Website: <a href="https://www.fullerton.edu/lgbtq">www.fullerton.edu/lgbtq</a>

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00am-7:00pm

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## THANK YOU & QUESTIONS

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