



QUEER: People with non-normative gender identity, sexual orientation, or sexual anatomy — can include lesbians, gay men, bisexual people, transgender people, and other identities.

QUESTIONING: Exploring one's gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation. Some folks may also use this term to name their identity within the 2SLGBTQIA+ community.

INTERSEX: People who may have the genes that people may associate with being male or female, but their reproductive organs, genitals, or both may look different.

ASEXUAL: People who experience little or no sexual attraction or a desire for partnered sexuality. Some asexual people are celibate, and others do have sex. There are many ways of being asexual.

SEXUAL AND ROMANTIC ATTRACTION RESOURCES

Centre of Gender and Sexual Diversity MacEwan (CGSD)

Roundhouse 11-888, Allard Hall
11110 – 104 Avenue
Mon to Fri, 9 a.m - 5 p.m
[macewan.ca/campus-life/
centre-for-sexual-and-gender-diversity](http://macewan.ca/campus-life/centre-for-sexual-and-gender-diversity)
780.497.4363 • csgd@macewan.ca

Pride Centre of Edmonton

2nd Floor, 10618 105 Avenue NW
hello@pridecentreofedmonton.ca
780.488.3234 • pridecentreofedmonton.ca

Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA)

CMHA Alberta Division
320 Ledgeview Business Centre
9707 – 110 Street NW
alberta.cmha.ca/lgbtq2s-resources
780.482-6576 • alberta@cmha.ab.ca

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More information about Resources
available in Edmonton and Alberta is
accessible by calling 2-1-1

To access additional support resources or
to book an appointment with a trained
Peer Support volunteer visit:

samu.ca/peersupport



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MacEwan University (SAMU) is a
non-profit organization working
independently from MacEwan
University to support students.

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EXPLORING ATTRACTION

EXPERIENCING SEXUAL &
ROMANTIC ATTRACTION

The 2SLGBTQIA+ community encompasses
many identities. Learning more about
sexuality and queer identities allows us
to understand and support ourselves
and others.

PEER SUPPORT

Did you know MacEwan has the biggest 2SLGBTQIA+ campus in Alberta? There are many different sexual and gender identities. For people not part of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, it may seem like a lot to learn. This resource introduces people to some basic knowledge about identities involving sexual and romantic attraction outside of heterosexuality.

SEXUAL AND ROMANTIC ATTRACTION IDENTITIES AND THE 2SLGBTQIA+ COMMUNITY

LESBIAN: Women who are sexually attracted to other women/femmes exclusively.

GAY: Men who are sexually attracted to other men/mascs exclusively; is also used as an umbrella term for people who are sexually attracted to the same sex.

BISEXUAL: People who experience sexual attraction to more than one gender.

PANSEXUAL/OMNISEXUAL: People who can experience attraction to an individual of any gender or all genders.

TRANS: People whose gender identity does not match their sex assigned at birth. Among others, the term “transgender” includes those who identify as transsexual, non-binary, genderqueer, or simply just transgender.

CUPIOSEXUAL: Asexual people who don’t experience sexual attraction but still desire to engage in sexual behaviour or a sexual relationship.

GRAYSEXUAL/GRAYROMANTIC: People who identify on the grey area of the sexual attraction spectrum and do not explicitly and exclusively identify as asexual or aromantic. They may experience limited sexual attraction to others.

DEMISEXUAL: People who only experience sexual attraction to those with whom they have an emotional bond (demisexuals are on the asexual spectrum).

AROMANTIC: People who experience little or no romantic attraction to others and lack interest in forming romantic relationships.

BIROMANTIC: People who experience romantic attraction, but not sexual attraction, to people of more than one gender.

DEMIROMANTIC: This romantic orientation describes people who experience romantic attraction only under specific circumstances, such as after building an emotional relationship with a person.

SKOLIOSEXUAL: People who are sexually attracted to those with non-cisgender gender identities, such as people who are non-binary, genderqueer or trans.

To Learn more about other 2SLGBTQIA+ identities, please check out our other resource: Exploring Gender Identity.