

K U M E D I C A L C E N T E R

PRIDE MONTH

Virtual Research Day

June 23, 2021 | 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

KU
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AGENDA

10:00 A.M. WELCOME + INTRODUCTION

Robert Klein, Ph.D. | Vice Chancellor of Academic and Student Affairs

10:10 A.M. DR. LEVINE'S VIDEO

Rachel Levine, M.D. | Assistant Secretary for Health,
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

10:10 A.M. STUDENT, FACULTY & STAFF PRESENTATIONS

11:10 A.M. KU RESOURCE PANEL

11:55 A.M. KEYNOTE ADDRESS

**Katie Batza, Ph.D. | Associate Professor and
Director of Graduate Studies
Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
University of Kansas**



12:55 P.M. CLOSING REMARKS

Jerrihlyn McGee, DNP, RN, CNE | Vice Chancellor for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion;
Chief Diversity Officer, KU Medical Center

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PRESENTERS

“UNDERSTANDING 12-STEP PARTICIPATION AMONG LGBTQ INDIVIDUALS”

BRIANA McGEOUGH, PH.D., MSW, (She/Her/Hers) is an Assistant Professor in the University of Kansas School of Social Welfare. Dr. McGeough’s research focuses on understanding and addressing mental health disparities experienced by members of the LGBTQ+ community, particularly disparities in depression and alcohol use disorder. As a clinician, she specializes in cognitive-behavioral methods and serving LGBTQ+ clients. briana.mcgeough@ku.edu

“REFRAMING “OUR” PLACE ON CAMPUS: QUEER(ING) STUDENT SUCCESS”

KRISTOPHER OLIVIERA, (He/Him/His) currently serves as the Director of the Center for Sexuality & Gender Diversity at the University of Kansas, and is a PhD candidate (ABD) in the Department of Sociology at the University of South Florida. He is a scholar-practitioner, and his work focuses on queer and trans students, faculty, and staff in higher education. Kristopher’s research and work centers the role of queer and trans resource centers in shaping the experiences and outcomes of QT(BIPOC) folks on campus. KOliveira@ku.edu

“THE ROLE OF STIGMA AND IDENTITY IN HELP-SEEKING ATTITUDES AND INTENTIONS OF LGB PEOPLE”

AMANDA LAPPIN, PH.D., (She/Her/Hers) recently completed her doctorate in Counseling Psychology from the University of Kansas in Summer 2020 and is thrilled to join KUMC in Counseling and Educational Support Services for post-doctoral training. Amanda’s clinical experience has been in a variety of settings across the KC metro including college counseling, community mental health, private practice, and the VA. Amanda’s primary research focus has been on LGBTQ+ mental health with special interest in help-seeking behaviors, bisexual/nonmonosexual identity, and stigma. Amanda enjoys working with students and residents to realize their strength and resilience. a817b613@kumc.edu

“GENDER INCLUSIVE RESEARCH”

REBECCA LEPPING, PH.D., (She/Her/Hers) is a cognitive psychologist specializing in magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), functional MRI, and positron emission tomography (PET) research. She is a Senior Scientist in the Hoglund Biomedical Imaging Center, and Assistant Director of the KU Alzheimer’s Disease Research Center Neuroimaging Core. Her primary focus has been in developing, implementing, and facilitating neuroimaging research studies, which has led to many collaborations. Over the course of her career, she has been involved in a wide variety of imaging research projects, including studies of motivation, reward sensitivity, memory, cognition, aging, pain, and depression. rlepping@kumc.edu

“UNLOCKING THE POWER OF PERSONALIZED HEALING BY GROWING STEM CELLS IN 3D”

A.J. MELLOTT, PH.D., (He/Him/His) As a tissue engineer fascinated by human stem cells, Dr. Mellott founded Ronawk, to utilize biofabrication techniques such as additive manufacturing (3D Printing), to develop technologies and products to support stem cell expansion for translational research applications focusing on wound healing and burns. Ronawk maintains an active partnership with the Department of Plastic Surgery at KUMC to keep an open dialogue on how to incorporate facets of patient care into the development of Ronawk’s products. amellott@ronawk.com

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KEYNOTE PRESENTATION “THE LONGVIEW: THINKING HOLISTICALLY AND HISTORICALLY ABOUT LGBTQ HEALTH AND CARE”

KATIE BATZA, PH.D., (She/Her/Hers or They/Them/Theirs) is an associate professor of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies at the University of Kansas. She earned her doctorate in United States History from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 2011 along with a graduate concentration in Work, Race, Gender, and the Urban World and a graduate certificate in Gender and Women's Studies. Her research explores the intersection of sexuality, health, and politics in the late 20th-century United States. She is currently engaged with several research projects: a book project that explores the experiences of the early AIDS crisis in the Heartland, a walking tour and podcast project on reproductive justice in Boston, and a cross-disciplinary analysis of access to healthcare for gender non-conforming and disabled individuals. Her first book, *Before AIDS*, was published by the University of Pennsylvania Press in February 2018 and explores gay health activism in the period before AIDS. She also has published on the history of lesbians and the fertility industry, mapping queer health history, and neoliberalism. She played an active role in the National Park Service's LGBTQ initiative, contributing a chapter to the National Park Services LGBTQ theme study and co-founding a non-profit, Rainbow Heritage Network, that aids in identifying, preserving, and interpreting historic sites of particular meaning to the LGBTQ communities. Her work has been funded by Point Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the American Council of Learned Societies, the American Philosophical Society, a Mellon-Schlesinger fellowship from Harvard University, the Whiting Foundation, and numerous internal grants. batza@ku.edu

“KU RESOURCE ROUNDTABLE”

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