GLOW: Gays, Lesbians & Others in Woods Hole: Welcome!
GLOW, Shine, Be Yourself!

Welcome to the GLOW website. We are here to create a more welcoming Woods Hole research community (WHOI, MBL, NMFS, SEA, USGS, and WHRC) for gays, lesbians, bisexuals, transsexuals and transgendered individuals as well as their partners and allies, and to provide resources to anyone who may need them. This page should help you find information about the WHOI community, support networks and local resources.

Part of creating a more welcoming community is the continuation of the You Are Welcome Here campaign. GLOW also has events throughout the year and the membership is always accessible to anyone who may need assistance.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email us at glow-owner@whoi.edu.

About GLOW

At the time of the creation of GLOW, there was no set mechanisms in place to create a student-oriented groups at WHOI. A group of students and some staff worked from 2003-2005 to really get GLOW off the ground and create a sustainable group. GLOW was one of the first student-created groups at WHOI, and has grown into a Woods Hole research community-wide group.

WHOI is an incredibly welcoming institution, but there was no group for support or advice for LGBT students. Inspiration for GLOW came from noticing that LGBT issues were really not recognized at an institutional level, and that there was a need for a WHOI community to voice our perspective, provide a safe and supportive space for colleagues, and be visible for prospective students and employees who were curious about the LGBT presence at WHOI. We have since expanded to welcome students, scientists, and staff of the entire Woods Hole research community.

Some of our first events were a community BBQ, movie nights, and social hours. We continue to look for new and creative events, so if you have any ideas, let us know!

The MIT-WHOI Joint Program joins the MIT and WHOI community through a world-renowned oceanography PhD program. MIT has a strong tradition of working to build a very welcoming community, and has ranked in the top 100 of gay-friendly campuses. WHOI also prides itself on creating a welcoming community, making the Joint Program a very welcoming place.

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