

Sexuality and Social Justice: A Toolkit

Strategies for making sexuality rights real



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Newspaper articles & blog posts

More common than not: Sexual violence among LGBTQ persons

Milford, P.C.

Social Work Helper (2016)

This article covers a report on intimate partner violence in the US, including statistics on the amount of people who report being victims of sexual violence from the LGBTQ community. The article features an interview with Alicia Allen, a relationship counselor and sex researcher.

<https://www.socialworkhelper.com/2016/02/08/lgbtsexualviolence/>

Dreaming of gay rights in Delhi

Taseer, A.

New York Times (2016)

This op ed article is about the gay rights movement in India at a time of curtailed freedoms and creeping authoritarianism.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2016/03/21/opinion/dreaming-of-gay-rights-in-delhi.html>

Debating pinkwashing

Tikkun

A selection of articles on Pinkwashing from Tikkun, an online magazine that brings together progressive interfaith voices to talk about social transformation and strategies for political and economic democratization.

<http://www.tikkun.org/nextgen/debating-pinkwashing>

Should businesses work to advance the rights of LGBT people broadly, rather than focusing only on their own employees?

The Economist (2016)

This online debate was held 13-20 February 2016. The 'yes' argument was given by Deborah Sherry, Partner solutions director at Google UK and Ireland and the 'no' side was represented by Jonathan Cooper, Chief executive of the Human Dignity Trust. Guests and readers were able to give their comments. There was also a public vote open throughout the debate.

<http://spl.ids.ac.uk/sexuality-and-social-justice-toolkit>

Bisi Alimi on LGBT rights in Nigeria: 'It may take 60 years, but we have to start now'

Purvis, K.

The Guardian (2016)

Interview with Bisi Alimi who, after he came out live on Nigerian TV, was disowned by his family and arrested.

<http://www.theguardian.com/global-development-professionals-network/2016/feb/09/...>

Electric shocks, rape and submersion: 'gay cures' and the fight to end them

Jenkin, M.

The Guardian (2016)

This article looks at the clinics claiming to offer 'cures' for homosexuality to vulnerable people and how activists are planning to stop them.

<http://www.theguardian.com/global-development-professionals-network/2016/feb/09/...>

Trans murder monitoring interactive map: 2015

Trans Respect versus Transphobia Worldwide (2015)

Interactive map which documents murders worldwide. Initiated in April 2009, the project systematically monitors, collects and analyses reports of homicides of trans and gender-diverse people worldwide.

http://www.transrespect-transphobia.org/en_US/tvt-project/tmm-results/idahot-201...

The average trans woman in Latin America will die aged just 35

Gerdes, S.

Gay Star News (2015)

This news story covers Organization of American States research on the situation of trans men and women in Latin America. The research found that trans women in Latin America have a life expectancy of only 35 years and that this is not just due to violence directed at them. Discrimination and social exclusion isolates trans people who are often poor as a result and can't always access housing.

<http://www.gaystarnews.com/article/the-average-trans-woman-in-latin-america-will...>

Gender-based violence: lesbian and transgender women face the highest risk but get the least attention

Jung Thapa, S.

The World Bank Voices (2015)

Saurav Jung Thapa of the Human Rights Campaign highlights the disproportionate violence and discrimination that many lesbian, bisexual, and transgender women face, and calls on the World Bank to develop policies that consider their needs.

<https://blogs.worldbank.org/voices/gender-based-violence-lesbian-and-transgender...>

Activist outed as a 'top gay' by a Kenyan tabloid answers your questions

Gitari, E.

The Guardian (2015)

Lawyer Eric Gitari talks about his experiences of being harassed, publicly shamed and fighting for LGBT rights.

<http://www.theguardian.com/world/live/2015/nov/25/kenyan-lgbt-gay-rights-eric-gi...>

How social media amplifies community resilience among the LGBT community

Mehney, R.W.

IMPACT: the LGBT Health & Development Program (2015)

This post, written by Robert W. Mehney for IMPACT: the LGBT Health & Development Program's research blog, focuses on social media and resilience among LGBT communities.

<http://www.impactprogram.org/research-blog/research-blog-social-media-amplifies-...>

Vietnam law change introduces transgender rights

France-Presse, A.

The Guardian (2015)

A Guardian news story on legislation in Vietnam which will allow those who have undergone reassignment to register under new gender.

<http://www.theguardian.com/world/2015/nov/24/vietnam-law-change-introduces-trans...>

LGBT rights stripped from UN development goals

Duffy, N.

Pink News (2015)

Pink News reports on the removal of mentions of LGBT rights from the Sustainable Development Goals and post-2015 development agreement.

<http://www.pinknews.co.uk/2015/08/05/lgbt-rights-stripped-from-un-development-go...>

How LGBT liberation connects to the oldest profession

Anderson-Minshall, D.

Advocate (2015)

Diane Anderson-Minshall writes for Advocate about the centuries-long relationship between sex work and queer liberation, arguing that the LGBT world should be proud.

<http://www.advocate.com/commentary/2015/07/15/op-ed-how-lgbt-liberation-connects...>

LGBT life, rights and health in Ethiopia

Wood, S.

IDS (2014)

In this article Stephen Wood interviews Cheryl Overs about her work in Ethiopia with communities marginalised on account of their sexuality and the empowerment strategies they have employed.

<http://www.ids.ac.uk/opinion/lgbt-life-rights-and-health-in-ethiopia>

Voices Loud, Clear and Diverse at the Cutting Edge of Sexuality Research and Activism: Reflections on ILGA2014

Overs, C.

IDS: Participation, Power and Social Change (2014)

Blog post on the 2014 Global Conference of the International Gay and Lesbian Association conference in Mexico City. Around 500 activists, academics and policy makers talked about forms of colonisation and how to identify, resist and defy it, with the main theme of 'decolonising our bodies.'

<https://participationpower.wordpress.com/2014/12/10/voices-loud-clear-and-divers...>

Brutal gender crackdown in Egypt: The tomorrows that never came

Long, S.

A Paper Bird (2014)

This article covers gender related oppression in Egypt. It cites what is underlying events, after years of 'relative calm': media sensationalism which feeds the arrests, government feeding of stories to the media in a tactic of divide and

conque, 'basic' manhood, that the crackdown is convenient for the reputation of the police and finally, that the police are invading private homes, not public spaces.

<http://paper-bird.net/2014/05/18/brutal-gender-crackdown-in-egypt-the-tomorrows-...>

76 Crimes

76 Crimes

Blog focusing on the human toll of the 76 countries' anti-gay laws and the struggle to repeal them.

<http://76crimes.com/>

'Argentina's Gender Identity Law is the best in the world'

McNamara, J.

Buenos Aires Herald (2014)

Interview with Marcela Romero, trans community activist. She talks about the realities experienced by Argentina's trans community, including the Gender Identity Law that allows trans people to legally change their identity without the permission of a judge or doctor

<http://www.buenosairesherald.com/article/152224/%E2%80%98argentina%E2%80%99s-gen...>

Argentina approves transgender rights legislation, makes sex-change surgery a legal right

Warren, M.

Huffington Post (2012)

This news story cover a gender rights law approved in Argentina. It means that adults who want sex-change surgery or hormone therapy will be able to get it as part of their public or private health care plans. The measure also gives people the right to specify how their gender is listed at the civil registry.

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/05/10/gender-identity-law-argentina_n_1505093...

Transphobia and poverty: a statement by Chilean trans activist Andrés Rivera

Rivera Duarte, A.

Micro Rainbow International (2013)

Article about the situation of trans people in Chile. It argues that throughout Latin America trans people urgently need the approval of laws that validate their freedom.

<http://www.micro-rainbow.org/20131204/transphobia-and-poverty-a-statement-by-chi...>

Poverty and intersex people: a conversation with intersex activist Mani Mitchell

Micro Rainbow International (2013)

Interview with Mani Mitchell, an intersex human rights activist who founded ITANZ (Intersex Trust Aotearoa New Zealand) in 1996.

<http://www.micro-rainbow.org/20130930/poverty-and-intersex-people-a-conversation...>

Majorie Marchi: improving the lives of trans* people in Rio de Janeiro

Paoli Itaborahy, L.

Micro Rainbow International (2013)

This article is an interview with president of Micro Rainbow International partner ASTRA-Rio, the Association of Transvestites and Transsexuals of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Majorie Marchi has been an officer at the program Rio sem Homofobia since 2011, part of the government of the State of Rio de Janeiro.

<http://www.micro-rainbow.org/20130701/majorie-marchi-improving-the-lives-of-tran...>

Chilean transgender rights bill advances

Lavers, M.K.

Washington Blade (2014)

This article covers a bill that would allow transgender Chileans to legally change their name and sex without sex reassignment surgery which had advanced in the country's Senate.

<http://www.washingtonblade.com/2014/01/21/chilean-transgender-rights-bill-advanc...>

Africa needs gay rights like a naked man needs a hat

The Green Frog (2014)

This blog post argues that the west is using gay rights in a paternalistic way towards Africa - 'Perfect for a corrupt dictator to play the sovereignty card.' It argues that gay rights are not possible without basic human rights, 'otherwise you are building from the roof down.'

<https://igiceri.wordpress.com/2014/02/17/africa-needs-gay-rights-like-a-naked-ma...>

Ugandan "Scientific Statement on Homosexuality" Surfaces

Burroway, J.

Box Turtle Bulletin (2014)

This article coers the Ugandan Ministry of Health's 'Scientific Statement on Homosexuality' and a Uganda State House press release announcing President Yoweri Museveni's intention of giving his assent to the Anti-Homosexuality Bill. The article said that Museveni ordered a local team of doctors to report back to him on whether homosexuality was genetic.

<http://www.boxturtlebulletin.com/2014/02/15/62492>

Binyavanga and swinging from pathos to bathos: The follies of non-conformity

Nyairo, O.

Daily Nation (2014)

This article expresses concern about describes Binyavanga Wainaina's coming out as 'a narrative of epic proportions.' While it argues that his essay, 'I am a homosexual, Mum', is well written it says that 'everything that this essay does to provide knowledge, to cultivate compassion and to build tolerance, is all at once demolished' by a documentary 'We must free our imaginations' released by Wainaina's on YouTube.

<http://www.nation.co.ke/lifestyle/weekend/-/1220/2159216/-/bk9tigz/-/index.html>

We must free our imaginations – Binyavanga Wainaina

Opalo, K.O

An African Perspective (2014)

This article explores Joyce Nyairo of the Daily Nation's critique of Binyavanga Wainaina's short documentary. It argues that Nyairo has missed the point and that the documentary aims to to take conversation around homosexuality to the streets, and the homes of regular Kenyans.

<https://kenopalo.wordpress.com/2014/01/24/we-must-free-our-imaginations-binyavan...>

Africa's anti-gay laws are the playthings of Presidents intent on distraction

Akumu, P.

African Arguments (2014)

Patience Akumu argues that after importing homophobia into Africa through colonial laws, Africans cannot let the west impose on us a preoccupation with it at the expense of other violations.

<http://africanarguments.org/2014/01/27/africas-anti-gay-laws-are-the-playthings-...>

Will Binyavanga Wainaina change attitudes to gay Africans?

Chothia, F.

BBC (2014)

Has the coming out of internationally acclaimed Kenyan author Binyavanga Wainaina given Africa's gay rights movement a public face around which to rally support for equality?

<http://www.bbc.com/news/world-africa-25858397>

Over the rainbow: what is it like to be gay around the world?

Allen, P. and Jackson, N.

The Guardian (2013)

What's it like to be gay around the world in 2013? Men and women from across the globe talk about love, the law and coming out to their families.

<http://www.theguardian.com/world/interactive/2013/nov/15/gay-lesbian-around-worl...>

First lady of Zambia stuns the continent by calling for an end to homophobia

Esselink, J.A.

The New Rights Civil Movement (2013)

Homosexuality is a crime in Zambia but this article covers an unexpected event at a reception hosted by UNAIDS in Lasaka, Zambia's capitol. The First Lady Christine Kaseba-Sata called for an end to discrimination against sexual minorities.

<http://www.thenewcivilrightsmovement.com/first-lady-of-zambia-stuns-the-continen...>

My life as an out gay person in Russia

Gessen, M.

The Guardian (2013)

A writer who lives with her girlfriend and their three children in Russia explains what her life is like, particularly since Russia passed new laws banning 'homosexual propaganda'.

<http://www.theguardian.com/world/2013/nov/15/life-as-out-gay-russia>

Reports

Collective action for safe spaces by sexual minorities and sex workers

Praxis (2013) Collective action for safe spaces by sexual minorities and sex workers. New DelhiPraxis (2013)

The report is based on participatory research done with sexual minorities and sex workers. It includes case stories of good practices of community based organisations of female sex workers, transgender communities and men who have sex with men and their coping mechanisms to deal with crisis, denial of rights and stigma.

<http://www.participate2015.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/05/Voice-of-change-sex-wo...>

Building identity while managing disadvantage: Peruvian transgender issues

Campuzano, G.

Institute of Development Studies (IDS) (2008)

This paper draws on a two-year research project with transgendered people (travesti or travestis) in Lima that explored issues of identity considered important by many travestis in Latin America and on the socio-economic struggles that most face.

<http://www.ids.ac.uk/files/Wp310.pdf>

Diversity in Human Sexuality: Implications for Policy in Africa

Dugmore, H.

Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf) (2015)

The report highlights that contemporary science increasingly recognises the wide range of natural variation in human sexuality, sexual orientations and gender identities. It suggests that governments have a duty to consider scientific perspectives and draw on the most current scientific knowledge when creating policy and enacting laws.

<http://www.assaf.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/8-June-Diversity-in-human-sexu...>

Best practices for asking questions to identify transgender and other gender minority respondents on population-based surveys

J.L. Herman (ed)

The GenIUSS Group. (2014). Best Practices for Asking Questions to Identify Transgender and Other Gender Minority Respondents on Population-Based Surveys. J.L. Herman (Ed.). Los Angeles, CA: The Williams InstituteThe Williams Institute (2014)

This report assesses current practices in sex and gender-related population research and offers strategies for establishing consistent, scientifically rigorous procedures for gathering information relevant to the needs and experiences of transgender people and other gender minorities. The report recommends various measures and measurement approaches for identifying respondents as gender minorities in general population surveys.

<http://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/wp-content/uploads/geniuuss-report-sep-2014...>

A blueprint for equality: A federal agenda for transgender people

Harper Jean Tobin, H.J., Freedman-Gurspan, R. and Mottet, L.

National Center For Transgender Equality (2015)

This report argues that issues of economic justice and transgender equality are inseparable and that policy changes focused only on identities as trans people will not be enough to end disproportionate poverty among trans people.

http://www.transequality.org/sites/default/files/docs/resources/NCTE_Blueprint_J...

Rescue, and Real Love: Same-sex Desire in International Development

Gosine, A.

Institute of Development Studies (IDS) (2015)

- The most critical demand one can make of development actors engaged in pursuit of sexual rights at this juncture is for more complexity.
- All sexual desires are complex, unwieldy, messy and shifting.
- While the arrival of homosexual/queer/LGBT subjects in international development has offered up more categories of sexual identity, it has not begun to grapple with the messiness of desire itself.

This publication examines the rise of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer (LGBTIQ) rights within development and asks how the terms of debate have shifted.

<http://opendocs.ids.ac.uk/opendocs/bitstream/handle/123456789/5891/Resue%20and%2...>

Discrimination and violence against individuals based on their sexual orientation and gender identity

United Nations (2015)

Report of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights as an update to the report of the Office of the High Commission on violence and discrimination against individuals based on their sexual orientation and gender identity.

http://www.un.org/en/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/HRC/29/23&referer=/english/...

Strengthening support for LGBT adolescents

Plan UK and Plan Sweden (2015)

This policy report is part of a scoping exercise on why and how Plan International could strengthen its programme, advocacy and institutional support to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and questioning (LGBTIQ) adolescents. Many of the findings were found to have value for other organisations and institutions who are considering how to progress in relation to LGBTIQ adolescents.

http://www.plan-uk.org/assets/Documents/pdf/PLAN_UK_LGBT_Report.pdf

Sexual orientation and gender identity in development cooperation

Breinegaard, J. (Ed)

LGBT Denmark (2012)

This handbook covers the integration of LGBT perspectives in development cooperation projects and organisations.

http://spl.ids.ac.uk/sites/spl.ids.ac.uk/files/sexual_orientation_and_gender_ide...

The state of trans* and intersex organizing: A case for increased support for growing but under-funded movements for human rights

Eisfeld, J. Gunther, S. and Shlasko, D.

Eisfeld, J, Gunther, S and Shlasko, D. (2013) The State of Trans* and Intersex Organizing: A case for increased support for growing but under-funded movements for human rights. New York: Global Action for Trans* Equality and American Jewish World Service. Global Action for Trans* Equality (GATE) and American Jewish World Service (AJWS) (2014)

This report explores the funding of trans* and intersex groups and the challenges and obstacles experienced by these groups in accessing resources. It also highlights key differences in access to funding between groups that are led by trans* and intersex activists, and those that are not. The report highlights examples of successful trans* and intersex organizing efforts around the world and provides donors with knowledge, information and recommendations for effective support of trans* and intersex movements.

<http://beta.arcusfoundation.org.s3.amazonaws.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/Stat...>

Research Methods and Visualisation Tools for Online LGBT Communities

Oosterhoff, P.

Institute of Development Studies (IDS) (2014)

- Online research methods and tools are particularly interesting instruments for researchers and activists who work with LGBT communities.
- In countries where same-sex relations are criminal, such as in the Middle East and North Africa region, online communities can be the only way for LGBT people to relate to peers.
- Even in countries where access to social media and publishing on the internet is legally restricted, LGBT people have large online communities.

This methodology brief outlines the main steps and considerations for choosing research methods and data visualisation among LGBT individuals in resource-poor settings. Although this report focuses on LGBT, online data collection and data visualisation have broader relevance for thinktanks, whose targeted audiences increasingly function in complex digital

environments.

<http://opendocs.ids.ac.uk/opendocs/bitstream/123456789/4273/1/ER89+Research+Meth...>

Case Study: How Filipino LBTs Cope with Economic Disadvantage

GALANG Philippines, Inc

Institute of Development Studies (IDS) (2015)

- SOGIE rights should advocates challenge the 'victim' discourse in migration and highlight the impact of increased financial independence on the exercise of SOGIE rights.
- Policymakers, development actors and researchers investigate the links among SOGIE, labour and migration, and conduct further studies that can measure the impact of financial independence on the exercise of SOGIE rights
- The Philippine government should immediately enact an anti-discrimination law that covers workplace discrimination based on SOGIE, and penalises the imposition of genderconformity criteria such as uniforms, hair length, etc.

In this case study, feminist human rights organisation GALANG seeks to identify strategies in which Filipino lesbians, bisexual women and trans men (LBTs) cope with workplace discrimination and the severe lack of gainful employment opportunities in the country. Additionally, it examines the motivations, aspirations and personal lives of LBT Filipino migrant workers in Hong Kong.

http://opendocs.ids.ac.uk/opendocs/bitstream/123456789/5873/1/ER120_HowFilipinoL...,

http://opendocs.ids.ac.uk/opendocs/bitstream/123456789/5873/2/ERB120_Accompanyin...

Case Study: Sexuality, Poverty and Politics in Rwanda

Haste, P and Gatete, T.K.

Institute of Development Studies (IDS) (2015)

- Homosexuality has never been criminalised and sexual orientation has been designated a 'private matter' by government
- Civil society organisations have some freedom to work on LGBT issues as long as they are aligned with the government's agenda

This study explores Rwanda's relatively progressive position on LGBT-related issues and its implications for Rwandan civil society. It examines the strategies employed by national as well as international actors to advance LGBT rights and to address social and economic marginalisation.

http://opendocs.ids.ac.uk/opendocs/bitstream/123456789/6062/1/ER131_SexualityPov...,

http://opendocs.ids.ac.uk/opendocs/bitstream/123456789/6062/2/ERB131_Accompanyin...

Negotiating Public and Legal Spaces: The Emergence of an LGBT Movement in Vietnam

Oosterhoff, P, Hoang, T-A and Quach, T-T

Institute of Development Studies (2014)

- Over the past five years there has been a big increase in the public visibility of LGBT persons and civil society organisations. The first LGBT Pride event was held in 2012 in spite of legal restrictions on peaceful assembly.
- Laws regarding family and marriage are selectively enforced. While same-sex marriage is prohibited by law, some couples are able to hold unofficial wedding ceremonies without being fined.

In order to understand how LGBT civil society organisations can affect legal and social change with regard to the laws that regulate sexual norms and unions, this empirical study explores the following two examples of collective action in

Vietnam: 1. The mobilisation strategies of civil society organisations to hold gay pride events. 2. Collective action to legalise same-sex ceremonies and marriages.

<http://opendocs.ids.ac.uk/opendocs/bitstream/handle/123456789/4095/ER80%20Sex%20...>

Practical guides

Creating space. Common issues, lessons learnt and ways forward for people involved in the development of LGBTI organisations

Langen, B (ed.), W. Banks, J. Bruinsma, J. Cruz Diez Beltrán, G. Dütting, K. Kraan, W. Muguongo and H.M. Kinyili. Creating Space: Common issues, lessons learnt and ways forward for people involved in the development of LGBTI organisations. Langen, B (ed.), W. Banks, J. Bruinsma, J. Cruz Diez Beltrán, G. Dütting, K. Kraan, W. Muguongo and H.M. Kinyili. Amsterdam/Pretoria 2012. (2016)

'An inspirational publication on the development of LGBTI organisations' (LGBTnet)

<http://creatingspacelgbti.wikispaces.com/file/view/Creating%20Space%20%283Mb%29...>

UNESCO resources on homophobic bullying

(2016)

UNESCO list of practical guides and resources from other organisations worldwide working to address homophobic and transphobic bullying in schools.

<http://www.unesco.org/new/en/education/themes/leading-the-international-agenda/h...>

Protection manual for LGBTI defenders

Kirven, S., Eguren, E. and Caraj, M.

Protection International (2010)

This manual focuses on LGBTI defenders and aims at addressing not only the affect of wider societal value systems on defenders protection but also to address how the internalisation of these value systems and the consequences of them can often have detrimental effects on the defenders capacity to manage their own security.

http://protectioninternational.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/LGBTI_PMD_2nd_Ed_E...

Guidelines on the transposition of the Asylum Qualification Directive: protecting LGBTI asylum seekers

Tsourdi, E. Le Dérof, J (Ed)

ILGA Europe (2012)

In 2004, the European Union adopted a Directive setting out rules governing minimum standards on conditions under which refugee status is granted as part of the Common European Asylum System (CEAS). The purpose of these guidelines is to identify the relevant parts of the Directive for applicants for international protection persecuted because of their being lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans or intersex.

http://www.ilga-europe.org/sites/default/files/directive_transposition_web.pdf

Books

Negotiating sexual rights and sexual orientation at the UN

Parker, R., Petchesky, R., Sember, R. (Eds)

Sexuality Policy Watch (2004)

This book is a comparative study of the politics of sexuality, sexual health and sexual rights in eight countries and two global institutions.

<http://www.sxpolitics.org/frontlines/book/pdf/sexpolitics.pdf>

The epistemology of the closet

Sedgwick, E. K.

Harvester Wheatsheaf (1991)

This book argues that standard binary oppositions limit freedom and understanding, especially in the context of sexuality and that limiting sexuality to homosexuality or heterosexuality, in a structured binary opposition, is just too simplistic.

Black bull, ancestors and me: My life as a lesbian Sangoma

Nkabinde, N.

Fanele/Jacana Media (2008)

Conscious of her constitutional rights as an urban young lesbian in a time of a relentless spate of hate crimes against township lesbians, author Nkunzi is simultaneously sensitive to the demands of the guiding ancestral voice of the traditional, rural Zulu patriarch whose name she bears. Her quest is for a middle path of balance and integration between the living and the dead, the traditional and the modern.

<http://www.jacana.co.za/book-categories/fanele/black-bull-ancestors-and-me-detai...>

Gaga feminism: Sex, gender, and the end of normal

Halberstam, J.

Beacon Press (2012)

Using Lady Gaga as a symbol for a new kind of feminism, this book attempts to make sense of the cultural shifts that have transformed gender and sexual politics in the last few decades. It explores how these varied, symbolic ruptures open a critical space to embrace new ways of conceptualizing sex, love, and marriage.

<http://www.beacon.org/Gaga-Feminism-P932.aspx>

Female masculinity

Halberstam, J.

Duke University Press (1998)

This book takes on the protected status of male masculinity and shows that female masculinity has offered a distinct alternative to it for hundreds of years. It catalogs the diversity of gender expressions among masculine women from the 19th Century to contemporary times.

<https://www.dukeupress.edu/female-masculinity>

Out in Africa. LGBT organisation in Namibia and South Africa

Currier, A.

University of Minnesota Press (2012)

This book situates Namibian and South African LGBT organisations and movements in relation to developments in pan-African LGBT organising. It offers insights into visibility as a social movement strategy.

<https://www.upress.umn.edu/book-division/books/out-in-africa>

Rupture or continuity: the internationalization of gay identities

Altman, D

Altman, D. (2001). Rupture or continuity: the internationalization of gay identities. In Hawley, J.C. ed. Albany: State University of New York Press/State University of New York Press (2001)

This chapter is from a collection of essays addressing the possible ramifications arising from the globalisation of western notions of gay and lesbian identities. It examines postcolonial literature, economics, and psychology from a 'queer' perspective.

Christian role models for LGBT equality

Cooper, R. and Dorey, K. O'Connor, J. and Cohen, R. (eds)
Stonewall (2015)

The book features the personal experiences of 20 Christians from across the world, including Eastern Africa, the Caribbean, Poland, the Pacific and South America. All believe that their faith is not incompatible with either being LGBT, or accepting LGBT people. The book is also available in [Spanish](#).

<http://www.stonewall.org.uk/sites/default/files/christian-role-models.pdf>

Articles

Rights and representations: Querying the male-to-male sexual subject in India

Boyce, P. and Khanna, A.

From Culture, Health and Sexuality 13.1: 89–100 Culture, Health and Sexuality (2011)

Same-sex sexualities in India have been portrayed in research and activism as socially marginal and minoritarian. Whilst proceeding from a commitment to the political utility of such a view, this paper questions such a standpoint.

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/20967647>

In the shadows of Stonewall: Examining gay transnational politics and the diasporic dilemma

Manalansan, M.

GLQ: A Journal of Lesbian and Gay Studies (1995) 2(4): 425-438 GLQ: A Journal of Lesbian and Gay Studies (1995)

<http://glq.dukejournals.org/content/2/4/425.citation>

Constituting the global gay: Issues of individual subjectivity and sexuality in Southern Africa

Phillips, O.

In Herman, D. and Stychin C. (Eds) (2000) Sexuality in the Legal Arena. (2000)

This chapter aims to focus on some of the conceptual patterns in law which have facilitated the increasingly fixed conception of sexuality as source of both repression and liberation.

<http://www.ids.ac.uk/files/dmfile/Globalgay.pdf>

Deconstructing the gay international: A content analysis of coverage of homosexuality in Arabic Satellite News

El-Khatib, Mohammed M.

Georgetown University, Washington D.C. (2011)

This study problematises post-colonial assumptions about contemporary sexual subjectivity as articulated through the 'Gay International', a term to describe the principles enshrined by Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered (LGBT) activists and others in their efforts to enforce Western constructions of homosexuality upon the Arab world.

<https://repository.library.georgetown.edu/bitstream/handle/10822/557954/ElKhatib...>

Beyond the binaries: Depolarizing the categories of sex, sexuality and gender

Lorber, J.

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This article argues that the sociologist's task should be to deconstruct the conventional categories of sex, sexuality, and gender and build new complex, cross-cutting constructs into research designs. There are revolutionary possibilities inherent in rethinking the categories of gender, sexuality, and physiological sex. Sociological data that challenge conventional knowledge by reframing the questions could provide legitimacy for new ways of thinking.

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Sociology (1998)

The article explores issues of cultural transformation and new possibilities of the self and identity through the prism of three significant social developments: the democratization of relationships; the emergence of new subjectivities; and the proliferation of new 'stories' about the body, the erotic and intimate life which both signal and encourage the growth of social and cultural capital, and in turn lead to new demands on the institutions of political life.

Another struggle: Sexual identity politics in unsettled Turkey

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Öktem, K., 2008. Another Struggle: Sexual Identity Politics in Unsettled Turkey. Middle East Research and Information Project. [online]. Middle East Research and Information Project (2008)

This article looks at the social and political dynamics of gender and sexual identity in Turkey and how that has changed and developed.

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Clips and documentaries

This is what LGBT life is like around the world

Chang, J. and Dazols, L.

TED Talks (2015)

[Video of This Is What LGBT Life Is Like Around the World | Jenni Chang and Lisa Dazols | TED Talks](#)

Jenni Chang and Lisa Dazols set off on a tour of 15 countries in search of 'Supergays,' LGBT people who were doing something extraordinary in the world.

What's it like to be intersex

AIS-DSD Support Group (2015)

[Video of What It's Like To Be Intersex](#)

This video features four intersex people talking about their experiences and offering guidance for others.

The welcome

UN Human Rights Free & Equal (2014)

[Video of lihVCIFamb0](#)

This controversial music video is the first ever Bollywood music video for gay rights. It features Bollywood actress and UN Equality Champion Celina Jaitley.

Getting out

SRLAN

[Video of "Getting Out" Part. 1](#)

Hour long documentary shot in Uganda, South Africa, Geneva and London, with supporting footage from Malawi and Zimbabwe. It explores the stories five LGBTI individuals seeking asylum from African countries where 'coming out' is not an option. [Watch part 2 here.](#)

Beyond bullying, marriage and military: Race, radicalism and queer politics

The University of Chicago (2011)

[Video of lbGITGoQGP8](#)

In this video Professor Cathy Cohen leads a discussion of the role of a more radical queer politics within and in parallel to more traditional LGBT political strategies.

Digital mapping and visualisation tools

The lesbian, gay and bisexual map of world laws: 2015

Sabbadini, R. and Valenza, A.

International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association (ILGA) (2015)

These laws are aimed at lesbians, gay men and bisexuals and at same-sex activities and relationships. At times, they also apply to trans and intersex people.

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