UNC Men's Project

The UNC Men’s Project is an initiative that seeks to increase male-identified students’ involvement in gender equity and violence prevention efforts. Started in 2013, the program creates opportunities for all Carolina students to imagine and promote a world without sexism, heterosexism, racism, ableism, and other forms of oppression and to shift the culture of masculinity towards non-violent norms.

The UNC Men’s Project is a designated High Impact Practice in Student Affairs, and is co-sponsored and supported by Student Wellness and the Carolina Women’s Center.

Get involved. Apply to Join the 10-Week Cohort Program
Each semester the UNC Men's Project leads a 10-week program in which undergraduate and graduate students are invited to join a cohort of participants that will: (1) explore a spectrum of masculinities; (2) examine how masculinity is connected to violence, oppression, and privilege; (3) introduce the tools and knowledge to become peer allies, leaders, and educators in violence prevention and gender equity efforts at UNC. Contact us [1] for more information.
Attend a Monthly Campus Coffee Conversation
Throughout the academic year, the UNC Men’s Project in collaboration with the Carolina Women’s Center hosts a monthly dialogue series called Campus Coffee Conversations. These events are dedicated to fostering informative, insightful and engaging discussions about gender equity and violence prevention. Conversations are open to the entire campus community. Check out our social media pages for more information about upcoming events.

Request a Masculinity 101 Workshop
The UNC Men’s Project offers a 75-minute peer-led workshop session that explores masculinity in our culture. Through activities and facilitated discussions, participants will: 1) reflect on the major traits of dominant masculinity in our culture; 2) recognize some of the ways masculinity impacts our lives at UNC; and 3) consider the role that violence plays in the performance of masculinity.

Student organizations, athletic teams, and members of Carolina’s Greek community are especially encouraged to request this new workshop for their members.

Contact Us [2] to schedule a workshop session.

Support Affiliated Campus and Community Events
The UNC Men's Project works year-round with a variety of campus and community partners to support ongoing efforts focused on violence prevention and gender equity at UNC Chapel Hill. Together these groups hold meetings, workshops, events, and discussion groups to provide a space for students, both from our training program and the general student body, to continue their process of learning, listening, reflecting, and working together to make UNC a safer and more equitable community.

Connect Online
Follow us on Facebook [3] to learn about upcoming opportunities! We are also on Twitter [4] and YouTube [5].
Questions? Concerns? Contact Us [2].

What questions does the UNC Men’s Project explore?

- How does masculinity serve as a beneficial and/or harmful influence in our lives? How does it affect our relationships with other men, with women and with people of all gender expressions?
- How has the concept of masculinity contributed to the perpetration of violence in our society? Men commit the vast majority of violence, yet the vast majority of men neither commit nor condone violence. And many men and boys are subjected to some form of violence at the hands of other men. How do we confront this issue?
- In short, how do we create spaces for men to talk honestly with other men and to
enact healthier, more positive identities?

These are the questions the UNC Men's Project seeks to answer.

**UNC Men's Project Advisory Group**
The UNC Men's Project Advisory Group is a collection of students, faculty, staff, and community members with distinguished experience in the violence prevention and gender equity fields. This group provides guidance, expertise, and support for the program on campus and in the local community.

- Aaron Bachenheimer, Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life & Community Involvement
- Dean Blackburn, Student Wellness
- Karen M. Booth, Department of Women's and Gender Studies
- Christi Hurt, Office of the Vice Chancellor
- Sherryl Kleinman, Department of Sociology
- Brian Lackman, Carolina Union
- Cricket Lane, Carolina Athletics
- Austin Mueller, Office of the Chancellor
- **, Black Student Movement
- Josmell Pérez, Carolina Latinx Collaborative, Office of Diversity & Multicultural Affairs
- Bob Pleasants, UNC Learning Center
- Sara Skavroneck, School of Medicine
- Rachel Valentine, Orange County Rape Crisis Center

Special thanks to our previous Advisory Group members:

- Angel Collie, LGBTQ Center (2015-2016)
- Chris Faison, Center for Student Success and Academic Counseling (2014-2017)
- Darius Latham, Black Student Movement (2014-2015)
- Tony Patterson, Carolina Union (2013)

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**Links**
[1] https://studentwellness.unc.edu/node/542
[5] https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFl8SIMUXcTsTH7HcMlhgjw