

# Gender Based Violence Consortium

*March 2022*

## RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY

### *Gender-Based Violence*

Students may participate in the following types of research:  
conducting interviews, focus groups,  
surveys, recruiting participants,  
literature review, data analysis.

The GBVC's vision is to increase public recognition of and deepen public knowledge about this type of violence through research innovation and collaboration, creation of research communities, and enhanced educational efforts.

Dr. Fukushima invites undergraduate researchers who are interested in gender-based violence issues (domestic violence, sexual violence, human trafficking, stalking, colonial violence, or racialized sexuality) to connect to learn how you might be involved in research.

[More information](#)

# Resources



Professor Leslie Francis recently received the Linda K. Amos Award for Distinguished Service to Women. This award recognizes individuals who have selflessly given time and energy to improve the educational and working environment for women at The University of Utah.

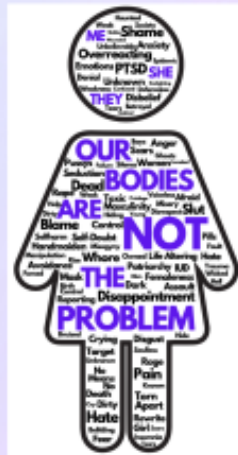
"In her over forty years as a faculty member at the U, Dr. Francis has worked tirelessly to advance the situation of women faculty, students, and staff. She has been a role model for many and has pioneered important new initiatives."

Read more about this prestigious award here:

[Click here](#)

# Research

**Do you identify as a woman? Have you experienced gender based violence, discrimination, or harassment?**




## WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU



**f #OurBodiesAreNotTheProblem**



 **#our\_bodies\_are\_not\_the\_problem**

**IRB #1017**

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# Women's Health In Focus at NIH

## WOMEN'S HEALTH *In Focus* AT NIH

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### Transgender Women's Health



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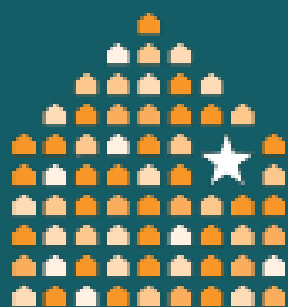
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# **Domestic Violence Counts Report**



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## 16<sup>th</sup> Annual **Domestic Violence Counts Report**

NATIONAL NETWORK TO END DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



**24-HOUR SURVEY**  
of Domestic Violence  
Shelters and Services

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# **Menstrual Cycle Changes in Daily Sexual Motivation and Behavior Among Sexually Diverse Cisgender Women**

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## ORIGINAL PAPER



## **Menstrual Cycle Changes in Daily Sexual Motivation and Behavior Among Sexually Diverse Cisgender Women**

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### **Abstract**

We used a one-month daily diary assessment to measure menstrual cycle-related changes in same-gender and other-gender sexual motivation and behavior in 148 cisgender women (32% lesbian-identified, 35% bisexually identified, and 33% heterosexual-identified). Women with exclusive same-gender orientations reported increased motivation for same-gender sexual contact during the higher-fertility phase of the cycle, but women with exclusive other-gender orientations did not show a parallel increase in other-gender sexual motivation during the higher-fertility phase. Bisexually attracted women showed no phase-related changes in same-gender or other-gender sexual motivation, regardless of whether they generally preferred one gender versus the other. Rates of partnered sexual contact did not increase during the higher-fertility phase. During the 14 midcycle days during which we assayed salivary estrogen and testosterone, we found no significant associations between daily hormones and sexual motivation. However, daily estrogen levels were positively related to sexual behavior among women currently partnered with women, and negatively related to sexual behavior among women currently partnered with men. Our results suggest that traditional evolutionary models of menstrual cycle-related changes in sexual motivation do not adequately reflect the full range of cycle-related changes observed among sexually diverse women.

**Keywords** Sexual orientation · Ovulation · Mate preferences · Evolution · Sexual behavior · Sexual motivation

### **Introduction**

Extensive research has examined menstrual-cycle variation in cisgender women's sexual motivation and behavior, seeking to test various evolutionary theories regarding the functional significance of such variation. The "estrus" model posits that increased sexual motivation around the time of ovulation enhances reproductive success by ensuring that women are motivated to pursue sexual activity when such activity is most likely to produce offspring (Gangestad et al., 2007; Pillsworth & Haselton, 2006). Yet the "extended sexuality" model posits that women should be particularly motivated to engage in sexual activity during non-fertile phases of the cycle (such as the luteal phase), because non-reproductive sexual activity may foster pairbonding and hence secure a partner's future investment in any potential offspring (Grebe et al., 2013). Other theories have posited cycle-related

changes in preferences for specific types of sexual partners (for a review, see Jones et al., 2019). For example, the dual-mating strategy hypothesis proposes that (heterosexual) women show a stronger preference for cues of a partner's "fitness" (such as facial symmetry, facial masculinity, body masculinity, and scents associated with either symmetry or masculinity) around ovulation, and that such shifts augment reproductive success by motivating women to pursue "genetically fit" sexual partners. During non-ovulatory phases of the cycle, the dual-mating hypothesis posits that women show stronger preferences for cues of a partner's prosocial inclination rather than their genetic fitness, because non-reproductive sexual activity with such partners may foster investment and pairbonding (Gildersleeve et al., 2014). This emphasis on the adaptive value of non-reproductive sexual behavior mirrors the "extended sexuality" model, but the "dual-mating" hypothesis is unique in that it posits cycle-related shifts in the types of sexual partners that women seek, rather than sexual motivation more generally. Of course, none of these hypotheses posit conscious, strategic changes in sexual desire/behavior according to one's cycle phase. Rather,

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# Events

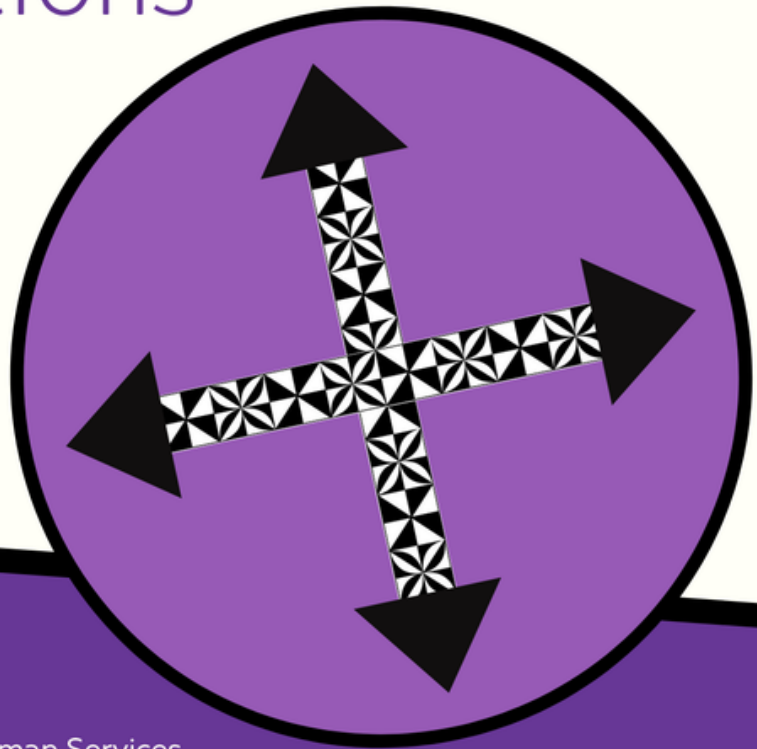
## The 9th Annual National Pacific Island Violence Prevention Conference

9TH ANNUAL NATIONAL PACIFIC ISLAND VIOLENCE PREVENTION CONFERENCE



### Confronting Domestic Violence from the Intersections

A 3 day virtual (and limited in-person) conference for service providers and practitioners who serve Pacific Islander, and other minoritized, communities to expand and enhance their cultural understanding, strengthen existing skills, and gain new tools to better serve these communities. CEU's available.



April 7-9, 2022



Utah Department of Human Services  
195 North 1950 West  
Salt Lake City, UT 84116



Register at [pivpc2022.eventbrite.com](https://pivpc2022.eventbrite.com)  
(Scholarships available)

We are still accepting presenters.  
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**#StoptheViolenceUtah**



**stop the violence.**

# ADVOCATE FOR CHANGE

THIS IS HOW WE #STOPTHEVIOLENCEUTAH



**stop the violence.**

Empower survivors, support providers, and call for change in our communities, by participating in the various sexual assault awareness events.

[Learn more](#)



# Take Back The Night



Help raise awareness of and speak out against sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual abuse and all other forms of sexual violence.

Date: April 1, 2022

Time: 6 PM - 9PM

[Register here](#)

**#StartbyBelieving**

APRIL 6, 2022

# START BY BELIEVING DAY

Connecting with Communities

*Save the Date*

**stop the violence.**

[More information](#)

# Heels to Heal Walk by PIK2AR – St. George



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Join the St. George chapter of K.A.V.A. Talks for the 3rd Annual Heels 2 Heal 1 Mile Walk in high heels for Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

[Register here](#)



# Denim Day 2022

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*DENIM DAY IS HAPPENING  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27*

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Denim Day Press Conference at 10 AM, April 27th, south side steps of the Capitol. We will start off with a Land acknowledgment by RAW, followed by a lineup of speakers talking about supporting survivors of sexual assault and primary prevention.

Wear your denim and come support our community.

[More information](#)

# Sexual Assault Awareness Conference



## 2022 SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS CONFERENCE

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*This year's conference will include an incredible lineup of speakers covering a wide range of important topics in the world of sexual assault. Our speakers come from wonderful organizations including: No More Victims, Rape Recovery Center, and Dahlia's Hope!*

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Davis Conference Center



April 20, 2022



8:30AM - 4:30PM



Safe Harbor  
Offering hope. Ending the silence.



**stop the violence.**

**[Register here](#)**



# Respect Night with the Utah Warriors



Safe Harbor has partnered with the Utah Warriors to put on a night during SAAM to raise awareness about the importance of healthy relationships!

Date: April 23, 2022

Time: 8 PM

[Register here](#)



# Survivors of Violence Art Showcase

## CALL FOR ARTWORK

4th Annual Survivors of Violence Art Show

**Saturday, April 30, 2022  
at the Bountiful Davis Arts Center**

For more information or to submit artwork

Please contact

**Whitney Bassett**

**385-515-4050**

**[whitneybassett@safeharborhope.org](mailto:whitneybassett@safeharborhope.org)**



**All Submissions must be received  
by April 15th, 2022**

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