

# Dykes To Watch Out For

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# UVM GLBA Implements Education Blitz

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The fall 1991 semester proved to be extremely successful for the University of Vermont Gay, Lesbian Bisexual Alliance (GLBA). The GLBA, 25 members strong, educated approximately 700 undergraduate students about many of the issues concerning gay, lesbian and bisexual people.

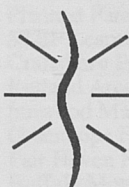
Most of the educational sessions were panel discussions led by one or more GLBA members. Students in *Human Sexuality* and *Race and Culture* classes at UVM were able to seek answers for the questions they had regarding gay men, lesbians and bisexuals. In many cases this was the first time students had knowingly talked to anyone who was "out." Many of the panels were small discussion groups consisting of seven to ten people. This enabled the group to get to know a gay, lesbian, bisexual person in a small comfortable setting.

GLBA members were excited to facilitate a panel for the UVM fraternity Acacia, which two years ago received a great deal of negative publicity for refusing to admit an openly gay pledge. The fraternity president, Lance Waterman, approached GLBA and asked for a representative to speak to Acacia's members and current pledge class. He is to be commended for his courageous efforts to combat homophobia and increase tolerance in the UVM community.

GLBA members also held panels at Trinity College and Green Mountain College.

The GLBA needs your support to fulfill the many requests for panel discussions. If you wish to get involved or would like more information about GLBA, call 656-0699. ▼





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