

Ally Week 2012 April 16-20, 2012

Brief description of program:

The objective of Ally Week is to acknowledge the efforts of Allies of the LGBTQA community and to bring about awareness of anti-gay bullying and discrimination individuals from this community experience on a daily basis. This year's event focused on bullying. Events evaluated were events featuring Jamie Nabozny a current anti-bullying activist and advocate for safer school environments especially for LGBTQA students.

Desired Outcomes:

- Increased awareness of LGBTQA bullying.
- People's understanding of what bullying is.
- Increased awareness of Jamie Nabozny's case and the legal aspects of bullying.
- Increased awareness of what is occurring in local schools and the university to minimize bullying.
- To bring awareness about bullying to the community of Salt Lake City.

Who was asked to complete survey: All students, staff, faculty and community members who attended the events.

Number of responses for each event:

- Outlaws Event: Documentary and discussion with Jamie Nabozny (April 16): 56 (actual number of attendees: 70)
- Community Event: Bullied and panel with Jamie Nabozny (April 16): 44 (actual number on attendees: 65)
- Keynote speaker: Jamie Nabozny (April 18): 50 (actual number on attendees: 68)
- Hinckley Forum: "Bullying" (April 18): 52 (actual number on attendees: 85)

Administration Type: paper completion with data entry into Campus Labs

Summary of Key Findings:

Outlaws (U of U School of Law) Event (April 16): 56 respondents

- 48.21% strongly agreed this event increased their understanding of the topic.
- 67.86% strongly agreed the event to be useful and informative.
- 75.00% felt the program was relevant to current LGBTQA issues.
- This event was attended by students 72.73%, staff 12.73%, and Faculty 1.82%, and community members 9.09%.

Community Event at SLC Downtown Library: Documentary Bullied and Panel discussion (April 16): 44 Respondents

- 67.44% strongly agreed this event increased their understanding of the topic.
- 86.05% strongly agreed this event to be useful and informative.
- 86.05% strongly agreed the program was relevant to current LGBTQA issues.
- This event was attended by students 32.56%, community members 58.14%, staff 4.65%, and faculty 2.33%.

Keynote Speaker: Jamie Nabozny (April 18): 50 Respondents

- 69.39% strongly agreed this event increased their understanding of the topic.
- 83.67% strongly agreed this event to be useful and informative.
- 83.67% strongly agreed the program was relevant to current LGBTQA issues.
- This event was attended by students 34.00%, staff 50.00%, faculty 8.00%, community members 6.00%

Hinckley Forum: “Bullying” (April 18): 52 Respondents

- 76.92% strongly agreed this event increased their understanding of the topic.
- 88.24% strongly agreed this event to be useful and informative.
- 79.59% felt the program was relevant to current LGBTQA issues.
- This event was attended by students 84.31%, staff 5.88%, faculty 7.84%, and community members 1.96%.

The numbers of individuals counted at these events were higher than those who completed the surveys. Our goal to find a system that can help ensure that all attendees complete survey.

Actions Taken:

The actions that will be taken next year are:

1. More advertising of the week’s events
2. Better use of the survey process and making sure all participants fill them out.
3. Continue to look at bringing in relevant speakers for Ally Week.

Which department and/or program goals does this survey align with?

This survey is in alignment with Student Affairs Department and the Equity and Diversity Department.

Which Student Affairs goals does this program align with?

1. Develop students as a whole through the cultivation and enrichment of the body, mind and spirit.
2. Provide education that ensures all staff is properly trained to provide professional and competent service.
3. Promote diversity on campus through effective programming and active recruitment of staff and students