

Because diversity is essential — TH Wildau celebrates Pride Month

TH Wildau also celebrates gender and sexual diversity with the queer community and stands in solidarity with all queer members of the university! The recently founded Diversity and Inclusion Working Group (AG Diversität und Inklusion) also anchors this support in our university policy work.

However, Pride Month commemorates historical events that initially were no cause for celebration: On June 28, 1969, clashes broke out in the gay bar Stonewall Inn in New York between the bar visitors and the police, who had previously repeatedly carried out violent raids and sued people for "indecent behavior". The resistance, led in particular by Black trans people, lasted for several days and laid the groundwork for a new political activism in the LGBTIQ+ community. Today in June we remember the Stonewall riots and the brave individuals who defended their rights at great personal risk. At Pride parades, people demonstrate for gender and sexual autonomy and celebrate diversity.

At the TH Wildau, diversity is an indispensable value. Queer students and employees enrich our university culture every day and achieve great things in research and teaching. They can continue to feel welcome and safe at the university in the future, because diversity is to play an important role in the strategic orientation in the coming years - said the current President Prof. Ulrike Tippe at the application presentation for a second term on May 30, 2023.

Commitment and support

On the occasion of Pride Month, the university is launching an Instagram campaign on diversity. You can expect exciting information about the history of the Pride movement and insights into diversity at our university. Likewise, we will feature individuals who have made history in the subjects of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) - and were part of the LGBTIQ+ community. So it's worth visiting our Instagram account!

Diversity and Inclusion Working Group (AG Diversität und Inklusion)

The working group meets once a month and is open to all interested parties. Anyone who would like to get involved is welcome to do so and can get in touch with the group via the website or the email address diversity@th-wildau.de.