The Committee on the Status of LGBTQ+ Individuals in the Economics Profession (CSQIEP) was established by the American Economic Association in 2019 (following three years of support of a related Ad Hoc Working Group on LGBTQ+ Economics) to address issues facing LGBTQ+ economists.

The Committee supports the AEA by offering recommendations on Best Practices concerning sexual orientation and gender identity issues in economics, supports LGBTQ+ economists through a variety of professional development and mentoring opportunities, and works in tandem with CSMGEP, CSWE, and related AEA committees to advance equity, inclusion, and diversity throughout the economics profession.

CSQIEP Programs

- Pink Papers at the AEA Annual Meeting
- Outstanding Paper Award
- Mentoring Program
- Virtual Seminar Series
- LGBTQ+ Newsletter

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Pink Papers at the AEA Annual Meeting

CSQIEP commissions two “Pink Papers” sessions every year at the AEA annual meeting: one featuring economics research on LGBTQ+ populations and one featuring LGBTQ+ identified economists presenting their new research (fields rotate each year).

Annual Award for Outstanding Research Paper in LGBTQ+ Economics

The committee accepts nominations of recently published or forthcoming research papers with relevance to or about LGBTQ+ populations.

Mentoring Program

CSQIEP matches LGBTQ+ identified economics PhD students and early career PhD economists (e.g., Assistant Professors) with senior LGBTQ+ identified economists for virtual mentoring throughout the year on topics such as navigating issues of identity and coming out in one’s graduate program/workplace, publishing LGBTQ+-related economics research, work/life balance, and related issues. New mentees and mentors are accepted on a rolling basis.

Virtual Seminar Series

CSQIEP member Mike Martell hosts a weekly Economics of LGBTQ+ Individuals Virtual Seminar that regularly draws 25–60 attendees.

Maynard’s Notes

CSQIEP regularly publishes Maynard’s Notes, a newsletter highlighting LGBTQ+ economists and LGBTQ+ economics research. It includes research summaries, announcements of LGBTQ+-related economics events, interviews with LGBTQ+ economists, photos from our events, and news items of interest to our community.

Additional Activities

The committee maintains a Google Group with announcements about events and research relevant to LGBTQ+ economists and allies and those who study LGBTQ+ people, as well as a list of data sets with information on LGBTQ+ people for students and researchers, and an opt-in list of LGBTQ+ identified economists who are available as seminar speakers.

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