The ALLY@UNSW Network is a lighthouse program that aims to ensure UNSW is a safe and welcoming place for all LGBTIQ+ students and staff. The training program aims to make UNSW a great place for everybody by reducing barriers of fear and ignorance that lead to prejudice and discrimination.

The Network is a group of trained students and staff who are allies to the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer (LGBTIQ+) community at UNSW.

Allies are not expected to be experts on diverse sexualities, sexes and genders. Their role is to create a visible presence, take a proactive stance and cultivate an inclusive culture on campus.

Wherever you see the ALLY logo, you will know you have found a trained, supportive member of staff who is able offer confidential referral to appropriate services for LGBTIQ+ students and staff.

Allies are trusted, safe, confidential contacts who pledge a commitment to learning, recommending areas for improvement at UNSW, and encourage LGBTIQ+ voices – sharing articles, posting on social media and engaging local areas to celebrate and recognise Days of Significance like Mardi Gras, IDAHOBIT and Wear It Purple Day.

All staff and students are welcome to participate and stand together as allies, including those who identify in LGBTIQ+ communities and those who do not.

Training is free, optional and open to all current students and staff who wish to broaden their knowledge of and support