

# JUNE is Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBT) Pride Observance Month

On June 2, 2000, President Bill Clinton declared June "Gay and Lesbian Pride Month." The month was chosen to remember the 1969 Stonewall riots in Manhattan, NY. Patrons of a gay bar, Stonewall Inn, fought back against a police raid, sparking three days of riots. It is considered to be the start of the gay liberation movement in the U.S. On May 31, 2011, President Barack Obama declared June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month.

## NOGLSTP - Science and Engineering with PRIDE

### Q: Who and what is NOGLSTP?

A: The National Organization of Gay and Lesbian Scientists and Technical Professionals, NOGLSTP, is a membership-based professional society of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people — and their allies — employed or interested in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics fields. NOGLSTP educates people on LGBT issues in science and the technical workplace, and fosters mentoring and networking among its members. NOGLSTP was originally an organization called National Organization of Lesbian and Gay Scientists (NOLGS), born in January 1980 from a workshop at an American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) meeting to address issues of homophobia in the scientific workplace.

To learn more about this organization, please visit their website at: [www.noglstp.org](http://www.noglstp.org).

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Koizumi is a member of NOGLSTP and was a keynote speaker at the NOGLSTP *Out to Innovate* on October 9, 2010, at the University of Southern California. *Out to Innovate* is a one day career summit for LGBT students, faculty and professionals in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.