



## **Sexual Orientation, Gender, and Anti-Homophobia**

The Northern Canadian Centre for Research in Education & the Arts (NORCCREA) is pleased to announce a presentation on sexual orientation, forging safer learning environments, and anti-homophobia in the field of education on **Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in R308**. Digital and hard copy resources will be available.

In this presentation, the needs, safety, and respect of all students are addressed within the context of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century school environment. Topics of discussion will surround sexual orientation, gender issues, and facts and myths about anti-homophobia education. This will include perspectives on the negative impact of sexual-orientation-based discrimination in schools, and practical strategies to reverse this effect. Policies, guidelines, and practices from Northern Ontario school boards will be discussed.



**Pia Berger**, a teacher candidate from Nipissing University, holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Classics from Queen's University. She is from Toronto, ON. Has a passion for language and words.



**Brittany Herrington**, a teacher candidate from Nipissing University, holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English also from Nipissing University. She is from Creemore, ON and enjoys cycling and creative writing.



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