General Celebration Questions

What is Lavender Celebration (LC)?
LC is the College of Charleston’s LGBT annual graduation ceremony for LGBTQQAIP undergraduate and graduate/professional students as well as their supportive allies. Similar to CofC’s Nia Rite of Passage, LCC honors students from within our LGBTQQAIP and Ally community to commemorate their contributions to the community.

When is LC?
LC is scheduled prior to CofC graduation as part of the graduation celebration week of activities.

Who will be at LC?
LC has a keynote speaker who shares advice, words of wisdom as well as their own life experiences with graduates. Every year we have a special guest that presents an address to our LGBTQ & Ally graduating seniors. In addition, LGBTQQAIP and Ally Faculty and Staff members attend and students from the Gay Straight Alliance attend. Other community members from local LGBT organizations are invited. This is an open event, which means anyone from campus can attend.

What else happens at LC?
At LC, graduates are recognized and we recognize undergraduate and graduate student leaders with awards are announced along with active LGBTQQAIP and Ally Faculty and Staff members. At the end of the celebration, there is free food and refreshments for everyone.

How long is the program?
The actual LC program is no longer than an hour and a half. We have a small reception afterwards for networking.

Rainbow Scholarship: (Coming Soon)

Who coordinates LC?
SafeZone & GSA organizes a LC planning committee in October. It consists of representatives from the SafeZone, GSA and the LGBTQQAIP community. It also has graduate students, staff and faculty members. If you are interested in joining, please email michenerdg@cofc.edu.