LGBTQ Oral History Project

Introduction to LGBTQ Studies (Spring 2018)

Northern Kentucky University

Narrator: Eric Brose
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Date: 
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My interview was with Eric Brose. Eric has worked at NKU for 21 and a half years. Eris is originally from Europe but moved around a lot due to the fact of being a military kid. During his early life he didn’t really know much about the LGBTQ community because where he lived, he never had to address the issue nor was it something that was spoke of. Eric says his experience growing up and dealing with people at school wasn’t something that was too hard to deal with because not many people had much to say. Every now and then he would have to deal with questions from his other peers and a comment from a teacher but that’s about it. When Eric came out he had a very supportive family who didn’t really care about his sexuality and he was appreciative of that. Eric came out in College even though his first gay experience was in High school. While in college he experimented with both boys and girls but realized that girls wasn’t his thing. While at a party he was dating someone and he met his partner there who was dating someone else as well. Eric has no kids and wanted some but says by the time you’re 40 and you don’t have kids you missed your mark. He works at a high school in an upward bound program and considers some of the kids his own. A lot of times when the kids have issues they feel as if they can talk to Eric about their problems and he loves that. He is also very comfortable being an openly gay man at his jobs and feels no one cares but he also does believe that is why he didn’t get a promotion at NKU.