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Since coming to Gettysburg, Tiffany has been excited about the work that the College has already done to address issues of systemic injustice, like our gender neutral housing policy and the establishment of the Women’s and LGBTQ Resource Center. She wants to build on these achievements and increase awareness on campus about the Center. Tiffany would like students to know that she is here to advise and support them. She is particularly attuned to the concerns and needs of queer students of color on campus, since she identifies this way and can understand where they might be coming from.

Tiffany is also interested in creating an alumni network for students who identify as LGBTQ, so former and current students of Gettysburg College can connect with each other. She hopes to make Gettysburg a prime example of an inclusive environment by strengthening the resources for LGBTQ students on campus.

Tiffany’s goal through this journey is to empower people who may feel disempowered. She has landed her dream job, as a director of a Women’s and LGBTQ Resource Center, here at Gettysburg College. Tiffany is already demonstrating what it means to be fearless on our campus, and we are excited to welcome her here.
Stop by the Women's & LGBTQ Resource Center in Apple Hall to say hello!