

BEYOND 'THAT'S SO GAY'

Are you sick of hearing 'That's So Gay' and not knowing what to do?
Do you want a simple plan to challenge homophobia in your classroom?
Could you benefit from PD described as "the best I've had in years!"?

Beyond "That's so gay!": Challenging Homophobia in Australian Schools is an unashamed, blunt appraisal of challenging homophobia in contemporary educational settings. Because it emphasises that our connections with others will make the real difference, it will enable readers to move beyond doubt, fear and misinformation to ultimately take action.

Beyond "That's so gay!" demonstrates exactly what happens when teachers, students and parents discuss the emotionally charged topic of sexual diversity. How does a young gay atheist 'accidentally' and successfully pilot a challenging homophobia program in an all-boys Catholic school? What led to the Tasmanian Education Department's commitment to implementing that same program in all of its state schools?

Although this book may seem to be a specific tool for teachers, its exercises and applications can be, and have been, used well beyond the confines of the classroom.

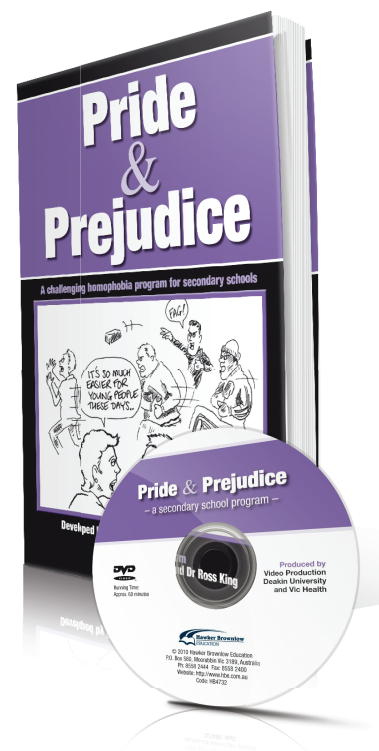
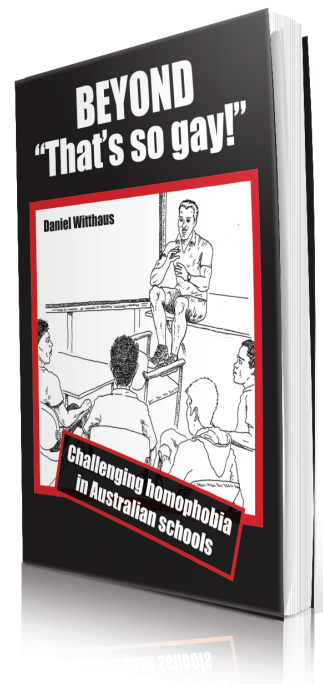
Pride & Prejudice is a school-based program designed to facilitate change in students' attitudes towards gay men and lesbians. The six-week program is interactive, engaging and challenging, giving students an avenue to discuss socially sensitive topics. This powerful combating homophobia resource provides practical strategies for classrooms, focusing on real examples of gay and lesbian people, meaningful conversation and interactive education.

The Pride & Prejudice program was designed to offer students the opportunity to ask questions and receive accurate, factual information from alternate viewpoints in a safe yet challenging environment. The specific aims of the program are to:

- explore students' understanding of social difference
- help students recognise how difference relates to prejudice and discrimination
- challenge students' thoughts on gender, gender-stereotypic behaviour and sexuality
- offer students an opportunity to address homophobia in their class and school

The companion DVD introduces students to gay and lesbian young people who talk openly about their real life experiences.

Formal evaluation by universities in Victoria and Tasmania conclude that, through **Pride & Prejudice**, students' attitudes towards gay men and lesbians changed significantly over six weeks.



About the Author

For over a decade Daniel Witthaus has challenged homophobia in Australian schools. He developed the **Pride & Prejudice** educational package and trains young people, teachers and health professionals. In 2006 Daniel joined the International Advisory Committee of the Global Alliance for LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender) Education. His recent work has included locations such as Indonesia, Thailand, Sri Lanka, Germany, Poland, the Netherlands and the United States. In 2010 Daniel's first book, *Beyond 'That's So Gay': Challenging Homophobia in Australian Schools* was released by Hawker Brownlow Education. Both *Beyond 'That's So Gay'* and *Pride & Prejudice* are available through Hawker Brownlow Education - www.hbe.com.au.



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Outline of workshop that will introduce:

A professional development opportunity for teachers and health professionals, particularly those working with young people. An ideal workshop for those who want to know how to interrupt and challenge the homophobia of those around them. Join challenging homophobia educator, Daniel Witthaus to learn practical strategies and frameworks for understanding sexual identity, coming out and challenging a variety of homophobic behaviours in young people and adults that can be used immediately.



1. The Pride & Prejudice Educational Package

A popular, teacher-friendly step-by-step guide to challenging homophobia and affirming sexual diversity in classrooms. Formally evaluated by Deakin University, *Pride & Prejudice* changes students' homophobic attitudes and behaviour towards gay men and lesbians in just six weeks.

2. Beyond 'That's So Gay': Challenging Homophobia in Australian Schools

A comprehensive, effective and fun guide to changing schoolyards and classrooms. The book demonstrates in entertaining detail exactly what happens when teachers, students and parents discuss the emotionally charged topic of sexual diversity.

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