LAMBDA asks ...

"How do you know you are a man or a woman?"

"I know I am a woman because being a woman means being confident and proud of who I am, despite the stereotypes that are out there. I know that my opinions about myself are the only ones that really matter. Knowing that, I take pride in saying that I love my mind and my body."

Sara Rose Mosh First Year from Greensboro





"Gender is a social construction. What it means to be a man is based on what society tells us ... it means to be a man."

Marcus White
First Year from Clinton

"Besides the biological aspects, the influences of popular culture and social standards are key elements that lead me to know I am a man. I know I am a man because of the social construction deemed as normal in our society."

Josh Jenkins First Year from Norlina



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"When I was born
there wasn't any
question as to what
sex I was, which set
the standard for my
gender expression.
I know I am a woman
because I identify
myself as a woman
and I choose to express my gender/sexual identity as such."

Lana Alexander
First Year from Denver