

The President's Commission

# on the Status of Women

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## Who We Are

Appointed representatives charged with supporting the lives of women within the Minnesota State Mankato community.

## Our Mission

We exist to improve the status of women at Minnesota State Mankato, which we will accomplish through our three purposes:

- To identify and define issues as they emerge and make recommendations to the University on how these issues should be addressed.
- To review progress on recommendations to improve the status of women within this community.
- To provide advice and guidance to the President as the University implements new policies and programs to improve the status of women at the University.

## What We Do

- Host an annual New Women Employee Reception
- Send representative to HERS Institute
- Honor Women of Courage and Vision
- Recognize Research Project of the Year
- Award research grants
- Express your concerns to administration

Give Today  
To the PCSW

The PCSW is currently working to help fund opportunities for classified professional development training. Help support women faculty and staff with a gift that will impact their growth in leadership.

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# Standing Committees

## Women of Courage and Vision Reception

The PCSW, along with the Women's Center, co-sponsors the Women of Courage and Vision Reception each Spring as a means of honoring women on the Minnesota State Mankato campus who have demonstrated courage and vision. Nominations are solicited via e-mail and online forms. Committee responsibilities include logistics, promotion, and program-development.

## HERS/Bryn Mawr

The HERS and Bryn Mawr are renowned leadership programs for women looking to experience professional development at a national level. Committee responsibilities include: promotion of the application process, application review, recommendation for nominee(s) to the President. The committee also reviews other leadership opportunities, as a means of offering more flexible professional development experiences.

## Foundation Account

This committee works with University Advancement to continue seeking outside funding support for PCSW initiatives such as funding opportunities for classified professional development training. Subcommittee members will establish the process for requesting funds, continue to solicit ideas on how to market the foundation account, and begin to develop the guidelines on how funds will be awarded.

## Research and Professional Development Funding

This committee recognizes individuals for their contributions to gender-related research via the Project of the Year awards. Three awards are given each year: 1 faculty/staff, 1 graduate, and 1 undergraduate. Each winner receives a \$350 award. PCSW also offers grants up to \$500 for students and employees to conduct research or to attend professional conferences concerned with the status of women and/or gender-related issues. The committee is responsible for award promotion, application review, and selection.

## Survey Development

This new committee will develop, create, distribute, and analyze results of a survey designed to gauge the status of women on campus. Once developed, the survey will be administered every 3 years to measure if the PCSW initiatives are addressing the current needs of women on campus.

## Women Supporting Women

This committee combines the goals of the former Mentor Match and Listening Panel projects. They work to provide women on campus with opportunities to serve as mentors, or locate mentors on campus. There are opportunities to hold programming events regarding women leadership, status of women on campus, and encourage women to have a safe environment to share challenges that they come across on campus.

Visit [www.mnsu.edu/csw/mentorlist.html](http://www.mnsu.edu/csw/mentorlist.html) for a list of current mentors.