

## Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Women's Consortium

The Women's Consortium of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education is the only state system organization devoted to identifying and serving the needs of women.

- The Consortium meets regularly with the Chancellor's office to identify, address, and monitor the concerns of women (students, faculty, staff) across the state system.
- The Consortium recommended the establishment of President's Commissions for Women at each of the state system universities to identify, address, and monitor the concerns of women at local campuses. The concerns of clerical staff are a current focus.
- The Consortium supports research revealing inequities experienced by women across the state system such as the Keetz report, "The Status of Female Faculty in PA-SSHE: An Historical Perspective, 1974-1989."
- The Consortium meets annually with APSCUF's Executive Council to identify, address, and monitor the concerns of women faculty across the state.
- The Consortium initiated and co-sponsors with Student Affairs offices the <u>Leadership Institute for Undergraduate Women</u> held at McKeever Environmental Center each summer.
- The Consortium offers an annual conference where women students, faculty, and staff present papers and workshops as well as gather to network about gender issues.
- The Consortium implemented Leadership Institutes for both undergraduate students and faculty women. The first ever Staff Leadership Institute occurred in Summer 2011.
- The Consortium offers an opportunity to act on behalf of women in the state system through your membership and possible participation on the Board of directors as an elected officer or campus contact.