



**Directory of Campus
and Community
Organizations for
Women**

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The Emily Taylor Women's Resource Center

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There are numerous opportunities to expand your skills and make a difference on campus. This guide contains a comprehensive list of student organizations, sororities, sports clubs, scholarship and residences halls as well as organizations that address issues affecting women in the Lawrence community. This is an excellent resource not only for those who are getting involved for the first time but also for those who have already established connections but want to expand their network. In addition to contact information and websites (when available), this directory also provides a brief description of many of these organizations. We hope that this is a valuable resource to your work in the KU and Lawrence community.

Have feedback? Want more information about our programs and services? Contact the ETWRC at etwrc@ku.edu or (785) 864-3552.

Congratulations for considering getting involved at KU!



Campus Organizations

AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The American Business Women's Association was established to help promote the advancement of women in business. The organization brings together students interested in business, although members may be from any major, and may be either male or female. The KU chapter of ABWA offers guest speakers, community service, group activities, and affiliation with the national ABWA organization. Membership in ABWA provides opportunities for personal growth, leadership, networking, education, and service.

National Dues: \$30 per year

KU Chapter Dues: \$10 per year

Must fill out both national and local application, and pay both dues in order to become a member.

Contact: <http://groups.ku.edu/~kuabwa/>

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

CSW is a student organization that works to promote the rights and accomplishments of men and women who work to create a society where people are not judged by their gender, but by their merits; this is done through a variety of events including panel discussions, movie showings, art walks, leadership conferences, etc.

Contact: <http://groups.ku.edu/~kucsw/home.htm>

FROM THE INSIDE OUT

From the Inside Out works on promoting positive body image and self-love on campus by giving interactive presentations to small groups and putting on a few campus-wide programs each year.

Contact: <http://www.freewebs.com/lhersh10/index.htm>

SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS

SWE concentrates on bringing together women (and men) engineers, on recruiting women into engineering, on holding fun events for our members and the students of the school of engineering, and on serving our community both at KU and beyond.

Contact: <http://swe.engr.ku.edu>

UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CLUB

The fourfold purpose of the Club is to help members appreciate the heritage of the University of Kansas through educational and volunteer endeavors which directly benefit the University; to foster friendships and develop personal interests by providing a variety of social interactions and service projects; to provide support, encouragement, and mentoring to women; and to provide scholarship aid to meritorious women currently enrolled at the University of Kansas.

Contact: <http://groups.ku.edu/~univwm/>

WOMEN IN DESIGN

To discuss issues both personal and professional of being a women designer.

Contact: womenindesign@ku.edu

WOMEN IN LAW

Women in Law is an organization that promotes leadership and active involvement through community service and social activities.

Contact: womeninlawku@gmail.com or <http://groups.ku.edu/~kuwil/>

WOMEN'S TRANSITIONAL CARE SERVICES, INC.

WTCS seeks to address the effects of domestic violence by providing a 24-hour crisis line, emergency shelter, community support groups, advocacy, community education, and referrals.

Contact: kswtcs@yahoo.com

EMILY TAYLOR WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER

The Emily Taylor Women's Resource Center provides information, resources, and assistance on women's and gender-related issues. Services and programs provided by the Center are focused on the needs of KU students. Information, consultation and resources are available to faculty, staff and community members by request.

Contact: *Kathy Rose Mockry* | (785) 864-3552 | etwrc@ku.edu



Panhellenic Sororities

The University Panhellenic Council is the governing body of the fourteen national NPC-affiliated sororities at The University of Kansas. This Council serves as a forum for the discussion of current issues facing college students and the Greek community.

Alpha Chi Omega

<http://www.alphachiomega.org/>

Alpha Delta Pi

<http://www.kualphadeltapi.com/>

Alpha Gamma Delta

<http://www.agdku.com/>

Chi Omega

<http://www.kuchiomega.com/>

Delta Delta Delta

<http://groups.ku.edu/~tridelta/frameset.html>

Delta Gamma

<http://www.kudeltagamma.com/>

Gamma Phi Beta

No Web site

Kappa Alpha Theta

<http://www.kutheta.com/>

Kappa Delta

<http://www.kansaskd.com/>

Kappa Kappa Gamma

<http://www.kukappa.org/>

Pi Beta Phi

<http://www.pibetaphi.org/pibetaphi/ku/>

Sigma Delta Tau

<http://groups.ku.edu/~sdt/>

Sigma Kappa

<http://www.kusigmakappa.com/>



The National Pan-Hellenic Council Sororities

NPHC serves as the programmatic coordinating agent, unifying, and policy implementing body for the 9 Historically African-American fraternities and sororities

Each organization has different membership requirements, but all require a minimum grade point average and an official transcript. The approval process for the applications varies from organization to organization, but all include alumni in the review and evaluation process. Please note that none of the NPHC organizations at KU allow undergraduates to join until they have completed at least one semester of school and have proven themselves academically. Some organizations require that one full year of academics be completed before they can begin to discuss the membership intake process for their organization. The intake process begins in the spring semester for some organizations and occurs in the fall for others.

<http://www.nphchq.org/home.htm>

Alpha Kappa Alpha

<http://www.aka1908.com/>

Contact: kuakas@hotmail.com

Sigma Lambda Gamma

<http://groups.ku.edu/~gammas97/>

Contact: slginterests@gmail.com

Zeta Phi Beta

<http://groups.ku.edu/~omegath/>

Contact: z.phib.omegatheta@gmail.com



KU Women's Club Sports

http://www.recreation.ku.edu/programs/sport_clubs/

KU Women's Club Soccer

To play competitive soccer, To meet new and interesting people, to travel to new and exciting places, and most importantly have fun while staying healthy and in shape!

KU Women's Club Volleyball

To provide a competitive atmosphere and allow students to meet others interested in volleyball.

Contact: <http://www.kuclubvball.com>

Women's Lacrosse Club

To play women's lacrosse. Help bond a group of student athletes through competition and practice.

Contact: <http://www.htosports.com/kulax>

KU Women's Rugby

We intend to teach our players the sport of rugby and provide them with the fitness, self-satisfaction, and companionship that come with involvement in physical activity.

Women's Ultimate Frisbee

The women's ultimate team promotes an understanding of the game of ultimate while including girls of all skill levels brought

together to have fun and exercise their physical abilities.

Contact: <http://groups.ku.edu/~ultimate>



Margaret Amini Scholarship Hall

Purpose: to provide a fun, safe and productive living environment, conducive to the education of its residents, and to help create a family between the 51 residents.

785-812-3423 | <http://www.ku.edu/~mash/>

Douthart Scholarship Hall

Provide and maintain a strong community-living environment through academic focus, social activities, educational programs, and mutual respect between residents.

785-812-1787 | <http://groups.ku.edu/~douthart>

Miller Scholarship Hall

Miller Scholarship Hall is a community of women dedicated to living cooperatively in a safe, supportive, comfortable environment. Founded by Elizabeth Miller Watkins in 1938, the hall was intended to provide affordable housing and to promote self-sufficiency and academic excellence in its residents. The women of Miller Hall commit themselves to maintaining high academic standards as well as to dedicating their time and talents for the betterment of the hall environment and the university community. Miller women have respect for diversity, but still strive to create a sense of unity amongst them. These women

carry with them a sense of strength, purpose and integrity that they will contribute to their future communities.

Women's Scholarship Halls (785) 812-1980 | <http://groups.ku.edu/~miller/website/home.html>

Rieger Scholarship Hall

The purpose of Rieger Scholarship Hall is to provide a living community where residents can prosper academically while learning how to contribute to the communal living arrangement.

(785) 812-3710 | <http://groups.ku.edu/~rieger>

Sellards Scholarship Hall

To provide affordable housing for women seeking a studious environment and a supportive social network.

(785) 812-1756 | <http://groups.ku.edu/~sellards>

Watkins Scholarship Hall

We are a scholarship hall. We are going to be actively involved in both the KU and Scholarship Hall communities. We want to be a registered organization in order to have help from KU for activities.

(785) 812-3138 | <http://groups.ku.edu/~watkins/>

GSP/Corbin Residence Hall

Although Corbin and GSP have separate mailing addresses, they are managed as a single complex. These buildings are joined and share a dining center, Academic Resource Center, and student kitchen. KU's first residence halls, they sit on a historic ridge near the site where the university's first building was built in 1866. GSP/Corbin Staff members provide an empowering and

supportive environment for women; and, work with offices such as the Emily Taylor Women's Resource Center and the Wellness Resource Center to provide educational programs that further support and develop the needs of the community. Floor plans are diverse and rooms have a variety of dimensions. Activities

include a "Women to Women" program, "Tradition Week", and self-defense seminars. The GSP/Corbin guest policy is more specific than other residence halls'.

GSP: 785-864-4884

Corbin: 785-864-4182

http://www.housing.ku.edu/residence_halls.shtml

Community Organizations



100 Good Women

One Hundred Good Women is a non-political and not-for-profit community of women and men embodying the spirit of altruism. We believe service creates strong community. We respond to community-based situations that we can help with on an as-needed basis. In a way, you could think of One Hundred Good Women as a group of neighbors helping neighbors.

Dues: \$10/year

Contact: info@100goodwomen.org

<http://www.100goodwomen.org>

American Association of University Women

AAUW promotes equity for all women and girls, lifelong education, and positive societal change. Membership is open to all college graduates. Must fill out application

Individual member-at-large \$60/year Student member-at-large \$17/year

Contact: connect@aauw.org

<http://www.aauw.org/index.cfm>

Beta Sigma Phi

Beta Sigma Phi International is a non-academic sorority with 200,000 members in chapters around the world. The sorority was founded for the social, cultural, and civic enrichment of its members. Our members raise more than \$3 million for local charities and donate over 200,000 volunteer hours in an

average year. Donations of approximately \$1 million have been made to medical research and treatment and to such institutions as homes for children.

<http://www.betasigmaphi.org/index.shtm>

Betty Washington chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution

The Betty Washington DAR chapter was formed, October 17, 1896, in Lawrence. Their mission is to promote historic preservation, education and patriotism. To become a member, women must prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution.

Dues: Chapter, state, and national dues apply

<http://kansasdardar.org/chapters/BettyWashington/>

Fairy Godmother Fund

Funding is available once a year, until the funds are gone, for women whose unusual needs are not met by another organization. There is no application needed. Women may refer themselves or be referred by someone else.

Contact: Erika Dvorske, United Way | 785-843-6626

GaDuGi SafeCenter

GaDuGi SafeCenter is committed to the movement to end sexual violence through victim-survivor advocacy and support, community awareness, and prevention education.

Contact: 785-843-8985

<http://www.gadugisafecenter.org/Home.html>

General Federation of Women's Clubs Lawrence Classics

The community benefits from the Lawrence Classics volunteer service and the projects they support. Personal development is shaped through the involvement in these volunteer programs as well as the monthly meetings.

Meetings: 5:30 PM second Monday of the month, Sept-May.
McDaniel & McDaniel Financial Services, 2500 W. 31st St. Suite B

Contact: Paula Johnson | 785-594-3578 | lpco@netks.net

Kaw Valley Older Women's League

This is the local chapter of a national grass-roots organization that focuses on issues unique to women as they age. OWL strives to improve the status and quality of life of mid-life and older women.

Dues: \$7

<http://www.owl-national.org/Chapters.html>

La Leche League of Lawrence

Founded in 1956, La Leche League is the only organization with the sole purpose of helping breast-feeding mothers. Meetings provide mother-to-mother support, opportunity to ask questions, research-based information and access to an extensive lending library. Accredited leaders are available by phone, free of charge. Membership provides additional benefits and helps to support their mission.

Meetings: 7 PM the second Tuesday of the month

Dues: \$40/year

<http://www.kansaslll.org/> or www.lalecheleague.org

Lawrence Women's Network

LWN gives women a chance to expand their knowledge about

business, become exposed to new ideas, and cultivate contacts for networking in the community. To be eligible for membership, a woman must be currently employed at least half-time in (or retired from) a professional or managerial position and be sponsored by an existing member. Visitors are welcome at any business or speaker meeting.

Dues: \$24/calendar year

<http://lawrencewomensnetwork.org/>

Martha and Mary's Way

A group for women focusing on spirituality and service. The mission is to expand our experience and understanding of God, ourselves and one another through reflection, interfaith dialogue, programming and support.

785-691-9985 | 785-594-2302

mnmway1@myvine.com

MOMS Club of Lawrence- North & South

MOMS Club is an international nonprofit organization that stands for Moms Offering Moms Support. Lawrence Chapters provide opportunities for stay-at-home moms and their children to engage in activities with other moms while providing a fun environment and interaction for children. Activities include playgrounds, field trips, MOMS Nights out, and more. They also raise funds for local organizations that help moms and kids.

www.momsclub.org or www.momsclublawrencenorth.org or

<http://www.freewebs.com/momsclubofsouthlawrenceks/>

Small World Educational & International Outreach

Small World promotes international understanding and goodwill by conducting classes to help international women learn or improve their English and sharing American customs.

Meetings: First Tuesday, Independence Inc., 2001 Haskell Ave.

Contact: Carla Young | 785-838-4846

Soroptimists

This group is a service organization for executive and professional women. Soroptimist International of the Americas clubs provides service to communities in 18 countries and territories. The clubs focus on six areas: economic and social development; education; environment; health; human rights/status of women; and international goodwill and understanding.

Dues: \$70/year

Contact: silawrence@soroptimist.net

<http://www.soroptimist.org>

Womanspirit Connection

Womanspirit Connection is an interfaith spiritual network for women. It provides a spiritual network designed to expand women's experiences of themselves and one another through reflection, support, programming, and interfaith dialogue.

Contact: 785-760-3791 |
womanspirit@womanspiritconnection.com

www.womanspiritconnection.com

Women League of Voters

We are a non-partisan, grassroots, volunteer and political organization. For 85 years, we have encouraged the informed and active participation of citizens in government and have influenced public policy through education and advocacy. As a non-partisan organization, the League of Women Voters does not support or oppose any candidate or political party.

League membership is open to all women and men of eligible

voting age.

Contact: league@sunflower.com

<http://www.lawrenceleague.com/>

National Organization for Women (NOW)

Kansas Chapter

NOW is the largest, most comprehensive feminist advocacy group in the United States. Our purpose is to take action to bring women into full participation in society — sharing equal rights, responsibilities and opportunities with men, while living free from discrimination. NOW is one of the few multi-issue organizations in the country, focusing on: Advancing Reproductive Freedom, Promoting Diversity & Ending Racism, Stopping Violence Against Women, Winning Lesbian Rights, Achieving Constitutional Equality, Ensuring Economic Justice. Kansas NOW has almost 1,000 members and supporters.

Contact: coordinator@ksnow.org

http://www.ksnow.org/KS_NOW/Welcome.html

Eleven Hundred Torches

We aim to promote advocacy, while fostering volunteerism and civic servitude. It is our hope to link advocates to causes and promote a robust network for inspiration, support and strength in numbers. We will offer opportunities to share updates, seek volunteers, and forge a strong civic network.

Contact: 1100torches@gmail.com

National Organization for Women (NOW)

Lawrence Chapter

Contact: jennysun@ku.edu

<http://www.ksnow.org>

Eleven Hundred Torches

Jana's Call for Action

The mission of Eleven Hundred Torches campaign is to encourage 1100 people to serve others. Inspired by the life of advocate and activist Jana Mackey, and motivated into action by her death, Eleven Hundred Torches was created to inspire other to make a difference in our world.

Contact: 1100torches@gmail.com

<http://www.1100torches.org>