



MISSION, VISION & GOALS

The Women's Center is committed to challenging and working to dismantle patriarchy, and other systems of oppression through collectively building a gender-equitable campus and greater community. Applying an intersectional and anti-racist feminist framework, we aim to enhance a sense of belonging and empowerment among women, femmes and gender non-conforming students, staff, and faculty.

The Women's Center is a place where ALL are welcomed to engage in achieving gender-equity and social justice.

In this spirit, we are committed to advocacy, education, empowerment, and action.

SIGNATURE PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES

Women's Empowerment Luncheon

The annual Women's Empowerment Luncheon, now in its 20th year, features a guest speaker on various topics to empower our attendees. Additionally, we recognized the winners of our awards & scholarships.

Kentucky Women's Book Festival

The annual Kentucky Women's Book Festival, now in its 17th year, features authors from a wide variety of genres. Over 100 Kentucky Women authors have presented at this annual event.

Human Trafficking Initiative

The annual Human Trafficking Awareness Conference raises awareness of human trafficking to educate students and the community about this complex issue and to encourage taking action to prevent it with expert speakers and workshops. We also facilitate human trafficking workshops throughout the year.

College Women's Leadership Conference

This conference aims to foster the discovery of purpose, inspire professional growth, and explore one's passions for leadership.

Women's History Month

Every March, the University of Louisville Women's Center hosts events to recognize and acknowledge Women and gender equity work. This includes a published Women's History Month calendar of events and International Women's Day.

Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in STEM

We celebrate and acknowledge women's contributions in STEM with expert speakers, a panel, discussions, and networking.

Unpacking Feminism

Unpacking Feminism discusses topics addressing relevant women issues to all UofL students while providing a safe space to talk.

Women's Equality Day

We celebrate and recognize Women earning the right to the vote and the continuing barriers.



STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS & INITIATIVES



American Association of University Women at UofL

American Association of University Women (AAUW) - UofL, the first and only AAUW student organization in Kentucky, prepares women to become leaders on campus and in the community and take action. The focus of this organization's programs are education & training, economic security, leadership, and governance & sustainability.

Members have professional development opportunities including attending AAUW's National Conference for College Women Student Leaders.



Student-Parent Association

A campus support group for student-parents helping to meet the challenges they face while they further their education. Our purpose is to promote the academic success of the university's student parents, offer support, services, and campus and community resources to student-parents who are pursuing a college degree., help student-parents learn to balance their personal, social, academic, and professional lives, and onnect student-parents on the University of Louisville campus with one another to build a community of belonging. The focus of this organization's programs is child enrichment, life skills, student-parent empowerment, and community.

Members have professional development opportunities including attending the National Student-Parent Support Symposium at Ohio State University.



United Nations Association - Women at UofL

The United Nations Association (UNA)-Women at UofL, the first and only UNA-Women Student Chapter in the Country, works to advance important and timely issues related to women and girls. They also advocate for UN programs that further women's rights and empowerment nationally and internationally.

Member have professional development opportunities including attending the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women in NYC and UNA-USA Leadership Summit in Washington, D.C.



Women 4 Women Student Board

This is a professional board that prepares its members to become leaders on campus and in the community. The focus of this board's programs is on health & safety, education & leadership, jobs & earnings, and social change.

Members have professional development opportunities including attending AAUW's National Conference for College Women Student Leaders.

Women Student Veterans Initiative

We provide a safe space for learning and friendship for military women on campus and in the community. This group, comprised of women student veterans from all branches of the military as well as Active Duty, Reserves or the National Guard, is designed to provide each other with a supportive community, network of friends and empowering each other to succeed in academics and beyond.

Feminist Social Justice Leadership Living Learning Community

The Feminist Social Justice Leadership LLC is comprised of students who participate in structured learning experiences. Members of this residential community take one Cardinal Core class together in the Department of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies and attend different workshops, lectures and activities hosted by WGST faculty and Women's Center staff throughout the year. Programming focuses on issues related to gender equity, social justice, feminism, and improving the status of women and LGBTQI+ individuals of all races, ethnicities, abilities, and class backgrounds.