

## **AWARD NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN FOR THE CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE AND ACHIEVEMENT AMONG WOMEN**

"Celebration of Excellence and Achievement Among Women," the University's annual tribute to the accomplishments of all women at the UI, will be held Wednesday, April 5, 3:00-5:00 p.m. in the IMU 2nd Floor Ballroom. A social begins at 3:00 p.m. followed by the awards program at 3:30 p.m. The program is free and open to the public.

There are a number of awards presented at the event each year. The planning committee, along with the award selection committees, would appreciate you sharing the following information with your faculty, staff, and students to ensure the awards and the event are well publicized. This is a great opportunity for individuals to be recognized for their achievements. Links to all award and scholarship applications are included on the Celebration website at <https://uiowa.edu/celebrationofexcellence/celebrationofexcellence/award-applications>.

### ***Susan C. Buckley Distinguished Achievement Award for Staff and May Brodbeck Distinguished Achievement Award for Faculty.***

The Selection Committee on the Celebration of Excellence Among Women is accepting nominations for 2016-2017 for both awards. The Distinguished Achievement Award is awarded to a staff and faculty member who has distinguished herself or himself and the University through her or his accomplishments. The award is given for an outstanding achievement or a lifetime record of service or achievement. The recipient may be affiliated with any part of the University.

<https://uiowa.edu/celebrationofexcellence/celebrationofexcellence/distinguished-achievement-award>

### ***The Jean Y. Jew Women's Rights Award***

The Women's Resource & Action Center and the Council on the Status of Women are accepting nominations for the 2017 Jean Y. Jew Women's Rights Award. The award, given annually by the Council on the Status of Women and the Women's Resource and Action Center, honors a faculty, staff, or student member of the University community who has demonstrated outstanding effort or achievement in improving the status of women at the University. <http://wrac.uiowa.edu/programs-and-services/scholarships/>

### **Scholarships for Undergraduate and Graduate Students**

Scholarships are administered by the Gender, Women's & Sexuality Studies department in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences (<https://clas.uiowa.edu/gwss/undergraduate-program/scholarships>) and the Women's Resource & Action Center (<https://wrac.uiowa.edu/programs-and-services/scholarships/>).

### ***Jane A. Weiss Memorial Dissertation Scholarship***

A \$4000 scholarship will be awarded to a University of Iowa Ph.D. candidate whose dissertation focuses on issues pertaining to women. Graduate students from all disciplines are encouraged to apply.

### ***Adah Johnson/Otilia Maria Fernandez Scholarship***

This scholarship honors Adah Johnson, one of the first black women students to graduate from The University of Iowa (1912) and Otilia Maria Fernandez, one of the first Hispanic woman graduates (1924). The 2016-17 Johnson/Fernandez Scholarship will be awarded to a graduate student of color who has taken courses in the Gender, Women's & Sexuality Studies Department or whose academic interests include some aspect of women's culture or experience. One award of \$2000 will be given.

### ***Kristin K. Lippke Memorial Scholarship***

Kris Lippke was a University of Iowa undergraduate student one month away from graduating with a minor in Women's Studies when a serious car accident changed the course of her life. In her memory the Lippke family has endowed a scholarship to be awarded to undergraduate students majoring in Gender, Women's, and Sexuality Studies.

The 2017-18 Kristin Lippke Scholarship in the amount of \$3000 will be awarded to two (2) GWSS majors on the basis of academic record and financial need. The Office of Financial Aid will confirm financial need.

### ***Adele Kimm Scholarship***

The Adele Kimm Scholarship is made possible by a bequest of Adele Kimm in honor of her brother, S. Conrad Kimm and her sister-in-law Hilda Kimm. The 2017-18 Adele Kimm Scholarship will be awarded to an undergraduate student involved in the Gender, Women's & Sexuality Studies Department through coursework or service. One award of \$2000 will be given.

### ***The Margaret P. Benson Memorial Scholarship***

The Margaret P. Benson Memorial Scholarship recognizes qualified female applicants who demonstrate financial need and are committed to women's issues, diversity, and social activism.

One or two awards are available each year. Awards generally range from \$1000 to \$2000 per academic year to be applied toward tuition, fees, living expenses, or books. The scholarship is for the 2017-18 academic year.



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