The College/University Connection for AAUW

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College/University Role in AAUW

- Founding Venue, 1881
- First Fellowship, 1885
- Mission: Education and Equity
- Purpose: Help as many women as possible get and use, barrier-free, as high a level of education as possible. Education remains the key to economic parity.

College/University Role in AAUW

- Membership
 - Source of baccalaureate degree/membership requirement
 - Pre-qualified membership pool

AAUW and Higher Education

- Educational Foundation
 - Fellowships
 - Fellows
 - Research Reports
 - New findings, critical recommendations
 - Basis for state and branch programming

AAUW and Higher Education

- Legal Advocacy Fund
 - Progress in Equity Award (PIE)
 - Litigant Support
 - Model campus program

AAUW and Higher Education

- Membership
 - Student Affiliates
 - Campus Satellites
 - Campus Branches
 - Institutional, with C/U Representative

AAUW and Higher Education:

The College/University Relations Program

- 1) As a member institution
 - o formal affiliation by dues, including a C/U Representative*
 - o activities
 - 2) Not as a member institution o activities

*MAL status--votes, can join branch, state also; president appoints, may/may not have knowledge of AAUW

College/University Relations Program Becoming a C/U Member Current ca. 600; Potential, IL e.g. 35/164 Top Down Invitation from Association to President Grassroots Up Identify point person/ally Approach President's Office Notify Association of Interest

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• C/U Membership Information

- 1) How to learn more: Q&A on website
- 2) How to join: costs, procedure, benefits o Website
 - o C/U Brochure
- 3) How to maximize membership o C/U Representative
 - *Role at C/U
 - *Role with AAUW
 - o Benchmarks

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- Making the Connection
 - 1) AAUW Leadership
 - o unilateral approach to C/U o cluster/district approach to C/U
 - States: C/U Chair/Director on state board o Ensure C/U programming at state/district events
 - o Create, grow database
 - o Interface with interested branches

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- Making the Connection, cont.
 - 3) Branches
 - o point person
 - o communication with C/U Chair
 - o knowledge of local "scene"
 - 4) Point of contact
 - o for C/U member: C/U "Rep"
 - o for non-member: any ally

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• Making the Connection, cont.

5) Making the case for AAUW Appeal to charge/position of C/U Rep, e.g. Admissions -Pipeline issues Technical Prog -"Tech Savvy" Grad College -EF Fellowships Ed to Careers -"Transitions" E Roosevelt Fellows College of Ed. -Career Development-Association Intern Women's Program - National network External Affairs -Summits

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Resources for C/U Program

- 1) Association Website www.aauw.org/4000/cu.html
 - o Q&A, Benchmarks
 - o "Campus Connection"
- o Links to C/U member institutions 2) Materials, Mailings to C/U Rep, Chair
- 3) C/U Committee
- 4) Listservs
- 5) Educational Foundation
- 6) LAF PIE Award
- Programming for C/U: models, Technical Assistance
 Action Alert subscription for C/U Rep

AAUW-Higher Education What's Happening?

- Women in Higher Education Conference
 - U of Minnesota, 2000
 - Papers, Working Groups, Action Agenda
- Womenfuture.com's MainEvent 2001
 - · Held at locations throughout US, including campuses on April 5
 - AAUW=co-sponsor

AAUW-Higher Education What's Happening?

- AAUW-Programming on Campus
 - Sister to Sister Summits

1998

- 1999
- 2000 16
- Woman to Woman Dialogues (6)
 - Ex: Book Groups for Non-Members,

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• by Montevallo, AL Branch

AAUW-Higher Education What's Happening?

- AAUW-Programming on Campus
 - Transitions Conferences (9)
 - Complete Conference Guide from AAUW
 - · "Get Ready for IT"
 - · Catalyzed by "Tech Savvy"
 - Target: young women 16-22 years

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- Reasons to Link to C/U
 - 1) Programming
 - o Location
 - o Expertise
 - o Joint event sponsorship
 - 2) Membership
 - o Individuals: faculty, students, etc.
 - o Satellite: faculty, admin., students
 - o Branch: faculty, admin., students
 - o "Sow the AAUW Seed"

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- Reasons to Link to C/U, cont.
 - 3) Visibility, Participation
 - o Audience: "Get the Facts" e.g.
 - o EF Research *Use of , Input to, Teaching of
 - *Fellows
 - o Academic Collaboration
 - o LAF Progress in Equity Award
 - 4) Awareness of AAUW as resource

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- Why Relate to C/U's?
 - Source of Diversity
 - Contact with Young Professionals
 - Essential Strategy to Keep AAUW Relevant, Vital and Growing
- Issues in Relating to C/U's
 - Advantages
 - Disadvantages

NC AAUW -- NC Higher Ed

- Current C/U Members
- Identifying Needs, Interests:
 - Students
 - Faculty
- Match AAUW-Programming to Needs
- Potential C/U Members
- Outreach Plan to C/U's