

## Press Release re: 2 Year and Community Colleges

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## Possible headlines:

- AAUW Membership Requirements Change
- Associate Graduates Welcome
- Opportunities for Membership

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) has changed its' membership requirements to welcome women/men with "Associate or equivalent degrees" to full membership. AAUW is a national organization whose mission is "to promote equity for all women and girls, lifelong education, and positive societal change."

The Association believes this change in membership requirement provides AAUW with a greater pool of bright young women to help further its' mission while providing a network of educated women as mentors for the graduates. Educational programs and community action projects are just some of the experiences you might expect from involvement in AAUW.

AAUW also has a "student affiliate" membership for students working on their first degree. Students of this institution are now eligible for that type of membership. By joining the local branch, college students working on their degree can be participating members of this progressive women's organization.

The [Branch Name] Branch looks forward to welcoming new members and student affiliates.

Membership Chair [Name of Membership Chair] can be reached at [email] [phone] for more information or check out the AAUW Branch website at [website address].

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