

## COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS STUDENTS



All students should have the best possible education experience, inside and outside the classroom. Joining AAUW enhances your education in many ways.

To join AAUW, you have to have a two-year degree or more from an accredited institution. **However, if you are a student, there are three ways you can join:**

1. As a student affiliate (\$17)
2. Undergraduate students at institutions that are not college/university partners can join for \$17
3. Students at college/university partner institutions can join for **free!** In our area, **Dutchess Community College, Marist College, Mount St Mary and Vassar College are partner members.**
4. Also, current graduate students can join AAUW at a special anniversary rate of \$18.81. Dues are tax deductible.

**After graduation**, students can go on to join a local AAUW branch or Younger Women's Task Force chapter. And, of course, anyone can connect with AAUW National on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram to get involved and spread AAUW's message!

**You can also sign up as an E-Student Affiliate.**

**Here is how you can take advantage of everything AAUW has to offer:**

1. In some cases, AAUW can help women help with funding college costs.
  - They invest \$3.7 million each year in **fellowships and grants** for women students pursuing graduate and doctoral study.
  - AAUW branches offer **undergraduate scholarships** to women in their communities. Poughkeepsie AAUW offers several Dutchess Community College scholarships each year.
  - Students can also apply for local and national scholarships to attend the **National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL)**. Poughkeepsie AAUW offers a full scholarship to attend this conference each year.
2. You can build your leadership edge:
  - Attend the annual NCCWSL leadership conference that empowers women leaders from across the globe.
  - Learn new skills, network with each other, and hear from inspiring trailblazers.
  - You may have an opportunity to be on the selective **National Student Advisory Council**. Each year, 10 students serve as AAUW ambassadors on their campuses and advise AAUW on the needs of college students.
3. Become a Campus Change Maker:
  - Network with other members for advice on how to put your ideas into action.
  - Apply for up to **\$5,000 through Campus Action Project grants**, which fund gender equity projects based on AAUW research.
  - Students who want to host a campus event on unfair pay, sexual harassment and assault, Title IX, and other sex discrimination topics can apply for an **AAUW Campus Outreach Program grant**.
  - Students can also join or start an AAUW student organization. AAUW student organizations offer a unique, global community for students who want to empower women by fighting for the gender equity issues they care about.
4. Get ready for graduate studies and the working world:
  - AAUW Poughkeepsie can bring a **Start Smart salary negotiation workshop** to your campus to teach college women about negotiating salaries and benefits — a key part of solving the gender wage gap.
  - Students can prepare for careers in public policy, communications, development, and more by applying for an AAUW internship.
  - Go to [www.AAUW.org](http://www.AAUW.org) to keep an eye on the events page for the next (free!) AAUW Virtual Graduate School fair!
5. Connect with a Community:
  - Connect with a global community of 170,000 potential advisers, mentors, and supporters from all walks of life.

[www.aauwpoughkeepsie.org](http://www.aauwpoughkeepsie.org)

<https://www.facebook.com/AAUWPoughkeepsie2014>

AAUW-NYS: [www.aauw-nys.org](http://www.aauw-nys.org)

AAUW (National): <https://www.aauw.org/student-member-join-renew/>