

**Branch contact Information:**

The American Association of University Women works to effect change at the local, state and federal levels. As a member, you will also share in the knowledge that your association is making progress towards gender equality.

The AAUW Educational Foundation advances education, research, self-development of women and girls, and the promotion of social change through fellowships, grants, special awards, conferences and special research programs. It has awarded \$2 million annually in fellowship and research grants to deserving scholars.

In practice and in principle AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation to this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, or disability

AAUW has 100,000 members nation wide, with 2,000 in Minnesota. Membership is open to any individual who holds an Associate or equivalent degree, or higher degree from an accredited college or university.



**Breaking through Barriers  
For Women and Girls**

**AAUW Minnesota**

**BRANCH MEMBERSHIP  
APPLICATION & INFO**

*—BECAUSE EQUITY IS  
STILL AN ISSUE!*

*AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research.*

*—Mission Statement*

*AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.*

*—Vision Statement*

*By joining AAUW, we belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that women have a fair chance.*

*—Promise Statement*



**Website with email contacts for**

**individual branches: [www.aauwmn.org](http://www.aauwmn.org)**

See website for further info on our 33 statewide branches with contact information, as well as updated information on statewide activities.

**For info on the national level of AAUW:**

**[www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org)**

# American Association of University Women Minnesota Branches

## Who We Are

For more than 125 years, AAUW – the American Association of University Women – has been the nation’s leading voice promoting education and equity for women and girls.

Through its vital nationwide network, AAUW

- opens doors for women and girls and influences public debate on critical social issues such as education, civil rights and health care.
- sponsors community programs;
- publishes groundbreaking research on women, girls, and education;
- provides the world’s largest source of funding exclusively for graduate women through our Educational Foundation (EF);
- fights sex discrimination in the workplace by our support of such cases through our Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF).

Most branches in Minnesota meet monthly, usually in a public room such as a library or church. The business meeting is usually followed by a speaker or other program of about an hour. Programs vary widely and usually are presented by people from the local area such as professors, authors, government officials and others

Topic issue areas of our programs include:

- International Affairs
- Diversity
- Cultural Arts
- Public Policy
- Education
- Women’s Health



Members may participate a variety of other AAUW offerings including such things as:

- Book discussion groups
- Bridge groups and lessons
- Annual Book Sales and other fundraisers for EF, LAF and maybe local Scholarships
- Committee work on various levels

## Publications you will receive:

- Branch: *Newsletter (usually monthly)*
- Statewide: *Minnesota Pine Newsletter(3 times a year)*
- National: *AAUW Outlook Magazine (quarterly)*

*Branch and national news and reminders are also distributed via email to members. No other use is made of member’s email addresses at the branch and state levels.*

## History:

AAUW began in 1881, when Marion Talbot called together a meeting of women college graduates. Seventeen attended, representing a unique gathering: the first generation of women alumnae. The purpose, too, was unique: to support each other and the next generations of women in higher education. From the start, this group, which became AAUW, has worked to improve the quality of education for girls and women. The Minnesota division began in 1923.

## APPLICATION FOR MINNESOTA BRANCH MEMBERSHIP

Name of Branch: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Educational Background: Please list degree(s) earned, and college awarding degrees (Associate Degree or higher)

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How did you hear about us?

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## Current year dues will include:

Association dues: \$49.00

State dues: \$9.00

Branch dues as decided by individual branch:

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