* Scholarship Recommendation forms are due by: **Friday, July 18, 2014**
* Email recommendation from your WSU email account to **au2050@wayne.edu**
* Email subject line should read: COSW Scholarship Recommendation: [Applicant Name].
* Description of scholarships and evaluation criteria available on Page 2.

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| ***Name of Scholarship Applicant (Student)*** | ***How long have you known the applicant?*** |
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| ***Name of Evaluator (Yourself)*** | ***Position/Title and Department*** |
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| ***Please describe the academic, leadership, and service merits which qualify the applicant for a COSW scholarship, particularly those that align with the Commission’s mission to promote gender equity and equality on campus or in the community.*** |
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| ***I certify that the above information is accurate to the best of my knowledge.*** |
| ***Name*** | ***Date*** |
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**COSW Margaret Canty Scholarship ($800):** Awarded based on scholastic excellence and leadership potential, financial need, faculty recommendations, and degree to which applicant’s academic career and extracurricular activities align with the Commission’s mission to promote gender equity and equality on campus or in the community.

**COSW Gender & Equity Scholarship ($600):** Awarded based on scholastic excellence, financial need, faculty recommendations, and degree to which applicant’s academic career and extracurricular activities align with the Commission’s mission to promote gender equity and equality on campus or in the community.

**COSW Health and Wellness Scholarship ($600):** Awarded based on scholastic excellence in field of study related to health or medicine, financial need, faculty recommendations, and degree to which applicant’s academic career and extracurricular activities align with the Commission’s mission to promote gender equity and equality on campus or in the community.

Applicants may be undergraduate or graduate students at Wayne State University, and may be enrolled full- or part-time. Preference is given toward students with financial need. Applicants must be enrolled in classes at Wayne State for the 2014-2015 academic year. A student considered academically withdrawn or terminated shall forfeit any COSW scholarships awarded for that academic year. Applicant must currently maintain an overall 3.0 grade point average or above.

**Policy on Awarding COSW Scholarships**

This policy is designed to inform applicants of the internal process for awarding scholarships offered through the WSU President’s Commission on the Status of Women (COSW).

1. The COSW Scholarships Committee is comprised of members of the COSW.
2. Wayne State University students enrolled for the upcoming academic year are eligible to apply for the COSW scholarships.
3. Factors for awarding the COSW scholarships include criteria contained in the scholarship descriptions above.
4. A student considered academically withdrawn or terminated shall forfeit any COSW scholarships awarded for that academic year.
5. Only complete applications will be considered for COSW scholarships. All applications must include the completed scholarship application and recommendation forms from two faculty, instructors, or staff members. Incomplete, missing or inaccurate information shall result in disqualification of an application for the COSW scholarships.
6. Scholarship applications and recommendations are confidential. Applicants may not view recommendations submitted by faculty, instructors, or staff.
7. The COSW reserves the right to request additional academic information or to interview any applicant for scholarships awarded through the COSW.

**About the COSW**

The Wayne State University President's Commission on the Status of Women was appointed in 1971 by the President of Wayne State University. Membership is comprised of personnel from departments across campus committed to addressing issues of equality and equity that affect University women. The Commission strives to increase communication about opportunities and events for women, and raise awareness of women's needs and issues through programming, advocacy, and dissemination of information.