

**BYLAWS
of the
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN**

ARTICLE I. NAME AND OFFICE

Section 1. Name. The name of this Association shall be the American Association of University Women, hereinafter called the Association or AAUW.

Section 2. Principal Office. The principal office of the Association shall be in Washington, D.C., or at such other place as the Board of Directors shall fix.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of the Association is the uniting of the graduates of different institutions for practical educational work, for the collection and publication of statistical and other information concerning education, and in general for the maintenance of high standards of education. (See Charter, Section 1.)

Section 2. Policy.

- a. The Association shall develop policies
 - (1) to promote equity, education, and development of opportunities for women and girls;
 - (2) to enhance the value of the individual and to remove barriers which prohibit individuals from realizing their full potential;
 - (3) to cooperate with other national and international organizations having related interests;
 - (4) to maintain global perspective;
 - (5) to promote the purposes and activities of the AAUW Educational Foundation and the AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund.
- b. In keeping with its purpose, as defined in the Charter, and with the above policies, the Association shall develop a program to enable the members to further the advancement of women, to promote positive societal change, and to continue their own intellectual growth. The Association shall implement the program through study, action, and public policy advocacy in areas related to its purpose, including community, cultural interests, education, and international relations.

ARTICLE III. USE OF NAME

Section 1. The policies and program of the Association shall be binding on all members, branches, and states, and no member, branch, or state shall use the name of the Association to oppose such policies or program. Established channels may be used to change a policy or program.

Section 2. The freedom of speech of the individual member to speak a personal opinion in the member's own name is not abridged.

Section 3. Reference to membership in the Association by an individual shall be interpreted as use of name in application of Section 1.