

# Women in Philanthropy

## Mission Statement

USD Women in Philanthropy (WIP) inspires women to invest in initiatives that enhance the USD student experience and make a meaningful difference in students' lives.

## What WIP Supports

In its role as “fire starter,” USD Women in Philanthropy catalyzes great ideas and the people who power them. Priorities include:

1. Preparing the next generation of leaders;
2. Supporting students when they need it most; and
3. Creating opportunities for student growth and transformation.

## Application Process

WIP is looking for initiatives that have a transformational impact on the university. Applications should clearly describe how WIP's philanthropic support will help that impact be realized.

- Opens: March 7, 2022
- Closes: April 15, 2022
- Selections made: April-May 2022

## Selection Criteria

In alignment with the mission, vision, and values of the University of South Dakota, WIP is committed to elevating the USD student experience while prioritizing the practice of inclusive excellence. WIP is looking for creative ideas and collaborative solutions that contribute to supporting students and preparing leaders.

WIP will consider funding those ideas consistent with our mission and that most meaningfully impact students. In this way, WIP aims to inspire and support creative problem solving — within and across the university — to make our university better for everyone. The initiative(s) selected will receive a max allotment of \$15,000 to fund their program. The Women in Philanthropy Steering Committee will evaluate applications on a rolling basis. Final decisions will be made at the WIP spring quarterly steering committee meeting and communicated to all applicants via email shortly after. If an initiative is considered a finalist, additional information may be requested.

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## Program Application 2022-2023

**Name of Primary Initiative Contact:**

**College/School or Department:**

**New or Existing Initiative:**

- **If new, intended initiative start date:**

### Application Directions & Expectations

This application is an opportunity to provide **compelling justification** as to why your initiative should be supported by USD Women in Philanthropy. Please complete the questions below.

### Your Initiative

WIP is looking to support initiatives with the greatest potential to enhance the USD student experience, while impacting the next generation of leaders. Please explain what your initiative is and what need it addresses.

How does your initiative take a creative and collaborative approach to addressing the needs of students? If successful, how could it have a transformative impact on the university?

WIP aims to have a diverse group of investments across campus. In assessing applications, WIP will consider how a diverse set of projects aligns with our mission and the strategic priorities of the university. How does this program offer new ideas or a creative solution that may not already exist on campus?

How will the resources provided by WIP be used to “kick start” your initiative? What is your short and long-term plan to ensure you are successful? What role does WIP’s initial support play in this strategy?

Describe the person or group leading this effort. What is each person bringing to the team that will help you be successful? What is each person's role in ensuring it is successful beyond the initial support of WIP?

Describe the objectives of your proposed initiative. Include realistic, specific and quantifiable goals. How will the WIP committee be assured of good stewardship and efficient use of funding?

How much funding are you requesting from USD Women in Philanthropy? Include detailed descriptions of the requested funding along with an explanation of how it will be used.

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<b>Expenditure Category</b>	<b>Funding Need:</b>
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