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The Women and Gender Studies Program is seeking nominations for two undergraduate awards.

The Outstanding Achievement in Women and Gender Studies Award is given to students who have achieved academic excellence in their program of study and have also made substantive contributions to Women and Gender Studies through their work on campus and in the community. Two awards are available in this category:

- One honoring a fall (2011) graduate
- One honoring a spring/summer (2012) graduate

The Tracy McLoone Feminist Leadership Award recognizes an undergraduate student who has consistently demonstrated feminist leadership and serves as a positive role model on campus and in the community. This award was created by students in the spring of 2011. One student, graduating in the academic year (fall, 2011, spring 2012, or summer 2012) may be selected for this award.

Nomination Process:

You are welcome to self-nominate for the award in addition to nominating someone you feel represents the qualifications and qualities listed above. Although there is no official form for nominations, we ask that you consider submitting the following information:

- Letter of nomination (including self-nomination), up to 5 letters of nomination per packet
- Vitae or resume for nominee
- Brief bio of the nominee
- Contact information for the of nominee

Letter of Nomination:

Although the letter of nomination is open-ended, we ask that you consider the following questions:

- How does the nominee fit the description of the award?
- What specific contributions has the student made to the Women and Gender Studies program? To George Mason University? To the community as a whole?
- What academic successes has this student achieved during the course of their undergraduate tenure?
- What are the career and future academic goals of the student?
- Why is this student the best candidate for the award?
- *For the Feminist Leadership Award:* Please elaborate on examples of feminist leadership that the nominee has demonstrated.

Please send all materials electronically to Christine Hernandez at chern11@gmu.edu. Nominations should be received no later than May 1, 2012.