

An abstract network diagram with various nodes (circles and rings) connected by lines, serving as a background for the slide.

Computer Science Women's Network

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A faint, light gray background diagram of a network or molecular structure. It features several circular nodes, some of which are open rings and others are solid circles. These nodes are connected by thin, straight lines, forming a branching, interconnected pattern that spans the entire slide.

What is CSWN?

CSWN is...

“ ...an organization consisting of people (both students and staff) who are dedicated to helping women in the computer science (CS) field. The leadership team that organizes most activities is made up of students who want to reach out and help all of the women in CS.

CSWN organizes different activities meant to encourage young women to meet one another and also learn more about their chosen field of study.

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An abstract background graphic featuring a central light gray pentagon. Five lines radiate from the pentagon's vertices to five solid gray circles. Additionally, there are three larger, hollow gray circles positioned around the central structure, one to the left, one at the top, and one at the bottom. The entire graphic is rendered in a light gray tone against a white background.

Put simply:

Our goal is to encourage women in computer science to stay in the field and prosper.

So how do we accomplish this?

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We have a list!

We try to pick a handful of these every semester.

The List:

Professional Development

- Events for success

Resume How-To

March 4th Brandon Hill (grad student) shared his experiences from both sides of the interview table, and workshopped resumes.

Other event ideas:

- Networking How-To
 - Networking Social
 - Mock Interviews
- ...from a technical woman's perspective?

The List:

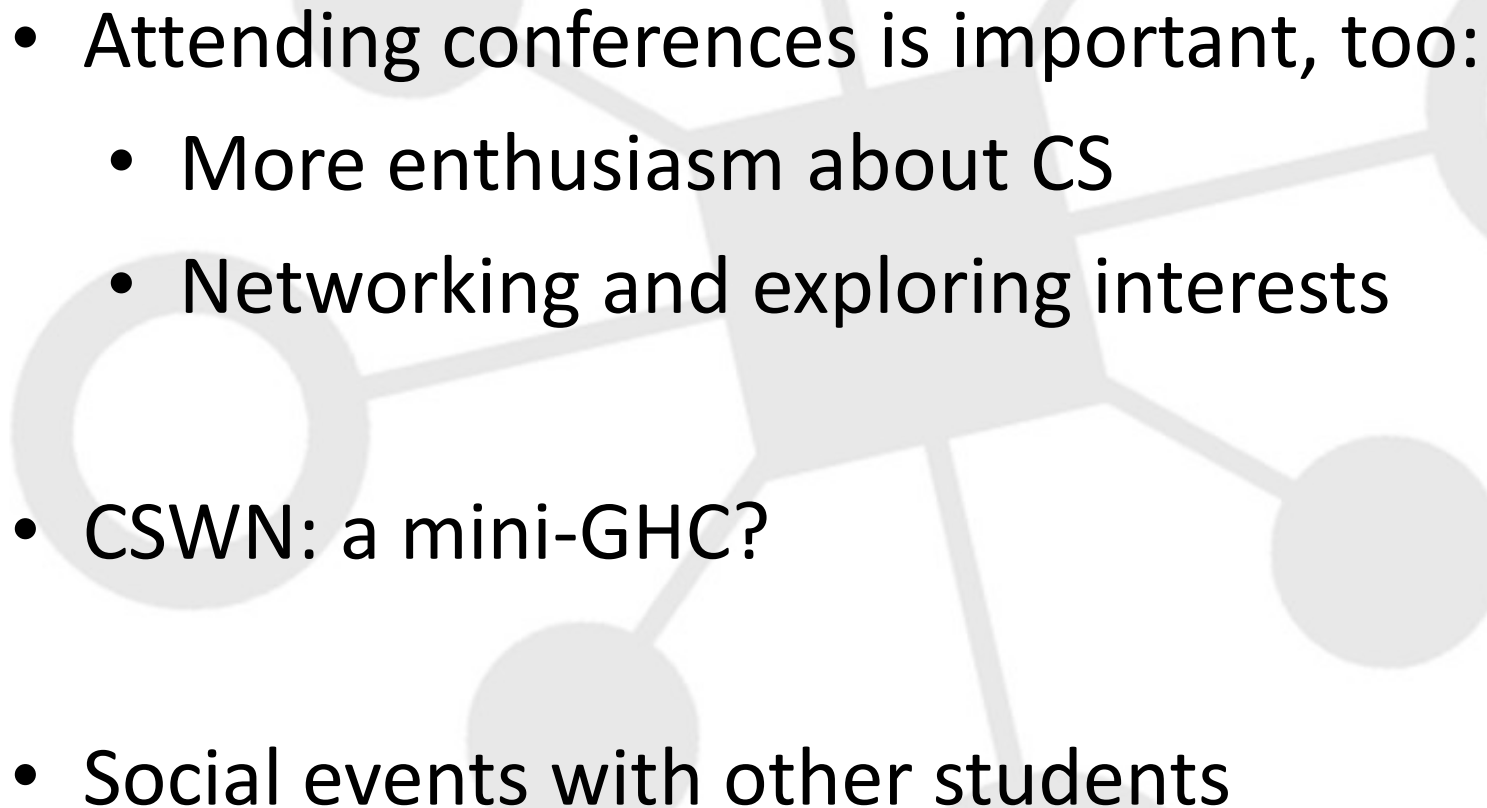
Conference Opportunities



- GHC10: 4 students presenting!
 - 1: New Investigators
 - 1: poster competition
 - 2: general session
- INWIC, MidWIC, etc.

The List:

Secure a sense of community and belonging

- Attending conferences is important, too:
 - More enthusiasm about CS
 - Networking and exploring interests
 - CSWN: a mini-GHC?
 - Social events with other students
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The List:

Promote Visibility

Tech talks featuring women researchers and engineers
– like this one:

*Malware Reverse Engineering and Sandia Tech Talk
with Carrie Price*

Feb 25th Carrie Price, a CS alumna (2003) got her master's in CS from Carnegie Mellon University and then went on to Sandia National Laboratories. She came to talk about the process and tools of reverse-engineering malware.

– or women from within the department.

The List:

Informational Events and Resources

- Partner with other orgs
 - “How to survive...” events
- Start our “Gender & STEM” library
 - Prepare women for what they will face
 - ...and all students to help tackle the issues

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- Information sessions on graduate school...

Grad School Panel

Nov 17th Many students showed up to listen to a couple of graduate CS students talk about their experiences and answer questions about the grad school process.

- ...or grants and scholarships.
 - CREU
 - Anita Borg Scholarship



We need your support.

We have 26 new women this year.

Last year, we had 18.

How to help

- Help us highlight and connect technical women
- Host a social, professional development, or networking event
- Contribute to our library or conference funds
- General sponsorship or fundraising support



Questions?

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