Members, Board of Trustees:

GIFTS AND PLEDGES TO THE WOMEN’S STUDIES GRADUATE RESEARCH ENDOtMENT

**Recommendation:** that the Board of Trustees accept gifts of $29,650 and pledges of $120,350 from multiple donors to add to the existing Women’s Studies Graduate Research Endowment in the College of Arts and Sciences and submit these gifts and pledges of $150,000 for matching funds from Kentucky’s Endowment Match Program. Council on Postsecondary Education guidelines require that the Board of Trustees acknowledge its responsibility for UK’s participation in the program and for all university endowment funds.

**Background:** The largest donor, who has given $10,000 and has a pledge of $115,000, prefers to remain anonymous. The primary purpose of the endowment is to support the research of Women’s Studies graduate students. Since these students tend to work beyond the confines of traditional disciplines, it can be difficult for them to generate financial support for their research.