Joint Committee on the Status of Women

This committee was established in 1973 as a standing committee, and is now an advisory committee, of the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at Harvard Medical School (HMS). The JCSW represents an inclusive constituency of faculty, staff, fellows, residents, and students of HMS, Harvard School of Dental Medicine, and affiliated hospitals and institutions. The vision of the JCSW is to facilitate and promote leadership, career development, professional advancement, community building, and work life integration for women faculty, trainees (fellows and residents), students (graduate, medical and dental) and staff at Harvard Medical School (HMS) and Harvard School of Dental Medicine (HSDM).

The JCSW accepts rolling application for membership. Members that attend at least 50% of the meetings in an academic year are eligible to vote in elections. See the JCSW website for more information.

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