**GWSS Scholarship Workshop Worksheet**

**Applications Due February 1, 2020**

**OVERVIEW**

* Anatomy of an application—what connects parts to the whole?
* Claims and Evidence—what’s the difference between telling and showing?
* Match made in heaven—how can you help funders achieve their goals?

**DO YOUR HOMEWORK**

* What is the scholarship—who and what does it honor?
* What experiences have you had that demonstrate your commitment to the purpose of the scholarship and the mission of the GWSS major?

**MAKE YOUR CASE**

What are your long-term goals, and how does your course work, activism, and work experience prove that you are *already* working toward that goal?

*Every sentence in your application should clearly, crisply speak to the following—*

* Make your claim—What is your unifying argument?
* Provide evidence—How can you prove your claim with one or two concrete examples as *evidence* that your education and experiences prepare you to be the perfect applicant?
* Connect claim and evidence—How can you guide the reviewers by tying those examples to the purposes of the scholarship?

**END ON A HIGH NOTE**

How will awarding you the scholarship not only help YOU, but also *help you to help GWSS* achieve our goal of creating a well-educated, publicly engaged, and active global citizens dedicated to making our world more just and equitable for all?

**CHOOSE YOUR RECOMMENDERS WISELY AND HELP THEM HELP YOU**

* Who is in the best position to reinforce the arguments you are making about your being a strong representative for the scholarship?
* How do you ask for letters of recommendation?
* How do you prep recommenders by providing helpful, concise information about the scholarship and your application?