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National Women's Council Hosts Wisconsin Women in Leadership Symposium

On April 5, 2016, the National Women's Council hosted the 2016 Wisconsin Women in Leadership Symposium at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Attendees of the symposium gained knowledge and advice from corporate leaders who shared insight from their personal success and leadership experience as professionals.



"We were very excited to partner with the University of Wisconsin-Madison to host our event," said Dennis Kennedy, Founder and Chair of the National Diversity Council. "The college and state as a whole have a strong track record of supporting women in leadership."

The half-day event featured multiple business leaders from various organizations discussing topics such as "The Courage to Lead," "Positioning Yourself for the Next Big Opportunity," and "Finding & Owning Your Voice." The symposium began with a welcome from Patrick Sims, Vice Provost and Chief Diversity Officer at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Following a series of speeches presented by six featured panelists, audience members were given the opportunity to ask questions and share their thoughts on the discussion topics presented.

The National Women's Council would like to thank all the sponsors, speakers and attendees for helping to make this event a success.

The event program booklet and photos can be viewed at our [timeline](#).

Women in Leadership Symposium Moderator:

Anne H. Carter

*Director, Corporate Recruitment, Diversity & Inclusion,
Alliant Energy*

Women in Leadership Symposium Panelists:

Beth Bovis

*Partner
A.T. Kearney, Inc.*

Wendy Horton

*Vice President
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