

UW-Green Bay: Institute for Women's Leadership supports area women with special evening of networking, resources and inspiration

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Green Bay, Wis—The University of Wisconsin-Green Bay's Institute for Women's Leadership is hosting an evening supporting Northeast Wisconsin women at all stages of their careers on Thursday, April 14, 2022 from 4 to 8 p.m. at The Weidner. "Celebrate 2022: Women on the Rise" is an evening of networking, sharing knowledge and resources, and inspiration.

The evening's agenda includes networking, cocktails and appetizers; an overview of the state of women's leadership and career development in Northeast Wisconsin (based on the Institute's 2021 inaugural survey); and a presentation by Denise Hamilton, a nationally recognized inclusion strategist and founder of WatchHerWork. An optional coffee and dessert mix and opportunity to mingle with Hamilton concludes the evening.

In her workshop, "Master Yourself, Master Your World," Hamilton will share 10 ways for women to change their lives and career by changing the ONLY thing that's actually in their control—THEMSELVES. Hamilton will also share actionable tips for designing a career and life to be proud of.

Results of regional research conducted in 2021 by UW-Green Bay's Center for Public Affairs regarding women's career development in Northeast Wisconsin will also be presented. To date, data regarding women's leadership in the region has been limited; the Institute is looking to meet that need as one of the ways it supports organizations and businesses looking to grow their pipeline of women leaders.

Women from across the region and those who mentor and supervise them—including men—are encouraged to attend the event. Cost for the evening is \$30 per person; members of the Institute and students are free. **To learn more about the Celebrate 2022 event, please visit the website at <https://www.uwgb.edu/womens-leadership/women-on-the-rise/>.**

“With the Institute for Women's Leadership, we're building something very unique and needed by women in our region and those who want to help them grow and advance as leaders,” said Janet Bonkowski, executive director of the Institute. “This is a fun and engaging way to learn about the resources of the Institute and meet other inspiring women from across Northeast Wisconsin.”

About Denise Hamilton

Denise Hamilton is a nationally recognized inclusion strategist and the founder of [WatchHerWork](#), a digital platform for professional women. Denise has been called “The Secret Weapon of CEOs” because her unique super power is the ability to have the most challenging discussions and come out the other side with solutions and a positive direction. She uses this gift to lead workshops, design education programs and coach senior leaders. Her goal is to empower individuals and teams to mine and close the gender gap, understand differences, resolve conflict and become better allies. Denise has been featured on Harvard Business Review, MSNBC, Forbes, FOX, CBS, Nasdaq, NBC, Newsweek and on many other outlets. Learn more about Denise at [DeniseHamilton.co](#).

About the Institute for Women's Leadership

UW-Green Bay's Institute for Women's Leadership is dedicated to engaging, inspiring and empowering the next generation of women leaders to ensure a strong and equitable leadership pipeline. The University established the Institute in 2021, recognizing the region's growing need for a pipeline of women leaders and the distinct challenges faced by professional women in the workplace. The Institute is a comprehensive leadership resource committed to providing ongoing, forward-thinking networking, education and inspiration to support women as they rise.

The Institute presents wide-ranging programs, events, and research, benefiting women with access to experts and supportive networks. Leadership certificate programs, a monthly speaker's series featuring notable women throughout the area sharing their stories to leadership, monthly networking events, a women's mentorship program, an annual leadership retreat, workshops and discussion groups will be offered to support women's professional development needs. Equally important, the Institute works to increase communities' knowledge and awareness of issues related to women in leadership and advance new knowledge about women and leadership in the State of Wisconsin through benchmarking data on women in business and research about women and leadership.