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Women in Science
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Our Mission
The mission of WIU Women in Science is to foster scientific research and scholarly activities, provide opportunities for women and to encourage the career advancement of women in the STEM disciplines

Participating departments:
Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Geography, Geology, Mathematics, and Physics

Guest Speakers
Thank you to Dr. Mallur from the Physics department for speaking to us about how being a woman in science has shaped her career and her life! We loved hearing your story and the advice you shared with us!

Women in Science Group photo!

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Meet the Fall 2016-Spring 2017 Executive Board

President: Bethany Esterlen  
Major: Forensic Chemistry  
Graduation Date: May 2017  
Fun Fact: She has given 16 poster presentations throughout her time at Western!

Vice President: Paris  
Major: Graduate Student in the Biological Sciences!  
Graduation Date: May 2017  
Fun Fact: Her name is Paris and she is fluent in French!

Secretary: Nikki Walter  
Major: Forensic Chemistry and Foreign Languages  
Graduation Date: May 2019  
Fun Fact: She owns a large collection of strangely patterns socks. None of her socks are plain!

Treasurer: Emily Szott  
Major: Biology/Zoology  
Graduation Date: May 2017  
Fun Fact: She is advanced open water scuba certified!

Historian/Public Relations: Rachel Lubbinga  
Major: Biology/Zoology  
Graduation Date: May 2017  
Fun Fact: She has gone skydiving thanks to the inspiration of her grandfather!

MDH Luncheon with Women in Science and Rise students!

Thank you to the Women in Science Committee for participating in a Pot Luck style social event with us! We enjoyed getting to know you all and hearing how science has become a very important factor in your careers and lives! WE hope we can hold another event like this in the upcoming semesters!

Thank you to the Unity High-School in Menden Illinois for allowing some of our women to speak about the importance of having women involved in science!

Good luck with the rest of the semester and with finals!

“The pursuit of knowledge is never-ending. The day you stop seeking knowledge is the day you stop growing.” –Brandon Travis Ciaccio