KAWSE UPDATE

-spring semester updates as we adjust to the COVID-19 crisis-



The mission of the Kansas State Office for the Advancement of Women in Science and Engineering (KAWSE) is to enrich the lives of girls and women in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields.

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The Spring 2020 semester started off quite busy in the KAWSE office. We had a full line up of events for our four programs and were excited to see K-State students returning from Winter Break. Like the rest of the world, we were surprised upon returning from Spring Break to find the need to quickly transition to a virtual format. Below, we highlight a few ways we're adapting to current times to offer new and existing programs.

MOST IMPORTANTLY, KAWSE IS STILL HERE FOR YOU!

If KAWSE can assist you, please let us know! We would love to help you reach your STEM goals this semester or connect you with the right person to meet your needs! Send us an email today at kawse@ksu.edu!

Our GROW and EXCITE programs are proud to continue offering opportunities for middle and high school students this semester through weekly career chats and newsletters. Our program coordinator is diligently working to provide interesting, informative virtual discussions featuring K-Staters and other professionals in real world STEM careers. Last week, we hosted a Designer at Animal Arts, an architecture firm specializing in animal care facilities. Next week, we'll discuss concussion research from the University of Denver and a K-State PhD student's experience in the department of Mechanical & Nuclear Engineering. Know a middle or high school student? Email us at kawse@ksu.edu and get connected today!

The SUCCEED program continues supporting our K-State undergraduate and graduate students through <u>Virtual Office Hours</u>, where we provide support & community. To date, six students have volunteered to lead their own career chats--a perfect example of how our students remain #kstatestrong.

Lastly, the ADVANCE program has also moved to a virtual format for professional development opportunities to continue supporting K-State faculty and postdoctoral researchers. An exciting event we have planned for late April is a <u>leadership panel</u> discussing leadership development and how we can encourage inclusive excellence moving forward.

Again, KAWSE is still here for you! Keep in touch with your needs! Stay healthy. Stay strong. We are #kstatestrong.



