The program Women in Mathematics fosters communication among women mathematics students. It also seeks to make careers in mathematics appealing and accessible to female students at The University of Akron.

Activities include a luncheon conversation series for women majors and prospective majors. Speakers for this series have consisted primarily of graduates of our department, as well as distinguished external visitors. The group has also taken scientific tours at NASA Glenn, as well as Philips Medical Imaging, both in Cleveland. We have sponsored women students to give talks at national conferences and have designed and led hands-on mathematical activities on campus at Kids’ Career Day for girls of elementary school age. Moreover, female students from several neighboring universities have participated in our organization.

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