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Exhibition
Celebrate! The College of Human Ecology
January 28 – April 9

As part of the year-long celebration of the University of Minnesota's College of Human Ecology, *Celebrate! The College of Human Ecology* will showcase the college's current work, its history, and its future. The exhibition will highlight discovery/research, teaching/learning, and outreach/engagement within the College of Human Ecology. These will be illustrated through the display of current research by faculty in the College's departments of Design, Housing and Apparel, Family Social Science, Food Science and Nutrition, and the School of Social Work. Their contributions will be displayed within the context of the college's five initiatives: cultural awareness and competence, design and technology, development across the lifespan, economic and social well-being, and healthy life choices. Through this exhibition, students, faculty, and members of the community will better understand and appreciate the significance and accomplishments of the College of Human Ecology, and explore its exciting future.

Becky L. Yust, Ph.D., Department Head of Design, Housing, and Apparel will be the curator of the exhibit. She will be assisted by Louise M. Mullan, Emeritus Faculty from the Department of Food Science and Nutrition, Pamela Lowe, Director of College Advancement for the College of Human Ecology, Professor C. David Hollister from the School of Social Work, and Professor M. Janice Hogan from the Department of Family Social Science.

The College of Human Ecology began with Home Economics courses offered through the College of Agriculture in 1884. Early coursework included sewing, cooking, butter and cheese making, food chemistry, home economy, home management, nutrition, dietetics, textiles, household design, and teaching. The School of Home Economics was established in 1949 with a focus on research and publication, preparing students for roles in the workplace rather than in the home. In the 1980s the school was renamed the College of Human Ecology in order to reflect the diversity of the coursework and the mission of the school: the study of people's interaction with their environments. This name ties together the studies of shelter, clothing, design, food

supply, family, and community; all environmental elements that influence people and families.

The exhibition will open on Saturday, January 28 and is free and open to the public. An opening reception will be held on Sunday, January 29 from 1:30-4:30pm. A closing reception gala will be held on April 7 to celebrate the history, people, and future of the College of Human Ecology.

## **General Information**

The Goldstein Museum of Design at the University of Minnesota supports teaching and research in design through exhibitions, publications, programs, and community partnerships. The Goldstein celebrates diverse cultures through its collections and programs by promoting the appreciation and interpretation of design within social, cultural, aesthetic, and historic contexts.

The Goldstein Museum of Design is located at 241 McNeal Hall, 1985 Buford Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55108.

## **Gallery Hours:**

Monday-Wednesday, & Friday
Thursday
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Admission is free!

This exhibition and programming is funded by the Minnesota State Arts Board in cooperation with the Minnesota State Legislature, the Friends of The Goldstein, the College of Human Ecology, the Department of Design, Housing, and Apparel, and the University of Minnesota.