

ONLY ONE WOMAN HERE SHOULDN'T BE
GETTING A DEGREE:

PHYLLIS SCHLAFLY

For it's 147th Commencement, Washington University in St. Louis will confer an honorary doctorate degree on Phyllis Schlafly. She has spent over 40 years protesting women's rights to equality, physical safety, and basic humanity.

Although we, the Washington University student body, staff, and faculty, believe that people of all political positions should be given equal consideration for this honor, we object to the Board of Trustees' choice of Phyllis Schlafly. We find her work inappropriate for academic recognition from Washington University, whose mission statement and diversity initiatives are in direct opposition to the opinions and statements that earned Mrs. Schlafly political recognition.

Today we will be peacefully protesting Washington University's decision by wearing white armbands and standing, with our backs turned, when Mrs. Schlafly is granted her degree.

QUOTES FROM MRS. SCHLAFLY:

"Maybe women's studies majors didn't really expect to get a good job because they've been taught to approach life as a whining victim who will never get equal treatment." (2003)

On Harvard president Larry Summer's assertion that women are not cut out for science: "Feminist professors...are too emotional to handle intellectual or scientific debate." (2005)

"The most important story you never saw on TV is the terrible things that are happening to America's children because 'mothers have opted for work outside of the house over taking care of their children at home.'" (2002)

"When I visit college campuses, students for years have been telling me that the English departments are the most radicalized of all departments, more so than sociology, psychology, anthropology, or even women's studies. That's why it was no surprise that Cho Seung-Hui, the murderer of 32 students and teachers at Virginia Tech, was an English major." (2007)

"Sexual harassment on the job is not a problem for virtuous women." (1981)

"By getting married, the woman has consented to sex, and I don't think you can call it rape." (2007)

IF YOU ARE OPPOSED TO WASHINGTON'S UNIVERSITY'S
DECISION TO AWARD MRS. SCHLAFLY AN HONORARY DOCTORATE,
PLEASE JOIN US BY SILENTLY STANDING AND TURNING YOUR BACK
WHEN MRS. SCHLAFLY IS GRANTED HER DEGREE.