

# I am The ROCK

## Jodi Solito

**Position:** Women's Center director. The Women's Center strives to enhance the lives of women at SRU and serves as the collective voice for those who share a commitment to issues concerning women.

**Joined University:** 1997.

**Background:** I came to SRU to provide health education to the student population. In 1998, the Women's Center was added to my area of responsibility. In May 2007, I accepted the Women's Center director position.

**Interests:** Collecting Mickey Mouse memorabilia, reading, live theatre, sports (particularly women's sports), animals, and social justice issues.

**Last book read:** 'Almost Moon' by Alice Sebold.

**Why I work at The Rock:** I came to SRU because I was able to broaden the scope of prevention and health education beyond substance abuse issues. Working as the health educator out of the student health center required collaboration with other offices, departments, and programs on campus. I received a great deal of support from my supervisor at the time, Claire Schmieler, who mentored me and encouraged my professional development. Through the years, I have developed strong, dynamic relationships with many SRU staff and faculty. The positive experience I have had at SRU taught me the importance of mentorship.

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