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Mississippi University for Women has reinstated Nancy Bryson, an untenured associate professor of chemistry, as its division head of science and mathematics following accusations that she was demoted because of a lecture she gave advocating "intelligent design." The university administration denies these accusations; the *Chronicle for Higher Education* (March 17, 2003) reports that according to the university counsel, her lecture played no part in her demotion, and that there were previous concerns about Bryson's job performance. Conceding that the timing was unfortunate, MUW's president reinstated Bryson, and reaffirmed MUW's commitment to academic freedom and freedom of speech.

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