College of Sciences

The College of Sciences makes NC State the university of choice for diverse, high-performing science students and faculty. These creative minds do the extraordinary to solve society’s biggest problems.

A World-Class College

Building a world-class College of Sciences means enrolling the brightest students and hiring the most talented faculty and staff. But competition for these top people is fierce, and state funding is tight. The college needs scholarships, professorships and state-of-the-art facilities to attract the very best people to our campus.

When you give to the College of Sciences, you’re supporting an institution committed to solving society’s biggest problems. The college is home to NC State people and programs in the biological, physical and mathematical sciences. With about 3,500 students and $50 million in annual research expenditures, we’re one of the largest and most research-intensive colleges at the university, and we’re home to some of the most innovative thinkers on the planet.

We Need You

When donors give to the College of Sciences, they help us recruit and retain top students and faculty who will tackle some of the world’s most vexing challenges — energy shortages, illness, hunger, climate change and declining environmental quality.

You can help. Through NC State’s Think and Do the Extraordinary campaign, there are many opportunities for donors to make annual gifts or create endowments that benefit generations of NC State science students. And through the flexibility of planned giving, donors can include the college in their estate plans, an option that can offer substantial tax benefits.

Your support shapes a new generation of well-rounded scientists who will make extraordinary contributions that change the world.

“Education is an investment. And this college is a great investment.”

— Nell Cant, B.S. ’67, Zoology Alumna and Donor
Imagining a Bright Future

Our Campaign Priorities

Opportunity
No priority is more important than safeguarding our ability to extend educational opportunities to bright, deserving science students. As costs are rising, undergraduate scholarships and graduate fellowships are a lifeline for students and their families.

Purpose
Outstanding faculty are like magnets; they attract other top faculty who, in turn, attract great students. Professorships and other endowed faculty positions help these researchers expand their world-changing activities, which often means offering exciting opportunities to students who will become the leading scientists of tomorrow.

Experiences
Our scientists work with leading partners and use cutting-edge techniques and technologies to solve the most difficult problems and answer the deepest intellectual questions. Your support helps connect our bright scientific minds with the resources they need to find solutions to challenges that affect us all.

How to Support Us

There are many ways to support the college through a gift to the College of Sciences Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that promotes our educational, research and service programs.

You can create an endowment to invest in the long-term future of the college. You can make a planned gift through your will or trust to establish a lasting legacy. Or you can give every year to support our ongoing needs.

Join the Dean's Circle

Gifts of $1,000 or more to the college's Excellence Fund or the Enhancement Funds for each of our six academic departments qualify donors for recognition in our Dean’s Circle leadership giving society.

The college directs this unrestricted support toward top priorities such as scholarships and fellowships, student programs, research support, and student and faculty recruitment activities.

World-Class Scholars, World-Changing Research

The College of Sciences is where the best and brightest minds in science come together to lead the way in research, teaching and innovation.

• Approximately 3,700 students in 53 academic programs
• $50 million in research expenditures annually
• 37 winners of highly competitive Faculty Early Career Awards since 2004
• 13 elected fellows of the prestigious American Association for the Advancement of Science