Endowed Undergraduate Scholarships

When donors support student scholarships, they’re not only helping qualified students afford a degree — they’re also investing in the future.

Creating Opportunities

As the College of Sciences looks to the future, no priority is more important than safeguarding our ability to extend educational opportunities to bright, deserving students. Cost is a major consideration for these students and their families.

At NC State, estimated annual expenses for full-time, in-state students total more than $23,000. These costs are increasing despite the fact that NC State is often ranked as one of the best values in U.S. public higher education.

Many students are therefore left with the difficult decision of either amassing crippling debt or abandoning their dreams of higher education. Scholarships represent a lifeline for these students and their families. Endowed scholarships are the sturdiest of lifelines because they offer a secure source of financial aid.

How You Can Help

The College of Sciences offers many opportunities for donors to create need- or merit-based scholarships. Flexibility is paramount. Donors can entrust the college to award scholarships to the most deserving students from any discipline or geographic location, or the scholarship can give preference to students studying in a certain field.

By investing in an undergraduate scholarship, you can help the College of Sciences attain world-class status. Students who graduate with limited or no debt can afford to dream big, follow their passions and make a meaningful difference in our world — and to pay it forward for future generations.

“College is a heavy financial burden for most people, and this scholarship takes a lot of that burden off of my shoulders, allowing me to focus on classes and my future plans.”

— Brittany Crouse, Chemistry, Class of 2018
Support Our Future

Why Endowments Matter

Endowments give donors opportunities to create living legacies. Funds invested in endowments help offset continued reductions in government support and enable the college to plan for the future. Endowments are the bedrock of all great universities because they provide certain, steady support in perpetuity.

When you make an endowment gift, the principal is immediately invested and, when fully funded, produces income to support the endowment’s purpose for years to come. As scholarship endowments grow, they are able to support more students or provide larger awards.

How to Give

Endowment gifts may be pledged over a number of years and funded through cash gifts or planned or deferred gifts. Donors can specify an individual program or make the scholarship available to all Sciences students.

Endowed Full-Ride Scholarship
A gift of $600,000 or more provides full-tuition support and experiential learning opportunities for a College of Sciences student, plus room, board and other expenses.

Endowed Full-Tuition Scholarship
A gift of $250,000 or more provides full-tuition support and experiential learning opportunities for a College of Sciences student.

Endowed Scholarship
A gift of $150,000 or more provides a partial merit- or need-based scholarship in recognition of exceptional academic ability, talent and potential.

Endowed Scholarship Award
A gift of $50,000 or more provides a partial merit- or need-based scholarship.

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Real-World Ready

The College of Sciences offers our undergraduate students diverse courses of study and opportunities to engage in hands-on research to solve big problems. This high-quality teaching and experiential learning prepare them to use their scientific expertise to benefit society.

• More than 2,800 undergraduate students
• More than 600 active research projects
• $50 million in annual research expenditures
• 13 undergraduate fields of study
• Winners of prestigious international scholarships including the Churchill, Fulbright and Goldwater

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