



INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Endowment gifts continue to grow and provide financial support for future generations.

ENDOWMENT GIFTS

Endowment gifts are among the most enduring means of support for TCU and provide many opportunities to merge our donors' interests with the needs of the University. Endowed funds are created by donors wishing to establish permanent support for scholarships, faculty, other University programs or its greatest need.

When assets are donated to an endowed fund, the gifts "buy shares" in TCU's endowed investment pool, which operates in a manner similar to a mutual fund. The pooled assets of TCU's endowment are invested in perpetuity with the goal of spending approximately 5 percent of an average market value over the long term. The remaining earned income is added back to the principal so that it continues to grow and provide financial support for future generations. Endowed funds are named and used according to the donor's wishes and the annual spendable income from an endowed fund can only be expended for the fund's specified purpose.

Minimum support levels have been established for different types of endowed funds to ensure that the income will be sufficient to achieve the donor's goals and the University's priorities. The amount required to establish an endowed fund at TCU varies depending on the fund's purpose.

STUDENT SUPPORT

Endowed scholarships ensure that the most talented and deserving students can benefit from an exceptional TCU education, regardless of financial need. Consequently, increasing scholarship support is the University's top priority. Donors may endow several types of undergraduate and graduate scholarships and fellowships. Every scholarship gift is a direct investment in students.

Chancellor's Scholars / Name a Chancellor's Scholarship: \$1 million or more

Undergraduate students eligible for Chancellor's Scholarships are rewarded for their exceptional academic achievement with a full-tuition scholarship for four years. In addition, they benefit from a rich program that further enhances their TCU experience. This gift provides the equivalent of a full-tuition award.

Community Scholars / Name a Community Scholar Award: \$1 million or more

Undergraduate students eligible for the Community Scholars Program are recruited from economically disadvantaged Metroplex high schools. Community Scholars receive a scholarship to cover tuition, room, books and board. This gift provides the equivalent of a full-tuition award.

Named endowed scholarships / Gift level: \$50,000-\$1 million or more

Donors who endow scholarships with gifts ranging from \$50,000 to \$1 million or more may name the scholarship. They also may choose to support the budget of the school, college, department or institute of their choice, providing funds to recruit talented applicants and reward outstanding current students, or to strengthen the University's general scholarship fund.

Additional benefits accrue according to the gift level. A \$1 million gift provides the equivalent of a full-tuition award. At this level, donors may determine criteria upon which a specific student will be selected and enjoy a private lunch or reception with the recipient. A \$250,000 gift provides the equivalent of the annual loan burden for a student. At this level, donors may determine criteria upon which a specific student will be selected. A \$100,000 gift provides the equivalent of the gap between need and the average award to a student. At this level, donors may determine general criteria upon which a specific student will be matched.

Graduate Fellowships / Minimum gift: \$500,000

Graduate fellowships provide tuition support for study at the graduate level as well as a stipend.

Graduate Assistantships / Minimum gift: \$250,000

Graduate assistantships provide tuition assistance and stipends, but also involve research or teaching responsibilities or other work within an academic department.

Annual Named Scholarships / Minimum gift: \$100,000

A donor may make a commitment of \$100,000 over four years to name an annual scholarship.

Annually Expendable Scholarships / Any amount

FACULTY SUPPORT

Endowed chairs and professorships are important resources in attracting and retaining talented faculty who are committed to the teacher-scholar model. They provide financial support through salary enhancements and related teaching and research resources, as well as visibility and prestige for the holders of these positions and for the University.

Distinguished University Chairs / Minimum gift: \$5 million

An endowment for a Distinguished University Chair provides sufficient annual income to provide full salary and other teaching and research costs at a level designed to attract an eminent scholar to the University. Distinguished University Chairs typically underwrite new positions.

Endowed Chairs / Minimum gift: \$2.5 million

Endowed chairs provide salary, teaching and research support for new or current faculty positions. Such endowments enable the University to attract new scholars or retain senior, distinguished faculty.

Endowed Professorships / Minimum gift: \$1 million

Endowed professorships underwrite salary and other related costs for tenured faculty who exhibit special academic promise. Professorships may be offered to attract young faculty members who are rising stars in their fields, or to recognize academic achievement by current faculty.

Faculty Fellowships / Minimum gift: \$500,000

Faculty fellowship endowments may be established to bring visiting faculty or other professionals to campus, or to support current TCU faculty. Visiting professorships, artist-in-residence endowments and TCU faculty fellowships fall into this category.

- Visiting Professorships provide support for travel costs, salary and living expenses for faculty visiting the TCU campus for periods up to one academic year. Visiting Professorships enable the University to bring outstanding scholars from a wide variety of disciplines to the TCU campus. These distinguished academics broaden the range of academic offerings to students and provide opportunities to both students and faculty to exchange ideas with leading scholars from around the globe.

- Artist-in-Residence endowments provide support for travel costs, salary and living expenses for visiting artists from a wide range of disciplines in the arts. By bringing these talented performers and teachers to campus, TCU students have opportunities to study with outstanding professionals from the international arts community.
- TCU Faculty Fellowships may provide salary enhancements, research funding or support for professional travel for current TCU faculty.

Faculty Creativity/Development Funds / Minimum gift: \$100,000

Endowed funds may be established to address specific needs identified by deans, department chairs or individual faculty. Funds may be used to supplement faculty salaries, to provide funding and equipment for faculty or student research, or to cover travel expenses for faculty conducting research or attending professional conferences.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM SUPPORT

Donors may wish to make a gift to benefit the University's academic programs by establishing endowments that will provide ongoing support of schools and colleges, departments, or centers and institutes.

School, college and department endowments provide resources that will accelerate programmatic improvements in teaching, research and creative activity and elevate the school, college or department to a level of national prominence. Such gifts may provide income to retain and recruit world-class faculty, expand research opportunities, enhance scholarship support, implement innovative programs or underwrite capital improvements.

TCU's centers and institutes bring together some of the University's most distinctive programs to address societal needs and provide services and educational programs to both students and the greater community. These are interdisciplinary programs that combine the resources of multiple departments to develop innovative teaching and research, unique co-curricular experiences for students and educational programs of interest to the public.

Gifts that provide significant support for academic programs are recognized with special naming opportunities such as those listed below.

School or College / By Consultation
Department / By Consultation
Institutes and Centers / By Consultation

FACILITIES SUPPORT

TCU offers numerous opportunities at various levels for facilities support. Many gifts for facilities are recognized with special naming opportunities.

The total project cost of a new building at TCU typically includes an architectural and engineering study, site preparation, construction, equipment and furnishings, and a maintenance endowment. Normally, a new facility is named by a donor who provides one-third to one-half of the project cost. New construction often creates numerous additional opportunities for support and recognition.

Naming opportunities are currently available in existing buildings or may become available through renovation or expansion. Individual naming opportunities range from faculty offices to an entire facility. As with new construction, existing buildings to be renovated are normally named by a donor who provides at least one-third to one-half of the cost of renovation. Other facilities not undergoing renovation may be named in recognition of gifts that provide significant support for programs housed in the facility.