



Undergraduate Scholarship Support

College of Liberal and Fine Arts

OVERVIEW

To offer a robust and rewarding academic experience to its students, the College of Liberal and Fine Arts is committed to the recruitment and retention of talented and deserving students by positioning them to complete their degrees without the burden of major financial debt and providing them with rich experiences in study abroad. To support this mission, the college has made undergraduate scholarships and study abroad programs two of its most important priorities. Students in the college have the potential to become great leaders in their respective professional fields. By providing undergraduates with scholarships to decrease financial barriers and access to study abroad programs, we will help turn their long-term aspirations and dreams into real and impactful careers.



CHALLENGE

With the demand consistently increasing for financial aid, the college must find ways to dramatically increase the number of annual and endowed undergraduate scholarships available for its current and prospective students. Beyond academic scholarships, study abroad scholarships open the door for students to explore their research and studies from a global perspective, enhancing the richness of their education. This is especially difficult for a college whose greatest strength and greatest challenge is academic diversity. The varying focus areas of academic programs

in the School of Art, the School of Music, and the departments of Anthropology, Film, Communication, English, History, Modern Languages and Literatures, Philosophy and Classics, and Political Science and Geography translates to a complex organization seeking financial support across a very diverse audience. However, the college is committed to finding champions across each of its academic programs who are willing to invest in the success of its students - in classrooms both domestic and abroad.



IMPACT

Access to additional financial support would benefit the college's undergraduate students in numerous ways. Most importantly, it would reduce their need to work full-time or part-time jobs in order to afford school-related and living expenses. Collectively, these fiscal demands require time away from their studies, which negatively impacts their ability to move toward graduation in a timely manner. The less reliant students are on external employment to meet their financial needs, the more time and effort they are able to focus on academic success. By ensuring that undergraduate students have the appropriate resources to remain enrolled and focused on their studies, the college will help guide them toward successful completion of their degrees. An investment in undergraduate scholarships today will help more students realize their dreams of becoming well-prepared professionals and contributing citizens of their communities. In addition, study abroad scholarships offer a life changing experience. Students are uniquely positioned to harness the full value of a global experience through training in languages, cultural studies and critical engagement. Increased scholarships for study abroad will allow more graduates to fully leverage the marketable skills they will gain and the value of this type of education.



PHILANTHROPIC OPPORTUNITIES

The University of Texas at San Antonio has launched a comprehensive campaign to support UTSA's 10-Year-Strategic Vision introduced by President Taylor Eighmy in 2017. **Be Bold: A Campaign for Our Future**, which also extends 10 years and has a working goal of \$500 million, is focused on providing the infrastructure and resources needed to become a model for student success and research discovery.

There are several philanthropic opportunities within the College of Liberal and Fine Arts. Scholarships make a tremendous difference and help UTSA attract and recognize high-achieving students. The minimum funding level for establishing a **Named Annual Scholarship** is \$2,500 per year with a three-year commitment. An **Endowment** is perhaps the most enduring gift a donor can make since it is a permanent fund that will exist in perpetuity. Since only the distributions from the endowment's corpus may be expended, the endowment will be a part of UTSA forever.

Annually, endowments at UTSA generate these awards:

- \$25,000 investment generates approximately \$1,125 in scholarship support.
- \$50,000 investment generates approximately \$2,250 in scholarship support.
- \$100,000 investment generates approximately \$4,500 in scholarship support.

A giving strategy that may also appeal to you is starting an annual scholarship today while simultaneously creating a lasting legacy through an endowed scholarship. You can fulfill your charitable goals now with an annual scholarship and make an impact in the future by naming UTSA in your estate plans. This is as easy as a beneficiary designation or bequest. You can provide for your family and support a cause that matters to you today, while leaving a legacy for tomorrow.

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