Philanthropy fuels possibilities

When you invest in our college, you help fuel our commitment to creating access for all students. For the 2019–2020 academic year, students in The College received nearly $93 million in scholarships, allowing them a better chance to thrive in their academic journey. In addition, philanthropy provides an extra measure of support for our top faculty, research initiatives and community programs that otherwise could not be achieved. Together, we can impact the lives of many.

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27 endowed chairs
18 endowed professorships
218 endowed scholarships
341 total endowments

The College serves as the academic heart of the university, as a vast majority of students ‘pass’ through The College at some point during their ASU experience. Here, we create master learners who can adapt to any situation.

— Patrick Kenney, Dean of The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

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Leading global impact and innovative solutions

Our faculty and scholars are educating the next generation of globally informed leaders while creating a more equitable, sustainable future. We are proud to have two Pulitzer Prize winners, four MacArthur Fellows, three Nobel laureates and many more top scholars leading our mission to provide unmatched access to all.

The academic heart of the university

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences is at the core of success and discovery at Arizona State University. Here, students gain an interdisciplinary skill set through innovative schools and departments within our humanities, natural sciences and social sciences divisions. As the largest and most diverse college at ASU, we drive transformative efforts and amplify diverse voices in our community. Students of all ages and backgrounds graduate from The College as socially aware, critical thinkers prepared to succeed in their future goals and careers.

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Fostering social change

With issues of systemic violence and racism at the forefront of conversations, the Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies held the first Race Before Race symposium, featuring scholars of color focusing on urgent contemporary issues through the lens of medieval and early modern culture. #RaceB4Race has become one of the most used Twitter hashtags for premodern race studies.

Building community for students

In 2017, the School of Transborder Studies founded the College Assistance Migrant Program. The program seeks to provide social, emotional and financial support systems to migrant students who might not otherwise be able to attend a four-year university. In spring 2020, the first cohort of students successfully completed the program, with 113 students participating in the program since its inception.

Focusing the eyes on Mars

Professor Jim Bell of the School Of Earth and Space Exploration is the principal investigator of the panoramic zoom cameras on NASA’s Mars 2020 Perseverance rover. The camera system, called Mastcam-Z, can zoom from wide angle to telephoto, take 3D images and videos and take color photos. The team will use the cameras to scout the local geology, look for signs of past life on Mars and more.