ST. FRANCIS COLLEGE Endowed Scholarships

BE THE CHANGE.
SEE THE CHANGE.
For more than one hundred and sixty years, ST. FRANCIS COLLEGE has provided scholarship aid to students from all walks of life, helping make the college experience available to those who might not otherwise have the opportunity to pursue a private college education. Countless students have expanded their horizons and realized their BIG DREAMS as a result of the scholarship support provided to them by our generous community of benefactors. This is a tradition that needs to be nurtured and nourished so that we can ensure a FRANCISCAN LEGACY and continue to provide a superior liberal arts education at an affordable tuition rate.

CURRENTLY scholarships and aid make education possible for over 98% of St. Francis College students. US News & World Report not only ranks SFC as one of the Best Regional Colleges in the North, but also as the 3rd in the region for the Least Student Debt.
“During my time at St. Francis, I have been exposed to a community like no other – from the students, to the faculty and administration, as well as our supportive alumni. I have been able to meet individuals and gain opportunities that I could never imagine. I am extremely honored to receive the Duns Scotus Endowed Scholarship, which promotes and encourages the values of St. Francis and the Duns Scotus Honor Society of service, scholarship, and individual character. This scholarship is a reminder that I belong to a community that extends well beyond graduation and I look forward to doing my part to support those that follow me.”

ARIANNA SARTZETAKIS ’19
Recipient of the Duns Scotus Endowed Scholarship

OUR SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORTERS build a bridge between Big Dreams and real life opportunities, ensuring that the St. Francis College Franciscan experience is available to a wide array of students who predominately come from our diverse metropolitan area.

To provide financial support, you can make a gift to our existing endowed scholarship funds listed in the folder of this brochure, invest in the general scholarship pool or create a new endowment or fund.

- **FOUNDER’S SCHOLARSHIP** | $400,000+
  Established with the intention of providing full scholarship support, leveraging and taking into consideration the student’s overall award package. Endowments are permanently restricted, where the principal of the fund remains intact and only earnings/interest are available for annual scholarship.

- **NAMED ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP** | $125,000+
  Are established to supplement a portion of a student’s tuition. These funds are permanently restricted, where the principal of the fund remains intact and only earnings/interest are available for annual scholarship.

- **TERM SCHOLARSHIP** | $50,000+
  Are established with the intention of providing a specified dollar amount of scholarship support to a student(s) for a specified duration. This fund may be fully depleted and cease to exist, unless the donor replenishes the fund.

- **NAMED ENDOWED AWARD** | $30,000+
  Are established to provide programmatic and/or student support.
The entry level amount to establish a scholarship endowment is $125,000.

The principal of the fund is kept intact; awards are generated from the earnings and interest on the investments only so that the scholarship is funded in PERPETUITY.

SFC consolidates financial contributions to Endowed Scholarships and invests the assets together as the college’s endowment. Each year, the Finance Committee sets the spending policy for endowments. Any excess earnings are reinvested for future growth and to further enhance each scholarship’s IMPACT.

For endowments being funded over a period of years, additional annual gifts can be made to create immediate awards while your ENDOWMENT grows.

The endowment can be funded with a single outright gift, OVER A PERIOD OF TIME or through A DONOR’S ESTATE.

Once the scholarship is established and reaches fully funded status, additional gifts in any amount are encouraged. As the fund balance grows, the amount of the scholarship award also increases along with the impact of your LEGACY.

Once an endowed scholarship meets the minimum funding threshold, the fund generally requires a full fiscal year to accrue earnings in order to generate awards for its designated purpose while keeping the principal of the fund intact. Additional gifts, historical growth in investment earnings and a prudent spending policy all enhance the power of the endowment to PROVIDE stable, long-term scholarship assistance to SFC students.

**ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS** provide important financial stability for St. Francis College and our students, as well as the assurance to donors that the scholarship will continue to impact students generations to come.
“Since 1980, when I joined the St. Francis College faculty, I have met many eager and talented students making great sacrifices in order to afford the opportunity to attend college. Establishing a scholarship means helping students unleash their full potential and supporting the wonderful tradition that is St. Francis College. It has been quite inspiring to meet the first recipient of my scholarship, Arielle Jurado, and to learn about her dreams and her outstanding accomplishments.”

UWE P. GIELEN, PHD
Scholarship Benefactor
Professor Emeritus & Executive Director of The Institute for International & Cross Cultural Psychology

“Words cannot begin to describe how grateful I am to be the first recipient of the Dr. Uwe P. Gielen Scholarship. Prior to this, I found myself focusing on what my dreams would cost rather than dedicating that time to achieve them. Thanks to this support, I was able to work hard towards achieving a 3.9 GPA and earn a spot the BA/MA Program in Applied Psychology. Additionally, I secured my dream internship at the Animal Department at the Prospect Park Zoo which deepened my passion for wildlife conservation education. There is no doubt the Dr. Gielen’s endowed scholarship has cleared the path for me to build a bright future. I’m grateful to him for not only supporting my dreams, but for his generous vision to help students of SFC for generations to come.”

ARIELLE NICOLE JURADO ’20
Scholarship Recipient of the Dr. Uwe P. Gielen Endowed Scholarship
ST. FRANCIS COLLEGE considers our BENEFACTORS to be a major investor as well as an integral part of the SFC Family, supporting and nurturing scholarship recipients so that they can live their dreams.

- **AWARDING PREFERENCES:**
  With all endowed scholarships, benefactors are able to set awarding criteria preferences for their scholarship recipients, which may be based on merit, financial need, major, and grade point average, etc.

- **ANNUAL REPORTING:**
  Our scholarship benefactors receive annual reports with information on their scholarship recipients – we prepare more than 300 reports each year for the scholarships listed in the folder of this publication.

- **CONNECTING WITH YOUR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**
  Throughout the year, scholarship donors have the opportunity to interact with their students at various meet and greets. Benefactors will also receive personal correspondence from their scholarship recipients.

- **COMMENCEMENT ACTIVITIES:**
  As a Benefactor, you are invited to participate in some of our most important academic events including Commencement.

Without the GENTROSITY of our ALUMNI, PARENTS, FRIENDS, FOUNDATIONS AND CORPORATIONS, the transformational experience of an SFC education would not be possible for many of our students.

- **THESE GIFTS** can make the difference as to whether a student enrolls or continues their education at SFC. Compared to other private colleges, SFC serves a large population of students (approximately 40%) who are the first generation in their family to attend college.

- **ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS,** in addition to providing tuition assistance, are a prestigious distinction for SFC students. Scholarship recipients have the opportunity to meet their donors and network with our philanthropic leaders on and off campus.

- **SCHOLARS** also have the opportunity to be featured in the College’s publications, participate in premier events as well as speak about their experiences to the SFC community and beyond.
The scholarship process is simple for students as they need not apply for a specific scholarship. Their admission, enrollment and submission of a FAFSA form ensures their consideration for scholarships.

GENERALLY, SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AWARDED BASED ON A COMBINATION OF:

- ACADEMIC SUCCESS
- FINANCIAL NEED

“In 1969 as the son of a widowed immigrant longshoreman, my options were to take job on the docks or figure out how to afford a college education. As many others that attended St. Francis College, I was the recipient of a life-changing gift called scholarship. For my parents, this was my opportunity to live out the American Dream. While at SFC, I met others who held those same expectations for me. They challenged, nurtured, and led by example, particularly Dr. Donald Metz ’47. Dr. Metz shared his time, support, and passion for education and the sciences. When he would give one of his famous exams, he would excuse himself from the classroom, buy all the students coffee and pastries while we worked on our exam. We never thought of cheating when he left the room. His example and the life lessons he taught shaped who I am today. Since I walked through the doors in 1969, the College has upheld a very strong and important mission of generous scholarships. I support SFC because I believe in this mission, I am proof that it works and hope to afford the next generation of Terriers the same opportunity, that I had, to live out their Big Dream.”

DR. DONALD METZ ’47 ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
MATTHEW J. KRSLICH ’73, Benefactor
AISHA YAZDANI ’19, Recipient
Upholding A Tradition of OPPORTUNITY:
Top-tier education at an AFFORDABLE COST

“Being a recipient of the Robert J. McGuire Scholarship is very empowering. I feel fortunate to have achieved a 4.0 GPA this semester - something I’m really proud of and only encourages me to keep working harder. Thanks to the McGuire Scholarship benefactors, I have the opportunity to study science and continue my passion for track and field. I feel a sense of reassurance knowing that others have invested in my future which offers me the time to excel in my studies as well as on my track and field team. I am grateful and motivated every day to pursue my dreams and enjoy all that St. Francis College has to offer.”

Robert J. McGuire Scholarship
JORGE PALAPA ’20, McGuire Scholar
FRED WILPON, Founder and Benefactor

The Cycle of GIVING + GROWING

By enabling our students to make the most of their abilities, the legacy created through the generosity of scholarships will extend far beyond the confines of our campus on Remsen Street. There is a RIPPLE EFFECT in scholarship giving. Every step made possible through the help of scholarship leads to the next, and one day all those steps could lead to something that changes the world. At St. Francis College, we are committed to growing the CULTURE OF PHILANTHROPY with our scholarship recipients. Every year, the College hosts a reception for our scholarship recipients to welcome them into the scholar community, as well as share inspiring stories of philanthropy that have afforded them these GREAT OPPORTUNITIES.
A Variety of Ways to Fulfill your PHILANTHROPIIC GOAL

1. OUTRIGHT GIFTS or MULTI-YEAR PLEDGE commitments, payable by check, credit card, appreciated securities or IRA rollovers & required minimum distributions.

2. PLANNED GIFTS such as bequests, charitable trusts, gifts of insurance and retirement plan assets.

3. A COMBINATION of outright gifts and planned gifts to reach a fund’s minimum balance to award.

GIVING is SIMPLE

If you are interested in establishing a scholarship at St. Francis College, or would like to speak with someone from the Office of Advancement for more information, please do not hesitate to give us a call, email us or simply visit our website. We are here to make this as simple and rewarding for you as possible.

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