

FEARLESS IDEAS – THE CAMPAIGN FOR MARYLAND
Minimum Gift Levels for Named Endowed Funds
Effective July 1, 2016

Establishing an endowment is an act of great generosity and vision. When alumni and friends make gifts to endow scholarships, fellowships and professorships, those funds are held in perpetuity, providing one of the most secure sources of future revenue, and creating a lasting legacy for the donor. Following are the minimum gift amounts required to create named endowed funds to support faculty and students at the University of Maryland.

Endowments Supporting Faculty

Endowments to name our senior academic leadership posts are among the most important gifts the university can receive. These investments allow Maryland to attract the very best leaders to guide the future of our institution, and they provide critical funds for deans to address essential priorities and new opportunities.

- **Named Endowed Deanship** **\$5,000,000**

A stellar faculty is the foundation of a great academic enterprise. They produce ground-breaking research, they attract, teach and mentor brilliant graduate students, and they inspire and prepare undergraduates to become the next generation of innovators. Recruiting and retaining superb faculty members in the highly competitive market we live in can only be provided through endowed positions. A named professorship is a high honor, conferring visibility and prestige to the selected faculty member and department and enabling the University to recognize extraordinary research and teaching.

- **Endowed University Chair** **\$3,000,000**
for interdisciplinary faculty leaders of national and international renown who elevate the University's standing through their eminence in critical fields of study
- **Endowed Chair** **\$2,000,000**
for senior faculty distinguished in their field, faculty directors of research centers and institutes and departmental chairs
- **Endowed Professorship** **\$1,000,000**
for tenured faculty members well-established in their disciplines with an exemplary record of academic achievement and teaching excellence

Endowed awards for junior faculty at the assistant professor level are equally important to Maryland's success. The appointment of a Faculty Fellow signals distinctive recognition of talented junior researchers/scholars and makes available financial resources for career-enhancing opportunities. They also serve as a powerful means of cultivating institutional loyalty and encouraging our rising stars to remain at Maryland, keeping the University of Maryland one step ahead of the competition. Endowed Faculty Funds provide flexible support for research, travel, and material and equipment related to faculty research projects.

- **Endowed Faculty Fellow** **\$ 500,000**
- **Endowed Faculty Fund** **\$ 250,000**

Endowments Supporting Students

Increasing our investment in the next generation of scholars, leaders, innovators and global citizens is vital to our mission as a pre-eminent flagship research university. We can provide the finest facilities and assemble the very best faculty, but without talented students, the quality of education at Maryland will suffer.

Scholarships change lives. Every endowed scholarship helps make a degree from Maryland accessible to talented students from all socioeconomic backgrounds. While the University of Maryland is a first choice for many high-school seniors, top students often receive compelling offers from out-of-state institutions—offers that may outweigh Maryland's low in-state tuition. In fact, the state of Maryland ranks second in the nation in the number of college-bound students it "exports" out of state. Increasing our endowment for undergraduate scholarship is an imperative if we are to continue to attract and keep the best and brightest students, regardless of their economic circumstances.

- **Flagship Scholarship** **\$200,000**
for full-tuition support for one undergraduate student
- **Undergraduate Scholarship Award** **\$ 50,000**
for a named scholarship award

Whether teaching and mentoring undergraduates, collaborating with faculty on research, or mastering the skills and qualities to lead an organization, graduate students are critical to the strength and aspiration of the University of Maryland to be a top-10 state university. They are a vital link to the intellectual life of the university, the engines that drive our research programs, and the advances they make while here and later in their careers help establish Maryland's reputation among our peers. Meaningful graduate student support will enable Maryland to draw top scholars to our graduate programs, enhancing our research and teaching enterprise.

- **Distinguished Graduate Fellowship** **\$250,000**
for fellowship support, summer stipends and research funds
- **Graduate Fellowship Award** **\$100,000**
for funding to support graduate tuition