

Fundraising Priorities
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT BOULDER
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The College of Arts and Sciences is the oldest academic division of the University, dating back to 1892. The Boulder campus undergraduate education program, largely reflecting the activities of A&S, was recently ranked 28th out of 249 undergraduate programs. It includes 36 departments, 27 programs and centers, 723 faculty members, and 112,000 alumni.

BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

The best way to ensure that there will be sufficient resources to meet the needs of the College of Arts and Sciences is to establish endowment funds that will grow over time and provide a permanent and flexible source of support. In the most recent year, the College of Arts and Sciences raised \$4,031,554 in designated gifts and \$347,711 of annual fund dollars.

Current Projects and Priorities

Faculty

The heart of any university is its faculty. The University of Colorado attracts dedicated, world-class professors who are committed to helping students achieve their full academic potential and, at the same time, develop excellence in their research, teaching, and service. A&S faculty make up the lion's share of our most high-profile faculty awardees:

- Eighteen faculty are members of the National Academy of Sciences, all in A&S.
- At least eleven of fifteen active members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences are from A&S.
- Four faculty have received Nobel Prizes – two in A&S and two in JILA with A&S appointments.
- All seven of the campus' MacArthur Fellows, the Nation's "Genius Awardees", are in A&S.
- Two of three faculty designated as Investigators of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute are in A&S.
- Five of seven recent Packard Fellows hail from A&S.
- Two A&S faculty have won the National Science Foundation Director's Award for Distinguished Teaching Scholars, the "highest honor for excellence in both teaching and research."

It is no wonder, then, that we are determined to increase the number of named chairs and professorships in the College to help attract the brightest and best faculty and retain those talented professors who are already here. Currently, the College has four endowed chairs: Economics, English, Geology, and Chemistry. We have two bequests (Eaton and Caruthers) for additional chairs, and are actively pursuing others.

- Endowed Chair: \$1,500,000 to \$3,000,000
- Endowed Professorship: \$500,000 and up

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Undergraduate and Graduate Student Support

Good students energize faculty and their fellow students. They elevate the academic profile of the University, which benefits all students, faculty, and alumni. Our goals are to:

- Provide a 25% increase in undergraduate need-based scholarships. We pursue this goal with both individual donors and through programs, like the *Buffalo Bicycle Classic*.
- Provide graduate fellowships and supplement fellowships for bright and highly motivated students.

Undergraduate Programming

- Provide the opportunity to live in and participate in a Residential Academic Program for all interested incoming freshmen.
- Expand programming to offer more diverse viewpoints in the classroom and on campus generally.
- Reduce upper division class size and improve student-faculty ratio by hiring more tenure track faculty.

Capital Projects

After continuous use and explosive changes in technology and teaching, replacing and/or improving the functionality as well as the appearance of our buildings are major challenges.

New building projects include:

- **Visual Arts Complex** – The program plan for the replacement of the Sibell Wolle Fine Arts building has been approved by all parties and a design architect has been selected. This project will house the Department of Art and Art history, and the Colorado University Art Museum. The project received a portion of its funding from the student capital construction fee. Total estimated fundraising required: \$10M
- **Colorado Initiative in Molecular Biotechnology Building** – This building will provide cutting edge research, hands-on education, economic development in Colorado, collaboration between UCB and UCDHSC, and provide a new vision for the UCB research park. It features labs for 60 researchers, teaching labs, seminar rooms, etc. Construction cost is approximately \$113M to be divided: ICR – 22%; CU – 22%; State – 20%; Private/Federal – 36%. Construction is planned to begin July, 2008; Occupancy by December, 2009.

Renovation Projects include:

- **Ekeley Sciences Building** – The program plan for the renovation of two floors within the middle portion of Ekeley Sciences serving undergraduate chemistry and biochemistry instruction. Estimated cost: \$13,950,000 It awaits State approval.
- **Ketchum Arts and Sciences Building** – Current building audits show that basic building infrastructures such as plumbing, mechanical and electrical systems are severely deteriorated and in need of replacement to satisfy needed code deficiencies, life safety protection, and ADA compliance. Estimated cost: \$8,333,406. It awaits State approval.
- **Hellems Arts and Sciences Building** -- Current building audits show that basic building infrastructures such as plumbing, mechanical and electrical systems are severely deteriorated and in need of replacement to satisfy needed code deficiencies, life safety protection, and ADA compliance. Estimated Cost: \$14,336,068. This project is queued behind the above two projects.

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Future Building Projects Under Development or discussion

- **H-Wing Expansion on Duane Physics building. Collaboration on JILA expansion.**
- **Mary Rippon Theater** – Outdoor theater improvements and underground backstage facilities are proposed. A Micro-Master Plan has been completed and approved by the State Historical Fund, which will be used for further approvals and fundraising.

SUMMARY

Successfully fundraising for these priorities will move the College forward and allow the faculty and students to pursue ambitious plans for strengthening current programs and launching initiatives into the new century. It will elevate the College's rankings, provide research opportunities for cutting edge discovery, and secure the future of a world-class faculty.