



# Annual Giving

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Annual Giving Impact  
2022-23

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## Impact at a Glance

*No matter the size, every gift to Annual Giving adds up to make a meaningful impact!*

# Thank You!

# \$73.8 million

*the third highest total in Princeton history*

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# 37,292

total donors

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Undergraduate alumni participation

# 47.5%

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Gifts of all amounts make a difference:

Gifts of \$500 or less = **\$3.9 million**

Gifts of \$100 or less = **\$1.2 million**

# 2022-23 Annual Giving Impact Report

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EVERY YEAR SINCE 1940, Princeton alumni, parents and friends have come together through Annual Giving to extend Princeton's transformative educational opportunities to the next generation, and this year is no exception.

I am delighted to have this opportunity to thank you for your gift and to share the meaningful impact of your support to the 2022-23 Annual Giving campaign.

Your gift makes a lasting impact on all aspects of student life. Annual Giving flows directly into the University's operating budget for educational expenses. These critical, unrestricted funds provide Princeton's margin of excellence by supporting teaching and innovative research. They also allow the University to seize opportunities, face new challenges and support the pioneering financial aid program that makes a Princeton education possible for all admitted students regardless of their circumstances.

I am pleased to share specific examples of how your Annual Giving contribution in 2022-23 makes an immediate difference. Your gift played an important role in meeting students' needs, strengthening and expanding academic and co-curricular programs, and providing enhanced opportunities for service.

This report, and the voices of students throughout, reflects the collective impact of your participation in Annual Giving.

Thank you again for making these and other initiatives possible!

With deepest thanks,



Sue Walsh h77 h80 h83 h85 h86 h87 h89 h90 h91 h92  
*Assistant Vice President for Annual Giving*





'26

*Class of*

*I've joined a vast network of Princeton students and alumni who will continually support me. I look forward to giving back to this wonderful community.*

*I am grateful because*

– CONNOR LAVINE '26



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*Class of*

*As a first-generation, low-income student, I didn't think I'd have the opportunity to pursue my dreams. Thanks to you, I can do it without the pressure of loans and debt.*

*I am grateful because*

– ZHENIA KHALABADZHAKH '26







## *Moving Princeton Forward Together*

Unrestricted funds from Annual Giving help the University ensure that a Princeton education remains second to none. This report includes several ways your Annual Giving support in 2022-23 made a difference for students:

- Recruit top-in-field professors and researchers.
- Provide every student the opportunity for a funded summer service internship.
- Enable the independent research efforts of students.
- Strengthen Princeton's visionary financial aid program.

*“Annual Giving is a key priority of the Venture Forward campaign, as these unrestricted funds play a vital role in advancing Princeton’s research and teaching excellence, while also sustaining our commitments to financial aid and graduate fellowships.”*

— President Christopher L. Eisgruber '83



*“This summer experience has helped me realize the type of service that I want to achieve through Princeton, and also life in general.”*

— BROOKLYN NORTHCROSS '24

 **LENS** Learning and Education through Service  
Princeton University





MacMillan with fellow Nobel Prize winner Syukuro Manabe, senior meteorologist at Princeton University.



## *Forward Together for World-Class Faculty*

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— David MacMillan

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Annual Giving plays a vital role in advancing the University’s ability to recruit top faculty and conduct research that addresses some of the world’s most challenging problems. In 2006, Princeton drew upon unrestricted Annual Giving funds to make an audacious bet that would completely transform its chemistry department in less than a decade.

Annual Giving funds enabled the University to make new investments in equipment, facilities, research funding and personnel that helped recruit David MacMillan to the faculty.

“There are not many places that have the resources, the drive and the culture to build a world-class program, but Princeton did,” said MacMillan, who is the James S. McDonnell Distinguished University Professor of Chemistry. “This became a really exciting opportunity: to build a group, to build new programs, to be part of building a new department. I feel like I showed up here just at the right moment.”

Since arriving at Princeton, MacMillan has built a prolific research group, become director of the Merck Center for Catalysis, chaired the chemistry department and helped launch the Princeton Catalysis Initiative. In 2021, MacMillan shared the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for developing asymmetric organocatalysis, an inexpensive and environmentally friendlier method to build molecules that drive chemical reactions. This new method has transformed the sustainability of manufacturing medicines and everyday products like clothing, shampoo and carpet fibers.





## Forward Together for Service

Through Annual Giving, every Princeton undergraduate student has the opportunity to secure a funded service or social impact summer internship before graduation.

To further reinforce Princeton's longstanding commitment to a culture of service, the University has allocated Annual Giving funds toward the expansion of the **Learning and Education through Service (LENS)** summer internship program. Launched in 2022, this initiative is jointly managed by the Center for Career Development and the Pace Center for Civic Engagement.

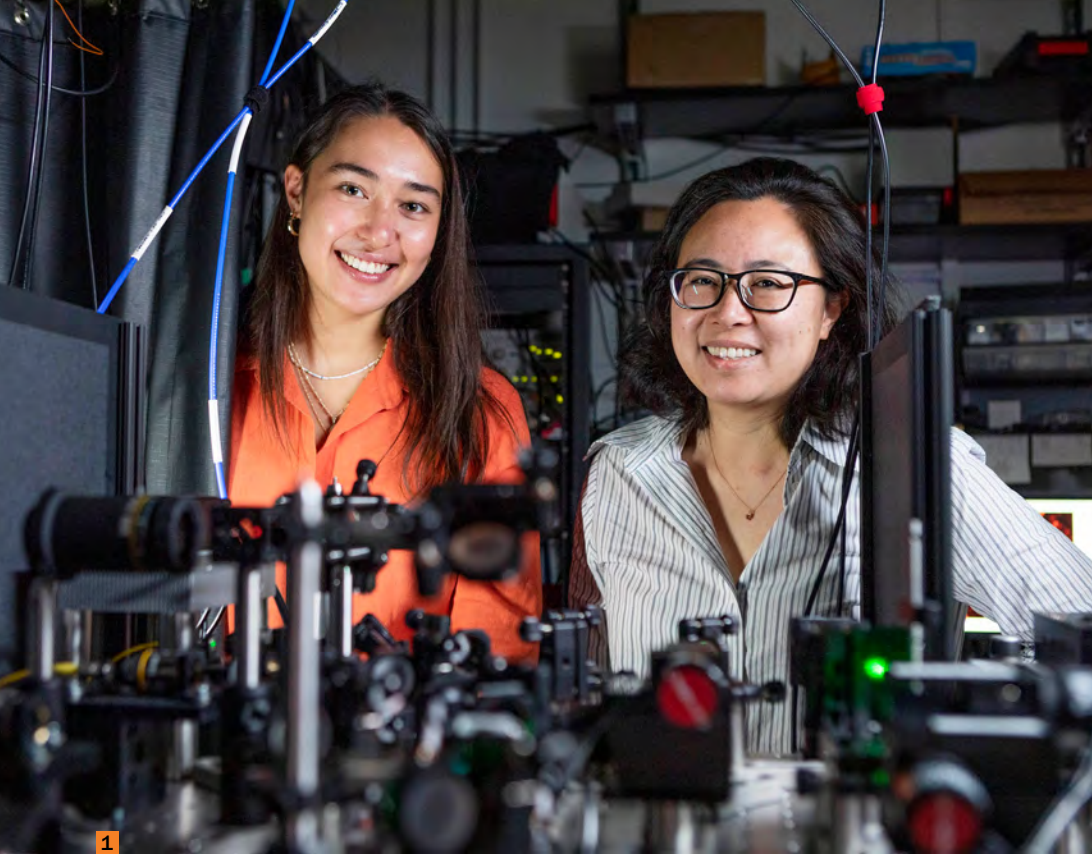
Last summer, undergraduates completed LENS internships in communities all around the world, from Trenton to South Africa. These opportunities, which will continue to grow with the addition of more LENS partner programs, would not be possible without your support through Annual Giving.

The goals of expanding LENS include:

- Creating more opportunities through existing Princeton programs for students to undertake socially impactful summer service internships.
- Promoting the importance of service and social impact internships, and how they can lead to related careers.
- Ensuring that summer service internships are accessible to all students, regardless of their financial means.

Photos: Through the LENS summer internship program, Princeton students can embark on service-oriented internships in their own communities and around the globe. [1] This summer, Zhenia Khalabadzkh '26 witnessed diplomacy first hand while interning with the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations. [2] Mark Dawod '24 spent the summer before his senior year shadowing Child Family Health International physicians in Cape Town, South Africa. [3] Jules Mpano '26 interned as a research fellow helping the Princeton Seed Farm study native crops. [4] Charlotte Kingston '26 worked with Ecuadorian children during her internship with Operation Smile International. [5] Evan Haley '24 spent his summer doing archival research in Princeton for a Museumverse digital exhibit.





Photos: [1] Physics student Elisabeth Rülke '23 worked on her senior thesis with Nathalie de Leon, associate professor of electrical and computer engineering. [2] For his senior thesis project, Amichai Feit '23 combined empirical policy analysis and field research. [3] Pre-med English major Rachel Sturley '23 used her senior thesis to examine how writers and artists portrayed their own experiences with illness.

## *Forward Together for Independent Research*

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Annual Giving enables every undergraduate student to engage in research that is an essential element of the Princeton experience, underwriting the costs associated with senior thesis projects and field research.

Since 1926, Princeton undergraduates have written a senior thesis as a culmination of their studies. Students work one-on-one with faculty members to develop their ideas, and many spend much of their senior year researching and revising their papers, which can total hundreds of pages.

The senior thesis has become a rite of passage for generations of Princetonians. Long before Chris Young '02 assembled the Texas Rangers team that won its first World Series championship, he completed his senior thesis on Major League Baseball's integration in the 1940s and the racial attitudes of the time. Before Wendy Kopp '89 founded Teach for America and Teach For All, she used her senior thesis to propose creating a national teaching corps that would recruit recent college grads to teach in underserved schools. And as a Princeton senior, Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell '75 examined the political forces that were driving the changing landscape of apartheid in South Africa.

The senior thesis has proven to be a remarkable and distinctly Princetonian learning experience. Through Annual Giving, alumni can support the groundbreaking research of today's students just as earlier generations did on their behalf.





## *Forward Together for Visionary Financial Aid*

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Princeton's generous financial aid makes it possible for talented students from all backgrounds to live and learn at the University without the need to incur debt. This aid is crucial to Princeton's efforts to increase the socioeconomic diversity of the student body. Annual Giving helps power the continual expansion of the University's **groundbreaking no-loan financial aid program**, allowing Princeton to:

- Ensure that families with incomes up to \$100,000 a year pay nothing for their student to attend Princeton, and many families with incomes up to and beyond \$300,000 also receive grant aid.
- Grow the undergraduate population by 500 students over the next four years. In 2022, the University was able to admit the largest first-year class in its history.
- Increase graduate student fellowship and stipend rates by 25% in 2022 and an additional 5% in 2023, putting them among the highest in the U.S., and guarantee funding to cover tuition and fees for degree-seeking Ph.D. candidates every year they are actively enrolled in their doctoral programs.







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*Class of*

The many academic pathways, incredible resources, peers and faculty inspire me. This experience wouldn't be possible for me without the generosity of donors.

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*I am grateful because*

> — ARMAN NEMATY '27

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*Class of*

Alumni generosity allowed me to explore a career path, be exposed to amazing experiences and learn how best to make a difference in the world.

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*I am grateful because*

— CHARLOTTE KINGSTON '26

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Through Annual Giving,  
we renew campus, support students,  
seize opportunities and  
face new challenges to move

# *Forward Together*

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