Philanthropy supports professorships and chairs at Nevada

A talented and dedicated faculty is the University’s most precious—and most costly—resource. Recruiting and retaining a faculty of gifted educators is paramount. Recognizing the very important need to invest funds as a way of providing more opportunities for faculty to advance their creativity and research and to inspire and transform students, our supporters have provided generous funding for faculty positions across campus.

### ENDOWED POSITIONS

#### College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources

**Donna Anderson Professorship in Grazing and Rangelands Management**
Established 2006
**Holder:** Tamzen Stringham
Donna Anderson made an estate gift to the University to create this professorship whose work is directed to maintaining the ranching tradition within the Great Basin through the improvement and stewardship of rangeland management.

**Frank R. & Joan Randall Endowed Professorship in Natural Resources and Environmental Science**
Established 2013
**Holder:** Under recruitment
Frank Randall ’56 (business administration) served on the Foundation Board of Trustees from 2001-06. Frank and his wife, Joan, established this professorship to encourage and support professors who work to preserve and steward the environment and its natural resources.

#### College of Liberal Arts

**Lincoln and Meta Fitzgerald Western Traditions Chair**
Established 2000
**Holder:** Barbara Walker
Lincoln and Meta Fitzgerald owned and operated the Nevada Club, the Fitzgerald Hotel and Casino and the Nevada Lodge at Lake Tahoe. Remembering the state that was home to many memories, Meta provided for the Lincoln and Meta Fitzgerald Western Traditions Chair in her estate plans.

**Grace A. Griffen Chair in History**
Established 1998
**Holder:** William Rowley
Grace A. Griffen desired the appreciation of the West to be preserved through academic publications and public involvement. She left a gift to the University in her estate providing for this chair in history.

**Mamie Kleberg Chair in Historic Preservation**
Established 1978
**Holder:** Carolyn White
Mary Etta Sugden, the daughter of Mamie Kleberg, established this endowed chair to support historic preservation in Nevada. It was one of the first such chairs among the nation’s Universities dedicated to historic preservation.

**NEH Endowment for Western Traditions**
Established 1996
**Holders:** Katherine Fusco and Catherine Chaput
The National Endowment for the Humanities is an independent federal agency created by Congress in 1965 to support research, education and public programs in the humanities. In 1996, University leadership applied for NEH funding and was awarded a grant to match private funds that were donated to establish permanent funding for humanities faculty positions at the University.

**The College of Business**

**Charles N. Mathewson Professorship in Entrepreneurship**
Established 2012
**Holder:** Mark Pingle
Charles Mathewson, former president, CEO and board chairman of IGT, established this professorship in an effort to expand the curriculum and provide long-term resources to facilitate student engagement in entrepreneurial and start-up ventures.

**Philip G. Satre Chair in Gaming Studies**
Established 2005
**Holder:** Under recruitment
Philip G. Satre ’15 (honorary degree), a former executive for Harrah’s, was honored by the Harrah’s Foundation at his retirement by establishing this endowed chair in his name.

**Hopping Professorship in Entrepreneurship**
Established 2012
**Holder:** Under recruitment
Established by the Charles and Ruth Hopping Foundation, this endowed professorship will have the primary role of enhancing the entrepreneurship program, including the Sontag Entrepreneurship Competition.

**Barbara Smith Campbell Distinguished Professor of Nevada Tax Policy**
Established 2014
**Holder:** Mehmet Tosun
The Donald W. Reynolds Foundation established this endowed position to support a professor in economics with expertise in tax policy. The endowment honors Barbara Smith Campbell ’78 (economics) and her many years of dedication and service to the Reynolds Foundation, the University and the state of Nevada.

#### College of Science

**Clemons-Magee Professorships**
Established 2012
**Holders:** Pat Arnott (physics), Kent Ervin (chemistry)
Mackay School of Mines graduate Gary Clemons ’81 (earth science) and his wife, Susan Magee Clemons, established two endowed professorships in chemistry and physics to recognize professors who spark students’ curiosity and creativity and motivate them to pursue careers in the fields of chemistry and physics.

**Reynold Clayton Fuson Chemistry Professorship**
Established 2004
**Holder:** Ben King
Reynold Clayton Fuson was an American chemist who spent 14 years at the end of his career as a distinguished visiting professor at the University. Fuson considered his students and colleagues his family and divided his substantial estate between several Universities to support students, lecturers and professorships.

**Trevor J. McMinn Professorships**
Established 2015
**Holders:** Andrei Derevianko (physics), Matt Forister (biology)
Mathematics Professor Trevor McMinn served 25 years at the University, retiring in 1988. After
Newmont Mining Corporation has generously supported the University for the last 40 years, including the establishment of this endowed faculty position.

Arthur Brant Chair in Geophysics
Established 1991
Holder: John Muntean
While working for the Newmont Mining Corporation, Dr. Arthur A. Brant was in charge of geophysical research and development. In 1989, Brant’s friends and former colleagues established an endowment with the University for an endowed chair in geophysics in his name.

John N. Butler Professorship in Extractive Metallurgy
Established 1986
Holder: Thom Seal
Established with a gift from the estate of metallurgy professor John Butler, who served as chair of the Chemical and Metallurgical Engineering and Mining Engineering Department.

Fred D. Gibson, Jr. Professorship in Science
Established 1999
Holder: Scott Mensing
Fred D. Gibson ’51 has been an outstanding leader in the U.S. chemical industry for more than 50 years. He was named by the University as Alumnus of the Year in 2010 and received an honorary doctorate from Nevada in 1999.

Goldcorp Chair in Minerals Engineering
Established 2008
Holder: Carl Nesbitt
The chair supports the Mackay School of Earth Sciences and Engineering in recognition of the importance of higher education in the academic areas critical to the minerals industry.

Mackay School of Mines Curator
Established 1989
Holder: Garrett Barmore
Funded in part by a major gift from the W.M. Keck Foundation, this endowment provides for the Mackay School of Mines curator at the W.M. Keck Earth Science and Mineral Engineering Museum.

Newmont Professorship in Minerals Engineering
Established 2003
Holder: Jim Hendrix
Newmont Mining Corporation has generously supported the University for the last 40 years, including the establishment of this endowed faculty position.

Arthur Emerton Orvis Professorship in Nursing
Established 1981
Holder: Sandra Talley
Reno resident, financier and philanthropist Arthur Emerton Orvis and his wife, Mae, have made a tremendous impact at Nevada. This professorship provides for a published professor with research grant application and management experience and teaching and service awards.

Division of Health Sciences

Jean Sanford Distinguished Professorship
Established 1997
A gift from the estate of Jean Sanford created this professorship to develop, implement, and foster academic and applied research, scholarship and statewide collaboration to shape the future of genomics and gerontology in Nevada.

University of Nevada School of Medicine

Kratter Chair in Geriatric Medicine
Established 1980
Real estate investor Marvin Kratter gifted stock to the University in his estate plans to establish a chair devoted to research and teaching in the field of geriatric medicine in the School of Medicine.

Louis E. Lombardi M.D. Professorship in Family Medicine
Established 2000
Louis Lombardi, M.D., a physician for the University of Nevada School of Medicine, passed away. This endowed chair was created in his name and friends to support teaching and research in the School of Medicine.

H. Edward Manville, Jr. Chair for Internal Medicine
Established 1985
Holder: Daniel Shapiro
Hiram Edward Manville designated a gift to the University in his estate which established the School of Medicine’s first endowed faculty chair.

Mick Hitchcock, Ph.D. Chair in Medical Biochemistry
Established 2014
Holder: Future recruitment
Mick Hitchcock, Ph.D., has worked for more than 30 years in the bio-pharmaceutical industry. Hitchcock established this fund to support a tenure-track faculty position that will focus on medical biochemistry.

College of Engineering

Ralph E. Hooper Professorship in the College in Engineering
Established 2006
Holder: Henry Fu
Ralph E. Hooper ’51 (electrical engineering) and his wife, Rose, were pioneers in California independent telephony. In Ralph’s memory, Rose established the first endowed professorship at the College of Engineering.

Donald W. Reynolds School of Journalism

Paul A. Leonard Chair for Ethics and Writing in Journalism
Established 2007
Holder: Caesar Andrews
The Leonard family name has been synonymous with higher education and philanthropy in Nevada for decades. The estate of Owen Leonard ’57 (history) provided that part of her estate would create a chair in the Reynolds School in honor of her late husband, Paul A. Leonard ’36 (journalism).

Donald W. Reynolds Chair in Business Journalism
Established 2008
Holder: Alan Deutschman
This Donald W. Reynolds Foundation endowment supports the business journalism program.

Donald W. Reynolds Chair in Media Entrepreneurship
Established 2000
Holder: Mignon Fogarty
This Donald W. Reynolds Foundation endowment supports media entrepreneurship program.

Donald W. Reynolds Chair in New Media Technologies
Established 2000
Holder: Larry Dailey
This Donald W. Reynolds Foundation endowment provides support for new media technologies.

Fred W. Smith Chair
Established 2007
Holder: Under recruitment
Fred W. Smith Chair supports for media entrepreneurship program.

Lavery Family, Sheckler and Stevenson Family Endowments
Established 2004, 2008 and 2004
Holder: Marc A. Johnson
Lavera Foundation gifts from Richard and Ruth Lavera, Eva Sheckler and Budd O. Stevenson established endowments for the University which currently support University leadership. Richard and Ruth Lavera were Lake Tahoe residents, Eva Sheckler was a 22-year employee of the university, and Budd Stevenson, a 1928 graduate of Nevada, was a successful building contractor in Redwood City, and eventually built the Governor’s Mansion in Sacramento.

TERM POSITIONS

Mackay School of Earth Sciences and Engineering

Barrick Gold of North America Visiting Professorship
Established 2010
Holder: Thom Seal
Barrick Gold Corporation, the gold industry leader, supports the Mackay School through this visiting professorship.

Goldcorp Term Professorship in Mining Engineering
Established 2011
Holder: Karoly “Charles” Kocsis
The Goldcorp Term Professorship in Mining Engineering supports the Mackay School in recognition of the importance of higher education in the academic areas critical to the minerals industry.

Kimross Term Professorship in Mining Engineering
Established 2013
Holder: Javad Sattarvand
Kimross, the nation’s largest producer of gold, silver, bismuth, lithium carbonate and mined magnesite, established this professorship to invest in the growth of the Mining Engineering Department.

Redfield UNSOM Chair in Pediatrics
Established 2014
Holder: Under recruitment
With the goal of taking additional concrete steps to improve the health of children in northern Nevada, the Neil J. Redfield Foundation has pledged funding for a joint chair of Pediatrics at the University of Nevada School of Medicine/pediatrician-in-chief of Renown Children’s Hospital.

University of Nevada, Reno Foundation Professorships
Established 1983
Holders: Indira Chatterjee, James Kenyon, Mark Nichols
The Foundation Professor program was developed in 1983 by the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation Board of Trustees to recognize and salute the University’s professors for outstanding achievements, particularly in research and teaching. Funding is provided by the University Foundation. (See pages 2 and 9)

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