



SUBJECT	Establishment of New Endowments
SUBMITTED TO	Learning & Research Committee
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REQUEST	For information only - No action requested
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PRIOR SUBMISSIONS

The subject matter of this submission has not previously been considered by the Learning & Research Committee.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The endowment funds listed under this docket have been approved by the President on the recommendation of the University Counsel in accordance with UBC Endowment Policy (FM5) and are presented to the Learning & Research Committee of the Board of Governors for information only.

Under the Endowment Policy, the Board of Governors has delegated authority to the President to approve, upon the recommendation of the University Counsel, the establishment of new endowment funds. Spending may begin upon execution of the endowment documentation by the President.

Since the last docket report was prepared for the Learning & Research Committee, the University Counsel has recommended and the President has approved the establishment of the following Endowment Funds. Where the University is providing matching funding in accordance with the Blue & Gold Campaign for Students and UBCO Aspire Campaign for Students, the amount is indicated in brackets following the description:

UBC Okanagan Library

- UBC Okanagan Library Special Collections Endowment Fund:** With a gift of \$50,000 and an additional \$50,000 pledge from Doug and Diane Corbishley, the University will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “UBC Okanagan Library Special Collections Endowment Fund” (the “Special Collections Fund”). The Special Collections Fund will support the University’s Okanagan Library’s Special Collections, with preference to support the acquisition of new materials of historical significance to the Okanagan.
- Sharron Simpson Family Community Engagement Endowment Fund:** A gift of \$25,000 from Sharron Simpson, along with matching funds from The University of British Columbia, will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “Sharron Simpson Family Community Engagement Endowment Fund” (the “Simpson Fund”). The Simpson Fund will support student experiential learning opportunities at UBC Okanagan Library that establish and enhance impactful university-community relationships in areas public history and regional identity. Sharron Simpson is an engaged alumna of UBC and an ardent champion of the Okanagan campus. She is a historian and writer and her family archives reside in the UBC Okanagan Special Collections.

UBC Okanagan Student Awards**NEW AWARDS – FINANCIAL NEEDS-BASED*****Awards***

3. **Jessie Ravensborg Memorial Award in English:** A gift of \$30,041 from Heather Lucier, family and friends, along with matching funds from The University of British Columbia, will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “Jessie Ravensborg Memorial Award in English Endowment Fund” (the “Ravnsborg Fund”). The Ravensborg Fund will support awards for undergraduate students pursuing a major, combined major, and or honours degree in English at The University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus who have demonstrated assessed financial need and classroom leadership. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty. (UBC match: \$30,000 UBCO ASPIRE Campaign match)

Bursaries

4. **Ingram Family Bursary in Education:** A gift of \$25,000 from Richard Ingram, along with matching funds from The University of British Columbia, will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “Ingram Family Bursary in Education Endowment Fund” (the “Ingram Fund”). The Ingram Fund will support bursaries for undergraduate students in the Faculty of Education at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. The bursary will be adjudicated by Enrolment Services. (First award available for the 2020/21 academic year) (UBC match: \$25,000 UBCO ASPIRE Campaign match)
5. **Douglas and Daphne Overhill Bursary in Engineering:** A bequest in the amount of \$100,000 from the Estate of Douglas Overhill (1928-2018) will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “Douglas and Daphne Overhill Scholarship or Bursary in Engineering Endowment Fund” (the “Overhill Fund”). The Overhill Fund will support bursaries for undergraduate students in the School of Engineering in the Faculty of Applied Science at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. Preference will be given to students who (1) graduated from Revelstoke Secondary School or (2) are specializing in Mechanical Engineering. Douglas was born in Nelson, British Columbia, and earned a Bachelor of Applied Science in Mechanical Engineering from UBC in 1951. He and his wife Daphne were married for sixty years. The bursaries are adjudicated by Enrolment Services. (First award available for the 2020/21 academic year)

NEW AWARDS – SERVICE, LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

6. **Lisa Wensink Award in Mental Health Nursing:** A gift of \$ 50,000 from Richard Wensink and family and friends of Lisa Wensink, along with matching funds from The University of British Columbia, will establish an endowment fund to be known as the Lisa Wensink Award in Nursing” (the “Wensink Fund”). The Wensink Fund will support awards for undergraduate nursing students in the School of Nursing in the Faculty of Health and Social Development at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. Preference is given to a student who excels in areas of mental health training and who may be a mature student. Lisa Wensink was a double alumna (BSc '16, MSc '17) who found her calling when she became a registered nurse. Her concern and compassion for those struggling with mental illness is where Lisa made such a difference in the lives of our most vulnerable in the community. The award will be adjudicated by the School of Nursing. (First award available for the 2020/21 academic year) (UBC match: \$50,000 UBCO ASPIRE Campaign match)

UBC Vancouver Faculty of Medicine

7. **Dr. David MacPherson Bell Endowment Fund:** A gift of \$3,000,000 from a donor who wishes to remain anonymous will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “Dr. David MacPherson Bell Endowment Fund” (the “Bell Fund”). The Bell Fund will support M.D. undergraduate students who have demonstrated financial need and are in good academic standing through award(s) and/or other financial aid. The student support is to be offered without deduction for tuition or other University fees. Preference will be given to students who have demonstrated an interest in practicing medicine in British Columbia outside of the Lower Mainland.

UBC Vancouver Peter A. Allard School of Law

8. **Anne Rowles Research Award in Family Law Endowment Fund:** A gift in the amount of \$200,000 from the Estate of Madam Justice Mildred Anne Rowles will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “Anne Rowles Research Award in Family Law Endowment Fund” (the “Rowles Fund”). The Rowles Fund will support research projects in family law selected by the Dean of the Faculty, or his or her delegate(s). Candidates eligible to apply include law students in the J.D. and graduate programs, and faculty members in the Faculty of Law.

UBC Vancouver Student Awards**NEW AWARDS – ACADEMIC MERIT-BASED*****Awards***

9. **Sylvie McClean Memorial Award in Law:** A gift of \$250,000 from Albert J. McClean, in memory of Marie-Claire Sylvie McClean (1933-2019), will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “Sylvie McClean Memorial Award in Law Endowment Fund” (the “McClean Fund”). The McClean Fund will support awards for domestic J.D. students with outstanding academic achievement who demonstrate financial need. Sylvie was born in Algeria. She earned a L.es L. and a D.E.S from the University of Paris Sorbonne, and received an M.A. from UBC in 1968. She taught French at UBC and in several high schools. Sylvie was an advocate for women’s rights and education. She wrote her M.A. thesis on Colette and Simone de Beauvoir, and published a biography on Evelyn Fenwick Farris in 1997. Sylvie and her husband Bertie, a former Dean of the Faculty of Law, regularly hosted tutorials in their home for Law students enrolled in Bertie’s Real Property class. This academic award is made on the recommendation of the Peter A. Allard School of Law. (First award available for the 2021/2022 academic year)
10. **Kenneth and Sheila McArthur Award in Nursing:** A gift of \$100,000 from Ken and Sheila McArthur will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “Kenneth and Sheila McArthur Award in Nursing Endowment Fund” (the “McArthur Fund”). The McArthur Fund will support awards for students completing the fourth-year of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program who have demonstrated empathy and a focus on patients in a professional practice course. Financial need may be considered. Each award will be valued ideally at not less than \$2,000. Ken and Sheila McArthur established this award to build opportunity within nursing and to ensure that empathy is celebrated as an indispensable component in the nurse-patient relationship that positively impacts the nurse, the patient and our healthcare system. Empathy was an innate quality held by Ken’s mother, Elizabeth McArthur, a Senior County Nurse who graduated from the Calgary General Hospital School of Nursing in 1917. The awards are made on the recommendation of the School of Nursing. (First award available for the 2021/2022 academic year)

11. **Colleen Froese, M.D. and Wayne Brown Award in Rural Health:** A gift of \$50,000 from Colleen Froese (B.Sc. 1975, M.D. 1982) and Wayne Brown (B.Com. 1981) will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “Colleen Froese, M.D. and Wayne Brown Award in Rural Health Endowment Fund” (the “Froese and Brown Fund”). The Froese and Brown Fund will support awards for third and fourth year M.D. students who are interested in practicing in a rural community. Preference will be given to students from underserved communities. Financial need may be considered. Dr. Froese grew up in Terrace and understands the need for physicians in rural communities. Dr. Froese and Mr. Brown established this award to help remove barriers for future generations of physicians who wish to contribute to the health and vitality of rural communities, and to improve access to health care for underserved populations. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Medicine. (First award available for the 2021/2022 academic year)

Scholarships

12. **David Hoar and Noreen Rudd Scholarship in Biochemistry:** A gift of \$50,000 from David Hoar (B.Sc. 1966, Ph.D.) and Noreen Rudd (M.D. 1965) will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “David Hoar and Noreen Rudd Scholarship in Biochemistry Endowment Fund” (the “Hoar and Rudd Fund”). The Hoar and Rudd Fund will support scholarships for outstanding undergraduate and graduate First Nations, Inuit and Métis students of Canada in the Department of Biochemistry. Preference will be given to students from areas in British Columbia outside of the Lower Mainland and Greater Victoria. David is a geneticist and molecular biologist. He served on the Board of Directors at the Vancouver Aquarium. In 1988, he became the first person to testify in a Canadian court about DNA evidence. Noreen is a pediatrician and medical geneticist. She played a key role in the development of prenatal testing in Canada, and was a founding member of the Canadian College of Medical Geneticists. The scholarships are made on the recommendation of the Department of Biochemistry, and in the case of a graduate student, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. (First award available for the 2020/2021 academic year)
13. **Dr. Linda Matsuuchi Graduate Scholarship in Life Sciences:** A gift of \$100,000 from, Shaun Patrick Foy and Kirsty Yvonne Foy, in honour of Dr. Linda Matsuuchi (A.B., M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D.), will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “Dr. Linda Matsuuchi Graduate Scholarship in Life Sciences Endowment Fund” (the “Matsuuchi Fund”). The Matsuuchi Fund will support scholarships for outstanding first and second-year graduate students who are studying life sciences and working in a research laboratory in the Faculty of Science. The term life sciences is intentionally broad and includes students pursuing research in the areas of biochemistry, biology, cell biology, genetics, microbiology, immunology, and zoology. Preference will be given to female students. During her tenure at UBC in the Department of Zoology, Dr. Matsuuchi has invested in the development of the lives of thousands of students. She has served as a role model and mentor, inspiring future scientists and creating opportunities for researchers around the globe. She received a Faculty of Science Achievement Award in 2007 in recognition of her contributions to the faculty. The scholarships are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Science, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. (First award available for the 2021/2022 academic year)

Prizes

14. **Ron DeVall and Jim Mutrie Memorial Prize in Structural Engineering:** Gifts totaling \$53,700 from family, friends and colleagues in memory of Dr. Ron DeVall (1943-2020) and Jim Mutrie (1940-2019) will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “Ron DeVall and Jim Mutrie Memorial Prize in Structural Engineering Endowment Fund” (the “DeVall and Mutrie Fund”). The DeVall and Mutrie Fund will support prizes for outstanding graduating M.A.Sc. and M.Eng. students in the Department of Civil Engineering studying structural engineering. Ron (B.A.Sc. 1966, M.A.Sc. 1968, Ph.D. 1972) and Jim (B.A.Sc 1966) were close friends for over fifty years. They attended UBC together, and both began their careers at Read Jones Christoffersen. Ron and Jim were dedicated to the advancement of the engineering profession and contributed their expertise to national building codes and standards. This prize was established in recognition of Ron and Jim’s contributions to the practice of structural engineering, and their efforts to increase the seismic safety of buildings in Canada. The prizes are made on the recommendation of the Department of Civil Engineering. (First award available for the 2020/2021 academic year)

NEW AWARDS – SERVICE, LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

15. **1976 UBC Men’s Volleyball Champions Award:** Gifts totaling \$50,817 from the members and coaching staff of the 1976 UBC Men’s Volleyball Team will establish an endowment fund to be known as the “1976 UBC Men’s Volleyball Champions Award Endowment Fund” (the “1976 Men’s Volleyball Fund”). The 1976 Men’s Volleyball Fund will support awards for members of the UBC Thunderbirds Men's Volleyball Team who are in good academic standing and have demonstrated leadership abilities on and off the court. Financial need may be considered. Preference will be given to students in second-year and up. The 1976 UBC Men’s Volleyball Team had an impressive record, winning the U SPORTS National Championships in 1976, as well as three Canada West Championships in 1974, 1976 and 1977. They remain very active in UBC Athletics and have played a key role in maintaining the men’s volleyball program throughout the years. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Head Coach of the Men’s Volleyball team, with review and approval by the Athletic Awards Committee. (First award available for the 2020/2021 academic year)