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Endowed Chairs

The following fully endowed chairs have been established by the Board of Trustees. The titles of individuals holding named chairs may vary slightly.

The Charles E. and Margery B. Anderson Chair of Humanities was established in 1997 by the Board of Trustees to recognize Mr. and Mrs. Anderson’s leadership, dedication, and philanthropy to Whitman College. Major gifts came from the Andersons and the National Endowment for the Humanities. Mr. Anderson served as a trustee from 1990 to 2002.
The **Darrell W. and Katherine Jane Baggs Chair in Economics**, was established by Darrell Baggs ’67, economics major, to provide support for faculty in the economics department.

The **George Hudson Ball Chair in the Humanities** was established in 2010 with gifts from hundreds of alumni and friends in honor of Professor of Biblical Literature Emeritus Dr. George Ball on his 95th birthday. This position strengthens teaching and learning in the humanities.

The **Catharine Gould Chism Chair of Music** was established in 1980 by the Board of Trustees from the bequest of Catharine Gould Chism, a patron of the arts.

The **Roger and Davis Clapp Chair of Economic Thought** was founded in 1966 by James H. Clapp of Seattle as a memorial to his brothers. The professorship was given “to further understanding of 1) the development of economic thought through the ages; 2) the development and continuing values in the Western free enterprise system; and 3) how those values, developed in the past, have continuing application in today’s complex society.”

The **Raymond and Elsie Gipson DeBurgh Chair in the Social Sciences** was funded in 2002 with the remainder of a unitrust established by the DeBurghs. This endowment funds a position to teach courses in the social sciences.

The **William K. and Diana R. Deshler Chair** was established in 2008 by Bill and Diana Sharp Deshler, both Whitman Class of 1964, to provide support for a distinguished tenure-track faculty member. The Deshlers have been Whitman supporters and volunteers for years. Bill was a trustee for 12 years, serving until his death in 2008. This chair is assigned to a teacher-scholar in the department with the most pressing need. Special consideration is to be given to the departments of art, history, and mathematics.

The **William O. Douglas Chair in Constitutional Law and American Jurisprudence** was established in 2013 to support the teaching of constitutional law as an essential component of a liberal arts curriculum.

The **Baker Ferguson Chair of Politics and Leadership** was established in 1996 in honor of Baker Ferguson, a 1939 Whitman alumnus, trustee emeritus, and consistent supporter of Whitman College.

The **Ludwig Gaiser Chair of Art History** was established in 1982 by the Gaiser family to honor this eminent clergymen of the Northwest whose nine children all attended the college.

The **John and Jean Henkels Chair of Chinese Languages and Literatures** was established in 1987. The Henkels are parents of three Whitman alumni, and John Henkels served on the Board of Overseers from 1986 to 2001.

The **Herbert and Pearl Ladley Chair of Cognitive Science** was established in 2004 by Frankie Ladley Wakefield ’27 in memory of her parents, who made it possible for her to pursue a liberal arts education at Whitman College. The endowment funds a position in the interdisciplinary field combining psychology and biology.

The **Alma Meisnest Endowed Chair in the Humanities** was established in 1999 with proceeds from the estate of Alma Meisnest, a friend of the college.

The **Microsoft Chair of Computer Science** was established in 2014 to support a faculty position in computer science.

The **Kathleen M. Murray Chair in Computer Science** was established by parents Christina and Peter Dawson to honor Whitman’s 14th President, Kathleen M. Murray, to provide funding to support a faculty member in computer science.

**Ashton J. and Virginia Graham O’Donnell Chair in Global Studies** was established in 2015 to support visiting educators in the field of Global Studies.

The **Judge and Mrs. Timothy A. Paul Chair of Political Science** was established by George N. Paul ’35 with a bequest in memory of his parents. Timothy A. Paul was a Superior Court Judge in Walla Walla County during the 1930s and 1940s.
The **Carl E. Peterson Chair of Science** was established in 1997 in memory of Carl E. Peterson ’33. Mr. Peterson was an overseer and longtime member and chairman of the Whitman College Farm Committee (1970-1989).

The **Laura and Carl Peterson Chair of Social Sciences** was established in 1997 with a bequest from the Carl Peterson estate. Laura Crump Peterson, a 1936 alumna and volunteer who devoted many hours to the Delta Gamma active chapter, joined her husband in financial support of the college.

The **Robert Allen Skotheim Chair of History** was established in 1994 in honor of Whitman’s 10th president by a gift from Dr. Elizabeth Main Welty, long-time college trustee, and a bequest from the estate of Dr. Robert Ford Welty ’35.

**Endowed Professorships**

The following professorships have been established by the Board of Trustees and are endowed wholly or in part. The titles of individuals holding named professorships may vary slightly.

The **Alexander Jay Anderson Professorship of Mathematics** was founded in 1914 in memory of Alexander Jay Anderson, Ph.D., first president of the college.

The **Spencer F. Baird Professorship of Biology** was founded in 1898 in memory of Spencer Fullerton Baird, Ph.D., the eminent scientist who was for many years secretary of the Smithsonian Institute.

The **Linda King Brewer Sociology Professorship** was initiated in 2018 by Linda King Brewer ’66, a sociology major at Whitman, to support the faculty of the sociology department.

The **Benjamin H. Brown Professorship of Physics** was founded in 1957 by alumni and friends to enhance the teaching of physics at Whitman College in the tradition set by Benjamin H. Brown, eminent member of the Whitman faculty for 32 years.

The **Computer Science Professorships** were established in 2012 to support the growth of the computer sciences program by supporting faculty salaries.

The **Gregory M. Cowan Professorship in English Language and Literature** was created with the proceeds of a trust of local farm property gifted by Pearl Ramsay Cowan. This professorship is named for her son Gregory, Whitman Class of 1957 and associate professor of English at Texas A&M University, who died in 1979.

The **James and Penelope DeMeules Professorship in Chemistry** received initial funding in 2010 from Trustee Emeritus James H. De Meules ’67 and spouse Penelope De Meules.

The **Mary A. Denny Professorship of English** was founded in 1909 by Margareta L. Denny of Seattle in honor of her mother, one of the earliest and most honored pioneers of the Puget Sound region.

The **Cushing Eells Professorship of Philosophy**, established in 1896 in memory of Reverend Cushing Eells, D.D., the founder of the college, was endowed by the gifts of many friends in New England.

The **Nancy Bell Evans Professorship of Music** was funded in 2018 by Nancy Bell Evans ’54 and her husband, former Washington State Governor and United States Senator Daniel J. Evans, to support distinguished teaching in Nancy’s Whitman major.

The **Paul Garrett Professorships of Anthropology, Drama, and Political Science** were established in 1980 by the Board of Trustees with a bequest from the Paul Garrett ’13 estate. Mr. Garrett was an overseer of the college and was awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws in 1947.

The **Patricia and William Goetter Professorship of History** was established in 2022 to provide annual funding to support a distinguished history teacher/scholar, with a preference for a background in history of the American West.
The **William Kirkman Professorship of History** was founded in 1919 in memory of William Kirkman of Walla Walla, a trustee and lifelong friend of the college.

The **Miles C. Moore Professorship of Political Science** was founded in 1919 in memory of Miles Conway Moore of Walla Walla, who left a bequest to establish a professorship.

The **Stephen F. Meyer Professorship of Physics** received initial funding in 2016 from Stephen F. Meyer ’69.

The **Hollon Parker Professorship of Economics and Business** was founded in 1913 by Hollon Parker of Portland, Ore.

The **Clement Biddle Penrose Professorship of Latin** was founded in 1914 in memory of Judge Penrose of Philadelphia, Penn.

The **Grace Farnsworth Phillips Professorship of Geology** was established in 1983 by the Board of Trustees with a bequest from Mrs. Phillips’ estate. Mrs. Phillips was a 1913 alumna and generous supporter of Whitman College.

The **Paul Pigott and William M. Allen Professorship in Ethics** was established in 2015 by Pigott’s son and daughter-in-law, Jim and Gaye Pigott, generous philanthropists and grandparents of a Whitman alumna, and William Allen’s daughter and son-in-law, Dorothy and N.S. Penrose, Jr. ’55. The endowment provides support for a scholar specializing in ethics.

The **Arthur G. Rempel Professorship of Biology** was founded in 1981 by former students in honor of biology Professor Arthur G. Rempel, Ph.D., and his accomplishments as a distinguished teacher, scholar, and professor at Whitman College.

The **Ralph C. Rittenour Jr. Professorship in Economics** was established by friends, family, and fellow trustees in memory of Ralph Rittenour, a longtime member of the Board of Trustees Investment Committee. The endowment supports a teacher/scholar in the economics department.

The **Mina Schwabacher Professorships of Math/Computer Science and English** were established in 1979 by a bequest from Ms. Schwabacher’s estate. Ms. Schwabacher was a generous and longtime friend of the college who lived to the age of 104.

The **Nathaniel Shipman Professorship of Physics** was founded in 1914 in memory of Judge Shipman of Hartford, Conn.

The **Don Snow Professorship of Environmental Humanities** was established in 2022 by the Board of Trustees in honor of retired chair and senior lecturer in environmental humanities, Don Snow. It provides funding to support a faculty member in environmental humanities.

The **Dr. Robert F. Welty Professorship of Biology** was established in 2002 by the Board of Trustees in honor of the late Dr. Welty ’35 with the assistance of his wife, Dr. Elizabeth Main Welty, longtime trustee and friend of the college.

The **Weyerhaeuser Professorship of Biblical Literature** was founded in 1921 by the seven children of Frederick and Elizabeth Sarah Weyerhaeuser as a memorial to their parents.

**Endowed Visiting Professorships and Educators**

The **Edward F. Arnold Visiting Professorship** was established in 1968 with a bequest from Mr. Arnold to bring to Whitman College and the Walla Walla Valley a distinguished teacher or authority.

The **John Freimann Visiting Artist in Drama** was established to honor John “Jack” Freimann, professor of Theater at Whitman from 1962 to 1992. This endowment is used to bring visiting directors, guest artists, and guest instructors to Whitman in order to provide Theater students with as broad an experience in the Theater arts as possible by introducing them to veterans of the Theater.
The Patricia and William Goetter Endowed Visiting Professorship in History was established to support a distinguished history teacher/scholar having a background in the history of the American West.

The Johnston Visiting Artist Fund was established in 1988 by the Johnston-Fix Foundation of Spokane for the purpose of sponsoring visiting art lecturers in a specialty or technique not offered by Whitman’s regular studio art faculty.

The Eric and Ina Johnston Visiting Professorship was established in 1969 by the Johnston-Fix Foundation of Spokane for the purpose of sponsoring visiting lecturers in the arts and humanities at Whitman College. Both Mr. and Mrs. Johnston served on the Whitman College Board of Overseers.

The Ashton J. and Virginia Graham O’Donnell Chair in Global Studies was established by Ashton and Virginia O’Donnell, both Class of 1943. During Ash’s domestic and international career as a physicist, the O’Donnells noted the importance of a diverse education in the liberal arts in preparing for careers in an international workplace. They created this chair to bring practitioners who have made significant contributions to global issues to Whitman for the purpose of enhancing exposure to these issues and giving Whitman graduates an advantage in understanding our global society.

The Elbridge and Mary Stuart Religious Counselor Fund was established in 1940 by Elbridge A. Stuart as a memorial to his wife, Mary Horner Stuart.

Endowed Lecturehips

The William M. Allen - Boeing Lectureship and Student Investment Endowment was funded by gifts from Grant and Nancy Silvernale, ’50 and ’56, and Dorothy and N.S. Penrose, Jr. ’55. Nancy and Dorothy’s father, William Allen, was president of Boeing Company from 1945 to 1968. This endowment provides funding for seminars and presentations with professionals distinguished in the business field, as well as providing support for the student-led Whitman Investment Company.

The Sava and Danica Andjelkovic Endowed Lectureship was established by Vojislav Andjelkovic ’94 in honor of his parents, Sava and Danica Andjelkovic. An international student from Belgrade, Voja earned his baccalaureate degree in economics and went on to a career in investment banking. The Sava and Danica Andjelkovic Endowed Fund annually provides funding to bring to campus alumni, parents of current students or graduates, and others associated with the college to speak to current students about their careers.

The Virgil Robert and Mary L. Bierman Endowment was established with a bequest from Mary L. Bierman. Income from this endowment is to be used for lectures and conferences on the history of the American West or related projects on Western history.

The Walter Houser Brattain Lectureship in Science was established by his wife, Emma Jane Kirsch Brattain. This fund brings a distinguished lecturer in science to the campus to honor Nobel Laureate Walter H. Brattain ’24.

The Howard S. Brode Memorial Fund was established by his three sons, each of whom attained eminence in science after their graduation from Whitman. Howard S. Brode served for 36 years as professor of biology at Whitman. The income from this fund is to be used to bring to Whitman College visiting lecturers in the fields of biology, chemistry, and physics.

George Pierre Castile-Anthropology was established through the estate of Dr. George Pierre Castile, the founder of Whitman College’s Anthropology Department and a Professor of Anthropology for 35 years from 1971 until his retirement in 2006. The income from this endowment brings to campus dynamic speakers who supplement subjects and perspectives in the field of anthropology.

The Virginia Penrose Cagley Lectureship in Foreign Languages and Literatures was established from her estate by her sisters, Mary Penrose Copeland and Frances Penrose Owen. The income from this endowment supports a distinguished visiting lecturer or lecturers in foreign languages and literature.
The **George Pierre Castile Anthropology Endowment** was established through the estate of Dr. George Pierre Castile, the founder of Whitman College’s Anthropology Department and a Professor of Anthropology for 35 years from 1971 until his retirement in 2006. The income from this endowment brings to campus dynamic speakers who supplement subjects and perspectives in the field of anthropology.

The **Classical Liberalism Speakers Fund** supports outside speakers who address topics from the classic liberal tradition. It was established by Stephen Soske ’82, Bill Montgomery ’61, John A. Peterson ’54, and an alumna from the Class of 1944, among others.

The **Robert and Mabel Groseclose Endowed Lecture Fund** was established with funds from the estate of Robert and Mabel Groseclose, friends of Whitman College who owned a mortuary in Walla Walla. The lectureship is designed to bring notable and interesting speakers and artists to Whitman College and to provide the people of Walla Walla and Whitman students with a wider perspective of the outside world. In addition to supporting the **William O. Douglas Lecture**, the lectureship also makes possible the **Visiting Educator Program**.

The **Robert R. Hosokawa Endowment** was established by David and Beverly Hosokawa in honor of David’s father, Robert Hosokawa ’40, who worked as a newspaper reporter and editor on several papers in Missouri, New York, Iowa, and Minnesota. This endowment provides funds for a distinguished journalist to come to Whitman each year to give lectures and workshops for students interested in journalism careers and also gives cash awards for distinguished student journalism.

The **Henry M. Jackson Endowed Lectureship in International Relations** was established to honor the memory and work of the late senior senator from the state of Washington, Henry M. Jackson. The Jackson Lectureship in International Relations brings speakers to the campus for the purpose of perpetuating discussion in the area of the senator’s own great influence.

The **Judd D. Kimball Lectureship Endowment in the Classics** was established by Ruth Baker Kimball, in memory of her husband, Judd Kimball. Mr. Kimball was a member of the Class of 1929 who served as a member of the Board of Overseers and was a civic leader in the Walla Walla community.

The **Vern Kinsinger Memorial Lectureship** was established to honor the memory of Vern Kinsinger. The income from this fund shall support a distinguished student-oriented visiting lecturer each year.

The **Governor Arthur B. Langlie Fund for Northwest History, Politics, and Public Service** provides funds to bring influential lecturers in these areas to campus. The endowment was established in honor of Gov. Langlie by his grandchildren, Whitman graduates Karin Langlie Glass ’78 and Arthur K. Langlie ’89.

The **Charles R. Lewis Lectureship in Political Science** was established in 1975 with funds from the Estate of Helen Frater Lewis, Class of 1913, to honor her husband Charles R. Lewis, Class of 1911.

The **David and Madeleine Maxwell Lectureship in Multicultural Issues** recognizes the contributions of the 11th president of Whitman and his wife to the college.

The **Genevieve Patterson Perry Endowment for the Study of Economics** was established by Louis B. Perry to honor his wife, Genevieve Patterson Perry, who was educated as an economist at UCLA and who served Whitman College admirably as a leadership partner during the 1959-1967 presidency of her husband. This endowment provides for one or more distinguished visiting speakers in the general areas of economic policy and business ethics to give public lectures and visit classes during the college year.

The **Arthur G. Rempel Lectureship in Biology** was founded by former students in honor of Arthur G. Rempel, Ph.D., and his accomplishments as a distinguished teacher, scholar, and professor at Whitman College.

The **Sivert O. and Marjorie Allen Skotheim Endowment for Historical Studies** was established by Robert Allen and Nadine Skotheim. Income from this fund is used to bring a distinguished lecturer in historical studies to Whitman College.
The **Cecile E. Steele Lectureship** was established by the Sigma Chi fraternity to honor Cecile E. Steele on the occasion of her 20th anniversary as house mother for the Sigma Chi chapter at Whitman College.

The **Frances Penrose Owen/Colleen Willoughby Women’s Leadership Endowment** was established by the Board of Trustees in honor of Frances Penrose Owen ’19 (the daughter of the third president of Whitman College, Stephen B.L. Penrose), and Trustee Emerita Colleen Willoughby ’55. This endowment supports lectures, seminars, events, or other opportunities to highlight women in leadership or to inspire young women to become involved in their communities and effect social change — causes that Frances Penrose Owen and Colleen Willoughby worked for individually and together for many years.

**Faculty and Staff Awards**

The **Janice Abraham Award** recognizes outstanding service to Whitman by a staff member. It honors former Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer Janice Abraham.

The **George Ball Award for Excellence in Advising** was established in 1995 by donations from the Whitman College Parent’s Association. The award is given to a continuing Whitman faculty member who has demonstrated excellence in advising Whitman students.

The **G. Thomas Edwards Award for Excellence in the Integration of Teaching and Scholarship** was established in 1998 with gifts from Whitman College alumni, former students, and friends of Tom Edwards and the college. This is an annual award for a Whitman College faculty member who is both an excellent teacher and excellent scholar.

The **Robert Y. Fluno Award for Distinguished Teaching in Social Sciences** was established in 1994 by donations from the Whitman College Parent’s Association. The award is given without regard to academic rank or degree attainment to continuing Whitman faculty who have demonstrated excellence in teaching.

The **Paul Garrett Fellows** at Whitman College receive a stipend provided by the Paul Garrett Whitman College Trust, established by Paul Garrett ’13 of New York City. Designation as a Garrett Fellow is made from the assistant professor and associate professor ranks of the Whitman College faculty and recognizes faculty “who combine the best of professional training and scholarly qualifications with a deep interest in teaching.”

The **Thomas D. Howells Award for Distinguished Teaching in Humanities and Arts** was established in 1994 by donations from the Whitman College Parent’s Association. The award is given without regard to academic rank or degree attainment to continuing Whitman faculty who have demonstrated excellence in teaching.

The **A.E. Lange Award for Distinguished Science Teaching** was founded in 1981. The award is given to a teacher of natural and physical sciences at Whitman College who has demonstrated skill and excellence in teaching and inspiring students in his or her discipline. The award is given without regard to academic rank or degree attainment to continuing Whitman faculty who have demonstrated excellence in teaching.

The **Suzanne L. Martin Award for Excellence in Mentoring** was established in 2006 in memory of Martin and her exceptional mentoring ability and dedication to the Whitman College community. The award recognizes a staff or faculty member who has helped students get the most out of their time at Whitman.

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