SUPPORTING excellence AND innovation AT DCU
The DCU Educational Trust is a registered charity established in 1988 to advance the development of Dublin City University. The DCU Educational Trust demonstrates the unique culture of Dublin City University and the power of higher education to change lives by building philanthropic relationships with friends, corporations, alumni, foundations and community groups.
Chairman’s Note
On behalf of my fellow trustees I would like to personally thank you for your support of the DCU Annual Fund. DCU’s mission is to be a transformational force in the lives of our students and we will continue to rely on you, for your active support and involvement in the DCU community. Thank you again for your support!

Larry Quinn
Chairman
DCU Educational Trust

DCU Annual Fund
The DCU Annual Fund provides an opportunity for alumni, students, staff and friends to build a legacy of excellence for our students, our community and our nation. Every gift to the DCU Annual Fund — no matter the size — makes a real difference.

The DCU Annual Fund creates opportunities for the talented students who form the heart of our university.

The DCU Annual Fund builds on the academic excellence that is DCU’s guiding ethos.

The DCU Annual Fund makes a difference for Ireland’s youngest and most dynamic university, one person at a time.

Transforming Challenges Into Opportunities
DCU has a proud tradition of opening its doors to all students, regardless of their financial circumstances. Over the past 21 years the DCU Access Service has transformed the futures of 1,200 graduates of this university.

Now more than ever, we are committed to increasing the amount of support available to students through Access Scholarships and similar programmes that allow our graduates to become tomorrow’s leaders.

The Best and Brightest Students
At DCU we tell our students, *You can go anywhere from here*. Some have broken through barriers and overcome tremendous personal, financial and educational obstacles to do just that.

For our Access students the amount of financial assistance they receive is the determining factor in deciding whether they can go on to university. Once accepted to DCU, students on the Access Programme receive a host of post-entry supports including guidance and academic assistance. Most importantly each Access student also receives a scholarship provided with your support through the DCU Annual Fund, allowing them to focus on their studies instead of working multiple jobs and straining to support themselves.
**Innovation**

The DCU Annual Fund provides critically needed financial support to transform DCU’s community. Each year grants are made to support enterprising projects on campus.

**Student Life**

DCU’s student population continues to increase. The DCU Annual Fund helps to enrich the overall learning environment on campus by providing grants for a variety of initiatives to include extracurricular and sporting activities.

**Research**

With your help, DCU focuses on socially and economically relevant research that makes a difference to our world. DCU’s research centres explore and examine new ways to diagnose and treat cancer, diabetes and heart disease, ensure safer water through the use of novel technologies, develop new means to communicate and interact across the globe and encourage leaders in business, government and healthcare to take decisions in an ethical context.

**Academic Excellence**

Intellectual talent is the engine driving all universities. Support for students and faculty through competitive awards for outstanding academic performance and teaching is a direct investment in excellence. DCU uniquely partners with industry to match student academic achievement with real world work placements and experience – ensuring that DCU graduates are easily identified both by their success in the classroom and in the workforce.

**DCU Leadership Circle - Recognising Leadership Giving**

A donation of as little as €50 per month allows you to become a member of the DCU Leadership Circle. Membership comes with a range of benefits including priority invitations to special campus events, regular updates on progress and developments of the university and special invitations to Donor Receptions like our Leadership Circle Dinner hosted by the President and Board of Trustees.

**Your Gift Matters**

Your gift — no matter what size — can make a real difference both in and out of the classroom.

- €25 Broadband connection for a student
- €50 Monthly student transportation costs
- €100 Food
- €175 Books and supplies
- €250 Photocopying / Binding of course projects
- €500 Nutrition and equipment for an elite athlete
- €1,000 Postgraduate research stipend
- €2,000 An annual DCU Access Scholarship

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Every gift counts today ...

Your participation in the DCU Annual Fund provides critical support for Access Scholarships, student services, academic excellence and research.

... and into the future.
Tax Relief

Your gift could go even further – at no extra cost to you. If you are an Irish donor and PAYE taxpayer, DCU may be able to claim back the tax on your donation.

Irish donors who are self-employed may be able to deduct the amount of their annual contribution from their taxable income.

American donors are able to make their gifts through the Irish American Endowment for Education, a registered 501 (c) 3 not-for-profit in the United States, which supports DCU. For more information please contact us.

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