THE COLUMBIA COLLEGE PARENTS FUND

Columbia College is deeply committed to helping all deserving students pursue a world-class education.

Each year, the Parents Fund, as part of the Columbia College Fund, seeks annual unrestricted gifts to support financial aid, the Core Curriculum, student life and internships, and to bridge the gap between tuition and the cost of educating our students.

FINANCIAL AID

Makes it possible for all deserving students to attend Columbia College, regardless of their family’s ability to pay.

CORE CURRICULUM

Supports small class sizes and the faculty who teach this transformative feature of the College education.

STUDENT LIFE

Enhances a range of student activities and Undergraduate Student Life initiatives.

INTERNSHIPS

Provides stipends for internships in New York, major cities in the United States, and abroad.
THE IMPACT OF PARENT GIVING

The Parents Fund measures its success both in terms of participation — how many families make a gift each year — as well as in total dollars raised. Thus every gift to the Parents Fund, no matter the size, will make an impact.

- over $4M in unrestricted funds raised annually by parents
- over 125 members of the Parent Leadership Council
- more than 1,400 families give to the College each year
- over 100 years of the Core Curriculum in 2019

Parents Fund gifts can only be used by and for the College.
GET INVOLVED

ATTEND OR HOST AN EVENT
Columbia College parents around the world can stay connected and engaged by participating in College events in New York City, across the US, and around the world.

SUPPORT THE PARENTS FUND WITH A GIFT
The Parents Fund supports the work of the College by providing resources that impact the student experience and allow us to be nimble and strategic in response to our immediate priorities.

JOIN THE PARENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL
The Parent Leadership Council (PLC) is a leadership giving society dedicated to creating a sense of community and support among College parents around the world.

Parents may join the PLC with leadership contributions starting at $10,000. Benefits include invitations to all Council meetings and receptions and exclusive access to news and events at the College.

If you participate at the Dean’s Circle level with a contribution of $25,000 or more, you will also receive tickets in the Dean’s reserved section at Class Day and an invitation to the annual Dean’s Circle Reception.
CORE TO COMMENCEMENT

The Core to Commencement campaign goal of $750M by 2021 will continue our support for faculty and students while enhancing wellness and community, increasing the real-world experiences students have beyond the classroom, and developing greater access and support for all students. It will also fortify the Core Curriculum in order to extend the experience and its imprint into the next 100 years. Parent leaders are important partners whose support helps to ensure the College’s ability to provide the best undergraduate experience.

“We believe the Core Curriculum at Columbia provides an unparalleled foundation for our students’ exploration, learning and discovery. The ideas presented in the Core are timeless and universal in their appeal and are a testament to Columbia’s dedication to an excellent education.”

— JUDY CHEN P: CC’18, CC’22

To learn more about the Core to Commencement Campaign, visit: college.columbia.edu/campaign.
A MESSAGE
FROM THE DEAN

“Columbia College students are on a lifelong journey to gain the capacities and capabilities that will propel them to become active and engaged citizens of the world.

Your engagement as parent leaders supports our students and furthers our commitment to this lifelong endeavor. An education at Columbia College can prepare thousands of young people each year to help build a better world not just for themselves, but also for us all.”

— DEAN JAMES J. VALENTINI
Dean of Columbia College and Vice President for Undergraduate Education
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MATCHING GIFTS
Many companies match their employees’ donations to Columbia, multiplying their gift impact. Learn more: giving.columbia.edu/matchinggifts.

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