

# FORWARDBLUE<sup>®</sup>

## CAMPAIGN REPORT

*Putting Students First*

2024-2025





# Students First

For nearly 150 years, Creighton University's mission has always been and will continue to be educating and forming our students. They are our priority, and they are why we are here.

You make it possible.

As you will see in the following pages, donors like you serve Creighton students in so many ways. Scholarships give them the opportunity to receive an excellent education. Faculty provide them with the mentorship to thrive in their fields. Academic, professional, and mission-based programs offer hands-on experiences that open their minds and hearts and prepare them for the larger world.

The needs of our students also shape campus itself, with state-of-the-art facilities and beautiful gathering places changing how our students learn, live, and come together as a community.

This leads to such a great ripple effect. When you support our students, you allow us to send thousands of new Jesuit-educated graduates into the world every year. Taught to serve others, care for the whole person, and seek God in all things, these alumni bring the values and virtues of Creighton to cities throughout the U.S. and beyond. The cumulative outcome: tens of thousands of bright, compassionate, and discerning individuals who become leaders in their professions and communities.

Thank you for supporting our students so that they may go on to serve so many others, all the while living lives forever altered by your generosity.



Gratefully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Daniel S. Hendrickson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "H".

Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD  
Creighton University President









# Defining Moments

Thank you for believing in Creighton—  
*every step of the way.*



**Diane Duren, BSBA'81,**  
is elected chair of the  
**Board of Trustees,**  
becoming the first woman  
to serve in the role.



**Historic renovations begin  
to modernize Creighton Hall,**  
146 years after the iconic  
building's original construction.



**Renovations to the  
Kiewit Fitness Center  
are completed.**

The space where the former  
KFC pool lived is now home to a  
7,000-square-foot fitness space.



**Google.org  
grants \$250,000 to  
support AI learning  
at Creighton.**

2024



**Creighton formally breaks  
ground on a new 400-student  
residence hall for sophomores,**  
set to open in the fall of 2026.



**The School of Law receives  
the largest gift in its 120-year  
history—\$9.7 million**

from the estate of  
James Menehan, JD'63.



**Grand opening of the  
Virginia G. Piper Health Sciences  
Building's sixth floor in Phoenix,**

housing a student success center  
and counseling suite. Made possible  
through investments by The Norton  
Foundation and the State of Arizona.



**Bluejay Athletics  
unveils the McGraw Family  
Indoor Golf Facility**

made possible by support from  
Nicole and Mike McGraw.



**The University announces  
a 251,500-square-foot  
Creighton Quad will  
be completed in fall 2026.**

Made possible by the support  
of an anonymous donor.



**The Soto Nursing Scholars  
program is created**

by a gift from Kathy Keough Soto, BSN'75,  
her family, and the Donald and Marilyn  
Keough Foundation.

**A \$2 million gift endows the  
Howard A. Kaiman, JD'67,  
Nuremberg to the Hague  
Program and establishes the  
Samuel & Ida Kaiman Center  
for International Criminal  
Justice & Holocaust Studies.**

Thanks to Donna Gilbert and her  
children, Dave and Stacey Gilbert.



**The Rev.  
Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD,  
marks a decade as Creighton  
University president.**

**2025**



**On Giving Day,  
3,096 donors help  
raise \$1,252,180**

for scholarships,  
programs and more.



**Mary Pat (Statz) McCarthy, BSBA'77,  
and Kevin McCarthy, BSBA'75, establish  
the McCarthy Endowed Scholarship**

for Phoenix students in pharmacy,  
nursing and medicine.



**Creighton receives  
more than \$10 million  
to support scholarships**

from the estates of  
Dr. Elno Zikmund, BS'41,  
and his wife, Tillie Zikmund.



**Construction of a  
new softball stadium  
and baseball practice  
field is celebrated by**

Creighton University,  
State of Nebraska  
representatives and  
CWS Omaha, Inc.

# By the Numbers

*Thank you* for making a collective impact.



**\$244M+**

Raised in scholarships



**50,240**

Total donors



**42% of donors**

Have given at least 3 times



**26,510**

First-time donors



**918**

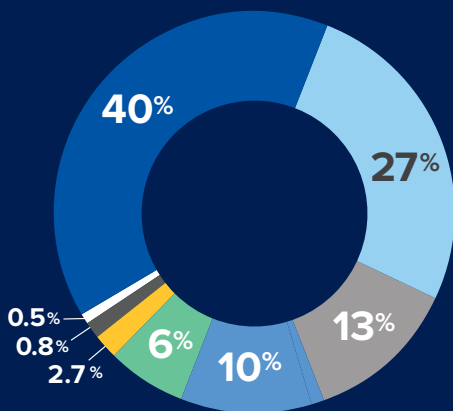
First-time \$50K+ donors



**155,499 gifts**

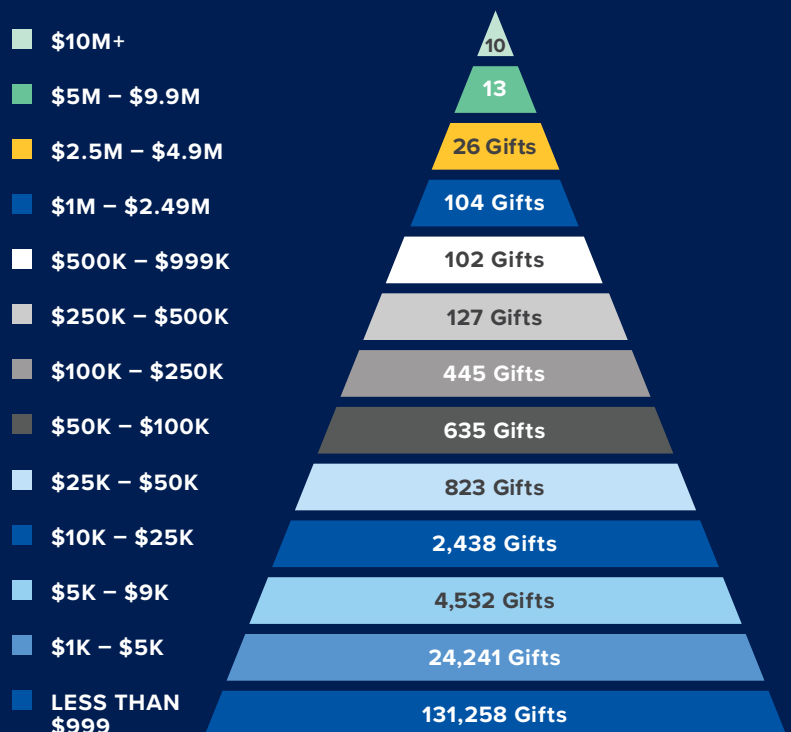
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## GIFTS BY SOURCE



- ALUMNI
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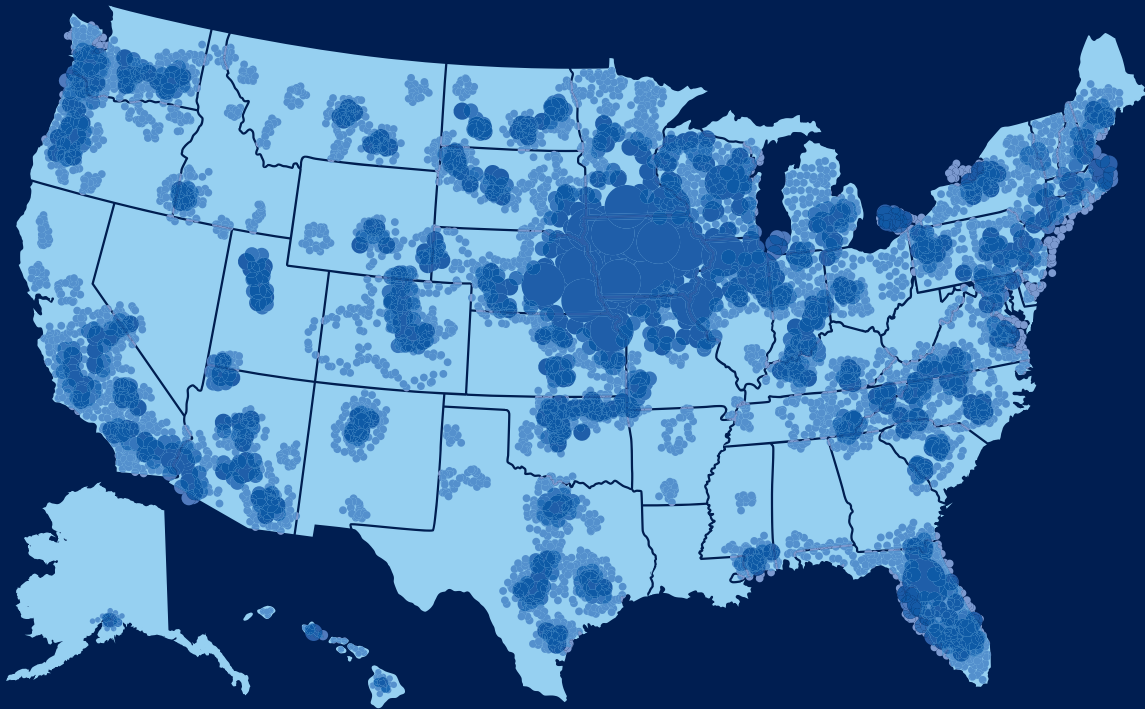
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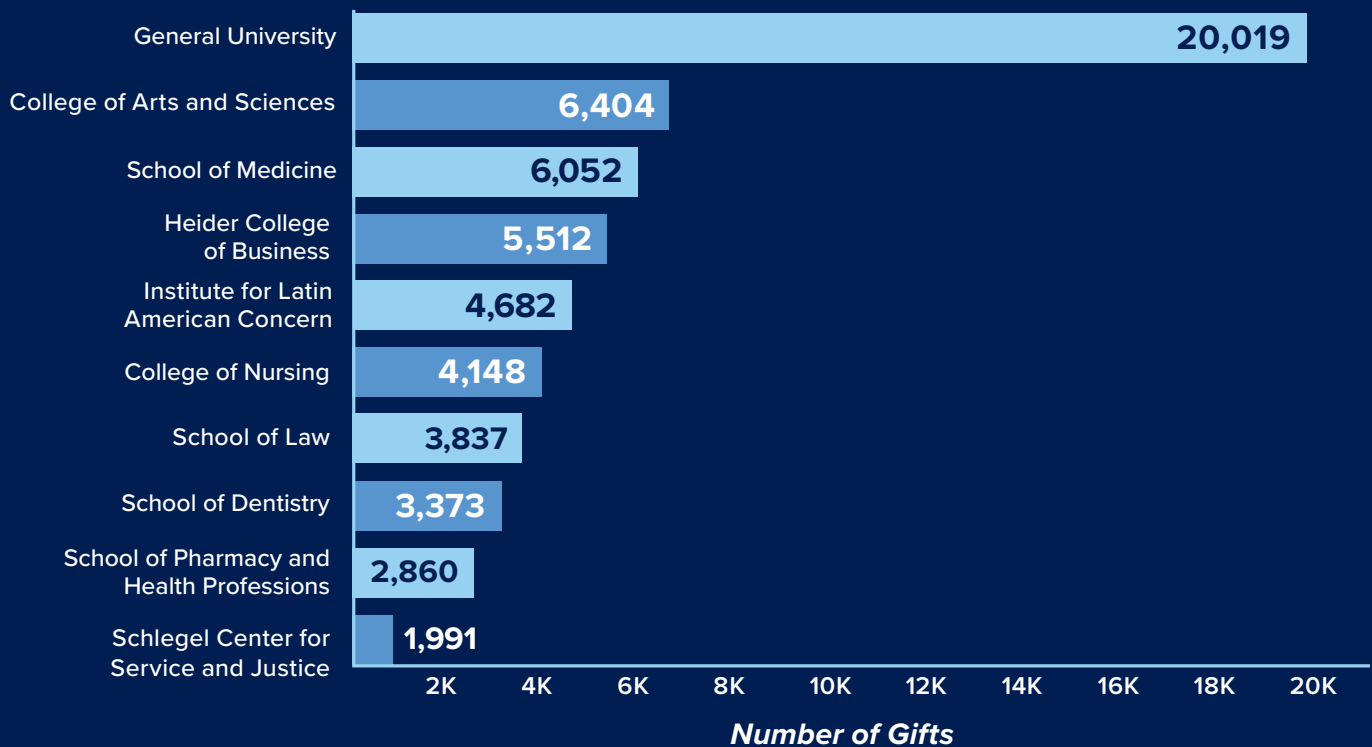
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## WHERE OUR DONORS LIVE



## WHERE OUR DONORS GIVE: BY FUND





**LIANA  
CHINEN**

Morgan Busboom (left)  
and Max Kurz

# Opportunities *and Outcomes*

The value of a Creighton education is illustrated in who our students become, in how this experience transformed them—academically, personally, spiritually. We invite you to meet several current students and recent alumni whose lives have been changed by the scholarships, programs, research opportunities, faculty mentors and facility innovations supported by donors like you during the **Forward Blue** campaign.

## Scholarship Recipient

**LIANA  
CHINEN,**  
BS'25

**MAJOR:** Biology,  
College of Arts and Sciences

**2025-2026:** First-year  
medical student at the  
University of Hawaii.

"I aspire to be a physician  
who is skilled, humble  
and compassionate."

**MENTORS:** Max Kurz, PhD,  
School of Pharmacy and  
Health Professions, research  
scientist and director of Boys  
Town's Physiology of Walking  
& Engineering Rehabilitation  
(PoWER) Laboratory; and  
Creighton alumna Morgan  
Busboom, PhD, BS'15, DPT'20.



**“I’ve learned many things at Creighton, but something I will always keep with me is the value of community.**

**“I’m so grateful to those who gave me the opportunity to receive this education and join this community. I will carry it with me wherever I go.”**

**LIANA CHINEN, BS’25**

**FROM:** Honolulu, Hawaii

**ACTIVITIES WHILE AT CREIGHTON:**

Research Assistant at Boys Town’s Institute for Human Neuroscience, caregiver at Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital, Alzheimer’s Buddies Club volunteer, Student Senate, Hawaii Club.

**BEFORE FRESHMAN YEAR:**

Chinen didn’t even know about research as a potential path. Creighton paved the way to that discovery and many more.

Chinen’s main research project at Creighton—which she presented at the BIG EAST Research Symposium in New York City this year—explored how individuals with cerebral palsy respond differently to physical therapy interventions. Her project showed that the same treatment strategies don’t work for everyone and further methods should be explored. Chinen also conducted research on patients with Down syndrome to investigate early brain changes associated with Alzheimer’s disease and dementia.

“At Creighton, I’ve seen firsthand how research helps us better understand how to care for the whole person and produce the best outcomes for everyone,” she said.



**Scholarship Recipient**

**AVA  
MARTIN,  
BSBA’26**

**MAJOR:** Marketing,  
Heider College of Business

**ACTIVITIES WHILE AT CREIGHTON:**

NCAA Division I volleyball player (outside hitter), multi-year ALL-BIG EAST selection, member of the Women’s Collegiate National Team, 2024 All-American.

**MENTOR:**

Kirsten Bernthal Booth, former head coach of Creighton volleyball.

**FROM:** Overland Park, Kansas

**LIFE ADVICE:** “Always be kind.”

“My favorite part of Creighton is the strong culture. Whether it’s academics or athletics, there truly is no place like Creighton. I’m surrounded by so many amazing people who have helped me become a better person. And I never would have met them if it weren’t for the donor-funded scholarships that allowed me to come here.”

**FORWARD BLUE: SCHOLARSHIP IMPACT**



**\$244.7M raised**  
in total scholarship dollars  
from 20,549 donors



**487 new  
scholarships**  
established during Forward Blue



**8,431 students**  
have benefited from scholarships  
during the campaign



# *In Good* Company

## Scholarship Recipient

**VALERY-ELVIS  
SHAFACK**  
BSBA'25

**MAJOR:** Marketing,  
Heider College of Business

**FROM:** Omaha, Nebraska

**ACTIVITIES WHILE AT CREIGHTON:**

The Entrepreneurship Club, marketing intern for Creighton Athletics, African American Student Association, African Students Association, content producer for Let It Fly Sports Bar, founded a company.

**MENTORS:**

Jayne Martin, BSBA'92, DBA'22, former Nike executive; Creighton supporters Scott and Cindy Heider; Creighton economics and finance instructor Tim Bastian; Nathan Preheim, BA'96, director of the Creighton Center for Enterprise Value.

**IN 2023**, then-adjunct professor Preheim challenged Shafack and his classmates to each start a new company from scratch in eight weeks.

“That one project alone was worth the price of my Creighton tuition,” Shafack said. “And I had so many other great experiences at Creighton, as well.”

For his business, Shafack teamed up with a few other students to found NIYOU, which helps student-athletes navigate Name, Image and Likeness (NIL) partnerships. The idea grew out of Shafack’s work as a marketing intern in Athletics, where he’d gotten to know many of Creighton’s 300 student-athletes. He saw that most of them didn’t have time to think about securing sponsorships in addition to balancing class with practice, travel and competition. NIYOU could help them fill that gap.





For their first partnership, NIYOU connected players on the Creighton men's and women's basketball teams with a Raising Cane's sponsorship. In the years since, NIYOU's clients have expanded to other Creighton Athletics programs and student-athletes at other schools (University of Nebraska-Lincoln and University of Nebraska at Omaha), forming partnerships with Nissan of Omaha, Omaha Steaks, Dayspring Bank, Cobalt Credit Union, Invisalign and more.

As NIYOU's CEO, Shafack plans to remain in Omaha and expand his client base of student-athletes and brands as far as it can go, while also providing top-of-the-line service to the company's existing clients. He has a team of fellow Bluejays helping him do so, including new alumnus Sam Perkinson, BSBA'25, NIYOU co-founder and chief brand officer; and Kylie Karsky, BA'23, JD'27, NIYOU chief operations officer.

"We've been successful because of the many who have believed in and supported us," Shafack said. "In addition to the wonderful education I received, I have been able to join the Creighton network, which is second to none. There are so many professors, alumni and members of the business community in Omaha and all over the U.S. who are using their experience and connections to help Creighton students like me grow and succeed."

**"Creighton changed my life. I could never express the gratitude I have for this University."**

**VALERY-ELVIS SHAFACK, BSBA'25**



*Shafack with Creighton men's basketball student-athlete Sami Osmani.*

## FORWARD BLUE: SCHOLARSHIP IMPACT



ON GIVING DAY 2025,

**1,006**

donors gave a combined

**\$489,146**

to scholarships.

## New Donor-funded Scholarships and Opportunities

- ◆ **Mary Pat (Statz) McCarthy, BSBA'77,** and **Kevin McCarthy, BSBA'75,** established the McCarthy Endowed Scholarship to be awarded to Phoenix students in the School of Medicine, College of Nursing, and the School of Pharmacy and Health Professions' pharmacy program.
- ◆ The estates of alumnus **Dr. Elno Zikmund, BS'41,** and his wife, **Tillie Zikmund,** invested more than \$10 million in the **Elno T. and Mathilda M. Zikmund** Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship is unrestricted, meaning it can support Creighton students in all schools and colleges.
- ◆ The estate of **James Menehan, JD'63,** gave Creighton \$9.7 million—the largest gift in the law school's history—to support scholarships, faculty, programs, academics and more.



# *Her* Guiding Light



**CASSIDY  
NIPP**  
BSN'25

## Scholarship Recipient

**“Creighton ignites your heart in ways you could never plan for or expect. There can be a lot of darkness in the world, but with all those hearts on fire gathered in the same place, Creighton is full of light.”**

**CASSIDY  
NIPP**  
BSN'25

**SCHOOL:** College of Nursing

**FROM:** Omaha, Nebraska

**ACTIVITIES WHILE AT CREIGHTON:**

Schlegel Center for Service and Justice trips, Campus Ministry, Christian Life Communities, Institute for Latin American Concern in the Dominican Republic.



### MENTORS:

Father Larry Gillick, SJ, Deglman Center for Ignatian Spirituality director; Fr. Jeff Sullivan, SJ, BA'03, associate director of Campus Ministry; Cristina Hiddleston, BA'97, MS'05, MS'18, assistant director of the Schlegel Center for Service and Justice; and Anne Harty, BSN'97, MS'00, EdD'19, College of Nursing assistant professor.

### EVERY DAY AT CREIGHTON,

Cassidy Nipp walked with the Jesuits spiritually. Sometimes she jogged with them, too.

For years, Nipp met her friend Fr. Larry Gillick, SJ (or “Fr. G” as she calls the longtime Creighton Jesuit) weekly in the Kiewit Fitness Center to go for a run. To guide Fr. Gillick (who is blind) around the indoor track, Nipp would tie their wrists together so they could run side by side.

“We talk about everything on these runs,” Nipp said. “About God, life updates, the lessons we’re learning in life, all the highs and lows. Fr. G’s Jesuit perspective has shown me how to embrace the messiness of being an imperfect human and how to extend grace to everyone around me. Our runs are the purest form of accompaniment I have ever known.”



Cassidy and “Fr. G.”



Cassidy Nipp with her friends from Campus Ministry.

For Nipp, every aspect of her Creighton experience was so perfectly intertwined: the curriculum and clinicals of her nursing degree, the service and spirituality of the donor-supported, mission-driven programs she joined. Even, as pictured, her faith and physical fitness found common ground. “It all came together for me at Creighton. The things I’ve learned here and the relationships I’ve formed, I’ll carry them with me for the rest of my life.”

Through Campus Ministry, Nipp found a like-minded faith community, with prayer groups, weekly reflections and regular retreats that carried her through her four years at Creighton. “All these moments taught me how to receive God’s goodness, deepen my faith and encounter the world through the lens of Ignatian spirituality,” Nipp said.

Schlegel Center for Service and Justice trips shaped Nipp’s understanding of what it means to serve. “It’s not about going to a place and ‘fixing it.’ It’s about immersing yourself in a community, walking alongside others, learning from them and maybe, in the process, finding new paths to making a difference in the world.”

Since graduating, Nipp has been making *her* difference in the world as a pediatric nurse at Children’s Nebraska in Omaha. She plans to return to Creighton again soon to join Fr. G for another run around the track.

# *A New* Home State

## Scholarship Recipient

**WILLIAM  
MEIER**  
MD'24

**“When I think of the classic, old-school doctor, I envision practicing family medicine in a small town. I love forming long-term relationships with people while taking care of babies, kids, the elderly and everyone in between. Nebraska is the perfect place to start.”**

**SCHOOL:** School of Medicine

**FROM:** Portland, Oregon

**MENTORS:**

Matthew Halfar, MD, and Stacy Blum, MD, assistant professors of family and community medicine; Peter Steyger, PhD, professor of biomedical sciences.

**ACTIVITIES WHILE AT CREIGHTON:**

Volunteering at Open Door Mission and Siena Francis House, living in a massive old house in the Blackstone District with 13 roommates, all fellow Creighton medical students (part of the Phi Chi co-ed medical fraternity).

Meier is in his first year as the inaugural resident of the Creighton Family Medicine Rural Training Track, splitting his time between CHI Health Creighton University Medical Center–Bergan Mercy in Omaha and CHI Health St. Mary's in Nebraska City. In his second and third years of residency, Meier will work full-time at the latter location, a rural critical access hospital.

Meier's interest in rural medicine started as an EMT in rural Astoria, Oregon. He further stoked his passion through his Creighton medical school rotations in rural Nebraska, where he worked alongside family medicine doctors and the communities they've long served. He loved the experience so much that he decided to join them and stay in Nebraska upon graduation. **Meier was among the 80% of students who came to Creighton from out of state.**

**WILLIAM  
MEIER**  
MD'24





## BRAIN GAIN FOR NEBRASKA



APPROXIMATELY

**80%**

of Creighton undergraduate students  
come from outside Nebraska



NEARLY

**50%**

of all undergraduate students  
remain in the state after  
graduation

## CLASS OF 2024 OUTCOMES



**98%**

### Outcomes Rate

Nearly all Creighton alumni are employed,  
enrolled in professional or graduate  
school, or involved in a service program  
within six months of graduation.



**83%**

**Engaged in experiential  
learning as undergraduates,**

such as an internship or research project.



**“When you draw  
from the Jesuit  
values, you learn  
to advocate for  
the whole person  
in every way.”**

**ABBEY QUILLE**

### Scholarship Recipient

## ABBEY QUILLE

BA'23, JD'26

**MAJOR:** Political Science

**FROM:** Manahawkin, New Jersey

**MENTORS:**

Scott Hendrickson, PhD, Creighton  
political science associate  
professor and pre-law advisor;  
Maryl Sattler, JD, School of  
Law assistant professor.

**ACTIVITIES WHILE  
AT CREIGHTON:**

Law clerk at the Douglas County  
Attorney's Office, victim advocate  
intern with the office's victim  
assistance unit, will start working  
in the School of Law's Abrahams  
Legal Clinic in fall 2025.

**QUILLE APPLIED TO MULTIPLE LAW SCHOOLS,** “but none were as  
friendly and supportive as what I was used to at Creighton,” she said,  
“and they weren't as generous with scholarships.” Because of that  
support, Quille could begin her legal career in Omaha, interning and  
clerking at the Douglas County Attorney's Office, where she hopes to  
continue working after graduating next year.

During her time in the office, she's helped victims (adults and children)  
file protection orders and connected them with resources for food,  
housing and therapy. She's argued a motion in district court, assisted  
with jury selection and will soon be calling witnesses at trials under  
attorney supervision.

# A Perfect Match

## Scholarship Recipient

**ANNABELLE  
WALSH NEWCOMER**  
BS'23, DDS'28

**SCHOOL:** Health Administration and Policy,  
College of Arts and Sciences

**FROM:** San Diego, California

**ACTIVITIES WHILE AT CREIGHTON:**

College of Arts and Sciences Honors Program,  
Certified Nursing Assistant with Nebraska Medicine  
and Nebraska Methodist Health System, Tri Delta  
Sorority, Spirit Squad (Blue Crew), Liturgical  
Ministries, biology tutor and teaching assistant.

**MENTORS:**

Susan Walsh, BSN'85, MHSA'02, director of the Health  
Administration and Policy program; and Colette  
O'Meara-McKinney, EdD'20, assistant professor.

"I had no idea where I wanted to go to college; I was one of those kids who applied to 20 different schools," said Walsh Newcomer. "Fortunately, one of them was Creighton. From the first time I visited, it felt like home."

As an undergraduate, she wasn't quite sure what she wanted to do with her life. She only knew she wanted to "join a profession that would directly impact people's lives."

Creighton allowed Walsh Newcomer to explore different paths and helped her find her way to Health Administration and Policy and, now, dentistry. Along the way, she met her significant other, Logan Newcomer, BA'23, JD'26.

"It's a total textbook Creighton love story," Newcomer Walsh said. "We met freshman year and have spent the rest of our time at Creighton together."

Annabelle and Logan were married at St. John's Church, where they regularly attend Tuesday night student Mass. Now they're a future lawyer from Kansas and a future dentist from California making a life together with their 1-year-old daughter Clara (from Nebraska). Like so many Creighton couples before them, they plan to stay in Omaha.

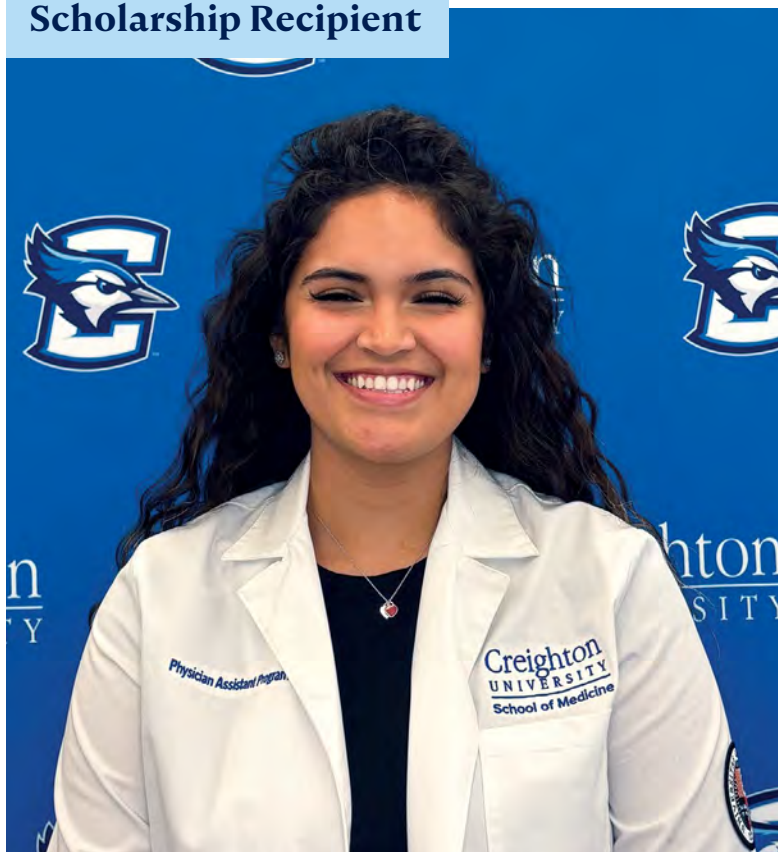


Annabelle and Logan walk the aisle at St. John's Church.





## Scholarship Recipient



## BRITTNEY JIMENEZ MPAS'25

**SCHOOL:** Physician assistant,  
School of Medicine—Phoenix

**FROM:** Chandler, Arizona

**MENTOR:**  
PA assistant professor Caitlin McQuarie, PA-C

Part of Jimenez' reason for going into healthcare—and practicing it in Phoenix—was growing up seeing her grandparents struggle to receive proper care because they didn't speak English. "They often relied on family members to translate for them, and that stayed with me," Jimenez said. "I wanted to be someone who could walk into the room and speak to patients in their language, whether it's Spanish or English."

Receiving her scholarship, Jimenez said, has been a blessing. "It not only relieves financial stress; it reaffirms that others are believing in the work that I'm doing, in the provider I want to become and in the future I hope to make possible."

## MADDY MILLER OTD'25

**SCHOOL:**  
Occupational Therapy, School of  
Pharmacy and Health Professions

**FROM:** Northern California

**ACTIVITIES WHILE AT CREIGHTON:**  
Creighton OT Association, volunteer  
at the Heart Ministry Center, respite  
provider with the Nebraska Department  
of Health and Human Services.

**MENTORS:**  
Creighton OT instructors Miranda  
Ranae Little, OTD'12; Erin Young, OTD'14;  
and Ashley Fecht, OTD'04.

**WHAT'S NEXT:**  
Working as a pediatric occupational  
therapist at an outpatient clinic.

"I was always drawn to Creighton's health sciences programs because I knew there were so many opportunities



for research-based interventions. I also love how Creighton makes compassion and service part of the curriculum itself."

During her time at Creighton, Miller put what she learned to the test, working as

a respite provider and caring for children on the autism spectrum. "I love pediatrics because you're never caring for the child alone; you're working with their whole family and caregivers, too. That kind of team collaboration is beautiful."



# Mission *Forward*

Every year, thousands of donors like you make gifts that support every element of the student experience. Here are a few of the great ways that alumni and friends are making an impact in academic- and mission-based programs at Creighton during the Forward Blue campaign.



## ◆ The Ferlic Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship program (Center for Undergraduate Research and Scholarship)



**\$999,443  
raised**



**232  
gifts**

**“It’s such an incredible experience to work on research at this level so early in your education and career.”**

**– LIANA CHINEN, RECENT ALUMNA**  
*(Read more on page 8.)*

At Creighton, undergraduate students have opportunities for graduate- and PhD-level research they wouldn’t find at most universities. More than half of College of Arts and Sciences students take part in undergraduate research.

The Ferlic Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship program and donor-supported Center for Undergraduate Research and Scholarship (CURAS) facilitate these opportunities, connecting students with faculty researchers, awarding fellowships and providing resources to undergraduates across all schools and colleges.





## ◆ Schlegel Center for Service and Justice

 **\$745,594 raised**

 **1,191 gifts**

What started with a van-load of students doing service work in rural Kentucky has since grown into a Creighton tradition. Since 1983, thousands of students have gone on more than 1,000 Service & Justice Trips.

Hundreds of donors, many of them past participants, keep this tradition thriving at Creighton today.

**“Service & Justice Trips changed my life; they showed me how much I want to live a life of service to others.”**

**– CASSIDY NIPP, RECENT ALUMNA**  
(Read more on page 12.)



## ◆ Creighton Fund

 **\$54,079,979 raised**

 **75,406 gifts**

This is the fund that supports *everything*. Donors who make a gift to the Creighton Fund are channeling resources into the greatest and most immediate areas of need—scholarships, research, innovation, academic excellence and more.

**Every year, thousands of students receive the life-changing gift of a Creighton education thanks to your support.**

(See more on pages 2-3 and 8-17.)



## ◆ Campus Ministry

 **\$136,672 raised**

 **968 gifts**

Beyond academic and professional growth, students have countless opportunities to develop their faith and spirituality at Creighton. The donor-supported Campus Ministry takes the journey with them. The program offers students prayer and support, formation and community.

**“There’s nothing more important to me than my faith, and Creighton has given me new ways to deepen my relationship with God.”**

**– VALERY-ELVIS SHAFACK, RECENT ALUMNUS**  
(Read more on page 10.)



# New Programs in 2024-2025

## Emerging Technologies Initiative

**Google.org**, Google's philanthropic arm, provided Creighton with a \$250,000 grant to support the University's efforts to prepare students for the rapidly expanding uses of artificial intelligence in all walks of work and life. The funding in Creighton Libraries' emerging technologies initiative will empower students, faculty and staff to engage with AI, employing it as a tool for learning and research while also exploring the ways it's reshaping the workforce across every field and industry.



## Soto Nursing Scholars program

A gift from alumna **Kathy Keough Soto**, BSN'75, and her family created the Soto Nursing Scholars program within Creighton's College of Nursing and the Arrupe Global Scholars and Partnerships Program. Through the Soto Scholarship, BSN graduates will earn a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree while developing their skills in healthcare-deprived communities across the world.

"Creighton teaches nurses how to be empathetic and really get to know their patients so they can provide the best care for them," said Keough Soto. "The world needs more Creighton nurses."

Over seven years, multiple Soto Scholar cohorts of five licensed Bachelor of Science in Nursing graduates (25 total) will receive a full scholarship to earn a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree and certificate in global health at Creighton. During the three-year program, Soto Scholars will develop their skills in healthcare-deprived communities internationally.





## The Samuel & Ida Kaiman Center for International Criminal Justice and Holocaust Studies

### The Howard A. Kaiman, JD'67, Nuremberg to the Hague (N2H) Endowed Program

Every summer for more than a decade, the School of Law's N2H program has taken about 30 students to Germany, the Netherlands and Poland to learn firsthand about the Holocaust. The program immerses them in a series of historical and legal experiences, combining classroom instruction with trips to actual crime scenes.

This program is now endowed in perpetuity thanks to a \$2M gift from the estate of School of Law alumnus **Howard Kaiman**, who passed away at age 93. The Kaiman family's gift also established the Center for International Criminal Justice and Holocaust Studies in honor of Howard Kaiman's parents.

**"Through the center, generations of Creighton law students will be exposed to the realities of the Holocaust and understand the mission of international criminal tribunals seeking justice today."**

**— MICHAEL J. KELLY, JD, LL.M.**  
THE SENATOR ALLEN A. SEKT  
ENDOWED CHAIR IN LAW, PROFESSOR  
AND PROGRAM DIRECTOR

## FORWARD BLUE: IMPACT ON MISSION, ACADEMICS AND PROGRAMS



**400+ programs  
supported**

across Omaha and Phoenix campuses



**13  
endowed chairs**

funded during the campaign



# Works *in Progress*

## The Creighton Quad

The University broke ground on the Creighton Quad, 251,500 square feet of green space at the heart of academic and residential life, surrounded by three academic facilities and four residence halls, including the future sophomore residence hall currently under construction.

The beautified 5.7-acre quad—to be completed in fall 2026—will be utilized for signature campus events, including graduation, freshman orientation, alumni reunion weekends, as well as community use. This fully donor-funded project will mark the largest physical reshaping of campus in the University's history.







## Softball and Baseball Fields

Creighton is building a new softball competition field (to be completed in fall 2025) and a baseball practice field (to open by June 2026) near Florence Boulevard and Cuming Street. The new homes of Creighton softball and baseball will also be available to community baseball and softball events. The baseball field will serve as the principal practice location for visiting College World Series teams. Both fields will be open to all Creighton students for intramural and club sports throughout the academic year.

*The fields were made possible by support from the State of Nebraska's Shovel-Ready Fund and College World Series of Omaha, Inc.*



## The McGraw Family Indoor Golf Facility

Creighton Athletics opened a new state-of-the-art training center for the men's and women's golf teams. The nearly 4,000-square-foot performance center—located in the Kiewit Fitness Center—was designed to foster student-athlete development and set the stage for both programs' future success.

*The elite training center was made possible by a \$500K gift from the family of Nicole and Mike McGraw. The McGraw family has long supported academic programs and Bluejay Athletics, a legacy that started with the late Jack McGraw, BS'53, and his wife, the late Joan McGraw.*

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