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THE IMPACT OF YOUR PHILANTHROPY

The UC Santa Cruz Endowment is a vital source of support for education and research now and far into the future. When a gift is made to a UC Santa Cruz endowment, it is invested for the long term—providing consistent and permanent funding for innovations in research, pathways for creativity, and access to life-changing educational opportunities at UC Santa Cruz.

Above: Thiago Brasileiro Feitosa (Rachel Carson ’24, biomolecular engineering and bioinformatics and business management economics)
MAKING A DIFFERENCE

$269 million
market value of UC Santa Cruz Endowment

Endowed funds support
- Scholarships
- Graduate fellowships
- Faculty chairs
- Research
- Internships and field study
- Campus life programs
- Laboratory facilities
- Library collections
- and more

$9.8 million in endowment payouts
- Provided students with access to vital resources and services, broadened educational possibilities, and augmented undergraduate scholarships and graduate fellowships
- Funded innovations in research and teaching by renowned faculty

12 new endowed funds are enhancing students’ experiences by supporting scholarships, creating diversity in STEM, providing research opportunities, and enabling experiences in practical activism

9.1% three-year return on market investment

Achievement and reduced debt
$3.4 million from endowed scholarships freed students to focus on their studies rather than worry about finances

$90 million market value of 351 endowed scholarships and fellowships

Amplified impact
For example, the Olga Griswold Chair in Environmental Studies was established in 2010 with $350,000. Today, the fund is $622,000—nearly doubling the potential it has for enhancing the chair holder’s work.

John R. Lewis College named for the civil rights leader and “conscience” of Congress, recognizing a $5 million gift to its endowment by an anonymous donor

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Bottom left: Huilin Chen (Stevenson ’20, mathematics)
Top right: Samantha Kumbroch (Merrill ’25, feminine studies)