Annual Giving
Makes a Difference at Princeton

The following examples illustrate how unrestricted funds raised by Annual Giving have been utilized in recent years to make an immediate difference at Princeton.

■ **FINANCIAL AID.** This year, 60 percent of the freshman Class of 2020 is receiving financial aid, continuing Princeton’s commitment to meeting the full financial need of every admitted student. Princeton was the first university in the country to replace loans with grants, which do not have to be repaid. This extraordinary initiative, which was made possible by the consistent success of Annual Giving, has ensured that a Princeton education is genuinely affordable. AG funds remain a critical component of Princeton’s financial aid program.

■ **TEACHING AND RESEARCH.** Just as Annual Giving helps to provide the financial aid needed to allow the ablest students to attend Princeton, AG also plays an important part in recruiting and retaining the most eminent teachers and scholars in their fields. As new disciplines emerge or opportunities arise to attract leading faculty members to Princeton, the flexibility of the unrestricted funds provided through Annual Giving allows Princeton to move decisively.

■ **INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS.** Through formal relationships with leading foreign universities and institutions, Princeton extends its core mission abroad. Annual Giving provided seed funding to deepen Princeton’s strategic partnerships with the University of Tokyo (Todai) and the University of Sao Paulo. These partnerships are the keystones of Princeton’s international internships, with each spanning multiple disciplines and involving faculty members, graduate students, and undergraduates.

■ **CAMPUS ENHANCEMENTS.** Advances in nanotechnology are leading to improved tests used to detect disease and perform biological research. Annual Giving provided a critical contribution to the creation of a new nanofabrication center on campus. A joint venture between the Department of Physics, the School of Engineering and Applied Science, and the Princeton Institute for the Science and Technology of Materials, the center will enhance Princeton’s ability to make pioneering discoveries in both basic quantum science and the application of nanotechnology as well as to attract outstanding teachers and researchers.

■ **SERVICE.** From the Philadelphian Society in 1825 to the current Student Volunteers Council, student volunteerism is a longstanding tradition at Princeton. As part of the new service abroad program, a small portion of the incoming Class of 2020 has deferred their enrollment for a year while they serve the public good in a foreign country. Annual Giving provided vital start-up funds to launch the Bridge Year Program in the fall of 2009.