

Dream big:

Endow a chair at UMass Chan Medical School

Let's advance, together

You believe passionately in the power of medicine to improve lives. You understand that both scientific discovery and developing the health care leaders of tomorrow take time and substantial resources. You are prepared to invest in these efforts, and in turn play a direct role in medical innovation and health care improvement.

If you agree, please consider making an investment that lasts forever through an endowed chair at UMass Chan.

What will my endowed chair look like?

Endowed chairs at UMass Chan offer donors the opportunity to 1) permanently support scientific discovery and teaching, and 2) attach the name of your choosing to the funded effort (e.g., your family name or the name of a loved one), thereby creating a lasting connection to important medical advancement.

At the same time, they offer chairholders the opportunity to pursue research interests and develop unique opportunities for students—driving excellence across research and learning.

You can support the endeavors of world-class investigators and clinicians. For example, the *Remondi Family Chair in Biomedical Research* is currently held by Anastasia Khvorova, PhD, a leading expert in the medicinal chemistry of RNA therapeutics, who pioneered the approach of delivering siRNAs to the brain for therapeutic impact.



“The Blacklow Chair has permitted our laboratory enhanced freedom to explore areas of scientific investigation that might otherwise go unstudied ... It is my hope that my career will continue until we have seen some of our discoveries help patients who suffer from life threatening inflammatory disorders.”

-Douglas T. Golenbock, MD,
chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases and Immunology; co-director, the Program in Innate Immunity; and the *Neil and Margery Blacklow Endowed Chair in Infectious Diseases and Immunology*



Why UMass Chan?

Since opening our doors 50 years ago, UMass Chan has evolved into a leading academic health sciences center. From our #1 ranking in the Northeast for primary care education (*U.S. News & World Report*) to pioneering gene therapy research and clinical trials, we are proud to be a world-class hub of education, research, health care delivery and public service. At the same time, we maintain our fierce commitment to serving the local Worcester community, the commonwealth and underserved populations throughout the globe.

You can help us maintain this momentum by creating a legacy at UMass Chan. Endowed chairs are incredibly powerful in attracting and retaining the most talented and sought-after researchers, health care leaders and educators, which in turn helps to attract talented students to the Medical School.

How it works

Donors can create an endowed chair with a gift of \$1.5 million.

Donors may create an endowed chair now through an outright gift, or in the future through a bequest or life income gift, such as a charitable remainder trust.

Endowments are held permanently by the University of Massachusetts Foundation, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation overseen by a Board of Directors. The Foundation is responsible for managing, investing and administering all endowments.

Endowments generate annual income in perpetuity for the purpose specified by the donor. Only a portion of the annual return generated by each endowed fund is spent, so that the principal continues to grow.