

Your Legacy. UCC's Future. A Lasting Investment



The ceremonial mace was commissioned in 1910 to be a suitable symbol of UCC as part of the 1908 National University of Ireland. The Latin inscription on the stem translates as:

“the pious friends and alumni of University College Cork gave me as a gift to their Alma Mater in the year of Our Lord 1910, during the Presidency of Bertram Windle. Egan and Sons, Silversmiths of Cork, made me.”

At every conferrings ceremony, graduands receive their degree across the head of the mace, a potent symbol of UCC friends and alumni giving back to the next generation.



The Gift of a Lifetime

Dear friends,

Legacies are about planning and providing for the people and causes you care about. Some of our benefactors are alumni and staff whilst others have no formal links to University College Cork other than they are proud of what the institution has achieved and continues to achieve locally, nationally, and internationally.

UCC competes with the best and has an international reputation for education and graduate attributes, for research and innovation, for sustainability. For decades Government funding has been reducing, and additional resources will always be needed if UCC is to meet the long-term challenge of continuously improving its high standards and providing students with an education of which they can be proud. By leaving a legacy to Cork University Foundation you will ensure UCC remains a properly resourced, world-class university.

From the UCC Alumni Fund to the award-winning Lewis Glucksman Gallery, UCC has benefitted from many acts of philanthropy that have helped fund capital projects, academic and medical research, and student scholarships. You would be surprised at what even the most modest amount can achieve. Smaller sums can have an exceptional impact on the lives of others: an additional grant to support attendance at an international conference, for example, could mean the difference between a UCC

Access PLUS student achieving a first-class or a second-class honours degree.

Thank you for taking the time to read our brochure and for considering University College Cork as one of the causes you hold dear. Leaving a legacy, after providing for family and friends, is the highest honour the institution will receive. Cork University Foundation is UCC's preferred vehicle for philanthropy and manages all donations and legacies on behalf of the University. A gift in your Will would leave an enduring legacy that will help to shape tomorrow's world and extend your charitable giving beyond your lifetime.

Please get in touch if you would like to discuss your plans. Any information you share will be treated in confidence.

Yours sincerely,



Kerry Bryson
CEO, Cork University
Foundation



“ Legacy gifts, big and small, are very important to UCC, strengthening our ability to grasp emerging opportunities and respond to evolving needs and priorities as we work towards our long-term vision – sustaining an inclusive environment, enabling transformative research and learning, enriching society and better stewarding our planet. Thank you for considering UCC in your Will. Be assured your legacy will benefit generations long into the future. ”



Professor John O'Halloran (BSc '84, PhD '87)
President, UCC

Celebrating the past, enriching the present, shaping tomorrow.

From the earliest days of our history individual philanthropic support has helped UCC fund its vision, and many continue to have an impact on campus today.

The Blayney Prize – 150 Years of Supporting Future Doctors

One of the longest established prizes is the Blayney Prize. Lord Blayney died in 1874 leaving bequests to the three Queen's Colleges of Belfast, Cork, and Galway. Today the annual Blayney Prize in UCC is awarded following the results of the Summer Final Medical Examination to a graduand in the College of Medicine and Health.

Edward and Matilda Ryan Scholarship – Immersing Students in the Learning of French

In 1910 Mary Ryan was appointed Professor of Romance Languages at University College Cork, becoming the first female Professor in Ireland. She was a trailblazer in education, pioneering the way for female academics. Professor Ryan's legacy endowed "the summer holiday scholarships" whereby students were awarded scholarships to study French in France for short periods. Still awarded today, these scholarships are named after her parents, Edward and Matilda.



The Honan Chapel – A UCC Icon of Generosity

More well known on campus is the Honan bequest which built and furnished the cherished Honan Chapel, where many alumni have worshiped - and wed - over the decades. The Honan scholarships, awarded in 1910-1911, are noteworthy as the first scholarships of their kind,



providing university education to those without the means to pay for it, marking the beginning of our widening access pathway into higher education. The Honan bequest also enabled the building of the Honan Hostel, the Biological Institute, and the hydraulics laboratories in the Department of Civil Engineering.

O'Shaughnessy Scholarship Fund – Building a Pipeline of Engineers

In the early 2000s, Elizabeth O'Shaughnessy's legacy established the O'Shaughnessy Scholarship Fund in memory of her grandfather Michael Maurice O'Shaughnessy, to be awarded to students in Civil, Structural, and Environmental Engineering. Michael was a civil engineer and the San Francisco city engineer from 1912 to 1932. He developed both the San Francisco Municipal Railway and the Hetch Hetchy water system which brought water from Yosemite Valley and the Tuolumne River into San Francisco.

Elizabeth Shorten Fund – Supporting Vital Medical Research

Elizabeth Shorten's gift was deeply personal. She studied Nursing in the UK, married her husband Nill, and joined the NHS. She returned to Ireland to become Ward Sister in charge of the Cardiothoracic Ward, working with Mr Maurice Hickey, the first cardiothoracic surgeon appointed in Ireland. They were a formidable team and all the nurses she trained were grounded in the number one priority: patient care. Her legacy to Cork



University Foundation for the cardiac department underpinned her appreciation of the affiliation between Cork University Hospital and the University. Today, her legacy funds a groundbreaking research project by Gerry Allen, an Advanced Nurse Practitioner and PhD candidate in CUH/ UCC's Cardiology Department who is developing state-of-the-art analysis of the crosstalk between inflammation and cardiac resident cells; a first-of-its-kind project involving human subjects.

Sidney V. Regan – Enriching Current and Future Musicians

Generations of musical talents learned their craft in Cork. British master builder Sidney V Regan moved Leaside in the 1960s where he and his wife, Hilda, enjoyed the local music scene and met Aloys Fleischmann, a professor of music, who would become a lifelong friend. Upon his death, Sidney left a bequest to the Department of Music that enables it to provide direct support to students in the form of scholarships, improve physical resourcing for performers, composers and the academic study of music, and further enable the department to bring in outside expertise. Today, student musicians at UCC are still benefiting from the Regan bequest, which will nurture and develop Cork's future musical talent in perpetuity.



Invest in the Future

Today, philanthropy at UCC is funding research, improving patient outcomes, achieving sustainability initiatives, providing education for students regardless of their financial background, supporting scholars at risk through our Sanctuary funds, preserving vital cultural collections, building community and so much more.

Donor support for Cancer Research @UCC has improved knowledge, enabled smarter diagnostics, and is delivering kinder treatments, and better outcomes for patients and their families.

Donor support for Arts & Culture is empowering underserved groups and promoting wellbeing; helping us to heal trauma, embrace our heritage, and better understand the world.

Donor support for Academic Programming is developing future generations of leaders, entrepreneurs, healthcare professionals, lawyers, educators, scientists, engineers and more.

Your Investment

Making a will is highly personal, and there are myriad opportunities to support the university in your bequest that align with your values and philanthropic goals. You may wish to support:

- the area of most urgent strategic need
- a capital development project of the future
- ground-breaking medical or scientific research or an academic post
- the Boole Library or the Glucksman Art Gallery
- students through merit scholarships or student welfare
- setting up a prize in perpetuity
- the UCC Alumni Fund, which seeds student and staff ideas for improving the student experience, or
- any other area across the university that is meaningful to you.

You may also wish to consider commemorating a loved one by naming your gift for them. This is a wonderful way to ensure their memory and impact lives on for generations to come.

Notifying UCC of your Legacy Gift

Whatever your priority, your will is a private document. If you choose to inform us, in confidence, of your intentions, it will help us ensure your desires are fulfilled properly. We appreciate this also gives us an opportunity to thank you for your support and keep you informed about developments in UCC. The conversation is non-binding, and you can change your will should your circumstances change.



“ I arrived at UCC as a young 17-year-old and sculpted my skills in the labs and lecture theatres on campus. The university added value during my formative undergraduate years and I left with my degree and the confidence that I could make a difference in the world. I have made a legacy gift to UCC as I will always be grateful for my education. ”



John Fitzgerald (BE Civil Engineering '84)

Your gift is as unique as you

UCC is a global university and so are our alumni and donors.

We welcome support from near and far and recognise that every country has unique tax and philanthropy law.

Any gift of cash, stocks, shares, or property could reduce the tax burden on your estate.

Here are types of legacy gifts and sample language from the most common countries we receive donations from. Your legacy gift should be tailored to your individual circumstances and we strongly recommend that you take professional advice from a solicitor when making or changing your will.

Residuary Legacy

This is a percentage or fraction of your estate after taxes, charges and other legacies have been settled to other beneficiaries.

Pecuniary Legacy

This is a specific amount of money and the most straightforward type of legacy. You may wish to discuss with your advisor how to index-link and protect the real value of your gift from inflation.

Specific Gift

You may stipulate that particular securities or other assets are left such as land, shares, property, copyrights or artwork.

Wherever you are, we’re here to help

UCC is the fortunate beneficiary of generous gifts from around the world. If you’re wondering where to start or wish to discuss your legacy gift, please contact **Matt Hamilton** in the UCC Advancement Office (formerly Alumni and Development) in the first instance. Matt can be reached at +353 (0)21 420 5402 or foundation@ucc.ie.



Pictured: The Glucksman Gallery

Ireland

The following wording may be helpful to discuss with your solicitor:

‘I give Cork University Foundation - Registered Charity No. 20033385 [the sum of €_/_% share of my residuary estate / the item(s) specified] for its general charitable purposes and I declare that the receipt of the treasurer or other proper officer shall be full and sufficient discharge for the said legacy.’

If you would like to be more specific about how your gift is used, then please add the following wording:

‘I express the wish, without creating any trust or imposing any other legally binding obligation, that preference be given to [INSERT YOUR PREFERENCE – the following are examples for illustrative purposes...medical research in ageing / research in APC Microbiome Ireland / undergraduates studying social sciences /postgraduate students in Access UCC Plus]’

United States of America

Gifts in US Dollars (\$) to Cork University Foundation are made through the Chapel & York US Foundation, who then make payments to Cork University Foundation for the benefit of UCC. USA taxpayers should contact foundation@ucc.ie for details on how your legacy gifts can be made to a specific area in UCC. The following example may be tailored to best suit your financial circumstances. To create a bequest for immediate use, the preferred phrase is:

‘I give (\$__ dollars) or (__ % of my estate) to the Chapel & York US Foundation, Inc., a 501(c)(3) a Tax-Exempt Organization, EIN 81-2161937, for Cork University Foundation for its general purposes.’

Canada

If you are resident in Canada, notifications should be sent to Cork University Foundation. A bequest to University College Cork is deductible for estate tax purposes, and there is no limit on the amount of the estate tax charitable deduction. The suggested wording of a Canadian bequest is:

‘I direct my Estate Trustee to transfer as a gift to University College Cork (an educational institution specifically designated for charitable donations under the Income Taxes Act (Canada) and Regulations [Section 3505] thereto) (the sum of \$____) or (____% of my estate), to be used for the benefit of University College Cork.’

United Kingdom

Gifts in UK Sterling (£) to Cork University Foundation are made through the Chapel & York UK Foundation, who then make payments to Cork University Foundation for the benefit of UCC. UK taxpayers should contact foundation@ucc.ie for details on how your legacy gifts can be made in regard to a specific area in UCC. The following example may be tailored to best suit your financial circumstances. To create a bequest for immediate use, the preferred phrase is:

‘I give (£__ pounds) or (__ % of my estate) to the Chapel & York UK Foundation, registered charity number 1172653, for Cork University Foundation for its general purposes.’



Thank You

Thank you for taking the time to read this booklet and for considering the university as part of your legacy. If you have already chosen to support us through a legacy gift, we are immensely grateful.

The 1845 Circle

The 1845 Circle is a special group of UCC alumni and friends who have left a legacy or other planned gift to support University College Cork.

The Circle is an opportunity to stay connected to the university and with fellow UCC supporters in a unique and meaningful way. UCC values the opportunity to thank you and, with your permission, to keep you up to date with exclusive news and events from the university.

If you wish to join the 1845 Circle, you can let us know of your intentions by returning the form in the back sleeve of this brochure.

You may also complete this form online by scanning the QR code below or visiting:

ucc.ie/en/advancement/support/legacygiving



Fostering Lasting Relationships with Donors

Cork University Foundation is the preferred vehicle for securing and stewarding philanthropic donations for University College Cork. Established in 1996, the Foundation carries out a diverse array of fundraising and stewardship initiatives for the benefit of UCC that generate financial support for agreed priorities and help the university advance its strategic goals.

By doing so, Cork University Foundation is critical to ensuring the outstanding educational experience that students and staff deserve, advancing life-changing research, and maintaining UCC as an internationally recognised, world-class university.

Cork University Foundation

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