

HERITAGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Gustavus awards 40 Heritage Scholarships each year to students of high academic achievement with demonstrated financial need.

The scholarships help fill a gap between academic awards and need-based financial aid, allowing students to attend Gustavus without hardship to their families.

You can support a student with a commitment of \$3,000 per year for four years. The student will receive the Heritage Scholarship for all four years at Gustavus.

Heritage Scholarships are awarded as individually named awards. Your scholarship may be given in your name, the name of a family or group, or in honor of a special person.

WHO CAN GIVE?

Heritage Scholarships may be funded by individuals, by generations of Gusties from the same family, and by groups of former classmates. You can also choose to create a scholarship with a matching gift from your employer.

FUNDING OPTIONS

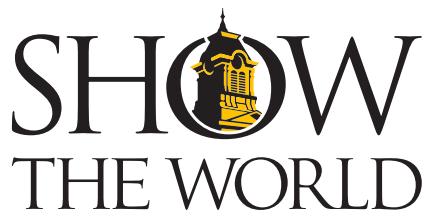
Gifts to create a Heritage Scholarship can be made outright as cash, appreciated stock, or through a multi-year pledge. Gifts must be documented by December 31 to be used in the current academic year.

SELECTION OF RECIPIENT

The Gustavus Office of Financial Aid selects the recipient of your named scholarship, based on student financial need.

CONNECTING WITH THE RECIPIENT

Scholarship recipients work with the Office of Advancement to personally thank donors. Other opportunities to connect with the recipient of your scholarship can be arranged by request.



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"I am so grateful that my Heritage Scholarship donor has made a commitment to support me for all four years I'll spend at Gustavus. This scholarship makes higher education possible for me, and I love having an opportunity to form a relationship with Carla, my scholarship donor.

- Christen Gibson '23
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology major
Recipient of Mark Clasen '69 Heritage Scholarship

With a Heritage Scholarship,
you can help a student for
all four years at Gustavus.



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A MESSAGE FROM THE DONOR

My husband **Mark Clasen '69** was a Gustie through and through.

His family had a long history with Gustavus. Mark grew up in Saint Peter, his father chaired the Board of Trustees for a time, and his grandmother worked in the food service under Evelyn Young. Mark graduated in 1969, and he made very good friends at Gustavus. Over the years, we made many visits back to campus.

After Gustavus, Mark went to the University of Mississippi, where we met. He spent his entire career in academic medicine, teaching students and residents. He was at Ohio State and the University of Texas Health Science Center in Houston, and then finished his career as the chair of the Department of Family Medicine at Wright State University. He held that position for 18 years before he retired.

An area of special concern for Mark was ensuring health care for all people. In particular, he was concerned about health risks among underserved and vulnerable populations. During his time as chair, many of his students went on to residencies and careers in family and urban medicine.

Mark had given to Gustavus for years—nothing remarkable, just enough to express his appreciation to a school that had been important to him and his family. He asked me to continue giving to the school. I'm happy to do that, to fulfill his wishes.

The Heritage Scholarship seemed like the right place to direct this giving. I liked the idea of helping a student come to Gustavus who couldn't otherwise manage the cost. And I liked the idea of staying connected with the student over their four years in college.

I was especially happy to learn that Mark's scholarship had been awarded to Christen. When I received a card from her, in which she explained that she was a biology major planning to become a pediatrician, it touched me so deeply. I thought she was the perfect recipient for a scholarship in Mark's name—a young woman of color planning to serve families as a physician. Mark's heart was always with his medical students, especially ones who came from underrepresented communities. I wrote back to Christen right away and said I was thrilled that she was supported by Mark's scholarship.

At the same time, I was sure to tell her that things can change. Christen might change her mind about her major and becoming a doctor. I don't want her to feel locked into a particular course of study. Whatever path she takes, I'm eager to follow her progress. That's one reason why it's wonderful to have this connection with her during the rest of her time at Gustavus.

This relatively new program has been a true success story for Gustavus. The Heritage Scholarship Program is a key element in student recruitment and retention. I hope you will consider joining me by starting your own Heritage Scholarship today.

Carla Clasen
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