Provide Research Opportunities for Undergraduate and High School Students

The Bioscience Undergraduate Research Program (BioURP) and the Bioscience Summer Research Program for High School Students provide participating students with priceless research experience under the mentorship of a University faculty member. Participants in these programs also receive stipends and varying levels of funding to support their focused research. We welcome donor support for research scholarships, as they provide student training and work in research labs, a great opportunity for students and a valuable resource for professors.

Alumni of the Bioscience Research Programs have gone on to have incredible career success in a wide range of fields. Visit the BioURP Alumni page at http://www.biology.utah.edu/undergraduate/research/Alumni.php to read their stories! Donor support plays an important role in making their success possible. Consider making a donation to the Biology Undergraduate Program Endowment, the High School Program, or to research scholarships today!

Support Graduate Fellowships and Scholarships

Funding for graduate students in the form of scholarships and stipends is vital to maintaining a vibrant Graduate Program. This support attracts high caliber students to the University and allows them to focus on their work and studies. The Biology Department has a number of endowed scholarships and awards that were funded by and created in cooperation with generous donors. Join them in lending support to our exceptional graduate students. With your help, we can extend these life-changing opportunities to other equally deserving candidates.

Current endowment areas include graduate research, cell biology, molecular biology, ecology, and plant biology. We welcome your support for these or other areas of emphasis within the Biology Department!
Biology is the science of life. Its principles govern every living organism. Given the vast diversity of life on earth, its study has something to offer everyone. In the Department of Biology within the College of Science, the study of biology is more dynamic and impactful than ever before. Every day, students and faculty participate in groundbreaking research and discovery both inside and outside of the classroom and laboratory.

With more than 800 declared undergraduate majors, 80 graduate students, and nearly 50 faculty members, the Department of Biology is one of the largest departments at the University of Utah. Donor support is absolutely vital in maintaining the high quality of education and research for which the Department is known.

Whether you’re an alumnus, a grateful parent, a faculty member, or simply a friend of Biology, we thank you for your interest. There are many fantastic opportunities for you to play a meaningful role in the future of Biology at the University of Utah. Read on to learn more about the exciting initiatives within the Biology Department that we can accomplish with your generous cooperation!

Visit us online at http://www.biology.utah.edu/

Sponsor Named Lectureships & Professorships

Holding an endowed professorship is recognized throughout the academic community as a distinctive honor and institutions that can offer endowed faculty positions to their most distinguished faculty are better able to both recruit and retain the world’s finest scientists and scholars. The Biology Department is actively seeking out opportunities to develop endowed professorships for our faculty. One such opportunity is the Legler Lecturer in Human Anatomy.

Legler Endowed Lecturer in Human Anatomy

For over half a century, the late Professor John Legler and Professor Mark Nielsen have advanced the field of teaching human anatomy at the University of Utah. Through their tireless efforts, over 30,000 students have gained a detailed understanding of the structure, organization, and function of the human body. The legacy that John cultivated and left for so many continues to grow through Mark’s distinguished state-of-the-art work. Together, they have provided a solid foundation in human anatomy for professionals throughout Utah, the nation, and the world: doctors, dentists, nurses, anatomists, physical therapists, pharmacists, occupational therapists, exercise sports professionals, scholars, medical illustrators … the list goes on. The passion for anatomy that Professor Legler conveyed, and that Professor Nielsen continues to express and cultivate has inspired and created enduring bonds with countless students. The number of lives touched by their influence is even greater.

In honor of their priceless work, an endowment has been established to support the Human Anatomy Lab. For the Legler Lecturer in Human Anatomy continues to grow as generous donors contribute to ensure that this legacy of teaching excellence in Human Anatomy will continue in perpetuity.

Now, our aim is to grow the Legler Endowment into an endowed professorship. We invite you to participate in this unprecedented opportunity to honor the memory of Dr. Legler and support the continuing legacy of the late Professor John Legler and Professor Mark Nielsen. By supporting The Legler Lecturer in Human Anatomy, you will ensure that future generations of scientist and health professionals will receive undergraduate instruction — and inspiration — from world-class teachers worthy of continuing the rich legacy that Dr. Legler and Dr. Nielsen have created.

Learn more at http://www.biology.utah.edu/support.php