

## THE CHARLOTTE W. NEWCOMBE FOUNDATION

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### **The Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation announces grants for the 2010-11 academic year**

**Princeton, NJ** – The Trustees of The Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation have approved forty grants for 2010-11, awarding \$1,928,717 for scholarships and fellowships.

Grants totaling \$1,203,500 are designated for student scholarships at thirty-seven colleges and universities. Within this total, \$307,000 will be in the form of matching challenge grants to build Newcombe-endowed scholarship funds at twenty-five institutions. Additionally, the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation will receive over \$725,000 to continue administration of the Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships program through 2011-12.

The 2010-11 awards bring the Newcombe Foundation's cumulative grant awards since 1981 to nearly \$52 million. Based upon twenty-nine years of institutional reports to the Foundation, over 30,000 Newcombe Scholarship awards have assisted students at ninety-eight colleges and universities. Also since 1981, 1,087 Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships have been funded through annual grants to the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation. At last report, Newcombe-endowed scholarship funds at fifty-nine universities and colleges had a combined market value of over \$11.4 million.

#### **Newcombe Scholarships for Mature Women Students**

The Trustees of The Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation have awarded grants for 2010-11 totaling \$898,500 to twenty-nine universities and colleges (listed below) in the Foundation's program of Newcombe Scholarships for Mature Women Students. The Newcombe Foundation works in partnership with each funded institution to encourage degree completion among mature women students who have financial need, limited resources, and, often, family and work responsibilities. The Foundation recognizes, values, and encourages the development of programs, special initiatives, and organizational structures that welcome and support mature women students as they navigate the process of earning a degree.

Each of the funded institutions has received prior funding by the Foundation. For sixteen that have been funded since the program's inception in 1981, this will be the thirtieth year of Newcombe Foundation support. The other thirteen institutions have been funded previously for periods ranging from one year to twenty-eight years.

Most of the universities and colleges that were funded during 2009-10 added funds from other sources to the financial awards received by Newcombe Scholars, and more than 80% have committed to do so in 2010-11.

Within the grants for 2010-11, \$679,500 will directly fund student scholarships during 2010-11 and \$219,000 will fund challenge grants to build existing Newcombe-endowed scholarship funds at nineteen institutions. The latest reported combined market value of Newcombe-endowed scholarship funds at thirty-one institutions that have been funded through the Mature Women

Students program exceeds \$4.2 million; these funds provided nearly \$164,000 in endowment income toward 2009-10 Newcombe Scholarships.

The twenty-nine new grants bring the Foundation's cumulative funding for Newcombe Scholarships for Mature Women Students to nearly \$15.9 million since 1981.

*Grantees for 2010-11:*

American University	University of Maryland University College
Arcadia University	Marywood University
Bloomfield College	Misericordia University
Cedar Crest College	Moravian College
Columbia University	Neumann University
School of General Studies	The New School for General Studies
Elizabethtown College	University of Pennsylvania
Fordham University	Rider University
Gannon University	Rutgers University,
Georgian Court University	Douglass Residential College
Gwynedd-Mercy College	Saint Joseph's University
Hunter College	University of Scranton
Kean University	Towson University
La Salle University	West Chester University
University of Maryland, Baltimore County	Widener University
University of Maryland, College Park	

**Newcombe Scholarships for Students with Disabilities**

The Trustees of The Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation have awarded grants for 2010-11 totaling \$245,000 to eight universities and colleges (listed below) in its program of Newcombe Scholarships for Students with Disabilities. The Newcombe Foundation provides these scholarships through partnerships with selected colleges and universities that welcome enrollment by students with disabilities and are committed to their success. Each of the currently funded institutions has received grants continuously in this program for many years.

Within the grants for 2010-11, \$ 217,000 will directly fund student scholarships during 2010-11 and \$28,000 fund challenge grants to build existing Newcombe-endowed scholarship funds at four institutions. The latest reported combined market value of Newcombe-endowed funds at nine institutions that have been funded through the Students with Disabilities program exceeds \$1.8 million; these Funds provided \$39,000 in endowment income toward 2009-10 Newcombe Scholarships.

The eight new grants bring the Foundation's cumulative funding for Newcombe Scholarships for Students With Disabilities to just over \$8 million since 1981.

*Grantees for 2010-11:*

Brooklyn College	McDaniel College
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania	New York University
Gallaudet University	The Pennsylvania State University
Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus	Temple University

### **Special Scholarship Endowment Grants**

The Trustees of The Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation have awarded two multi-year endowment challenge grants of \$100,000 each in the Foundation's newest program entitled Special Scholarship Endowment Grants. Through Special Scholarship Endowment Grants, the Foundation strives to help selected colleges and universities build Newcombe-endowed scholarship funds that support completion of bachelor's degrees by students who need financial assistance from within an identified group at each funded institution.

At each funded institution, Maryville College of Maryville, Tennessee and Tusculum College of Greeneville, Tennessee, the targeted student group is first-generation college students from the Appalachian region. Maryville College's grant will provide \$25,000 for each of four years through 2013-14, to be matched dollar-for-dollar by other sources secured by the institution. Tusculum College's grant will provide \$35,000 each during 2010-11 and 2011-12 and \$30,000 during 2012-13, also to be matched dollar-for-dollar through the institution's own fundraising efforts. In connection with each of these grants, an existing Newcombe Foundation-endowed scholarship fund at the institution will be rededicated toward serving the same target population as the new grant. The fund at Maryville College is currently valued at \$431,000, and the fund at Tusculum College is currently valued at \$583,000.

### **Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships**

The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation of Princeton, New Jersey will receive a grant of at least \$725,217 to continue administration of the Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships program in 2011-12. The grant will furnish \$25,000 stipends to at least twenty nationally selected scholars in the humanities and social sciences whose dissertations constitute original and serious study of ethical or religious values. It will also underwrite WWNFF's administration of the program, including costs for rigorous academic evaluation of more than six hundred applications. In the thirty years since 1981, the Newcombe Foundation has awarded over \$18.9 million for the program of Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships. These fellowships have been awarded to 1,087 scholars, including twenty for the 2010-11 academic year.

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