

The Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation announces grants for the 2016-17 academic year

Princeton, NJ – The Trustees of The Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation have approved forty-four grants for 2016-17, awarding \$2,145,843 for scholarships and fellowships.

Grants totaling \$1,406,834 are designated for student scholarships at forty-three colleges and universities. Within this total, \$507,834 will be in the form of matching challenge grants to build Newcombe-endowed scholarship funds at thirty-six institutions. Additionally, the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation will receive \$739,009 to continue administration of the Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships program through 2016-17.

The 2016-17 awards bring the Newcombe Foundation's cumulative grant awards since 1981 to \$65.4 million. Based upon thirty-five years of institutional reports to the Foundation, over 39,500 Newcombe Scholarship awards have assisted students at 102 colleges and universities. Also since 1981, 1,214 Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships have been funded through annual grants to the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation. At last report, 106 Newcombe-endowed scholarship funds at sixty-four universities and colleges had a combined market value of \$21.7 million; these funds generated \$933,000 toward Newcombe Scholarships in 2015-16.

Newcombe Scholarships for Mature Women Students

The Trustees of The Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation have awarded grants for 2016-17 totaling \$1,024,334 to thirty-one universities and colleges (listed below) in the Foundation's Newcombe Scholarships for Mature Women Students program. 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.

Note: The Foundation now permits but does not require recipient institutions to extend Newcombe Scholarships to mature men students who meet the same eligibility standards that are applied to women students in the Newcombe Foundation policy. Institutions that opt to do so many choose to call the program at their institutions "Newcombe Scholarships for Mature Students" or "Newcombe Scholarships for Mature Women and Men."

For 2016-17, one new institution, Alvernia University (PA) has been added as a partner in this program. For the fifteen institutions that have been funded since the program's inception in 1981, this will be the thirty-sixth year of Newcombe Foundation support.

All of the universities and colleges that were funded during 2015-16 added funds from other sources to the financial awards received by Newcombe Scholars during the academic year, and all thirty-one institutions funded in 2016-17 have committed to a full or partial match.

Within the grants for 2016-17, \$658,000 will fund student scholarships for use during 2016-17 and \$366,334 will fund challenge grants to build existing Newcombe-endowed scholarship funds at thirty-one institutions. The latest reported combined market value of Newcombe-endowed scholarship funds at thirty-seven institutions that have been funded through the Mature Women Students program is \$9.8 million; these funds provided

\$364,000 in endowment income toward 2015-16 Newcombe Scholarships.

The thirty-one new grants bring the Foundation's cumulative funding for Newcombe Scholarships for Mature Women Students to \$22.5 million since 1981.

Grantees for 2016-17:

Alvernia University	Mercy College
Arcadia University	Misericordia University
Bloomfield College	Moravian College
Cedar Crest College	Mount Aloysius
Elizabethtown College	Neumann University
Fordham University	New Jersey City University
Gannon University	The New School for Public Engagement
Georgian Court University	Rider University
Gwynedd Mercy University	Rutgers University,
Hunter College, CUNY	Douglass Residential College
Kean University	Saint Joseph's University
La Salle University	Stevenson University
University of Maryland, Baltimore County	Towson University
University of Maryland, College Park	West Chester University
University of Maryland University College	Widener University
Marywood University	Wilson College

Newcombe Scholarships for Students with Disabilities

The Trustees of The Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation have awarded grants for 2016-17 totaling \$357,500 to eleven 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.

For 2016-17, one new institution, Fairleigh Dickinson University (NJ), will be funded through this program. Penn State Harrisburg and Penn State Erie will be considered as individual grantees, separating them from the larger institution of The Pennsylvania State University. All of the other currently funded institutions have received grants continuously in this program for many years.

Within the grants for 2016-17, \$241,000 will fund student scholarships to be awarded during 2016-17 and \$116,500 will fund challenge grants to build existing Newcombe-endowed scholarship funds at ten institutions. The latest reported combined market value of Newcombe-endowed funds at eleven institutions that have been funded through the Students with Disabilities program is nearly \$3.5million; these funds provided \$188,000 in endowment income toward 2015-16 Newcombe Scholarships.

The eleven new grants bring the Foundation's cumulative funding for Newcombe Scholarships for Students With Disabilities to over \$10 million since 1981.

Grantees for 2016-17:

Brooklyn College, CUNY	New York University
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania	Penn State Erie, the Behrend College
Fairleigh Dickinson University	Penn State Harrisburg
Gallaudet University	The Pennsylvania State University
Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus	Temple University
McDaniel College	

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 needing financial assistance from within an identified group at each funded institution.

The University of Pikeville (KY) will receive its third installment of a multi-year grant in this program. The total to be awarded in 2016-17 is \$25,000.

Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships

The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation of Princeton, New Jersey has received a grant of \$739,009 to continue administration of the Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships program in 2016-17. The grant will furnish \$25,000 stipends to 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 over five hundred applications for the Fellowship. In the thirty-six years since the program's inception in 1981, the Newcombe Foundation has awarded \$23.5 million for the program of Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships. In total, 1,214 promising scholars have been named Newcombe Fellows.

THE CHARLOTTE W. NEWCOMBE FOUNDATION

35 Park Place Princeton, NJ 08542-6918

www.newcombefoundation.orginfo@newcombefoundation.org

(609) 924-7022