

When I was invited to join the Leadership Board by two high school friends, I was attracted first by the challenge of contributing more to the school that I love, The University of Alabama.

Second was being able to know more about developments in my undergraduate college, and third was the opportunity to get to know other board members who are truly leaders in their professions and fields of endeavor.

—William P. Jackson, Jr.
McLean, Virginia, member since 2009

Friendship
Advice
Resources
Energy
Influence

The Leadership Board

**Friends of Distinction Contributing
the Elements for Achievement**

THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES



What Is the Leadership Board?

THE LEADERSHIP BOARD CONSISTS of alumni and friends of the College who partner with the Dean to advance the College by representing the highest principles of a liberal arts education.

- *Board members advocate for the College's faculty, staff, students and alumni.*
- *They partner with the College in advancing the cultural and economic vitality of the state.*
- *They support initiatives and opportunities of the College with their influence, advice, energy, friendship and resources.*
- *The Board serves as an advisory board to the Dean on matters related to the growth and development of the College's multi-million dollar private endowment.*

"The experience has been rewarding, instructive and just plain fun. I am honored to be a member of this important body."

— Dr. T. Lee Baumann, Birmingham, Alabama
Secretary-Treasurer and member since 2007

"Through the Leadership Board I have made new friendships and connections with board members, deans, faculty members and support staff. It has also given me opportunities for leadership as a committee chair and in a number of officer positions."

— Fred Crown, Jr., Nashville, Tennessee
Past Board Chair and member since 1993

Advocates for the College and the Capstone

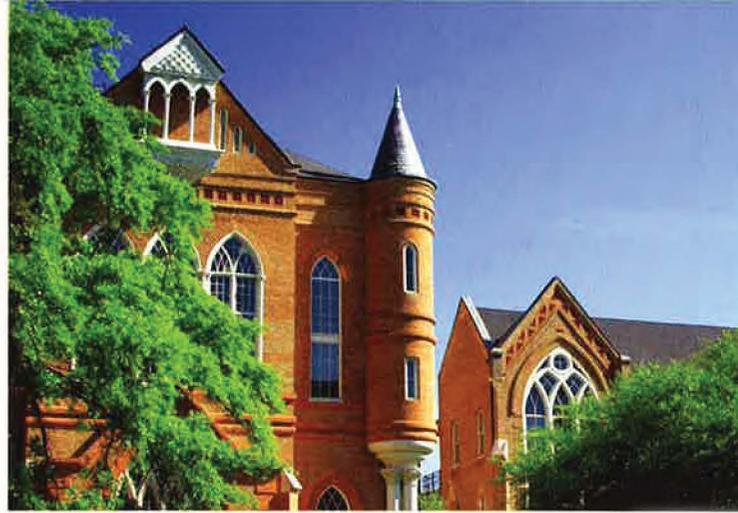
BECAUSE OF THEIR CLOSE ASSOCIATION with the College and standing in their communities, Leadership Board members play an important role in advocating for the College and the Capstone in their professional and personal circles.

At each board meeting, members are briefed on College initiatives and issues by the Dean. Their involvement in these plans for progress aids and elevates those efforts and brings distinction to the College.

Supporters of Student and Faculty Success

SINCE IT BEGAN IN THE EARLY 1990S, the Board has made student and faculty support central to its mission. This includes the Leadership Board Outstanding Sophomore Scholarships given to students who have distinguished themselves in the freshman year and have overcome personal obstacles to succeed. Board member contributions now fund \$75,000 in academic enrichment annually.

- *The Board provides for approximately \$45,000 in non-endowed student scholarships each year.*
- *The Board has awarded scholarships to more than 100 students.*
- *It provides \$27,000 annually for nine Leadership Board Faculty Fellowships.*
- *One outstanding faculty member is selected annually for the \$3,000 Outstanding Commitment to Students Award.*



Contributors to Quality of Life in Alabama

AS THE STATE'S LARGEST AND BEST liberal arts college, the College of Arts and Sciences plays a key role in advancing quality of life in our state through excellence in education and also through its broad involvement in and influence on cultural and economic affairs. The College's perspective is statewide, regional, national and international. Leadership Board members partner with the College on quality of life projects of interest, amplifying and advancing good works in their communities, the College and beyond.





"I accepted appointment to the Leadership Board because I wanted to be supportive of the College's mission to embrace, educate and support scholars, students and staff across a variety of disciplines and units. I wanted, in other words, to go behind the scenes and play a small role in ensuring that the College will be even more educationally vibrant and financially healthy 100 years from now than it is today. Roll Tide!"

– Dr. Trudier Harris, Tuscaloosa, Alabama
Member since 2010

Providing a Legacy for Future Students

THE BOARD WISHES TO ENSURE that deserving students with financial need will always have a source of assistance. As its legacy to the Capstone, the Board has designated an annual contribution to the Collegiate Fund Endowed Scholarship. Today, the endowment totals more than a half-million dollars, generates \$25,000 annually in scholarships and has provided more than \$200,000 in scholarships since the endowment was established in 1993.

Building Lasting Friendships

MANY INDIVIDUALS ON THE LEADERSHIP BOARD have been members since it began. Friendships and mutual interests run deep. Board members have many opportunities to get to know College administrators, faculty members and to meet and mentor students.

When Does the Board Meet?

THE BOARD MEETS TWICE EACH YEAR, typically in September and March for a half-day business meeting. The fall meeting is on Friday afternoon and is scheduled around the Board's evening barbecue for faculty members. The spring meeting is on Saturday morning and is preceded by the College's annual Benefactors Dinner.

Membership

MEMBERSHIP IS THROUGH NOMINATION by an active board member and invitation following a vote to accept by the board. Members contribute a minimum of \$1,000 annually to the Collegiate Fund.

What Is Your Area of Interest?

MEMBERS CAN PARTICIPATE in the following Board committees: Finance, Academic, Student Life, Membership, Fine Arts. There are hundreds of research, scholarship, creative and service programs in the College. Members are encouraged to connect with faculty and students in areas of interest to them.

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