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UNDERGRADUATE ENDOWMENTS

AND

PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL **ENDOWMENTS ESTABLISHED** BY EVERGREEN SCHOLARSHIP CIRCLE MEMBERS



#### 2023-2024 STUDENTS ARE FROM 43 STATES AND **50 COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING:**

Argentina Greece Rwanda Australia India Slovakia Bangladesh Israel South Africa Jamaica Spain Benin Bolivia Kazakhstan Sri Lanka Sweden Bosnia-Kenya Syria Herzegovina Malaysia Brazil Mexico Thailand Bulgaria Nicaragua Turkey Burundi Nigeria Ukraine Cambodia Pakistan

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Cameroon

Colombia

United Kingdom

Uruguay Vietnam Yemen Zambia Zimbabwe 424

NUMBER OF UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARS PAIRED WITH FUNDS ESTABLISHED BY EVERGREEN SCHOLARSHIP CIRCLE MEMBERS ANNUALLY,

INCLUDING

**126** INTERNATIONAL

**STUDENTS** 

TOTAL NUMBER OF UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARS WHO HAVE BEEN PAIRED WITH EVERGREEN SCHOLARSHIP CIRCLE-FOUNDED ENDOWED FUNDS SINCE THEIR INCEPTION



### EVERGREEN SCHOLARSHIP CIRCLE STUDENT AMBASSADORS

### Daniel Hernandez '26, Los Angeles, California

#### McLane Family Scholarship Fund Scholar



As I wrap up my sophomore year at Dartmouth, I'm excited about my upcoming Sophomore Summer. Alumni have often shared how their Sophomore Summer was a pivotal moment during their time at Dartmouth, and I'm eager to experience it for myself.

This year has taught me a lot about "seizing the moment." I know I won't always have the chance to be this young in such an incredible place with such amazing people, so I'm committed to making the most of it. This year marked many moments of personal growth: I pushed myself to meet new people and found a solid group of friends. I took challenging classes, and through that experience, I discovered my passion for Quantitative Social Science (QSS) and Chinese, leading me to pursue a double major. I've also embraced giving back by volunteering at the Hanover Community Kitchen alongside other students. We get together and cook for the Hanover community every Friday.

From a very young age, my parents taught me the importance of gaining exposure to environments that were unfamiliar to me. They emphasized

meeting individuals different from myself and embracing our differences with the intent of learning from one another. Having immigrated to the United States at young ages from Mexico, my parents had to do just that. I started learning Mandarin in kindergarten, and through the support of many teachers and peers, I have become fluent. These sacrifices have taught me that attending Dartmouth is a privilege I am able to experience because I stand on the shoulders of many people.

Similarly, my role as an Evergreen Scholarship Ambassador has allowed me to share my stories with alumni. Thanks to the support of many alumni, I'll be traveling to Barcelona, Spain, for an LSA+ in Winter 2025. I want alumni to understand that this is a milestone not just for myself, but for my family. Nobody in my family has ever been in my position, and I want to assure you I am going to make the most of this experience in a way that impacts others beyond myself.

Looking ahead, I hope to pursue a career in wealth management and work in China one day. Combining my interests in QSS and Chinese, I am eager to bridge cultural and financial understanding, contributing to a more interconnected global economy. I aspire to make the same opportunities possible for students who will fill my shoes after I graduate. On behalf of my family and myself, I want to thank you for making these experiences possible.

### Angie Kumah '27, Syracuse, New York

#### **Reiss Family Scholarship Fund Scholar**



Hi! I'm a firstgeneration student, supported by the Reiss Family Scholarship Fund, and I've just completed my first year at Dartmouth. As my family is originally from Ghana, we currently reside in Upstate, NY. I am currently studying

biological sciences and women's studies with a minor in public policy on the pre-med track, and in my free time, I love to dance for the Dartmouth Dance Team and Soyeya African Dance Troupe. From the day I stepped onto campus, I was able to make so many new connections and meet so many wonderful people, and it was this experience that showed me I made the right choice. I am beyond blessed and excited to have the opportunity to continue my academic journey at Dartmouth College!

During my first year at Dartmouth, I was selected by the Magnuson Center for Entrepreneurship's Social Entrepreneurship Certificate Program (SECP) for the Spring of '24. Over nine weeks, this initiative encouraged aspiring entrepreneurs to tackle critical societal issues ranging from climate change to socioeconomic inequality. To kick off the program, I joined 13 other students for a two-day retreat at the Dartmouth Outing Club's headquarters at Occom Pond to study systems change. For my project, I investigated excessive maternal health disparities within the maternal healthcare system, focusing on healthcare practitioners' mental models and their interactions with marginalized patients.

I dream of eliminating racial disparities as I envision a healthcare system built upon equity

for all. Upon receiving my certificate, I have had the pleasure of learning to be "married" to the problem and not the solution as I lean into better long-lasting remedies. Through this program, I got to hear the stories of and develop deep connections with peers who also remain passionate about systemic change. Thanks to the SECP, I now understand the inner workings of oppressive systems, and how they perpetuate complex issues. As an Evergreen Scholarship Circle Student Ambassador, I hope to use this knowledge to encourage equity for all students in our interconnected community.

During the spring of '24, I also had the pleasure of participating in the Pathways to Medicine Program at Dartmouth, which supports students who come from underrepresented backgrounds in medicine. In joining Pathways, I joined a welcoming community of fellow pre-health students. As a Pathways Scholar, I've attended weekly community dinners, listened to guest speakers share their journeys as health professionals, and attended a retreat focused on academic success and strategies post-bach. As this program exposed me to the many resources Dartmouth has to offer, it reminded me that I am not alone in my journey. I hope to reflect this light to everyone I may encounter.

Growing up as a child of immigrant parents, my journey has not been easy. The diligence and grit my parents exemplified have inspired me and my five siblings to always strive for excellence. Looking to the future, I am excited to make an impact as an Evergreen Scholarship Circle Student Ambassador by highlighting the stories of my remarkable and talented peers who contribute to Dartmouth's exceptional community. I am particularly eager to bridge the gap between alumni and students, fostering strong relational connections and a vibrant, supportive network. Through this amazing opportunity, I hope to touch the lives of many!

### Scholars Representing the Evergreen Scholarship Circle

### **Michael Bongo '24** Mombasa, Kenya

## Michael G. Fisch 1983 Family Scholarship Fund Scholar



I wanted to extend my deepest gratitude to you for making it possible for me to access world-class education through

Dartmouth's financial aid program.

Growing up in Mombasa, I witnessed the economic challenges faced by our communities. These experiences ignited my passion to delve deeper into the intricacies of economics and to leverage technology to create solutions. Dartmouth has provided me with the platform to nurture these interests, allowing me to explore, learn, and grow in ways I had only dreamed of.

Your generosity is not just about providing financial assistance; it's about fostering dreams and nurturing ambitions. With the knowledge and skills I have acquired at Dartmouth, I aspire to pursue a career in finance. My ultimate goal is to return to Africa and use my expertise to bring about sustainable economic development and uplift our communities. I want to ensure that our young people have the tools, resources, and opportunities to shape their own futures.

One of the most meaningful involvements during my time at Dartmouth has been my role as Chief Macro Investment Officer at BLK

Capital Management—a student-run investment club. This role was not just about financial analysis or asset management; it was about leadership, collaboration, and real-world impact. I had the privilege of spearheading an inclusive, six-month financial services education program, which covered diverse areas from accounting to company valuation.

Being at the helm of this initiative allowed me to understand the importance of financial literacy and its power to shape futures. I also had the chance to work with a diverse group of passionate students, each bringing their unique perspectives and skills to the table. Together, we navigated complex financial landscapes, made strategic decisions, and learned from one another. Moreover, the responsibility of managing the fund's investment strategy, especially our shift from long-only to long/short, taught me the intricacies of risk management and the importance of adaptability in the dynamic world of finance.

Beyond the technical aspects, this role affirmed my belief in the value of mentorship, continuous learning, and community engagement. Seeing the tangible impact of our decisions and witnessing our collective growth has been profoundly rewarding. It encapsulates the essence of my Dartmouth experience—a blend of academic rigor, leadership opportunities, and community impact.

After graduation, I will dive deeper into the world of finance and investment, leveraging the skills and experiences I've garnered from internships at Blackstone and Nomura Holdings. I'm particularly intrigued by the challenges and opportunities in global markets, and I aim to be at the forefront of shaping financial strategies in a fast-paced environment.

However, it's not just about numbers for me. My involvement with BLK Capital Management has instilled in me a strong belief in the power of financial education and inclusion. I hope to merge my professional aspirations with a commitment to give back, perhaps by establishing initiatives that promote financial literacy in underserved communities, both in the U.S. and back home in Kenya.

Furthermore, having been a beneficiary of Dartmouth's generosity, I'm keen on creating avenues to support future students, ensuring they have access to the same opportunities I was fortunate to have.

While the exact path may evolve, one thing remains certain: I aim to blend my passion for finance with a purpose, making meaningful contributions to both the industry and the wider community.

I cannot overstate the significance of your contribution to my journey. You have not only invested in my education but in the potential ripple effect that it can create across communities and nations. From the bottom of my heart, thank you for believing in students like me and for making our dreams attainable.

# **Grace Chen '24**Potomac, Maryland

### Evans Family Scholarship Fund Scholar



I graduated with a BA in engineering sciences and music and a BE in mechanical engineering. In my senior year, I focused on

my capstone in Engineering Design Methodology and my music honors thesis. Those open-ended long-term projects taught me so much about myself and my disciplines as I explored creative and technical options across boundaries. For me, that was the heart of a liberal arts education.

The Dartmouth figure skating club has been the most meaningful activity during my time at Dartmouth. The club has enjoyed national success, and as a team co-captain, I was super excited to give back to my teammates and community by being a supportive pillar, just as previous captains had done for me. I began skating at age eight and became part of a synchronized skating team that became Team USA and was on the first Team USA junior team.

The sport has brought me lifelong memories and teammates and taught me many lessons. I've developed a very deep bonds with my teammates. The skating team is my happy place on campus, and my teammates are the first people I go to when I want someone to hang out with. I was able to give back to the team by being one of their Co-Friends Chairs, responsible for writing newsletters and

strengthening connections with family, friends, supporters, and alumni.

I continued my involvement in chamber music groups and music groups on campus. I picked up playing percussion and joined the Dartmouth College Wind Ensemble. With the band, I had the opportunity to be a part of the Mexican Repertoire Initiative and travel with my bandmates on a tour of Mexico City! I tried to experience everything that Dartmouth has to offer.

I also joined the Digital Applied Learning and Innovation Lab as a project manager responsible for DALI's graphics team. We created graphics that meet the needs of other DALI teams and external partners. In this role, I made even more connections to students and faculty.

Throughout these years, I developed close relationships with some of my mentors and professors. I was able to connect with my residential house professor, Janice McCabe and to take a professor out to eat at Pine Restaurant a few times. Talking to them outside of a classroom setting was very refreshing. I have coffee chats with PhD students in the research lab where I work and have developed friendships with them as well.

My favorite part about Dartmouth is the people. I met my best friends as freshman floormates or on the figure skating team. I'm so lucky to be surrounded by so many talented and wonderful people who support me in every way possible and make me feel comfortable.

I am grateful for the generous support that has made my Dartmouth experience a reality. Without it, I would not have received a broad top-tier education, made connections with people from all over the world, explored my interests, stepped out of my comfort zone, and been offered so many opportunities to grow. Financial aid truly was a deciding factor in attending Dartmouth, and I feel this is where I was meant to be.

### Maria Eduarda Goncalves Freitas '26 Salvador, Brazil

# Anonymous International Scholarship Fund Scholar



I somewhat decided to be a linguistics and biology double major after taking an incredible class in ecology last term.

Dartmouth is

an unbelievable place to study nature—it is surrounded by it! I have also become a leader in the Flora and Fauna group with the Dartmouth Outing Club, where I get to introduce people to the outdoors in low-stakes, exploratory activities (birding, identifying plant species, herbing, and more), and teaching things I learned in class. Additionally, I am learning how to use mapping software to see if I could map some small areas near Dartmouth and promote orienteering activities with the DOC.

I have worked many jobs on campus. I had a short internship through the Women in Science Project and worked in two different dining locations. As much as I loved those jobs and colleagues, I am very excited to earn income by welcoming and guiding new international students. I am looking forward to my time as an International Student Mentor early this fall.

I haven't welcomed people to a community since I went to military school in Brazil, but I have always found those reception moments a central part of what made me and my classmates belong. I am hoping to make this time as an international student mentor that sort of rich experience for myself and my fellow mentors—that, through sharing our past experiences, we will renew our sense of connection, as well as encourage and advise our mentees.

The South Fayerweather Common Room is my current favorite place on campus because it is home to four really important things: (1) the plaque that celebrates the creation of the DOC; (2) a broken, old cushioned chair that a friend fixed with some wood he got from the Timber Team meetup during the spring; (3) a squishy piggy-like toy stuck to the ceiling above the table; and (4) my good friends Anya, Aleksa, Shawn, and Alexander, who predictably meet there, every day after classes. (1-3 being important because of their relationships to 4!) And that turns it into my home. I like being there because I know who will be coming in, where people like to sit, and the habits of visitors. It's a sense of security that I didn't think I would find in college, but that, alone, maintains my well-being.

My academic advisor, linguistics
Professor Laura McPherson, is a
mentor and a role model for me and
taught me two of the linguistics
courses that I took in my freshman
year. I admire her outstanding personal
merits: she achieved tenure early,
published a book even before getting
her PhD, and is currently the leading
specialist in a field of linguistics that
she helped kickstart, the study of
Surrogate Speech. She has been very
kind and patient, reassuring me when I
feel overwhelmed.

I still plan to go on to graduate school in linguistics, tending towards phonetics and phonology, and hope to find a linguistics research position at Dartmouth. One day I hope to be a kind, inspiring professor to someone as Professor McPherson is to me.

I am infinitely grateful for the many opportunities at Dartmouth that are available to me only because of scholarship support.

# **Anna Hugney '24 TH'24**East Longmeadow, Massachusetts

### Charles A. 1937 and Elfriede A. Collis Scholarship Fund Scholar



My favorite experience was the Domestic Study Program called the Stretch. I learned about Earth's history,

glaciology, and hydrology as we traveled down the Rocky Mountains. I was extremely fortunate to attend this world-class program and became extremely close to the 24 other Dartmouth students and teaching staff.

Earth sciences teaches you to be creative and to question everything, which is a good mindset to bring to everything in life. I have always been curious about geology and the history of the Earth. I also decided to dedicate my career to helping alleviate climate change.

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Engineering has become the
cornerstone of my Dartmouth
experience. I joined the studentrun club my sophomore year, never

having taken an engineering course. Quickly, I realized that I could be helpful if I just dedicated time and effort, and I would learn along the way. I have been working on a solar water-heating system for use in Sub-Saharan Africa to help displace firewood for cooking. I was able to travel to Uganda this past June to implement the second iteration of the prototype. Working with local engineering students at our partner university, we completed our mission successfully and are now looking to figure out an organizational structure to carry on this work.

My favorite place on campus is the kitchen in the Sustainable Living Center (SLC). I am the house manager of this Living Learning Community. I know that I have built a good community when house members are hanging out in the kitchen, cooking, chatting, and doing homework together. We also have discussions about local and global sustainability topics. It is a very welcoming environment, and I feel as though I truly belong at Dartmouth when I am in the SLC.

Last spring, I took my off-term to work at a carbon capture startup in Michigan. Coming from Dartmouth, I was able to jump right in, thinking about the big picture, performing mechanical tests, and communicating the results. I hope to work at a clean technology startup or possibly attend graduate school in London or Berlin to develop my skills further.

I would not have had these varied experiences had it not been for your kind contribution to my education. Thank you. I am extremely grateful for your financial support as I wrap up my studies here at Dartmouth. I am graduating with a major in mechanical engineering and a minor in earth sciences.

### **Edmund Ong TU'24** Singapore



When I think about the academic environment at Tuck, two words come to my mind: personal and engaging. Tuck faculty are deeply invested in student success. For me, this personalized approach was exemplified through my interactions with Professor Ken French in his Research to Practicum course. Professor French demonstrated exceptional dedication, supporting me extensively as I developed



and refined a presentation on the potential of generative AI in stock selection. Further, his commitment extended beyond the classroom; Professor French facilitated valuable networking opportunities and arranged lunches with prominent figures in finance, such as founding partners of AQR, the former chief investment officer of Yale's endowment fund, David Booth, and more. He even hosted a dinner for our class, encapsulating the nurturing and expansive educational ethos of Tuck. This level of faculty engagement underscores the unique and profound learning experience at Tuck whereby they truly go above and beyond for the students.

Tuck equipped me with both the technical and business acumen that I sought. More importantly, the true value lies in my transformation on a personal level. The immersive experience at Tuck, extending beyond the confines of the classroom, fostered profound growth in my self-perception and leadership abilities. I emerged with a newfound confidence in my capacity to lead and inspire accompanied by a broader perspective and a more nuanced view of the world, marking the most significant evolution of my Tuck experience.

### Adina Harri '18 MED'24 Starkville, Mississippi

### Paul D. and Marilyn M. Paganucci Geisel Scholarship Fund Scholar Susan DeBevoise and James E. Wright Scholarship Fund at Dartmouth Medical School





Thank you for your role in making it possible for me to attend the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth. As a recipient of a Geisel scholarship, I am better able to manage the current and future financial burden of medical school, for which I am incredibly grateful. Knowing that my loans were significantly reduced due to the scholarship made it much less stressful and allowed me to be open to a variety of residency options, as opposed to having to place a large emphasis on the salary they might provide me.

I had the opportunity to rotate in Belfast, Maine, and saw a variety of patients—from newborns to pregnant people to the geriatric population—I got a sense of what working as a rural family doctor actually looks like. Rural communities possess their own challenges, and a unique beauty. It reminded me of the rural town that I grew up in in Mississippi and makes me excited to serve rural communities in some capacity in the future.

Stories have always shaped my understanding of the world. I graduated Dartmouth as an English major and since then I have been drawn to research/medical humanities projects, including one

about how poetry can inspire us to take fuller patient histories and another on basal joint arthritis. I also worked on the admissions committee and loved getting to meet prospective students, which often reminded me why I chose to enter medicine.

Geisel has been invaluable in providing me access to mentors in the pre-clinical and clinical environment that have shaped my trajectory and pushed me to develop into a conscientious clinician-scientist. It has also allowed me to form deep friendships with my peers and future colleagues, from exploring hikes in the Upper Valley to volunteering at the Good Neighbor Health Clinic or local community flu drives together.

Thank you again for your support in making my time here a possibility.

### Nina Christenson TH'24

New York, New York



Your financial support has afforded me the incredible opportunity of pursuing an engineering degree at Dartmouth.

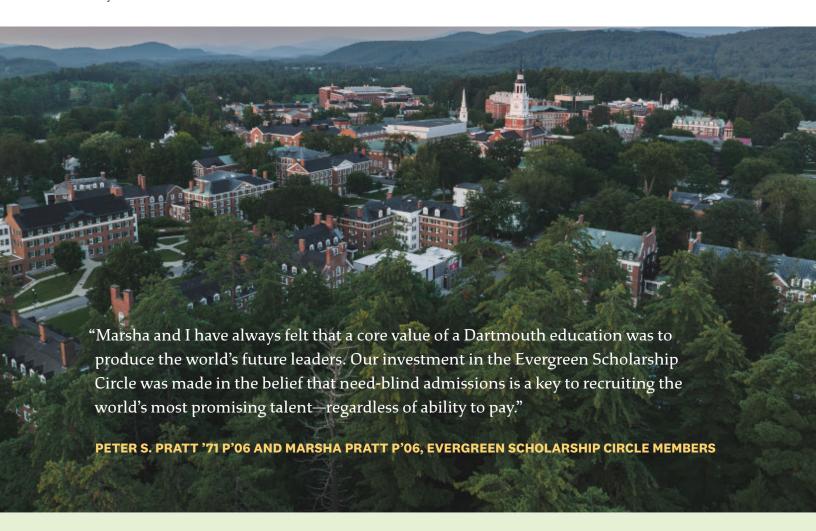
I began at Thayer in 2021 as a first-year dual-degree student. My home institution is Wheaton College, where I received my B.A. in Physics. My first year at Dartmouth was truly special; even though I was far from my native New York City, I couldn't have felt more



at home. One of my favorite aspects of my first-year experience was how easy it was to share ideas and have meaningful conversations in Thayer's community spaces, such as Couch Lab. From day one I was working on exciting projects that allowed me to explore different aspects of engineering and getting to know my fellow classmates. From working on a wearable device to prevent repetitive stress injuries in ENGS 21: Introduction to Engineering, to building a Martian-inspired rover in ENGS 76: Machine Engineering, every term at Thayer has provided me with new and exciting project experiences that have shaped my engineering education.

At Thayer, I have met lifelong friends, and developed relationships with faculty members that have inspired me to continue in engineering after Dartmouth. In 2024, it is my plan to finish at Thayer with both a B.E. and MEng degree and begin working in the mechanical engineering field. My current interests are in hardware design and testing, specifically for space-based applications, and I am excited to begin the next chapter of my career.

The opportunity to study at Thayer has been life-changing. Thank you again for your generosity and for the difference you have made in my career.



# Highlights from the 2023 Evergreen Scholarship Circle Luncheon FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023

#### One of the 45 students in attendance shared a message with donors who support financial aid:

"I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support. Your generous contribution has eased the financial burden on my family while granting me the incredible opportunity to pursue a degree in quantitative social sciences with a minor in human-centered design at Dartmouth. You encouraged me to embrace the challenges and opportunities that Dartmouth offers. You opened a world of possibilities for my future. You enabled me to make the most of my time at one of the leading universities in the world. As an international student, I have relished a new culture, surrounded by amazing individuals and friends who share a passion for shaping a better future wherever we go." BERNARDO BURNES '24













"Dartmouth significantly changed my life, and the lives of my sons, and I always wanted to pay it forward," I am so grateful that we are in a position to make that possible."

MARK SISITSKY '67 P'93,'97, EVERGREEN SCHOLARSHIP CIRCLE MEMBER

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Thank you.











