



Our Washington

The Faculty and Staff Campaign of Washington University

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Who is included in the Faculty & Staff Campaign?**

We welcome participation by all employees of Washington University.

- **Why should I support Washington University?**

Your gift will provide important new resources for your school or program, or for any area that is most meaningful to you. Just as important, your participation will help inspire others to join in this vital effort. Potential donors, such as alumni, corporations, and foundations, want to know that the university has the support of its faculty and staff.

- **What level of support is needed?**

Gifts of any size are welcome. Large or small, many gifts add up to make a big impact.

- **Where should my gift be directed?**

You may direct your gift to any school, department, or non-academic program of your choice at Washington University. For a list of options, visit alumni.wustl.edu/ourwashington.

- **Can I make my gift through payroll deduction?**

Yes. Please visit alumni.wustl.edu/ourwashington and click on “Payroll Deduction” for details.

- **I am paid bi-weekly. Will a gift made through payroll deduction affect every paycheck?**

No, the deduction will be made from only the first paycheck of each month.

- **How will my gift be used?**

Your gift will be used for the university priority you designate. Unrestricted gifts to the Annual Fund provide critical resources for student scholarships and fellowships, faculty recruitment and retention, upgrades to facilities and technology, new academic programs and initiatives, and student and faculty research. For details, visit alumni.wustl.edu/ourwashington and click on the link for the school or program you want to support. Endowment gifts provide permanent support for a specific purpose of your choice, such as a scholarship or professorship. For more information about endowment gifts, visit alumni.wustl.edu/give/pages/endowment.aspx.

- **What is the difference between an unrestricted gift and a restricted gift?**

An unrestricted gift is one that is designated for a school or department and can be used for its most important priorities. These unrestricted gifts can also be designated for undergraduate and graduate scholarships in any school. A restricted gift is one that has been designated for a specific purpose, such as a research project, facilities, endowment, etc. Annual unrestricted gifts of \$100 or more qualify you for membership in a [giving club](#). If you have additional questions, please call 314-935-3812.

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- **What happens to my pledge or payroll deduction if I retire or leave the university?**

Depending upon the circumstances, modifications can be made to your commitment (extension of payment periods, change in payment amount, etc.). It is our hope that faculty and staff will honor their commitment to the university. If your gift is made through payroll deduction, arrangements can be made to transfer this to an alternate payment method.

- **If I make a gift through payroll deduction, will I qualify for membership in a giving club or the William Greenleaf Eliot Society?**

You will qualify for membership in a giving club, including the William Greenleaf Eliot Society, if your total Annual Fund contribution reaches the minimum level for that club by June 30. If you have questions about accelerating your payments to reach a minimum gift level, contact Candice Hoffman by [email](#) or call 314-935-4646. For more information about giving clubs and the Eliot Society, please visit eliotociety.wustl.edu.

- **I am already a donor to the university. Do I need to make an additional gift to participate in *Our Washington*?**

If you have made a gift to the university since July 1, 2018, it will count toward *Our Washington* for 2018-19. We hope, however, that faculty and staff will consider making a multi-year commitment and participate in *Our Washington* each fiscal year.

- **If I make a bequest commitment or a planned gift, will it count toward the campaign?**

Yes. Bequests and planned gifts committed by June 30, 2019, will count toward the 2018-19 *Our Washington* campaign.

- **What other options do I have for making a gift or pledge?**

BY MAIL

Please make checks payable to Washington University and send to:

Washington University in St. Louis Campus
Box 1082
One Brookings Drive
St. Louis, MO 63130-4899

BY PHONE

Call 877.215.2727 to make your gift or pledge.

ONLINE

gifts.wustl.edu