



# Our Washington

*Together, we make a difference.*

## FACULTY & STAFF CAMPAIGN

### Frequently Asked Questions

- **Do faculty and staff normally participate in university campaigns?**  
All recent major campaigns at Washington University have included a faculty and staff component. Most comprehensive campaigns undertaken by major higher education institutions include an opportunity for faculty and staff to participate.
- **Who is included in the Faculty & Staff Campaign?**  
We welcome participation by all employees of Washington University.
- **What is the goal of *Our Washington*?**  
The primary goal is to encourage a significant number of faculty and staff to participate at whatever level is comfortable. When large numbers of faculty and staff from each school participate in the campaign, it has a very positive influence on volunteers, prospects, and other donors.
- **When will the Faculty & Staff Campaign conclude? Will I be able to participate each year?**  
The campaign will continue until June 30, 2018. It is hoped that faculty and staff members who are in a position to do so will make multi-year commitments, but a one-time gift will count toward the participation goal.
- **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. Strong participation by faculty and staff is essential to the success of the campaign.
- **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 [together.wustl.edu/ourwashington](http://together.wustl.edu/ourwashington).
- **Can I make my gift through payroll deduction?**  
Yes. Please visit [together.wustl.edu/ourwashington](http://together.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.

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- **What will my gift be used for?**

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 [together.wustl.edu/ourwashington](http://together.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](http://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. For more information, please contact the Alumni and Development staff.

- **Will I be recognized for participating in *Our Washington*?**

Unless you indicate otherwise, your name will appear in the Honor Roll of Donors, which lists donors in order of giving level and will be published next fall.

- **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 at [candice.hoffman@wustl.edu](mailto:candice.hoffman@wustl.edu) or 314-935-4646. For more information about giving clubs and the Eliot Society, please visit [eliotociety.wustl.edu](http://eliotociety.wustl.edu).

- **If I make a pledge and the payment period extends beyond June 30, 2018, will the entire amount count in the campaign?**

Pledges will count in full if they are fulfilled within five years of the end of the campaign (June 30, 2023).

- **I am already a donor to the university. Do I need to make an additional gift to participate in the Faculty & Staff Campaign?**

If you have made a gift to the university since March 1, 2009, it will count toward *Our Washington*. We hope, however, that faculty and staff will consider making a multi-year commitment through the end of the campaign (June 30, 2018).

- **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, 2018, will count toward campaign totals.

- **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**

Visit [together.wustl.edu/ourwashington](http://together.wustl.edu/ourwashington) and click on "Give Now."