A promise to make a difference.
“Jesuit education strives to fulfill the promise of higher education: preparing each student to live a meaningful life through an emphasis on excellence, rigor, leadership and service. This is why Jesuit education is uniformly held in the highest esteem. And, in this revered tradition, this intense preparation is precisely what we here at Le Moyne College do better than anything else. We prepare our students to craft a life of meaning and purpose.”

Fred P. Pestello, Ph.D., president
Inaugural Address, April 24, 2009
The Goal:

To raise $2 million for financial aid awards in time for the 2011-12 academic year.
Le Moyne College is growing and changing in wonderful ways. The Achieving New Heights campaign has provided a strong foundation for a promising future. Le Moyne is positioned to address the bricks-and-mortar needs of its 65 year-old campus, to invest in faculty support and development, while never waiving from an education experience that echoes the Ignatian spirit upon which it was founded.

We now enter a new chapter, and the imperative is clear: student aid needs to be our top priority.

Educating the whole person has always been central to Le Moyne’s mission. But the rapidly escalating cost of higher education requires the College to constantly re-evaluate how to provide the best experience possible for students while assuring that it also remains financially viable for these young men and women – many of whom are first-generation college attendees.

In order to uphold the legacy of the members of the College’s Jesuit community – who saw to it that no student who wanted to attend Le Moyne was sent home because of financial hardship – we must take bold action today.

The Le Moyne College Fund Scholarship Initiative seeks to bring together the Le Moyne community to strengthen our financial foundation and transform our ability to provide students with competitive scholarship packages.

We can do this with your help. We can raise $2 million and provide 400 scholarships in increments of $5,000 for immediate use. And we can do it in time for the next academic year.

Reaching this goal will ensure that the lessons of personal excellence and service to others live on through those who walk the corridors of Grewen Hall now, and in the years to come. It is a promise to make our mission come alive. And it is an investment in the future of Le Moyne College.
The goal of the Le Moyne College Fund Scholarship Initiative is to raise $2 million through a combination of endowed and current-use gifts. Reaching that mark will provide 400 scholarships to students in need. Our success will require a collective effort across the Le Moyne community.
Gifts of any size to the Le Moyne College Fund Scholarship Initiative will fund financial aid awards, which make it possible for students to choose and remain at Le Moyne.

90% of Le Moyne students receive financial aid.

That means that if you went to Le Moyne, it’s likely that your education was possible thanks to a financial aid grant.

These are students who work part-time jobs in addition to attending class and participating in extracurricular activities. Even with state and federal loans and grants, many still need help bridging the gap.

Last year, Le Moyne provided more than $25 million in scholarship aid to its students. Yet with the rising cost of higher education, the number of students who will need support, and the amount of support required will only increase.
Le Moyne has a proud tradition of doing whatever is necessary to ensure that qualified students will not be denied the benefit of a Le Moyne education simply because they cannot afford it.

“There are so many reasons that I feel an allegiance to Le Moyne and have decided to give back to my alma mater. On a professional level, the well-rounded, liberal arts education I received as a computer science and mathematics major has served me well throughout my career. It has provided me not just with expertise in my field, but with the ability to write clearly, communicate well with others and to work effectively as part of a team.”

Michael Kozol ’85
The Le Moyne College Fund Scholarship Initiative

Giving annually to the Le Moyne College Fund

The Le Moyne College Fund serves as a critical source of funding for the College’s highest priorities. This year, 100 percent of the gifts to the Le Moyne College Fund are being directed to this Scholarship Initiative. Gifts in any amount will support scholarships and have an immediate impact on students.
Every gift makes a difference

Alumni, parents and friends can all help the Le Moyne College Fund Scholarship Initiative become a success.

It’s like snowflakes...

A single snowflake may not seem overwhelming, but when you put them all together, it’s amazing what they can do! Annual giving works the same way. Consider this: During the 2008-09 academic year, 91 percent of gifts to Le Moyne were under $500. Together, those donations are enough to fund 20 $25,000 current-use scholarships.
The Le Moyne College Fund

Annual gifts of any size to the LMC Fund will be dedicated to the Scholarship Initiative to help meet the financial aid needs of Le Moyne students.

Forward thinking… Join a Fidelity Society

Fides Society

[$1,000 annually for 5 years]
Total commitment = $5,000

Those who join the Fides Society are automatically members of the President’s Club giving society during the term of their pledge because they are supporting the College with a gift of $1,000 or more each year. Their contributions are pooled with others to fund financial aid awards on an annual basis as part of the Le Moyne College Fund Scholarship Initiative.

Magis Society

[$5,000 annually for 5 years]
Total commitment = $25,000

Members of this society are offered a very special opportunity: to personally sponsor a student with a Magis Scholarship. This current-use scholarship will help bridge the gap for students who have applied for loans and financial aid, but still require financial assistance to make their desire for a Jesuit education a reality. Magis Society donors will get to know their ‘Magis Scholars’ and hear about their college experience throughout their four years on the Heights. The Magis Society carries on the tradition started by Le Moyne Jesuits, ensuring that no student who wants to learn is turned away because of financial hardship. That legacy continues with you.

Endowment

Gifts of $50,000 or more can create an endowed fund. Because scholarship contributions of this size can be invested by the College, they will support students in perpetuity.
90% of Le Moyne students receive financial assistance.

30% of the College’s operating budget goes toward providing that aid.

Offering a competitive financial aid package can mean the difference between a high school senior choosing Le Moyne over another school.

“We continue to invest in our programs to make them stronger, and to expand our campus facilities to enrich the student experience. But we cannot ignore the widening gap between the cost of a college education and the ability of families to pay for it.”

Fred P. Pestello, Ph.D., president
The Le Moyne College Fund Scholarship Initiative: Connections That Last a Lifetime

“I knew from my first visit to Le Moyne that this was where I needed to be. However, the idea of paying for a private college education was frightening for my parents and me. When I received my financial aid package, it was like a gift from God. I know that without my financial aid I would not be here at Le Moyne. The financial aid that I receive from Le Moyne offers more than just the ability for me to afford college. It offers me the opportunity to learn and evolve into the person I want to become. Words can not express how much I appreciate what Le Moyne has offered me. I will forever be grateful.”

Meghan Brown ’11

The Le Moyne College Fund Scholarship Initiative seeks to focus the College’s philanthropic efforts and expand its capacity to offer scholarships to students who want a Le Moyne education. Your generosity and commitment not only make four years on the Heights a reality for students in need, you also help cultivate relationships between students and alumni through mentoring and networking opportunities that broaden the college experience and prepare them for a life of meaning and purpose.
How to Give

Please support the Le Moyne College Fund Scholarship Initiative by making a gift today.

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