

Create a lasting legacy

How will you remember UCD?



A guide to leaving a gift in your Will to UCD



A message from the President

As President of UCD, I have the rare privilege of meeting many of our alumni who are embracing the opportunities afforded to them by a UCD education. I am proud of the achievements of the UCD community around the world, and inspired to see the impact our alumni are making across so many different sectors. I am also struck by their abiding warmth and affection towards the University, and the lifelong bonds that connect them to their alma mater and to each other.

The generous support of alumni and friends has been a critical enabler of UCD's success throughout our history. It enhances every aspect of the University today and remains vitally important as, together, we shape our future.

Legacy gifts are an important source of funds for the University. Each gift is uniquely personal and meaningful, and is a lasting expression of the benefactor's values and priorities. By pledging a legacy gift to UCD, you are investing in the future of knowledge and research, and making a commitment to enriching education, research and learning for generations to come.

In the years ahead, your legacy can help to remove the barriers that many students face in accessing third-level education. Your support can open doors to talented students from all backgrounds and ensure they have the resources and supports that will enable them to flourish and succeed at UCD and beyond.

Legacies provide essential funding for our world-leading researchers who are seeking solutions to some of humanity's greatest challenges. Our researchers are working to tackle the existential threat of climate change, advancing sustainable agriculture and food production, transforming the lives of cancer patients, and so much more.

Our success and impact as a university are facilitated by a state-of-the-art physical infrastructure and a modern campus that meets the academic and social needs of our students, faculty and staff. By investing in the future development of our facilities and students through a legacy gift, your memory will endure in the very fabric of UCD.

The decision to leave a legacy gift in your Will is deeply personal. We are always happy to welcome you to campus to discuss the possibilities and find the most appropriate option in line with your own philanthropic priorities. We will treat your wishes in the strictest confidence.

By deciding to leave a gift to UCD on your own behalf or in memory of a loved one, you become part of our rich heritage. On behalf of UCD and the future generations of students who will benefit from your support, I am sincerely grateful.



Professor Orla Feely
UCD President



CREATE A LEGACY TO LAST GENERATIONS

We know that it takes a combination of bright students, inspiring teachers, state-of-the-art facilities and technology, and innovative programmes to be a truly world-class university. Legacy gifts of all sizes strengthen UCD's ability to grasp emerging opportunities and respond to evolving needs and priorities as we work towards our long-term vision.

We ask you to consider leaving a gift to UCD in your Will so that you can leave an enduring legacy that will help to shape tomorrow's world, and extend your charitable giving beyond your lifetime.

Your gift can reflect your personal interests or the areas of university life that you particularly wish to support. You may wish to establish a scholarship, support a particular school or college, or fund an area of research that is close to your heart.

By leaving a gift to UCD in your Will, you are securing your legacy and making a lasting difference to the University. We would be delighted to speak to you about your intentions to support UCD in your Will.

A GIFT FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS



Your generosity has changed my life. The impact of this scholarship goes far beyond just supporting my education. You have not only given me the ability to enrol in UCD but also the comfort of financial stability, a worry-free education, a social life, a career, and a future. I could not be more grateful for these opportunities.



Ellen Killeen, Access Scholar

Scholarships have the power to transform the lives of young people experiencing financial hardship by enabling them to achieve their ambitions in third-level education. With the right help when they need it most, these students are able to graduate from university with the skills and confidence to pursue their chosen career path. What's more, they inspire others in their family and community by showing that financial and social circumstances need not be a barrier to attending university.

Solutions to many of the great problems facing society, such as energy, sustainability or healthcare, will either come through research on university campuses or from the innovations of the next generation of students. By supporting deserving students with the potential to change the world, you can help to create a brighter future for us all.

Leaving a legacy gift in your Will in support of needs-based access scholarships can ensure that what matters to you most is protected, and your values are imparted to the next generation of students. Your generosity can ensure that incredible young people have the opportunity to reach their full potential and follow in your footsteps.



UCD Earlsfort Terrace Main Library - *UCD Digital Collection*



UCD Earlsfort Terrace Study Area - *UCD Digital Collection*

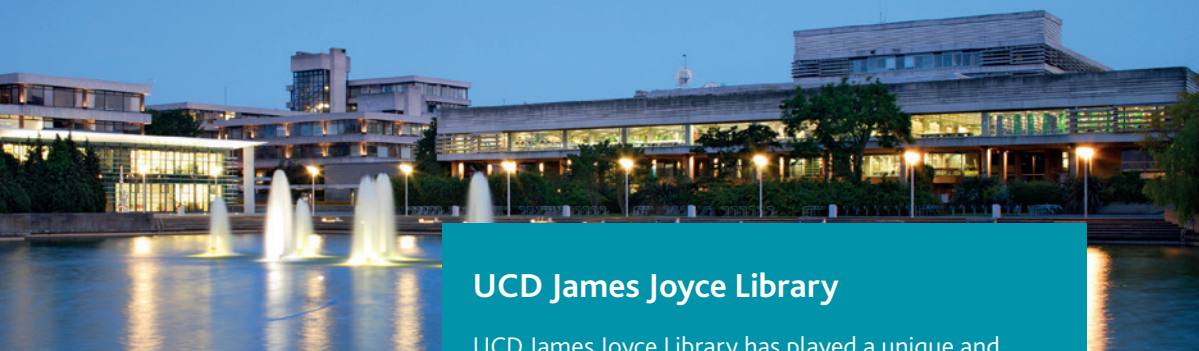


UCD Earlsfort Terrace 1962 - *UCD Digital Collection*

“ I am tomorrow or
some future day what
I establish today ”

James Joyce, BA 1902

REIMAGINING OUR CAMPUS



Over the past 50 years, UCD Belfield has developed into a modern campus and a vibrant centre for student life, research, learning and innovation. It is vital that we continue to invest in state-of-the-art facilities to ensure that UCD has the capacity to accommodate our growing academic community and meet the changing needs of students, researchers and faculty into the 21st century.

Legacy gifts help support projects that are critical to the development of UCD's campus, such as the refurbishment of the James Joyce Library.

UCD James Joyce Library

UCD James Joyce Library has played a unique and important role at the very heart of the University since 1972. One of the first buildings on the Belfield campus, it was built at a time when the library's primary resources were print collections and the student population was considerably smaller than it is now. Today UCD has over 30,000 students, and huge advances in information technologies have transformed how the current generation of students and academics access and use the library.

To support the changing needs of the UCD community, planned refurbishments will transform how the library is used and experienced by our students, faculty and community. This reimagining will ensure that it offers the appropriate spaces, resources and technologies to fully support outstanding education and research at UCD. It will facilitate a diverse range of activities within thoughtfully and sustainably designed spaces that remove barriers and inspire creativity, reflection, exploration and innovation.

UCD's world-class Cultural Heritage Collections and National Folklore Collection will be given pride of place in the refurbished library, becoming more visible and accessible to students, faculty and visitors, who will all be able to engage with these invaluable materials in a more meaningful way.



"At UCD our research makes a difference. We deliver research and innovation at scale and in areas of national and global significance by prioritising excellence and impact, investing in our people and providing a culture and environment in which they are supported."

A GIFT FOR LIFE-CHANGING RESEARCH

A legacy gift in support of research can be truly life-changing. It can ensure that UCD's world-leading researchers continue to find creative solutions to the most critical and complex challenges facing humanity in the 21st century. Your legacy gift can have a real and far-reaching impact for industry and society. You have the power to both change and save lives.

By leaving a gift in your Will you can shape the future of research at UCD. You can support our researchers in areas from climate and energy research to cancer and medical research. In all cases, research breakthroughs will change lives in Ireland and around the world.

"We believe we have the blueprint for how cancer research and cancer care will look in Ireland in the 21st century"

Professor Walter Kolch,
Director of Systems Biology Ireland at UCD

UCD's cancer research spans many schools, centres and programmes, fostering excellence and collaboration to improve personalised treatment and care.

UCD is an established leader in the field of cancer research. Our researchers are working on diseases that affect millions of people and their families worldwide; they are making discoveries that shape disease prevention, diagnosis and treatment.

We are proud that such pioneering research is taking place at UCD, and we need to ensure that sustainable funding is in place to carry this important work into the future.

REMEMBERING A LOVED ONE THROUGH AN *IN MEMORIAM* GIFT



UCD holds a unique place in the hearts and minds of our community - alumni and faculty alike. It is a place where lifelong friendships and connections are forged, and a source of pride for those who have come here to work, to learn and to grow.

An *In Memoriam* gift to UCD is a wonderful way to honour the memory of a loved one who had a close connection to the University. This special act of generosity can help to ensure that the next generation of UCD students following in their footsteps have every opportunity to flourish and succeed. An *In Memoriam* gift can also be given to support a particular school, college, or research area that was close to a loved one's heart.

An *In Memoriam* gift honours the deep connection that exists between members of the UCD community and their alma mater. It can play a vital part in shaping UCD's future, while ensuring that what mattered most to your loved one continues to be supported and their values are passed on to the next generation.

We would be delighted to speak with you about how you can make an *In Memoriam* gift.

A UCD LEGACY — OUR PROMISE TO YOU

Leaving a legacy gift to UCD Foundation in your Will is an important decision. That's why we want you to be 100% assured that any gift that you leave will be put to the best possible use as quickly and efficiently as possible.

We recognise that your Will is personal and private to you and we promise you that we will respect your privacy at all times. Any information you provide will be treated in confidence.

If you specify in your Will how and where you would like your gift to be used by UCD Foundation, we will work to honour your wishes.

We pledge to administer your gift as cost effectively as possible and that 100% of your gift will go where directed.

A legacy gift can be made either by Will or codicil (a revision to your current Will). We recommend that you consult your solicitor, who will be able to advise you in light of your own particular circumstances.

If you are considering making a provision for UCD in your Will, we are sincerely grateful. Your Will is a private document but if you choose to inform us of your intentions, you will provide us with the opportunity to thank you for your support and keep you informed about developments in the University.

UCD Foundation is a registered charity (CHY 12448 & RCN 20036461) and a company limited by guarantee registered in Dublin, Ireland (CRO 266667). It is UCD's preferred destination for all private donations and manages legacy donations on behalf of University College Dublin.

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ANSWERING YOUR QUESTIONS

1: How do I make a Will?

You can make a Will at any stage of your life. You do not have to be sick or ageing to make a Will, and the peace of mind you will gain from having a valid Will in place can be a great comfort. We suggest that you contact a solicitor who will be able to give you professional advice based on your personal circumstances and answer any questions you might have.

2. I want to leave a legacy gift but have already made my Will. Can I change it?

In short, yes. It is important that you review your Will regularly and it is easy to change. This change is called a 'codicil' and can be easily drawn up by your solicitor.

3. How do I leave a gift to UCD in my Will?

There are three ways in which you can leave a gift to charity in your Will:

A residuary bequest, which means that the remainder or part of the remainder of your estate is bequeathed to the charity once all of your family and loved ones have been taken care of.

A pecuniary bequest, which is a specific sum of money that you would like to donate to the charity or charities of your choice from your estate. You can ask for this donation amount to be index linked to ensure that its value remains the same over time.

A specific gift of property, eg jewellery, household items, a building or shares.

Your solicitor will be able to provide you with advice on which option best suits your wishes and personal circumstances.

4. Example of wording

Your solicitor may find the following wording helpful if you would like to remember UCD in your Will. You can also specify what the money is to be used for, eg needs-based scholarships, cancer research, etc.

For a gift of the residue of an estate (residuary bequest):

"I give to University College Dublin Foundation of Belfield, Dublin 4, all [or a fraction] of the residue of my estate whatsoever and wheresoever, and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer for the time being of the said Foundation shall be full and sufficient discharge of the same."

For a gift of a fixed sum (pecuniary bequest) or specific item:

"I give the sum of €_____ or I bequeath _____ [the item specified] to University College Dublin Foundation of Belfield, Dublin 4, and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer for the time being of the said Foundation shall be full and sufficient discharge of the same."

5. How much should I leave to UCD?

This is completely up to you. No matter how small or large your gift is, it will make a lasting difference to the University and will be highly valued.



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