

STUDENT ACCESS AND SUPPORT

SCHOOL OF INFORMATION STUDIES (iSCHOOL)

Syracuse University School of Information Studies (iSchool) takes pride in its ability to attract some of the best and brightest students in the world to its undergraduate, master's, and doctoral programs. These students are change agents of the future—empowered to make a real and lasting difference in their communities, professions, and the globalized society in which we live.

America's competitiveness depends on these well-educated citizens of the world, yet many cannot afford the cost of enrolling in programs of our caliber, even though they understand the substantial return on their educational investment. Our students have excellent placement rates—nearly 100 percent at the undergraduate level—and some of the highest starting salaries reported by any graduates of Syracuse University. Unfortunately, due to financial considerations, the door to this education is often closed to many.

Competition for the Best Students

Filling our classrooms with highly motivated and innovative students enriches the learning environment and improves the quality of education for everyone. Yet, competition for top students is becoming intense as an increasing number of iSchools emerge around the globe.

In an effort to effectively compete for enterprising students from all backgrounds and circumstances and enable high-achieving admitted students to enroll in our top-ranked programs, the iSchool began offering such incentives as the Graduate Leadership Scholarships. Financial assistance in the form of scholarships and fellowships ensure that the most talented students have the financial resources necessary to pursue a degree in information studies at such an esteemed institution as Syracuse University.



Supporting Students with Endowment Gifts

To continue to recruit promising students by offering them financial assistance, the iSchool seeks to raise \$5 million to endow several new scholarships and fellowships. This substantial increase in endowment will enable the school to offer merit-based awards, attracting students with the greatest potential to succeed in the information field.

Donors may establish their own named endowed scholarship or contribute to the school's general endowment fund. Endowment gifts can be funded with cash, bequests, retirement funds, or through annuities or trusts that can be structured either by SU, an outside entity such as a bank, or another financial institution.

However you choose to support the iSchool, your gift counts toward The Campaign for Syracuse University—the most ambitious fund-raising effort in

SU's history. Your gift will enable our graduates to fulfill their dream of receiving a top-ranked iSchool education and gain a head start in their careers by lessening the burden of student loan repayments.

To Learn More...

For more information on how to endow scholarships and fellowships in the School of Information Studies, call **315.443.6139** or e-mail pbrenner@syr.edu.

To learn more about The Campaign for Syracuse University, visit campaign.syr.edu.

SCHOLARSHIP IN ACTION® CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR FUTURE LIBRARIANS

The first in her family to go to college, Helen Benning Regnier '36, G'37 eagerly accepted a scholarship to Syracuse University where she earned a bachelor's degree in psychology and a master's degree in library science. In honor of their mother's passion for library science and love of SU, Victor Jr., Robert, and Cathy Regnier endowed a scholarship in her memory. The Helen Benning Regnier Scholarship makes it possible for students to pursue a high quality education in librarianship by providing full tuition for library and information science students pursuing a master's degree through the distance-learning format.

Sherry Buchanan G'07 of Portland, Oregon, was the inaugural winner of the Helen Benning Regnier Scholarship. "I had geographical and financial constraints that would have made it difficult, if not impossible, for me to attend the iSchool without the Regnier Scholarship," Buchanan says. "And I hope to spend the rest of my life repaying the Regnier family's generosity by giving back to others."



The first Helen Benning Regnier Scholar, Sherry Buchanan G'07 (second from left), meets with Victor Jr., Robert, and Catherine Regnier and Chancellor Nancy Cantor at the dedication of the Helen Benning Regnier Summer Institute on Leadership and Change.