

The mission of the NSC Education Fund is to enrich lives by supporting the students, faculty, staff, and programs at North Seattle College. Our fundraising efforts are focused on three major categories: Academic Pathways, Special Initiatives, and Affinity Scholarships. Funds are also raised for other areas of support, such as general student scholarships, core subject areas (math, science, humanities, etc), and special awards and grants. We place a strong emphasis on endowment funds for all areas of support, in order to better provide for future stability of college programming.

When contributing to an existing area of support, a donor should choose if they wish to support student scholarships or program excellence. If an endowment exists, their gift will be added to the corpus (restricted) portion of the fund unless indicated for immediate use. If no endowment exists, gifts will be made available for immediate use. If you wish to contribute to a pathway, initiative, scholarship, or other area of support that is not listed, please contact us at nsceducationfund@seattlecolleges.edu so that we may assist you in making your gift.

Academic Pathways

Academic pathways are structured, coherent educational programs that are built around and through a specific area of study. Currently, North Seattle College has nine major academic pathways, which are supported by various associated programs and areas of study. Most pathways culminate in a Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS), Associate of Applied Science (AAS), or transfer (AAS-T) degree.

Pathway	Programs	Primary Program Endowment	Primary Scholarship Endowment
Allied Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursing AAS-T (NUR) • Medical Assisting AAS • Pharmacy Technician AAS • Affiliated certificate programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NUR: Jennifer Hanson Endowed Nursing Program Fund 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NUR: Julia Seelye Scholarship Endowment
Application Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application Development BAS • Programming & IT Support AAS-T • Network/Server Administration AAS • Affiliated certificate programs 	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>	
Early Childhood Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Childhood Education BAS • Early Childhood Education AAS • Affiliated certificate programs 	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>	
Electronics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electronics AAS • Industrial Power & Control AAS • Architectural Engineering AAS • IT Controlled Electronic Systems AAS • Healthcare Technology Management AAS • Affiliated certificate programs 	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Boeing Company Endowed Scholarship Fund

HVAC (Heating, Ventilation, & Air Conditioning)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HVAC Technology AAS • Affiliated certificate programs 	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>	
International Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Business BAS (IBN) • Accounting AAS/AAS-T (ACCT) • Business AAS/AAS-T (BUS) • Administrative Assistant AAS • Affiliated certificate programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Cephas Martin International Business Pathway Support Endowment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACCT/BUS: Melvin Choate Scholarship Endowment • IBN: Lovett Keiko Moriguchi Memorial Scholarship Endowment
Nanotechnology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nanotechnology AAS • Affiliated certificate programs 	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>	
Real Estate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Property Management BAS • Real Estate AAS • Affiliated certificate programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shiao-Yen Wu Real Estate Pathway Support Endowment 	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>
Watch Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Watch Technology AAS • Affiliated certificate programs 	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ben Bridge Jewelers Endowed Scholarship Fund

Special Initiatives

Each year, the NSC Education Fund identifies a short list of special initiatives to help guide our fundraising efforts. These projects are usually completing their first or second year as a pilot program for the college, and have proven to be effective in their purposes. Once labeled as a Special Initiative by the Education Fund, our goal is to create full endowments for these projects, in order to completely institutionalize them at the college.

Special Initiative	Initiative Information	Primary Program Endowment	Primary Scholarship Endowment
College Bridge Scholarship	This program supports tuition costs for ESL or Adult Basic Education (GED) graduates who are transitioning into their first college-level courses. Endowment opportunities available.	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>	
Completion	This program supports students who are nearing completion of their program or degree (within 1 to 3 quarters) who are facing financial barriers.	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion Grant Endowment Fund
Emergency Assistance	This micro-loan program supports students with incidental costs that may limit their ability to attend classes. Students are expected to repay their award amount within two academic quarters.	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency Student Assistance Endowment Fund

13th Year Scholarship	This program supports recent graduates from area high schools with their first year of tuition at North Seattle College. The program was piloted at South Seattle College and recently launched at North Seattle and Seattle Central Colleges.	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>
North Star Fund	Our board of directors, with guidance from advancement staff, uses the North Star Fund to augment student scholarships, support professional development for faculty and staff, invest in new technologies for the college, and to help keep North's programs relevant for today's changing workforce. In order to be as responsive as possible to funding requests, this fund is fully unrestricted and not endowed.	

Affinity Scholarships

Affinity Scholarships are a category of student scholarships that are intended for a specific affinity group or demographic. These groups include students of particular ethnicities or backgrounds, students who participate in certain campus programs or clubs, or students in a particular program of study.

Affinity/Demographic Group	Affinity/Demographic Information	Primary Endowment Fund	Endowment Information
1st Generation Students of Color	For the benefit of students of color who are among the first generation in their families to attend college. Preference is given to students who participate in wellness/athletic programs and who show leadership potential on campus or in the community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roy Flores Memorial Endowed Scholarship 	Roy Flores was Vice President of Student Services at North. He played an integral part in the construction of the college's Wellness Center, which now bears his name. This endowment was created upon his death in 2013 to honor his legacy at North Seattle College.
Adult Learners	For the benefit of students who are returning to school after having spent time in the workforce.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pat Hills Finlayson Endowed Scholarship 	Patricia Finlayson is a community member who strongly believes in the power of education, especially for "non-traditional" students who may have not been able to continue their studies directly after high school.
Art Students	For the benefit of students pursuing a Fine Arts degree.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E.T. Kessler Memorial Endowed Scholarship 	E.T. Kessler was a student in North's jewelry department during her retirement. The NSC art faculty and community members created this endowment at the time of her death in 2014, to honor her contributions to the arts community and to the college.

Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS Students)	For the benefit of students in our BAS programs. Preference is given to past and current Washington State employees, with priority given to past or current North Seattle College employees.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drs. Warren & Rachel Brown President's Endowed Scholarship 	This scholarship was established by NSC President Dr. Warren Brown, and his wife Dr. Rachel Brown, to recognize that state employees often do not have the same benefits available as their private sector counterparts, to acknowledge that professional development for state and college employees is a life-long endeavor, and to thank the community college system that has supported their careers.
Community & Campus Leaders	For the benefit of students who have shown leadership involvement on campus and in their communities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NSC Student Government Endowed Scholarship 	North Seattle College Student Government created this endowment in 2003.
Phi Theta Kappa members	For the benefit of students in the National Community College Honor Society, Phi Theta Kappa.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Peter Ku Endowed Scholarship 	Dr. Peter Ku was President at North Seattle College from 1990 to 1996 making him the first Asian-born community college president in the Country. He later served as District Chancellor from 1998 until his retirement in 2003, when this scholarship was established.
Physics Students	For the benefit of students who are pursuing a degree in Physics.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Barton Memorial Endowed Scholarship 	John Barton was the lead physics instructor at North Seattle College from 1970 until his death in 1984. He had previously been faculty at Seattle Central College. This scholarship was established at the time of his death by his family and friends, to honor his commitment and dedication to the college.
Single Parents	For the benefit of students who are single parents.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Margaret Bernard Endowed Scholarship 	Margaret Bernard was an early leader in the Seattle College system and served on the team that established North Seattle College. This scholarship was established at the time of her death in 2000.
Vocational/Technical Students	For the benefit of students who are pursuing a Vocational/Technical certificate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rick Barry Fellowship 	Rick Barry is a retired NBA player and member of the Basketball Hall of Fame. This endowment was created by the Association of Charitable Events (ACE) Foundation.

Women of Color	For the benefit of female students of color.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michiko Prehn Endowed Scholarship 	Michiko Prehn was a community member with friends in the Seattle College system.
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Other Areas of Support

In addition to Academic Pathways, Special Initiatives, and Affinity Scholarships, funds are also raised for other areas of the college. These areas include general student scholarships, core subject areas (math/science, arts & humanities, etc), special awards, program support.

Area of Support	Definition	Primary Endowment Fund	Endowment Information
General Student Support	This fund provides for general scholarship support for students at North Seattle College. The scholarships provided by this endowment are not restricted to any one particular student type or demographic group, allowing us to award a greater number of applicants.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phyllis Mayo Memorial Student Scholarship Endowment 	Phyllis Mayo was a long-time member of the Board of Directors for both the original NSCC Foundation and later for the Education Fund. She was the Board Chair from 2003 to 2006. This fund was created upon her death in 2009, to recognize her years of service and dedication to the college and its students.
Faculty Professional Development	This endowment provides funds for faculty professional development opportunities, such as attendance at conferences, special projects, or invitations to national experts to present on campus.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faculty Professional Development Endowment Fund 	This fund was created during the Seattle Colleges District's 1994 campaign, <i>Building the Best</i> .
Staff Professional Development	This endowment provides funds for staff (non-faculty) professional development opportunities, such as attendance at conferences, special projects, or invitations to national experts to present on campus.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff Professional Development Endowment Fund 	This fund was created during the Seattle Colleges District's 1994 campaign, <i>Building the Best</i> .
Distinguished Faculty Awards	Distinguished Faculty Awards are given to Seattle College District faculty to recognize outstanding teaching and innovation. There are currently three such awards: The Dan Evans Chair for Exceptional Faculty and the Dan Evans Innovation Award (each awarded annually), and the Charles Kane Award for Innovation (awarded on a rotational basis between all three of the Seattle Colleges)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dan Evans Faculty Award Endowment Fund 	These awards were created in honor of former Washington state Governor Daniel J. Evans, who championed and signed into law the Community College Act of 1967, and Dr. Charles Kane, a former Seattle Colleges Chancellor who led the district from 1992 to 1998.

Parent Education Faculty Awards	This is an annual award of up to \$500 that goes to an NSC Parent Education Instructor in recognition of her/his work and commitment to the program. Nominations are submitted by parents at the co-op preschools and fellow faculty members.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Val Donato Award Endowment Fund 	Val Donato was a faculty member and Program Coordinator for North Seattle College's Parent Education program from its inception until her death in 2013. This award was created in 2007 in recognition of her many years of commitment to building an excellent Parent Education program at NSC.
Parent Education Shelter Program	This program provides tuition support for homeless families to take part in Parent Education courses held at homeless shelters across the city. Funds are also made available for faculty support for supplies and ancillary costs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cesily Crowser Memorial Scholarship Fund (<i>Non-endowed</i>) 	Cesily Crowser was a faculty member and Program Coordinator for North Seattle College's Parent Education program until her death in 2014. This fund was created in her memory to support the Shelter Program she had piloted and championed.
Arts & Humanities Division	A general fund for the Arts & Humanities Division.	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>	These funds are used at the discretion of the Division Dean for program support, which includes but is not limited to equipment, special projects, and professional development.
Math/Science Division	A general fund for the Math/Science Division.	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>	These funds are used at the discretion of the Division Dean for program support, which includes but is not limited to equipment, special projects, and professional development.
Student Services	A general fund for all areas of Student Services, including Advising, Admissions, Counselling, and Financial Aid.	<i>Endowment opportunities available.</i>	These funds are used at the discretion of the Vice President of Student Services for program support, which includes but is not limited to equipment, special projects, and professional development.