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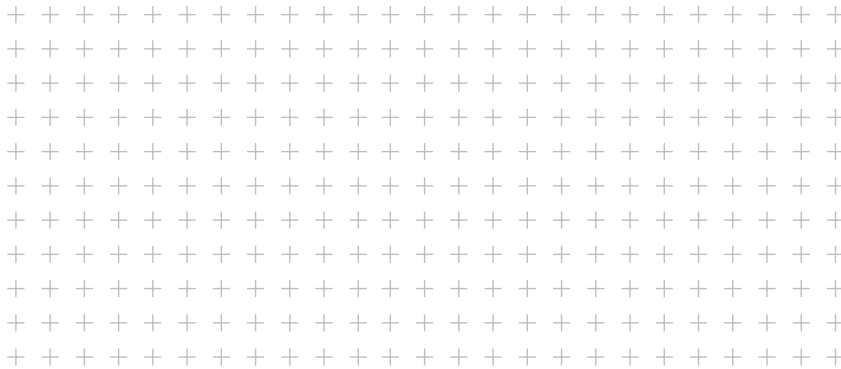
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“Your contribution to
Midwestern University
is honored and respected.
We are grateful to you for
your gift and thank you for
your continuing support.”



From the President

Dear Friends of Midwestern University,

Over many years, we have been blessed with special gifts; some are small tokens of thanks and appreciation for our mission of academic excellence, and others are substantial gifts that allow us to dedicate facilities, name rooms, and beautify our campuses.

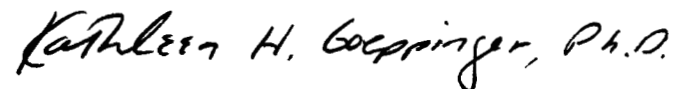
In this edition of the President's Report, we highlight the importance of all these special gifts. It is a look back at the impact of student scholarships that aid our students in their quest to become healthcare professionals to the special class gifts reminding us of the graduates that had an impact on our campus community.

The mission to bring art, culture, and park-like surroundings to the University began 29 years ago when I was the newly appointed President of Midwestern University. We had one campus but were carefully looking at our options to begin a second campus in Glendale, Arizona. I will never forget that one early Saturday morning when my young daughter asked if she could go with me to the Downers Grove Campus. While I worked in the office, she and her friend walked the campus. When they returned, I simply said, "What do you think?" What I heard in reply began a long journey of campus beautification that included serene greenspaces for resting, benches for sitting, and designing an inviting environment for the well-being of our students.

As you will see in this edition of the President's Report, it is donors like yourselves who have supported the transformation of the campuses into welcoming, comfortable, and student-focused facilities designed to aid our students in their educational journey. Of course, our journey never ends. Each year we take a hard look at what was once new and is now ready to be refreshed with a keen vision on creating beautiful, state-of-the-art campuses that support the success and welfare of the students, faculty, and staff.

Without a doubt, our student scholarships and scenic campuses are made possible because of your support. As a friend of Midwestern University, we ask that if you can help us along this journey, please do. Our students are always grateful for any assistance with scholarships, and there is always room for another bench along the path.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathleen H. Goepfinger, Ph.D." The signature is written in a cursive style with a mix of uppercase and lowercase letters.

Kathleen H. Goepfinger, Ph.D.
President and Chief Executive Officer, Midwestern University

Physicians Create Midwestern University Scholarship Encouraging Focus on Geriatric Healthcare

With the aging population placing a greater demand on healthcare professionals, a father-and-daughter physician team has taken a big step to inspire the next generation. Although they are not graduates of Midwestern University, Viswanatham Susarla, M.D., and his daughter, Savitha Susarla, D.O., have been so deeply impressed by the enthusiasm and knowledge of Midwestern's medical and physician assistant (PA) students that they created the Susarla Family Scholarship to benefit Midwestern students.

The scholarship, granted annually to outstanding second or third-year students at the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine (CCOM), aims to foster a passion for geriatric medicine while recognizing academic excellence and financial need. Both Drs. Susarla serve as well-regarded preceptors and clinical instructors for Midwestern University students, guiding them through crucial aspects of their clinical education. Through this scholarship, the Susarlas hope to encourage more physicians to serve elderly patients.

Dr. Viswanatham Susarla graduated from Andhra Medical College and is board-certified in Internal Medicine and Geriatrics. Since 1974, he's been dedicated to practicing medicine, founding Susarla Primary Care, a practice emphasizing preventive medicine, in Elgin, Illinois.

In his nearly 50 years in practice, Dr. Susarla has had a front-row view of the increasing shortage of physicians specializing in geriatrics. With only one geriatrician for every 10,000 elderly patients in the United States, he has become increasingly aware of this pressing need. "In my practice, I've encountered many elderly patients in need of care," he reflects. "There are not enough healthcare providers to treat this growing demographic of patients. People today are living so much longer, sometimes to 85, 95, or even 100. I think we need to have a structured plan in place to encourage more physicians

to specialize in geriatric care and to encourage other medical professionals to work with this population."

Dr. Savitha Susarla, who is board-certified in Family Medicine and a graduate of the Kansas City University of Medicine and Bioscience, joined her father's practice in 2005. Her passion for holistic care and patient empowerment led her to also establish OM Medispa, which provides comprehensive healthcare services beyond traditional medicine.

"I feel like there is a dire need for those interested in family medicine, geriatrics, women's health, and what I'd call wellness medicine, and there's not enough incentive for healthcare providers to go into those areas," she explained. Her father added, "Our growing and aging population will need more care. Sometimes they can turn to family members for care, but they too are aging. It's important that we, as a society, put in place a system to address the functional medicine needs of the geriatric population."

Assisting them in their patient care is Midwestern graduate Meghan Whelan, M.M.S., PA-C (CHS-Downers Grove '08), who joined their practice in 2008. Meghan's exceptional performance during her PA rotation led to the job offer and underscores the quality of education and training provided by Midwestern University.

"We've been working with Midwestern students for several years now and our experience with them has been nothing short of remarkable. They are excellent, well-prepared, and ready to learn," said Dr. Savitha Susarla. "As a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.), I am particularly drawn to supporting an osteopathic institution like Midwestern, because it aligns with our holistic approach to health."

While encouraging more professionals to join a family medicine or geriatric practice is the cornerstone of their motivation for the Susarla

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— Viswanatham Susarla, M.D., & daughter, Savitha Susarla, D.O., creators of the *Susarla Family Scholarship*

Family Scholarship, they also hope to empower aspiring physicians to choose their specialties without the weight of financial concerns.

“Coming out of medical school can be so overwhelming. We wanted to help ease the burden and also encourage students’ passion to go into a medical field of their choice,” said Dr. Savitha Susarla. “As primary care physicians, we play a vital role in wellness and health screenings, fostering long-term relationships with our patients. It’s immensely rewarding work. Offering this scholarship allows future doctors to choose residencies aligned with their interests, free from financial worries, so they can focus on their passion and providing patient care.”

In continuing to mentor Midwestern students and by establishing the Susarla Family Scholarship, Drs. Viswanatham and Savitha Susarla have taken heartfelt steps towards shaping the future of healthcare.

“I hope to do my part of teaching the next generation of healthcare professionals and to do what I can to provide care to my patients,” Dr. Viswanatham Susarla said. “I hope I’ll be able to do some good for our society as well with this scholarship. Midwestern University students have come to us for rotations for many years and they are really smart and engaged. I’m impressed by them.”

The Susarlas’ commitment to nurturing the next generation of physicians reflects their unwavering belief in the power of education and the importance of compassionate healthcare for all ages, especially the elderly. Their generosity in establishing this scholarship shows the impact individuals can have in fostering a future generation of healthcare professionals, and serves as a testament to the quality of education offered at Midwestern University.



Bako Medical Education Foundation Scholarships Promote Podiatric Specialty Interest Opportunities



Within every healthcare profession, various specialty disciplines serve to address specific dimensions of patient care. As students embark on their pursuit of a future healthcare career, they often have the opportunity to pursue these specialty emphases within their courses of study thanks to the support of scholarship monies funded explicitly for that purpose. At Midwestern University's Arizona College of Podiatric Medicine (AZCPM), a scholarship program in collaboration with the Bako Medical Education Foundation (BMEF) offers podiatry students who qualify a chance to gain a better understanding of evidence-based medicine and dermatology in the podiatric field.

The Bako Medical Education Foundation scholarship program at AZCPM was established in 2022 to support and enhance medical opportunities in the field of podiatric medicine and dermatology. The grant agreement between BMEF and Midwestern University established an endowment of up to \$100,000 (\$25,000 per year over four years, subject to certain conditions) that funds scholarships for outstanding AZCPM students. In 2023, Midwestern announced that Rajat Lahiri, Kyle Parker, and Payaam Tavakoli from the AZCPM 2023 graduating class were the scholarship program's first recipients.

The Bako Medical Education Foundation is a nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing podiatric medicine and dermatology through education and innovation.

Bako Medical Education Foundation scholarships help support podiatry students who have an interest in evidence-based medicine and podiatric dermatology.

“We understand that the strength of the podiatric medical community depends on the caliber of students it attracts and the quality of education they receive. As a partner in advancing the podiatric profession, the BMEF is devoted to serving dedicated students as they enter our field, ensuring a robust future for podiatry.”

— Sue MacCormack, *Chair of the Board of Directors, Bako Medical Education Foundation*

Established with a steadfast commitment to supporting and enhancing medical opportunities in these fields, BMEF has been a driving force in shaping the future of podiatric healthcare through strategic initiatives and partnerships. Bako’s scholarship program with Midwestern University continues a strong relationship between Midwestern, the BMEF, and its sponsor BakoDx, whose podiatric experts routinely visit the University to teach biopsies and other procedures, as well as demonstrate lab procedures for students.

Sue MacCormack, Chair of the Board of Directors for the BMEF, underscores the Foundation’s commitment to innovation in the field of podiatric medical education. “We understand that the strength of the podiatric medical community depends on the caliber of students it attracts and the quality of education they receive,” she says. “As a partner in advancing the podiatric profession, the BMEF is devoted to serving dedicated students as they enter our field, ensuring a robust future for podiatry.”

The BMEF’s mission is to assist podiatric medical institutions such as AZCPM in helping break down accessibility barriers and providing students with a deeper understanding of the tools available to improve the quality of podiatric healthcare. “Our scholarship programs with colleges like AZCPM are an illustration of our commitment to education, empowerment, and inspiration,” continues Ms. MacCormack. “Our Foundation has granted approximately \$1 million in scholarship programs and fellowships to enable institutions to train the next generation of podiatric professionals in the latest innovations and best practices in medical diagnostics.”

The BMEF selected the Arizona College of Podiatric Medicine because their educational beliefs and imperatives are closely aligned concerning patient-centered care and a mission to support practice-ready graduates in the field. “An evidence-based approach to dermatology plays an important role in any podiatric practice,” Ms. MacCormack concludes. “Our goal is to inspire future podiatric professionals to fully embrace all facets of podiatric medicine, enhance their medical decision-making skills, adopt optimal patient care practices, and identify current diagnostic options.”

Jeffrey Jensen, D.P.M., FAFAS, Dean of the Arizona College of Podiatric Medicine, believes that scholarship programs like this one help increase student interest in specialty areas and cutting-edge tools, both of which benefit the profession as much as the students as they move into the workforce. “Scholarship support for our students is so important to assist in funding their professional education,” he says. “Bako Medical Foundation appreciates this and is a leader in providing student scholarships in podiatric medicine. Scholarships like these that focus on specialty areas help our students stay on the cutting edge of education and diagnostics and enable them to better serve their patients.”

As an educator, Dr. Jensen knows full well the value that scholarship programs such as the BMEF endowment provide to the students he trains. “As the Dean, I enjoy fostering relationships that help pay it forward,” he remarks. “These student scholarships help shape the future of podiatric medicine. All of us at AZCPM want to thank the BMEF and their continuing support of podiatric medical education. Their generosity and the scholarship opportunities made available to our students will provide an important contribution to the training of tomorrow’s podiatric healthcare team.”

Generous Donations Enhance the Beauty of the Midwestern University Campuses

The physical environment of an educational institution can make a big difference in how well students learn, the sense of belonging individuals experience, or the comfort patients feel when addressing the health concerns of themselves or their loved ones.

Midwestern University takes immense pride in cultivating a professional and welcoming atmosphere across all our campuses and clinics. Our wonderful alumni supporters, corporate partners, and individual donors understand this important factor in the success of our students and the University and continue to generously contribute gifts that enhance our campuses.

Read on to learn more about some of the donations that grace our campuses, adding an extra layer of beauty, creativity, and meaning to our surroundings. Discover samples of the art, architecture, class gifts, nature, and recognition items honoring cherished individuals that enhance our campuses. These contributions and others continue to shape Midwestern University's campus culture long after they were first bequeathed.



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**Art and
Architecture**

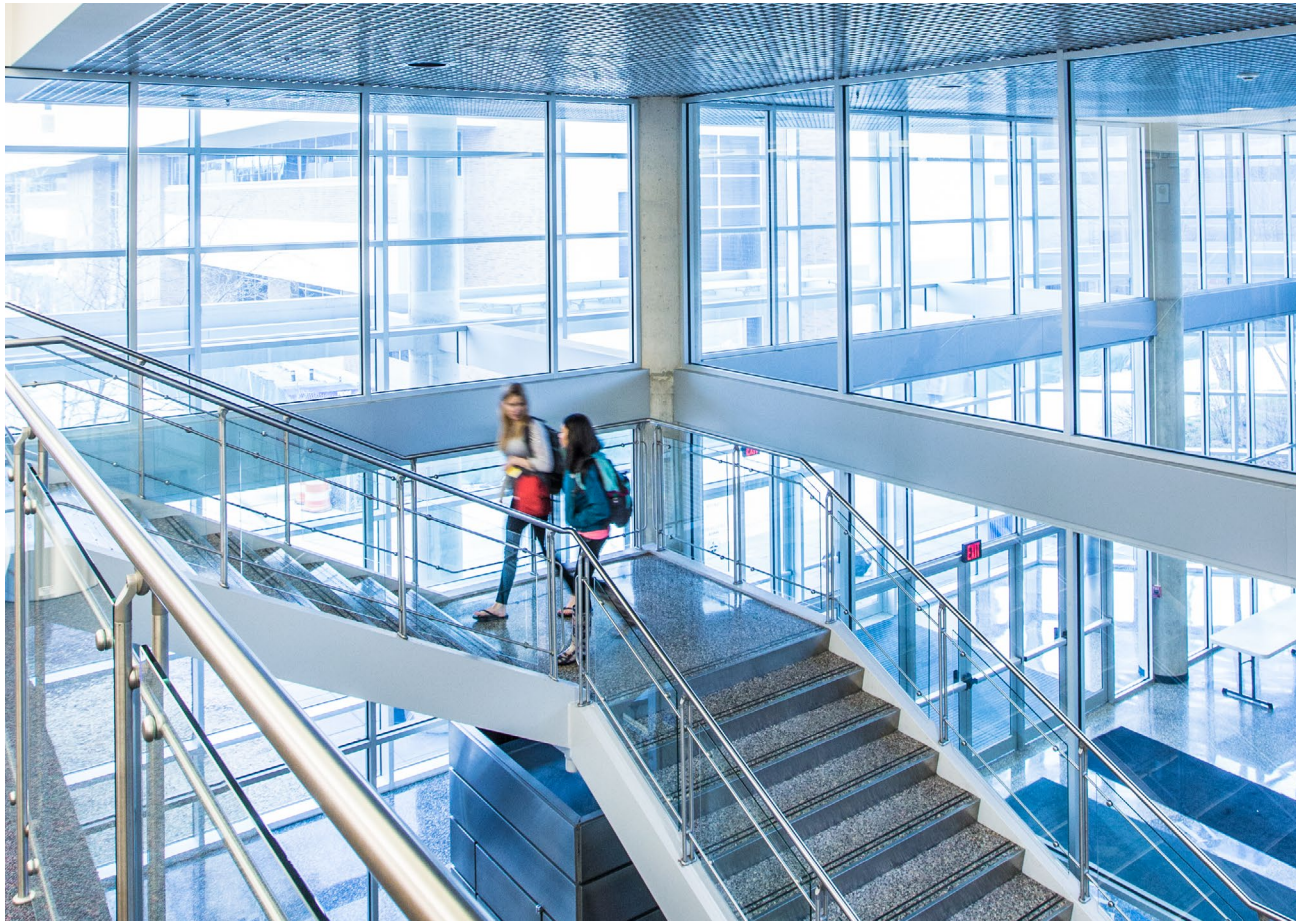


Class Gifts



Recognition





**Special Attention to Campus Facilities Allows Students
to Focus on their Professional Goals and Studies**



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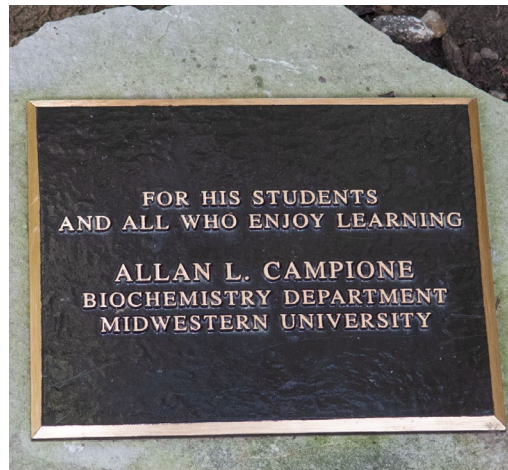
The beauty of our campuses contributes to the well-being of our students.





Ossuary Garden

Situated on the northwest side of the Glendale clinical campus, the Midwestern University Ossuary Garden is a special area dedicated to donors who gifted their bodies to the University's Body Donation Program. The Ossuary Garden features special tree sculptures representing the Tree of Life that intertwines with the Tree of Education, and an area for family members to visit, reflect, and hold ceremonies in honor of their donors, whose remains are interred there.



Trees

Both campuses provide opportunities for individuals to contribute to the beautification of the learning environment by sponsoring trees adorned with personalized plaques. Many trees are given in honor or memory of loved ones or colleagues, with the added option of including inspirational sayings some of which are:

"The memory of a good person is a true blessing..."

"In honor of Mom and Dad"

"For our students, reach for the sky!"



Recognition

Buildings and places named in recognition of people or events foster a sense of identity, pride, and connection on our campuses.



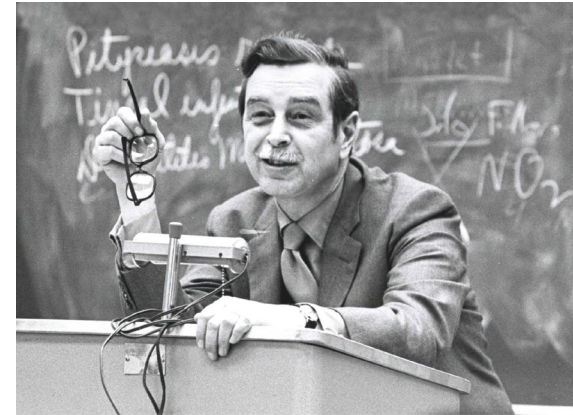
Benches

Dotted throughout both campuses, a network of benches offers respite for students, faculty, and staff. The majority of these benches are gifts to the University from donors and bear heartfelt tributes to colleagues, loved ones, and classmates.

From the tranquil setting of 41 benches encircling the iconic Reflection Pond on the Glendale Campus, to the numerous benches dotting the Quad on the Downers Grove Campus, and scattered across various scenic spots on both campuses, benches donated and dedicated by a diverse range of individuals offer picturesque havens for relaxation and reflection. Serving as subtle historical markers, these dedications illuminate the University's rich legacy, epitomized by poignant tributes like one simply stating:

Dedicated to Students: Past, present, future.





Dr. Perrin graduated from CCOM in 1943 and began his teaching and medical career at the College in 1951. This photo of him dates to the 1980s or 1990s.



Dr. Perrin retired from the University in 2001, and that same year the Ward Perrin Room was dedicated in his honor.



A collection of donated textbooks, some dating back over two centuries, has been amassed by University faculty, students, and alumni.

Ward Perrin, D.O. Collection – Library

The Ward Perrin, D.O. Medical History Collection houses the University's rare and significant osteopathic and medical textbooks dating back to the early 1800s and is located in the Ward Perrin Room in the Library on the Downers Grove Campus. Some of the donated textbooks are now over 200 years old and have been collected by University faculty, students, and alumni. The room was dedicated in 2001 in honor of Dr. Perrin, who long championed medical history as part of the curriculum.



Recognition (continued)

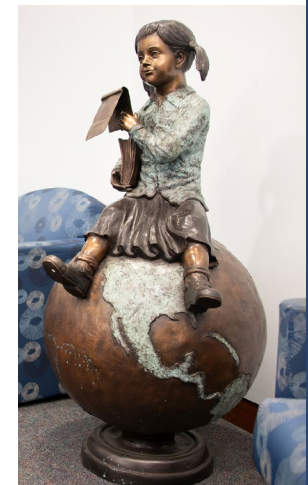


White Rhino Skeleton

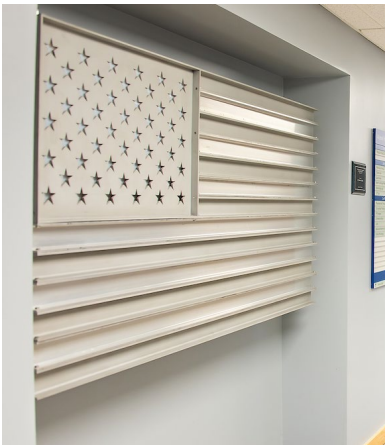
The Animal Health Institute at the University's Glendale Campus features a Large Animal Clinic and Diagnostic Pathology Center specializing in large animal health and research. This unique white rhinoceros skeleton was donated to the University by the Phoenix Zoo in recognition of the Diagnostic Pathology Center's necropsy services and faculty contributions.

Statue of a Girl on a Globe

This statue welcomes visitors to Science Hall on the Downers Grove Campus and stands as a tribute to Karen J. Nichols, D.O., the former Dean of the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine (CCOM). Gifted to the University by CCOM students, colleagues, and supporters, it commemorates her outstanding leadership and service as the first woman to hold the position of President of the American Osteopathic



Steel Flag (9/11) Memorial



The metal artwork of the American flag that graces Alumni Hall on the Downers Grove Campus carries a dual tribute to the Occupational Therapy (OT) Program and as a remembrance of the events of September 11, 2001. Gifted by the OT class of 2002 the piece was crafted by Midwest artist Jeff P. Garland, who is presently serving as the Chair of the Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art at Georgia Southern University.



Art and Architecture

The integration of art and architecture on our campuses serves to inspire creativity, stimulate intellectual curiosity, and foster a visually engaging learning atmosphere.



Chanen Interfaith Chapel

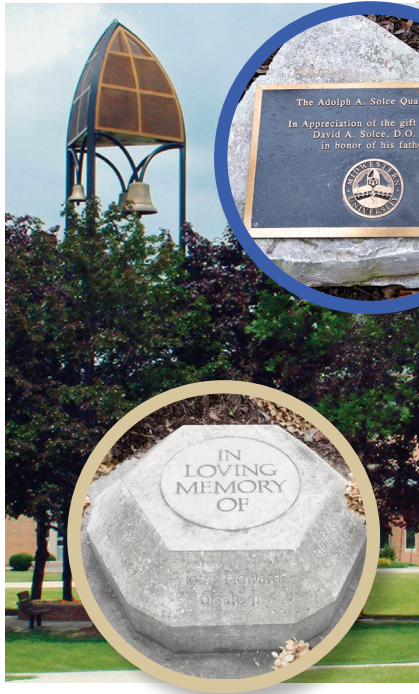
The Chanen Interfaith Chapel was completed on the Glendale Campus in 2009 as a result of a generous donation from the Chanen Construction Company, many subcontractors, and other wonderful donors. All materials and labor were donated for this multi-use building, catering to the Midwestern University community's spiritual, introspective, and practical needs. The interior was constructed out of locally sourced materials and incorporates natural as well as artificial light sources for interior illumination, including impressive stained glass windows that provide colorful, peaceful illumination.



Dr. Ward E. and Dorothy C. Perrin Interfaith Chapel

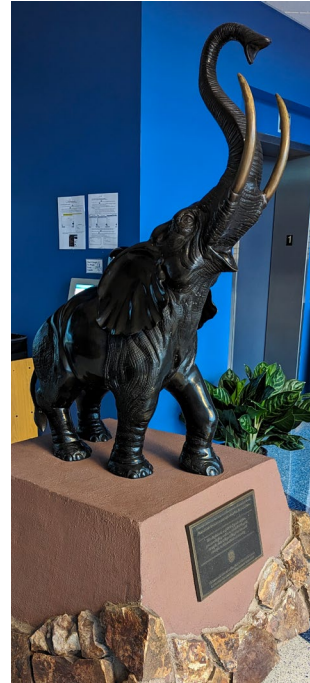
Several donors decided to honor the memory of a special couple in the University's history by helping to create the Dr. Ward E. and Dorothy C. Perrin Interfaith Chapel on the Downers Grove Campus. The chapel features a domed ceiling ringed in multicolored art glass simulating sunlight shining through trees. The chapel was created to provide a welcoming space that fosters inclusivity and embraces the rich diversity of beliefs and practices within our academic community. The design of the chapel is intended to complement the wooded environment that surrounds the campus.

Art and Architecture (continued)



Bell Tower Quad rock

Nestled under the iconic Bell Tower on the Downers Grove Campus, a memorial rock holds profound significance as a collective tribute to the cherished memories of multiple individuals. Located nearby is the Adolph A. Solce memorial quadrangle, a gift from David A. Solce, D.O. (CCOM '72) in honor of his father.



Elephant Sculpture Glendale Library

Dr. Pui and Mrs. Audrey Tsang gifted this majestic elephant sculpture that rests outside of the Library in Sahuaro Hall on the Glendale Campus. The dedication reads: "The elephant is a symbol of great wisdom, power, and glory, and is associated with great strength, that will provide protection and strength to this academic community."

Horse Statue

The well-loved horse statue, on the Downers Grove Campus, is a gift from Dr. and Mrs. Tsang to the faculty, staff, and students of Midwestern University. Dr. Tsang is a Class of 1960 alumnus of the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine. In his gift it states that "this horse is a symbol of hardy endurance and willingness to work; it represents speed and loyalty and will bring every member of this academic community happiness in their study, career, and life."





Reflection Pond/Sculpture

An iconic sight for visitors to the Glendale Campus, the Reflection Pond and its environs were made possible by a \$250,000 gift from Dr. Pui and Mrs. Audrey Tsang. Dr. Tsang, one of Midwestern University's most generous donors, is a Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine alumnus and Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine emeritus professor.





Class Gifts

Special thank you to our many Class Gift donors, whose contributions not only enhance the beauty of our campuses but also enrich the daily lives of our students.



Eyeglass Bike Rack

The Arizona College of Optometry's Class of 2017 elected to donate a memorable gift to the University as they celebrated their graduation. This giant pair of spectacles resides on the east side of Glendale Hall and can double as a bike rack for Midwestern students.



Eyeglass Bench

In 2017, the inaugural class of the Chicago College of Optometry embarked on their academic journey, immersing themselves in the vibrant learning environment of White Oak Hall's classrooms and laboratories. Just outside this academic building, a bench commemorates the inaugural class and serves as a focal point for the east side of campus.



Hand Wall

The Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine's inaugural Class of 2000 donated this beautiful wall art, located in Sahuaro Hall, as a class gift. It features a cast of each graduate's handprint to commemorate the first class and carry their healing touch forward for generations of students to come.

Metal Hygeia Bowl on Wooden Stand

Donated by the College of Pharmacy Class of 1998, along with contributions from friends and family, this sculpture proudly sits in Centennial Hall on the Downers Grove Campus. The Bowl of Hygeia stands as the pharmacy profession's globally acknowledged symbol and is regarded as one of the profession's esteemed honors. Symbolically, the bowl signifies a healing elixir, while the snake embodies the concept of healing.



Totem Obelisk

Located in front of Cactus Wren Hall on the Glendale Campus, this totem obelisk sculpture was designed by local artist Joe A. Tyler and

donated to the University by the College of Veterinary Medicine's inaugural Class of 2018.

Mortar and Pestle Sculpture

The classic mortar and pestle, the original and ancient tools for grinding and crushing materials into pastes and powders, have been symbols of pharmacy for millennia. The College of Pharmacy, Glendale Campus' Class of 2015 donated this beautiful mortar and pestle sculpture that stands outside of Cholla Hall.



Tooth Sculpture



Situated in Science Hall is a large, metal tooth sculpture presented to the University by the College of Dental Medicine-Illinois Class of 2015 Inaugural Class. It includes a promise stating,

"We, the Inaugural class of 2015, will be inspirational leaders revolutionizing Holistic Healthcare through global inter-professional service and education." Its installation has become a popular backdrop for student photos and videos.

In this section:

2023 Annual Honor Roll of Donors

Listed in this section are all contributions to **Midwestern University and its colleges at the Downers Grove, Illinois and Glendale, Arizona campuses from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023**

The academic community of Midwestern University has been fortunate to have many donors and supporters whose financial contributions have made a significant impact on our students and faculty, our campuses, and our degree programs. Each year, we recognize and thank our valued benefactors by listing them in our Honor Roll of Donors. All members of our annual giving societies are listed, as well as members of the lifetime giving societies. Our financial strength is enhanced by the annual gifts they provide in needed unrestricted and program-designated funds, as well as lifetime gifts that demonstrate the long-time support of so many special people.




The philanthropic spirit of the dedicated alumni, friends, corporate, and foundation partners in these giving societies reflects their investment and commitment in a bright future for MWU. Your unrestricted gift allows Midwestern University the flexibility to use the funds where the need or potential return is the greatest for our students and the life of the University. Whether your motivation is seeking to advance your specialty; memorializing a colleague, teacher, mentor, or loved one; or supporting a program that strikes a chord within you, your contribution to MWU is a means of strengthening the future of healthcare. We thank you for your continued support.

Financial Summary for Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2023, 2022, 2021

Operating Revenues

(in thousands)	2023	2022	2021
Tuition and Fees	452,076	445,003	438,520
Grant Revenues	4,147	9,171	6,433
Educational Affiliations	182	231	3,018
Campus-Based Revenue	5,406	5,345	5,154
Contributions	3,919	10,240	2,469
Investment Income	41,019	(18,003)	43,418
Clinic Revenue	29,017	29,283	26,308
Other	4,253	3,954	2,880
Total Revenue	\$540,019	\$485,224	\$528,200

Other Financial Indicators (in thousands)

Cash and Investments		2023: \$1,127,594 2022: \$1,004,617 2021: \$883,642
Land, Buildings, and Equipment (net)		2023: \$742,450 2022: \$735,383 2021: \$754,279
Net Assets		2023: \$1,675,742 2022: \$1,538,236 2021: \$1,428,634

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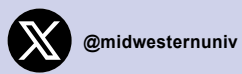
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**ARIZONA COLLEGE OF
OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE
NAMED STUDENT LOAN**

Dr. Culmer C. and Agnes R. Lucas Memorial Loan

**ARIZONA COLLEGE OF
PODIATRIC MEDICINE NAMED
STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS**

Bako Medical Education Foundation Scholarship

Meyer Friedlander and Milton Klasky Tikkun Olam Scholarship

Carol A. Jensen Innovation in Podiatric Medicine Research Scholarship

Johnson and Johnson Wound Management Scholarship

Irvin O. Kanat, D.P.M., Diabetic Foot Research Scholarship

Earl G. Kaplan, D.P.M., Surgical Research Scholarship

Anita J. Moynihan Wound Care Scholarship

PICA Scholarship

William F. Todd, D.P.M., Biomechanics/Sports Medicine Research Scholarship

**COLLEGE OF PHARMACY,
DOWNERS GROVE NAMED
STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS**

CPDG 20th Anniversary Alumni Scholarship

CPDG Legacy Scholarship

CPDG Scholars in Leadership and Diversity Award

The Dhingra Family Scholarship

John and Angie Dik Scholarship

Milo Gibaldi, Ph.D., Award for Research and Scholarship

Paula Giometti Memorial Scholarship

Professor Anil Gulati, M.D., Ph.D., Scholarship

George Lee Prize

Meijer Scholarship

Rachel M. and Willard C. Schmidt Scholarship

Mary Beth Stanaszek, Pharm.D. '97, Memorial Scholarship

Dr. Beverly Talluto Memorial Scholarship

Walgreen's Scholarships

**COLLEGE OF PHARMACY,
GLENDALE CAMPUS NAMED
STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS**

Fry's Pharmacy Scholarship

Heritage of Pharmacy Scholarship

Robert C. Johnson Leadership Award

Craig Alan Johnston, Ph.D., Memorial Scholarship

Kmart Pharmacy Scholarship

Dennis J. McCallian, Pharm.D., Scholarship

**COLLEGE OF DENTAL MEDICINE
– ILLINOIS NAMED STUDENT
SCHOLARSHIPS**

American Dental Partners Foundation Endowed Scholarship

Delta Dental of Illinois Diversity Admissions Scholarship

The CDMI Inaugural Class of 2015/Dean Lex MacNeil Scholarship Fund

**COLLEGE OF DENTAL MEDICINE
– ARIZONA NAMED STUDENT
SCHOLARSHIPS**

Bien-Air Dental Scholarship

Marc P. Cohn, D.D.S., FICD Family Scholarship

CDMA Multicultural Heritage Scholarship

Dental Faculty Memorial Scholarship

Designs for Vision – Peter J. Murphy Memorial Scholarship

Logan Doseck Scholarship

Dr. and Mrs. Russell O. Gilpatrick Scholarship

Russell O. Gilpatrick, D.D.S., and Arthur A. Dugoni, M.S.D., D.D.S., Scholarship

Dr. Ronald D. and Mrs. Ileana Giordan Scholarship

Ivoclar Vivadent Scholarship

Dr. Blake G. Osborn Memorial Scholarship

Todd K. Wilcox, D.M.D. Memorial Scholarship

**ARIZONA COLLEGE OF
OPTOMETRY NAMED STUDENT
SCHOLARSHIPS**

Dr. Donald and Mrs. Sharon Jarnagin Scholarship

Dr. Donald Jarnagin Award of Excellence Scholarship

**CHICAGO COLLEGE OF
OPTOMETRY NAMED
STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP**

Dr. Newton K. Wesley Foundation Fund Scholarship

**COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES –
GLENDALE, AZ CAMPUS NAMED
STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP**

Amy Hillier Chervenak Heroes for Health Scholarship

**MIDWESTERN UNIVERSITY –
GLENDALE, AZ CAMPUS NAMED
STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS AND
ENDOWMENTS**

APS Scholarship

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona Scholarship

DWL Architects + Planners Scholarship

Grand Canyon University Scholarship

Dr. and Mrs. Devinder Singh Endowment

TriWest Healthcare Alliance Scholarship

Wells Fargo Scholarship

**MIDWESTERN UNIVERSITY –
DOWNERS GROVE, IL CAMPUS
NAMED STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP**

Drs. Reshmi and Mahmood Siddique Scholarship

**DUAL CAMPUS NAMED STUDENT
SCHOLARSHIPS AND
ENDOWMENTS**

Acadental Education Scholarship

John R. Burdick, Ph.D. Fund for International Medicine

Chanen Construction Scholarship

MWU Diversity Scholarship

Arthur G. Dobbelaere, Ph.D., Student Scholarship Fund

Barbara L. McCloud Scholarship

MWU Spirit of Service Scholarship

National Vision Diversity Admissions Scholarship

VSP Global Diversity Admissions Scholarships

January

The MWU Student Senate organizes the annual **Taste of Midwestern** on the Downers Grove Campus, celebrating the diverse cultures and cuisines that thrive within the University community.

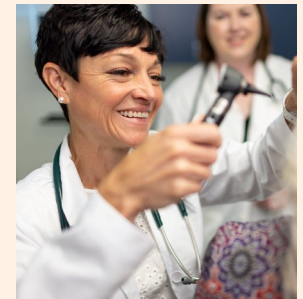


▲ Midwestern University announces its **new partnership with Abrazo Health** to oversee the Comprehensive Care Clinic – Central Phoenix, Abrazo Family Medicine Residency Training Site, providing patient-centered family medical care and hospital rotation opportunities for students and residents in the north-central Phoenix community. The clinic was officially renamed the Midwestern University Comprehensive Care Clinic – Central Phoenix, Abrazo Family Medicine Residency Training Site.

▼ Midwestern University students on the Downers Grove Campus volunteer during the Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend as part of **Service Saturdays**, coming together to collect and distribute clothing, shoes, and toiletries to support individuals experiencing homelessness.



▲ Traditional **Lion Dancers** usher in the Lunar New Year on the Downers Grove Campus with a dance meant to bring prosperity and good luck for the year ahead.



▲ Midwestern University Graduate Nursing Program students celebrate an important milestone with the **Transition to Practice Ceremony**.



▶ The College of Graduate Studies (CGS) launches a new stand-alone **Post-Graduate Certificate Program in Precision Medicine**, catering to currently practicing clinicians and biological sciences professionals. Originally designed as a dual-degree/dual-track program, the Precision Medicine Program now offers a Master of Science in Precision Medicine or a Post-Graduate Certificate in Precision Medicine for students from all healthcare professions.



▶ Both campuses commemorate **Black History Month** with diverse events celebrating the history, lives, and culture of Black Americans, fostering unity and promoting equity in healthcare education.



▶ The University celebrates participants from both campuses who have completed the inaugural **Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity in Academics (IDEA) four-part certificate program**. The program, which garnered over 120 applicants, offers workshops and meaningful conversations led by experts to enhance participants' abilities in promoting diversity, equity, and inclusivity for enriched campus interactions and inclusive classroom environments.

▶ The **26th Annual Arizona Regional Brain Bee** hosts nearly 50 high school students from around Arizona in a fast-paced neuroscience competition, with MWU faculty and students in judging, scoring, and other volunteer roles.



Arizona State D.O. Day brings together Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine (AZCOM) students and other osteopathic medicine students to collaborate with state legislators and engage in discussions about bills affecting physicians and patient safety, while also offering valuable educational sessions to enhance their understanding of the legislative process and the significance of advocacy in policymaking.

March

Midwestern University's annual **Health Sciences Career Day for High School Students**, held on February 28 and March 1 on the Glendale and Downers Grove Campuses, provides nearly 1,000 students from Arizona and Illinois with valuable insights into various healthcare fields.

▶ More than 100 healthcare partners and Midwestern University friends arrive at the Arrowhead Country Club in Glendale, AZ for the annual **Chippin' in for Students Golf Classic**. The event raises money to support student scholarships.



▶ The College of Pharmacy, Downers Grove (CPDG), marks the **commencement** of 108 students who receive their Doctor of Pharmacy degree (Pharm.D.) during a graduation ceremony.



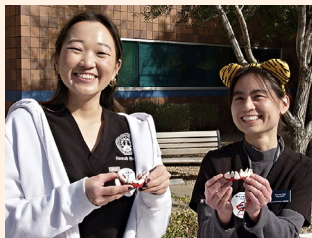
▶ Midwestern University announces the addition of Michael M. Bond, D.O., and Nicholas C. Zagotta, J.D., to the **Board of Trustees**, joining other board members dedicated to shaping the institution's future while upholding its core values and mission of educating the next generation of healthcare professionals.



▶ Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine (CCOM) students are inducted into the 2023 **Arnold P. Gold Foundation's Gold Humanism Honor Society**. These future doctors were nominated by their peers for their unwavering commitment to compassion and care in medicine.



▶ A partnership with **Liberty Wildlife** rehabilitation facility in south-central Phoenix allows fourth-year veterinary medicine students to practice wildlife medicine through a four-week elective rotation.



▶ The College of Dental Medicine-Arizona (CDMA) hosts a day of children's dental services at its **Give Kids A Smile** event. Dental students, under the supervision of licensed faculty dentists, provided cleanings, sealants, fillings, or extractions to approximately 200 children ages 7 to 14.

▶ As part of the American Osteopathic Association's **DO Day on Capitol Hill**, a delegation from CCOM consisting of 18 students from seven different states conducts multiple meetings with lawmakers to address issues such as patient access to care, expanding medical education, and supporting student loan reform.



▶ The Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine (AZCOM) introduces an **Applied Master of Osteopathic Medicine (A.M.O.E.)** as part of the OMM Scholars Program. This program allows future AZCOM physicians to enhance their understanding of osteopathic medicine and prepare for teaching and research roles.



▶ The **Dr. Kenneth A. Suarez (KAS) Research Day** takes place on the Glendale Campus in April and the Downers Grove Campus in May, featuring a total of 360 posters with over 375 faculty and 720 student authors, emphasizing interdisciplinary collaborations and fostering connections with local industries and universities for potential conference and journal presentations.

April

▶ **Tucson Unified School District (TUSD)** high school students get a firsthand look at healthcare careers on the Glendale Campus, thanks to a generous grant from Arizona Public Service (APS). Visiting students explore nurse anesthesia, optometry, and osteopathic medicine career options.



▶ Student Services and the committed student volunteers on the Downers Grove Campus make the **drive-thru egg hunt** a success for community members.



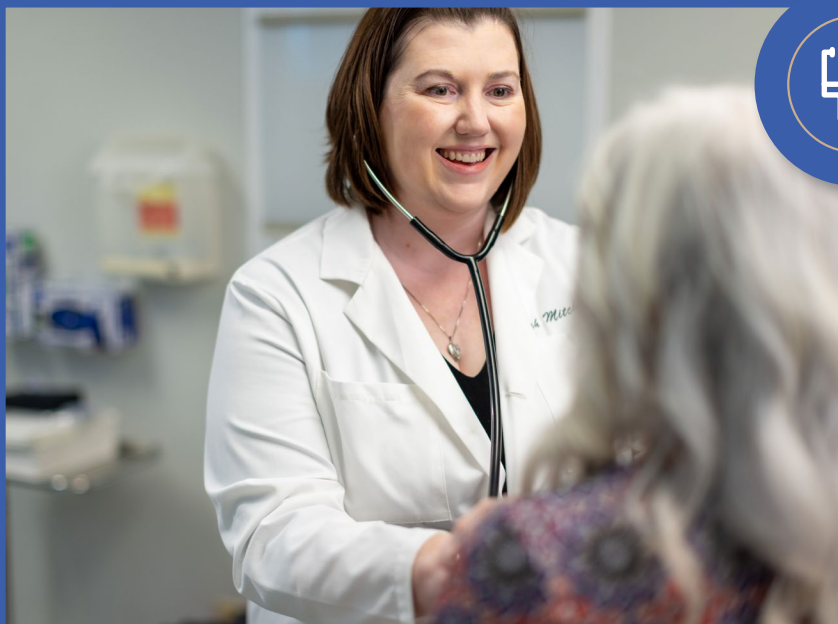
▶ The annual **Veterans' Dental Day** on the Glendale Campus provides over \$40,000 of dental care, including screenings, treatments, cleanings, and consultations, to veterans in need at the University's Dental Institute.



Students from the Chicago College of Optometry (CCO) focus on their future at an inaugural **Career Fair** on the Downers Grove Campus, where over 20 different future employers and sponsors engage with CCO students to explore various career options, establish professional relationships, and attend presentations from invited speakers offering valuable insights into optometry practice.

▶ The Downers Grove Student Occupational Therapy Association (SOTA) brings back the **Wheelchair Basketball Tournament**. All proceeds from the event benefit Synergy Adaptive Athletics, a local nonprofit organization that provides recreational sports opportunities for individuals with physical disabilities in DuPage County.





The College of Health Sciences (CHS) receives full **accreditation for its Graduate Nursing Program** from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), effective for a five-year period.

The Glendale Campus places fourth on the **Phoenix Business Journal's Healthiest Employers** list in Arizona. This recognition highlights the University's employee health initiatives, including culture, strategic planning, and leadership.



The annual **Groovin' in the Grove 5K Run & Walk** takes place on the Downers Grove Campus, raising \$3,000 for Sharing Connections, a nonprofit organization assisting local people in need with furniture and household items.



The **Multispecialty Clinic in Downers Grove celebrates a decade** of providing comprehensive care to the community, marking a significant milestone in their commitment to healthcare excellence.



▲ A group of high school students participate in a hands-on **ultrasound workshop on the Glendale Campus**, led by second-year medical students as part of the University of Arizona Med-Start program, providing insight into healthcare.

▼ The annual **Midwestern University Chippin' in for Students Golf Classic** supports students on the Downers Grove Campus with Spirit of Service Scholarships.



▲ **Optometry programs** on both campuses host workshops for undergraduate students interested in the health sciences to learn more about pursuing a career in optometry. Through interactive activities, students gain insight into the optometric profession.



▲ **Pathways to Dentistry**, a dental student camp offered by the College of Dental Medicine – Illinois (CDMI) in conjunction with Comfort Dental Studio in Chicago, encourages historically underrepresented students to consider the field of dentistry.



▲ The College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM) on the Glendale Campus, partners with Arizona State University's **Migratory Student Summer Academy** to provide a memorable hands-on experience in veterinary medicine for 54 high school students.



▲ **PharmAcademy**, an event organized by the College of Pharmacy, Downers Grove (CPDG), educates high school students about pharmacy careers and future college choices, attracting 39 students from Chicago and the surrounding suburbs.



▲ Three students are selected for the distinguished **Schweitzer Fellowship**, a year-long service-learning initiative tackling the healthcare challenges faced by marginalized communities in the Chicago area. From left, Julia Kavanagh (CCOM '26) will partner with LYDIA Home to address the poor health outcomes of children in the foster care system; Paige Madden (CDMI '25) will work to make sure that senior citizens in our community benefit from preventative healthcare, and, Chirag Shah (CCOM '26) will create a medical literacy program that serves non-English speaking residents.



◀ The College of Health Sciences (CHS) Interprofessional Committee on the Downers Grove Campus hosts an event featuring **Riva Lehrer**, author, artist, and instructor, who shares her experiences living with spina bifida and offers advice to students emphasizing their potential to advocate for clients and effect systemic change.

The Midwestern University College of Health Sciences (CHS) introduces a new **hybrid residential/online track for the Doctor of Physical Therapy (D.P.T.)** degree program, providing an accelerated 30-month curriculum option through a blend of live online instruction and on-campus classes and labs.



July



The **25th annual Health Careers Institute for High School Students** on the Glendale Campus hosts 64 high school students from across Arizona, providing them with advanced workshops in anatomy and clinical skills, exposure to over 24 healthcare-related fields, and mentorship on college preparation and future healthcare careers, all aimed at inspiring the next generation of healthcare professionals through collaboration and professionalism.



▶ Celebrating 10 years of service to the community, the **Middle Eastern Pharmacists Association** on the Downers Grove Campus acknowledges its lasting impact, with over 400 students volunteering their services, conducting free community health screenings and organizing educational events resulting in significant benefits for nearly 1,200 patients.



▶ Midwestern University's **Speech-Language Institute** in Downers Grove offers biweekly programs for children with developmental language issues, providing the Little Sprouts program for ages two to three and the Shining Stars program for ages three to five.

▶ Student Services' **SummerFest** welcomes students to the Glendale Campus. More than 200 students and staff visit exhibitors to learn about clinic, campus, and community services.





▶ The 21st annual **MWU Kids Day**, hosted at the Downers Grove Campus, welcomes 107 children of employees, offering informative sessions and an opportunity for them to gain insights into their parent, relative, or guardian's professional lives.



▶ Midwestern University celebrates **commencement ceremonies** on both campuses. The Glendale Campus College of Health Sciences (CHS) graduates 142 new healthcare providers, and the Downers Grove Campus hosts ceremonies for the College of Health Sciences (CHS) and the College of Pharmacy, Downers Grove (CPDG) for a total of 175 graduates.



▶ Faculty and students from the College of Dental Medicine – Illinois (CDMI) and the Occupational Therapy Program in the College of Health Sciences (CHS) in Downers Grove collaborate on an ongoing research project, **investigating hypermobility** among first-year dental students through hand assessments and recommendations for strategies based on the degree of hypermobility detected.



In its inaugural year on the Downers Grove Campus, the **Health Careers Institute** offers a four-day experience to 25 high school students from the surrounding suburbs to explore healthcare professions and the educational pathways at Midwestern University supporting their career aspirations.

September

▶ The **College of Dental Medicine-Arizona (CDMA) and Rio Salado College** join forces in a long-term partnership that aims to expand opportunities for dental hygiene students, ultimately increasing the number of dental professionals and alleviating waitlists.



▶ The **MWU Alumni Diversity Council** leads a day of mentoring and community service with students, faculty, and staff, including morning mentoring and panel discussions for students from various colleges and programs on the Downers Grove Campus, followed by an afternoon of volunteering at DuPage Pads to assist in the organization's mission to combat homelessness.



▶ The Glendale Campus hosts the third annual **Special Olympics MedFest** event. Faculty, students, and alumni from the University's Graduate Nursing Program, the Arizona College of Podiatric Medicine (AZCPM), the Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine (AZCOM), the College of Dental Medicine – Arizona (CDMA), and the Clinical Psychology, Physical Therapy, and Speech-Language Pathology Programs collaborate with healthcare students from the Peoria Medical Engineering and Technology (MET) Professional Academy.



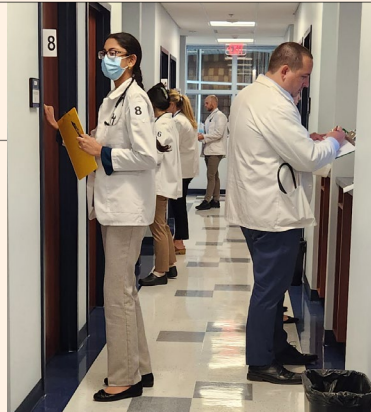
▶ In honor of **Women in Medicine Month**, four Midwestern University faculty members from both campuses reflect on their experiences and offer advice for female students pursuing healthcare careers.

▶ The 2023-2024 academic year kicks off with a warm welcome to **1,985 new students** across both campuses, representing a diverse group from all 50 states and 61 international students. The new students participate in orientation activities, from white coat fittings to community service engagement, as they begin their journey toward healthcare professions.





▲ Students and faculty from the College of Pharmacy, Downers Grove (CPDG) attend the reading of the proclamation of **American Pharmacists Month** by Downers Grove Mayor Robert Barnett during the Downers Grove Village Council meeting. The Mayor speaks about the contributions of Midwestern University and the importance of the pharmacy profession.



▲ The Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine (AZCOM) is chosen as one of only four D.O. programs nationwide to host the pilot **Core Competency Capstone for Osteopathic Physicians (C3DO)**. In response to the discontinuation of the COMLEX-USA Level 2 PE exam post-COVID-19, the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME) introduced this new assessment, aiming to maintain national standardized evaluation standards.

The College of Pharmacy on the Downers Grove Campus (CPDG) hosts its annual **CAREERxPO**, where recruiters from over 35 retail pharmacies, hospitals, and other healthcare organizations make themselves available for students to ask questions about pharmacy career possibilities.



▲ Nearly 60 families arrive on the Glendale Campus to celebrate the 21st annual **MWU Kids' Day**. Originally started in 2002, the Human Resources Department organizes and hosts the event designed to help children learn more about the University.

More than 1,300 first-year Midwestern University students from the Downers Grove and Glendale Campuses participate in the annual **White Coat Ceremony**. During the ceremony, students take an Oath of Commitment with several important vows, including the promise to acquire the necessary skills and knowledge of a healthcare provider, assume responsibility for the healthcare field they are trained in, respect their faculty, and value their predecessors in their profession.



November

The Glendale Campus hosted a **Meet Your Mentor** event that matched more than 150 MWU student mentors with undergraduate students from Arizona State University, Arizona State University–West, Grand Canyon University, Estrella Mountain Community College, Glendale Community College, and the Arizona Agribusiness Equine Center who are interested in healthcare careers.



▲ The Glendale Campus honors and celebrates **Native American Heritage Month** with Tony Duncan Music & Dance and his family, who graciously shared Indigenous American traditions and rich culture with the campus community.



◀ The Midwestern University Clinics implement the **Epic® system**, which brings four separate EHRs (Electronic Health Records) for the Dental Institute, the Eye Institute, the Multispecialty Clinic, and the Therapy Institute into one system. The new system streamlines patient care across departments, offering a user-friendly platform for accessing healthcare information, scheduling appointments, viewing test results, and facilitating interdisciplinary collaboration throughout the clinics to enhance overall healthcare services.



▲ The Midwestern University Leadership Team hosts multiple **holiday events** for the campus to celebrate the season.

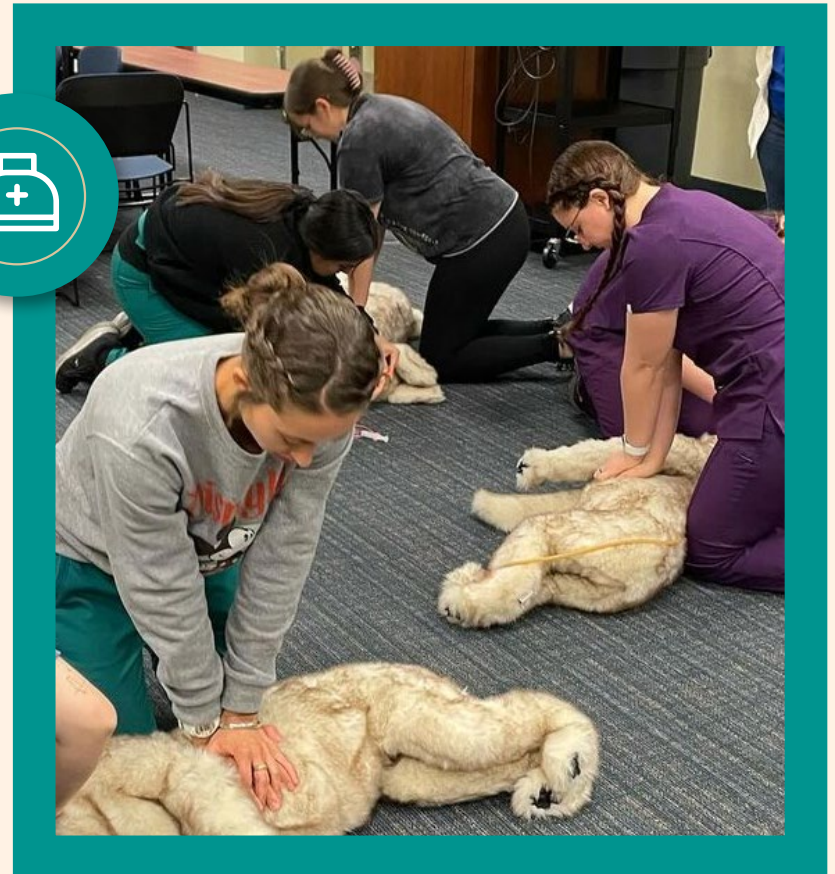


▲ The Midwestern University community participates in several programs during the holiday season geared to **helping those in need** as part of its commitment to community service. Students, faculty, and staff organize and assist with fundraisers, drives, donations, and other methods of giving back to the community.

- ▶ The University's Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion establishes a chapter of Alpha Alpha Alpha, or Tri-Alpha, a national honor society created to recognize the achievements of **first-generation students**. Membership is open to students, faculty, and staff as part of ongoing efforts to help students who are the first in their families to pursue a college degree.



Midwestern University veterinary students on the Glendale Campus receive **RECOVER (Reassessment Campaign on Veterinary Resuscitation) CPR certification** for Basic Life Support (BLS) and Advanced Life Support (ALS) along with hands-on training for practice and additional certification.





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