



SCHOLARSHIPS

Change a life

You've seen the headlines about the rising cost of college, and about the burden that student loans can place on young people just starting out in their careers. About half of the increasingly selective group that gains admission to BU has a demonstrated need for financial aid. And even though the University strives to maximize grants and minimize loans, students who take out loans graduate with an average of more than \$40,000 in debt.

That hurts students, and it hurts the University. Building our financial aid funds will help make us more competitive with other schools, and that will help us ensure true diversity in the composition of each entering class, particularly in our smaller programs. And it means

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we'll be able to support more students who will really benefit from a Pardee education.

By the way, people often think of financial aid only for undergraduates. But many also can't afford the high cost of graduate education without aid. That's why we seek to build the Pardee School's funds for master's-level fellowships.

Increasing our funds for financial aid will also help students graduate with less debt. Particularly for those who plan to follow less lucrative paths, as many Pardee graduates do, financial aid can make a life-changing difference. Freed of excessive debt, they can choose a life of public service, for example, rather than having to take a job that will pay off loans.

In short, financial aid makes for stronger students, a stronger school, and ultimately a stronger world.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

You can make a real difference to a deserving student with a gift of any amount. And BU has a unique tool that makes your undergraduate scholarship of \$100,000 or more even more valuable: the Century Challenge, which will match your fund's income for 100 years. Some giving opportunities:

- Provide general scholarship support: any amount up to \$25,000
- Create a current-use fellowship fund for a graduate student: \$25,000
- Create such a fund for two graduate students: \$50,000
- Support one student a year for eight years: \$100,000
- Endow a named student fellowship fund: \$250,000
- Endow a named fellowship, fully funding one graduate student, in perpetuity: \$2 million

“ I knew I wanted to go into international relations, and when I toured BU and Pardee, I knew this was the place for me.”

LORNEX RONO (PARDEE'19)

who fled violence in Kenya to come to Boston, graduated from Boston Public Schools with a 4.7 GPA, and received a full BU scholarship as a Thomas M. Menino Scholar