

SUPPORTING WITS IN **AUSTRALIA**

“ We cannot do it alone.
We invite you to walk the
Wits100 journey with us. ”

Professor Zebulon Vilakazi
Vice Chancellor
University of the Witwatersrand



DEVELOPING THE **NEXT GENERATION**

Throughout our history, Wits has produced local and global leaders across civil society, business, health and politics. We have transformed lives by developing people from marginalised communities and equipping them to lead society.

The future of our country and our continent depends on our ability to continue to nurture the next generation of leaders so that they can continue Wits' tradition of making an impact on our world.

Wits has been enrolling more postgraduate students to develop the high-level skills needed to move South Africa forward.

We need to provide scholarships, data and devices, ensure food, health and housing security, expand facilities, and increase the availability of sophisticated technologies to encourage and facilitate more scientific research.

YOUR SUPPORT CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

SCHOLARSHIPS AND ENDOWMENTS

You can make a real difference in the life of an academically deserving student who comes from a middle-class family but cannot afford a University education by sponsoring their yearly:

- ▶ tuition fees – **AU \$6,000**
- ▶ tuition, residence, living allowance – **AU \$12,000**

Student supporting endowments that recognise and perpetuate the name of the donor can be set up for donations of **AU \$150,000** or more.



AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

Comfortable, modern, well-resourced 'student learning spaces' for independent study and collaboration create the environment that facilitates opportunities for the development of skills required for success in the 21st century. We also seek to increase the availability of sophisticated technologies to encourage and facilitate innovative, problem-solving research. These spaces and facilities can be named in honour of donors. Spaces can be sponsored from **AU \$10,000**.

BASIC SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS

As first generation university students, many of our students require additional support for basic necessities such as food, housing, computers and data to ensure their success. Any amount can make a big difference in a student's life.

ASSISTING DESERVING STUDENTS TO GRADUATE

Students who have completed all the criteria to graduate in their academic programme, but still have outstanding fees, may not be able to due to their outstanding debt. Some of these students, many of whom would be first time graduates, eventually lose hope and drop out thereby forfeiting their many years of studying. By committing any amount you can contribute to the financial support required to alleviate a student's outstanding debt and enable the student to graduate and confidently begin their career.

DEVELOPING FEMALE ACADEMIC LEADERS

The Female Academic Leadership Fellowship is driving the representation of female African and women of colour in academic leadership and management positions within the academic sector. Donations of **AU \$1,000** or more can make a real difference to this programme

ENSURING **BETTER HEALTH** FOR ALL

Wits is home to one of the best health sciences faculty on the Continent. Our students train in some of the largest hospitals in the southern hemisphere and work on the frontline with talented, caring healthcare professionals to save lives. Our reach extends to care and treatment in clinics throughout the country, including at the Wits Rural Campus in Mpumalanga which serves as a hub for interdisciplinary and longitudinal research.

We understand the interconnections between infectious and communicable diseases, bioinformatics and molecular biosciences, the future of precision medicine and genetics, public healthcare systems and management, and the ethical and governance issues implicit in these fields. This places us in good stead to lead health innovation in the country.

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WITS HEALTHCARE INNOVATION PROJECTS

<https://www.thisiswhi.org/>

Student-based organization developing interdisciplinary innovative solutions to South Africa's healthcare problems. Examples include:

- ▶ Validating artificial intelligence-based mammography screening algorithms
- ▶ A blockchain-based incentive system for the public healthcare sector
- ▶ Evaluating the effectiveness of patient generated data using Abby Health Stations as a tool.

Contributions from **AU \$5,000** and above can make a substantial impact on delivering these innovative solutions

SUPPORT AN UNDERGRADUATE MEDICAL STUDENT FOR A YEAR

You can make a real difference in the life of an academically deserving student who comes from a middle class family but cannot afford a University education by sponsoring their medical studies:

- ▶ tuition fees: **AU \$ 8,000**
- ▶ tuition, residence, living allowance: **AU \$16,000**



SUPPORTING POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS DOING WORLD CLASS RESEARCH THAT DIRECTLY IMPACTS THE SOUTH AFRICAN HEALTHCARE ECOSYSTEM

You can support the work of talented postgraduate students working across a range of critical fields by sponsoring their endeavours for a yearly amount of **AU \$ 20,000**. This includes students doing Masters in Public Health (MPH), Masters in Medicine (MM) and specialist research Masters and PhDs across a very wide range of specialist fields.

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Additional project information is available on request.

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