ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIPS

Investing in high-quality faculty who provide exceptional experiences for students and institutional progress.

Augsburg University’s average class size is 16 students. We believe excellence in the liberal arts and professional studies is dependent on faculty who know their students. A strong relationship with a professor is often the essential ingredient to setting graduates on their path to success.

Endowed professorships are important because they empower our university to attract and retain faculty of the highest caliber, which enhances the overall academic and financial resiliency of our institution.

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Endowed professorships are a key way donors like you can support the mission of Augsburg University. Donors can name a professorship with an endowment gift of $1 million or more.

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The Augsburg Podcast features voices of the Augsburg community. Get to know the faculty and staff who help students grow into informed citizens, thoughtful stewards, critical thinkers, and responsible leaders.

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BERNHARD M. CHRISTENSEN CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF RELIGION AND VOCATION
Marty Stortz, Ph.D., has served as the second Christensen Chair and Professor of Religion and Vocation with acclaimed experience as a scholar, teacher, and leader in church, academia, and society. Stortz plays a fundamental role in the interpretation and advancement of Augsburg’s institutional vocation. Funded by an anonymous gift, the Christensen Chair is Augsburg’s first endowed professorship named in honor of Augsburg’s fifth president who served in that role from 1938–1962.

JOHN N. SCHWARTZ PROFESSOR OF CHORAL LEADERSHIP AND CONDUCTING
Augsburg recently appointed Kristina Boerger to this endowed professorship, beginning Fall 2018. Named for alumnus John N. Schwartz ’67, the professorship is supported by an operational fund that provides for creative choral activities. The choral program combines music reflective of a pluralistic society, superior choral performance standards, and our university’s commitment to civic engagement and inclusion.

SUNDQUIST BUSINESS PROFESSORSHIP ENDOWMENT
Business Department Chair Jeanne Boeh was named the Sundquist Endowed Professor of Business Administration, beginning September 2019. The Sundquist Professorship supports Business Administration, Augsburg’s largest academic department with the most undergraduate majors on campus. Boeh is a professor of economics and has been teaching at Augsburg since 1990. She often appears in media interviews and on business panels given her talent for bringing complex business concepts to life.

Create a sustainable legacy with an endowed professorship
Gifts to create an endowed professorship begin with a $1 million investment and include a naming benefit.
- Endowed Professorships help recruit and retain talent.
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- For an increasingly more powerful endowment, make your commitment now. Early gifts are critical to build momentum in the campaign.

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