



WE LIKE TO SAY THAT OUR FACULTY ARE THE HEART AND SOUL OF OUR UNIVERSITY. WHY? BECAUSE THE KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE OUR STUDENTS GAIN WILL ONLY BE AS STRONG AS THE FACULTY WHO TEACH THEM.

- WSU PROVOST RICK MUMA



## HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT WSU FACULTY?

Your philanthropic gift helps Wichita State remain vibrant, responsive and focused on the future.

### #1 ENDOW A CHAIR OR PROFESSORSHIP

Chairs and Professorships are the highest tribute a university can bestow on a faculty member. These faculty members also attract and inspire the finest students and they help WSU recruit top educators who want to work at an institution dedicated to improving the lives of people in Wichita, Kansas and beyond.

**Your investment:** A minimum of \$2 million\* to endow a Chair or \$500,000\* to endow a Professorship. These gifts may be made over a period of up to five years and they are partially matched through the state of Kansas' Faculty of Distinction program.

### #2 ENDOW A FACULTY FELLOW

Faculty Fellow positions recognize the important work of our most dedicated faculty members, not only in educating students but also in activities that contribute to their profession and community. The financial support generated by the gift rewards them for the outstanding job they do every day and helps Wichita State recruit and retain top educators.

**Your investment:** A minimum of \$250,000 to endow a faculty fellow.

This gift may be made over a period of up to five years.

*\*Minimum amount may vary by academic college*

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# WICHITA STATE FACULTY ARE TRANSFORMING THE WORLD



## ENDOWING CHAIRS PROFESSORSHIPS FELLOWS



# WSU EDUCATORS ARE ACHIEVING **GREAT THINGS.** YOUR GIFT WILL HELP THEM DO **EVEN MORE.**

Imagine being able to apply information gleaned from big data to solve some of Kansas' most pressing issues or having the capacity to increase the quality of health for people living throughout Wichita. Or, consider how we might bring disruptive technologies to the marketplace and improve lives by combining engineering, design, and business as a collaborative discipline. These aspirational goals can be realized when Wichita State hires faculty who are on the forefront of their fields in these and other areas that wrestle with some of the most daunting challenges facing us today. Doing so requires the support of private donors who recognize the importance of attracting and retaining university faculty capable of affecting positive change in our community and inspiring students to transform the world. Here are a few examples of endowed faculty who set the standard for this kind of work.



**VIS  
MADHAVAN**

## **ENGINEERING**

Dr. Madhavan is recognized internationally for his revolutionary research to improve manufacturing technologies for the aviation and defense industries. His prototype for a machining concept to reduce materials loss and set-up costs resulted in a \$1 million contract recently with the Department of Defense. He founded Fairmount Technologies to commercialize technologies for manufacturing components and assemblies. Dr. Madhavan is also a senior research engineer at the National Institute of Standards and Technology. He holds the Sam Bloomfield Chair in Engineering Innovation.



**TRISHA  
SELF**

## **HEALTH PROFESSIONS**

Dr. Self has dedicated her teaching, research and service to improving the lives of children with Autistic Spectrum Disorder. As the number of children diagnosed with ASD has increased dramatically, Dr. Self's profile as a national expert also has risen. In Wichita, she created a team of health professionals from multiple disciplines to diagnose children before the age of 5 so they can receive the best care possible and increase their chances of living successful lives. Over the past 25 years, she has equipped hundreds of WSU students with the skills to help children with ASD. Dr. Self is the Paul M. Cassat Distinguished Chair in Communications Sciences and Disorders.



**JEREMY  
PATTERSON**

## **INNOVATION DESIGN**

Dr. Patterson is dean of WSU's newest college, the Institute for Interdisciplinary Innovation. Its mission is to help develop disruptive technologies and next-generation products. Its students learn how to combine engineering, design and business to create solutions that improve lives and have value in the marketplace. Dr. Patterson holds several patents and, as director of WSU's Human Performance Lab, helped start more than 25 businesses before being named dean in 2016. He has had external funding since arriving at WSU in 2004, totaling more than \$2 million from agencies such as NASA, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the National Science Foundation. Patterson holds the Katherine and Edith Erker Professorship.