

School of Leadership and Education Sciences

Preparing Leaders

Leading
Change™
THE CAMPAIGN FOR USD

Endowed Professorships: \$2.5 million

Background

The School of Leadership and Education Sciences seeks \$2.5 million to establish **endowed professors**.

Education must have as its foundation a vision of enhancing human dignity and the quality of life. To do so, human service professionals must focus on moral perspectives in their professional and community lives to engage in effective practices to make a positive impact. The faculty members and staff of the School of Leadership and Education Sciences (SOLES) seek to impart this vision to their students.

Objectives

The School of Leadership and Education Sciences is seeking endowed chairs and endowed professorships for each of its three academic departments. SOLES faculty members are world-leaders and educators. Prospective students are attracted to USD and the school in large part due to the curriculum and unparalleled caliber of the academic environment. The establishment of these endowments would ensure that the School of Leadership and Education Sciences could attract and retain the most accomplished and promising faculty.

Additionally, these endowments serve as reward and recognition for the faculty. They represent an acknowledgement of their career achievements and augment the departments' stature on local and national levels.

Leadership Studies: An acknowledged pioneer in the understanding of leadership dynamics, the Department of Leadership Studies addresses the demands of a changing world for new answers. Its award-winning faculty is committed to personalizing the experience of each student to empower them to contribute in a more fulfilling manner regardless of their profession or position. The experience is enriched as participants in a variety of professional disciplines engage in research and scholarship, train to be adaptive to technology, and then

apply their practice in real world environments. The result is a personal transformation that creates an effective agent of change with a unique global perspective.

Learning and Teaching: The Department of Learning and Teaching offers credentials, certificates and degree programs for educators at every stage of their careers. The programs are designed to prepare students to address the needs of the multi-ethnic, multi-lingual, and multi-racial students of all ages. The goal is to create an academically rich environment, to engage our students in contemporary and innovative research-based practices and to develop teacher leaders who embrace a global perspective guided by our mission of addressing the needs of all learners in a culture of care.

Counseling and Marital and Family Therapy: The Department of Counseling and Marital and Family Therapy offers graduate programs designed to prepare effective, caring, and cross-culturally competent professionals in the fields of counseling (with specializations in clinical and school counseling) and marital and family therapy. Its programs offer evidence-based curricula complemented by carefully chosen practicum placements throughout San Diego. Students work as counselors and therapists in schools, hospitals, clinics and other nonprofit agencies serving diverse communities with a wide variety of needs. We share a commitment to putting our knowledge into action locally, nationally and globally to promote mental health and to deliver high quality care.

Impact

It is SOLES' responsibility to prepare students with the professional knowledge, skills, and ethical perspectives they will need for effective leadership and practice in a diverse society. It seeks to become, and encourage students to become, life-long learners engaged in scholarly inquiry, research, and professional development.

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