



College of Health Sciences  
Fay W. Whitney  
School of Nursing

Dear Nursing Supporter,

I came to UW in 1992 and was thrilled to come back to my birthplace. My goal was to make a difference in health and health care in Wyoming. Being on faculty and then becoming the dean of the Fay W. Whitney School of Nursing allowed me to work towards just that. I've been able to be a part of local and statewide initiatives with significant impact, such as ReNEW (our statewide BSN curriculum shared by UW and all seven community college nursing programs) and the Downtown Clinic (a free clinic for the uninsured in Laramie).

This summer, I returned to my faculty role and turned over the deanship to Dr. Sherrill Smith. As a farewell gift, a number of friends, family, and colleagues surprised me by endowing a fund in my name and giving me the opportunity to decide what the fund should be used for. I have designated the fund to support student experiential and professional development. This fund, called the Mary E. Burman Fund for Student Experiential Opportunities in Nursing, will complement other endowed funds in the School of Nursing that support faculty and staff development.

In my role as dean, I've been able to witness first-hand what students can gain from a variety of extracurricular activities, such as attending a national meeting or participating in a study abroad course. Morgan Lu (BSN, 2019) had the opportunity to attend the AACN Student Health Policy Summit in Washington, D.C., which she thoroughly enjoyed. She enthusiastically writes, "Having the opportunity to participate in the AACN student policy summit opened up a whole new side of nursing that I never even considered. It empowered me to take action in the political realm of advocacy even as a student. Going to Washington, D.C., to represent the University of Wyoming has been one of the most impactful experiences of my college career." This is the kind of experience and outcome I'd like from this new endowed fund.

I invite you to join me, friends, colleagues, and family in supporting and growing this endowed fund. Quite frankly, the bigger the endowment, the more students we can support through experiences that expand and extend what they are already getting in their programs! You can donate through the UW Foundation's secure website at [www.uwyo.edu/giveonline](http://www.uwyo.edu/giveonline), you can use the enclosed form, or you can call the UW Foundation at (307) 766-6300.

I am grateful for the support of so many and promise that your contribution will be used to further the leadership development of our students.

Sincerely,

Mary E. Burman  
Professor



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