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We are deeply thankful to you, the University of Wyoming's dedicated and enthusiastic donors, for all that you do. UW's missions in education, research, and service are made possible through your support.

In fiscal year 2016 ending June 30, private giving totaled \$63.1 million, bringing the five-year fundraising average to \$50.8 million. Because of your support, there are now 1,376 endowments that support students, faculty, colleges, and programs across campus and beyond.

Key gifts this year include the following:

- FEI for SER/engineering
- the McMurry Foundation in honor of Mick and Susie McMurry for athletic facilities
- Tom and Debbe Spicer for environment and natural resources and internationalism
- Donne and Sue Fisher for entrepreneurship
- Paul Volz for the American Heritage Center
- Tony Cercy for athletic facilities
- the Daniels Fund for the UW Trustees Education Initiative
- Marian H. Rochelle for athletic facilities
- Baker Hughes for SER/engineering

The UW Foundation closed the books on another successful year in raising private support for UW while also strengthening the university through prudent investment and financial management. Our success is your success—this public-private partnership helps ensure that Wyoming's university keeps striving to be one of the best.

Your individual fund reports are enclosed. If you have questions regarding the attached financial information, please contact Mary Ann Garman, Vice President for Financial Services, at (307) 766-3939 or email to mag@uwyo.edu or Ben Blalock, UW Foundation President/CEO, at (307) 766-3948 or email to bblalock@uwyo.edu. We offer our sincerest thanks for your generous support.





OUR MOST SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISING YEAR

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he year 2016 was our most successful ever! Thanks to you, the University of Wyoming and the UW Foundation raised more than \$63.1 million in private gifts for FY 2016. This total broke all previous private giving records and is the first time in UW's history that private philanthropy has surpassed the \$60 million mark. This total from 21,060 individuals, corporations, and foundations brings the five-year fundraising average up to \$50.8 million a year.

This invaluable private support provides Wyoming's university a margin of excellence over and above the solid base of funding from the Wyoming Legislature—which helps Wyoming's university go from *good* to *great*.

It shows. UW was ranked in the top 15 percent of U.S. public colleges and universities and no. 2 among Mountain West Conference schools by *Business First*, a business journal. *Forbes* ranked us in the top 25% of public universities. *Backpacker Magazine* ranked us the no. 3 outdoors school in the nation. Our degree programs and organizations have been recognized as among the best, and our faculty and students regularly receive honors and awards.

The university keeps excelling at what it does best—educating future leaders. This year, UW awarded 2,159 bachelor's degrees, the most ever, and enrollment is holding steady and expected to rise. We're working hard to recruit and retain students, and we're making it easier for students to enroll through transfer agreements with Wyoming's community colleges.

Service to the state is one of the key missions of Wyoming's university, and UW's programs that have been impacting the state include ag extension, ECHO for healthcare and education, BSN nursing programs, the Wyoming Technology Business Center, the Artmobile, the Open Spaces Initiative, the World to Wyoming lecture series, the Literacy Research Center and Clinic, and Saturday University, among many others.

UW has a big impact on the economic health of Wyoming, adding nearly \$130 million to Wyoming's economy and creating over 2,200 jobs. UW also impacts Wyoming through value-added products, which means taking cutting-edge research and creating products that have commercial application.



The people of our state appreciate UW's hard work. A recent survey shows that a strong majority of Wyoming residents believe that UW provides excellent undergraduate education, has steadily improved in recent years, and is an appealing place for Wyoming students to attend college. Students give us great reviews, too—more than 90 percent of UW students are pleased with their education, and they express higher-than-average satisfaction with the university's overall college experience, variety of course offerings, facilities, and personal safety.

And it's not just Wyoming that's impacted—UW is impacting the world. Through study abroad, students take their experiences to the world and bring them back home. Faculty conduct research and work with others across the globe.

For example, UW was selected by the DOE National Energy Technology Laboratory to be part of a prestigious nationwide energy coalition to investigate the future of fossil energy. Governor Matt Mead has tasked UW with becoming a center of excellence in cyber defense. UW professors contribute to “winning the war on cancer” through their research on bacterial drones that kill tumors. The UW Center for International Human Rights Law and Advocacy recently shared in a major legal victory for human rights in “the Brown v. Board of Education of East Africa.” UW researchers discovered 100 of the fastest-moving stars in the Milky Way

galaxy. These are just a few of UW's world-changing projects.

This amazing research with its global impact is supported with grants from organizations such as the federal departments of Agriculture, Education, Energy, and Health and Human Services and the National Science Foundation, among many others.

UW is supported by state-of-the-art facilities. A partnership with the NCAR-Wyoming Supercomputing Center and its Yellowstone array, now upgraded to the three-times faster Cheyenne array, provides some of the most powerful computing power in the world. Mount Moran is UW's on-campus high-performance computing site. WyoCloud is UW's new Oracle cloud-based systems for the management of finances and human capital, and UW's petaLibrary is a digital storage system that enhances researchers' ability to store and share data with collaborators and students around the world.

New facilities include the Engineering Education and Research Building, the High Bay Research Facility, the Mick and Susie McMurry High Altitude Performance Center, and Phase 2 of the Arena-Auditorium renovation.

All these successes are being carried on into the future by an exciting leadership team. We are delighted to welcome new UW President Laurie Nichols, experienced educator and administrator formerly of South Dakota State, who assumed

her post in May. Kate Miller, an accomplished geophysicist from Texas A&M, took on the role of provost in August.

Initiatives focus UW's energies. The Wyoming Governor's Energy, Engineering, STEM Integration Task Force created a plan to promote excellence in instruction, research, and service, which prompted the Tier-1 Engineering Initiative that will take engineering to the next level. The UW Science Initiative developed a plan to address outdated science laboratories and improve instruction and research. The Trustees Education Initiative will elevate the UW College of Education to national pre-eminence in professional educator preparation. Diversity is also a priority.

As the university evolves and adapts, so too does the UW Foundation. In addition to tried-and-true methods of fundraising, we're bringing on board exciting new opportunities. In May, we instituted You Fund, a crowdfunding platform and an innovative way to address opportunities that don't lend themselves to traditional fundraising methods. We also hosted UW's second annual UW Giving Day on November 29, raising over \$80,000 in just one day.

Huge credit for the success of the University of Wyoming this past year is due to the support of the Wyoming Governor and Legislature, and credit is due to you, our enthusiastic and loyal donors and friends. Thank you, from the bottom of our hearts!

ENDOWMENT PERFORMANCE

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ndowments are the tools that allow yesterday's students to help today's and tomorrow's students achieve their educational goals, sending them down the road to a successful life.

Everyone relies on budgets to be able to balance the amount of money coming in against expenses, and a university is no different. Endowments are one of the tools that allows the University of Wyoming to budget effectively, their reliability allowing the university to create its financial plan for the coming year. That's because endowments provide a firm foundation of assets that are held in perpetuity, which creates a steady stream of funding for those purposes chosen by the donor. This income provides a margin of excellence over and above the baseline of support from the Wyoming Legislature.

Every year, in accordance with its payout policy, the UW Foundation distributes millions of dollars from endowments to the university for expenditures such as student assistance, faculty support, library acquisitions, academic program support, and equipment purchases and maintenance. The UW Foundation uses a weighted formula for calculating payout amounts. The payout policy is the result of a careful review of models used by Yale, Stanford, and other major higher education institutions and is designed to smooth year-to-year variations in market performance so that the colleges and units within the university are able to budget more accurately with a predictable and reliable source of funding.

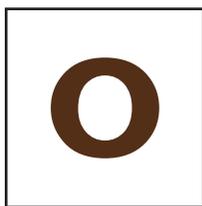
When a donor creates an endowed fund, the gift buys shares—much like mutual funds—in the endowment pool. Adding these funds to the endowment pool broadens investment possibilities much more than if each endowment were invested individually. Accounting, however, is done separately for each fund, and based upon the number of shares owned in the pool, income is distributed after an initial one-year waiting period. Endowment distributions may be made from current income, accumulated income, realized appreciation, and principal to the extent necessary to meet the distribution requirements of the payout policy. Earnings above the amount of distributions are added to the corpus, enabling the principal to continue to grow and providing a hedge against inflation.

There are now 1,415 University of Wyoming endowments, and the pooled fund had grown to \$437.7 million as of December 31, 2016.





INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE



One of the primary missions of the University of Wyoming Foundation is to exercise superior stewardship of the gifts entrusted to the university. The UW Foundation Board of Directors—in consultation with its professional investment advisor Meketa Investment

Group from Boston, Massachusetts—works diligently to proactively manage the foundation’s portfolio. The UW Foundation staff and Board of Directors Investment Committee are responsible for determining the investment policy and selecting investment managers for the endowment pool. They combine diverse areas of expertise to bring a wealth of financial experience to the management of the foundation’s investments.

The assets managed by the foundation have grown significantly over the years and have allowed donors to support an expanding number of students, faculty, facilities, and academic programs—even at times when other universities have had to cut back. Funds invested by the foundation include cash, reserve balances, charitable remainder unitrusts and gift annuities, outright gifts, and endowments. The foundation attempts to achieve a balance between current requirements and future needs—to provide a stable and growing income stream to the University of Wyoming while preserving the purchasing power of the endowment assets.

The board continues to proactively manage the assets to balance stability with rate of return, and the foundation portfolio is fully diversified. The UW Foundation uses a sophisticated asset allocation typical of much larger institutions, which has resulted in more secure foundation holdings that are not unduly influenced by the highs and lows of the equity

and bond markets or changes in the political climate. The risk, return, and correlation characteristics of the alternative asset classes provide greater portfolio diversification and stability because of their low correlations to the traditional fixed income and equity asset classes. Now more than ever, well-balanced asset allocations have been shown to consistently perform better over time under varying market conditions, rather than being heavily invested in one or two asset classes or trying to time the market.

Currently, the pooled permanent funds are invested across a broad range of asset classes in 72 funds among 52 different managers. With the input of the investment consulting firm, the board hires investment managers whose portfolios fit within the foundation’s investment strategy of long-term growth and minimizing risk versus reward. Target allocations and investment managers are reviewed at least quarterly to ensure objectives are being met, and assets are rebalanced to keep them in line with the target ranges for each asset class.

The pool of endowed funds as of December 31, 2016, totals over \$437.7 million.

The bottom line, however, is only part of the story—the UW Foundation provides services that go far beyond numbers on a page. We help people achieve their philanthropic goals and provide services such as estate planning. We facilitate and manage gifts at all stages in the process—we actively steward donors’ contributions before they become endowments (including pledges, short-term investments, and real estate), and after the fact we make sure endowments are directed according to donors’ wishes. We also connect alumni and friends of Wyoming with their university.



FINANCIAL REPORT BY THE NUMBERS

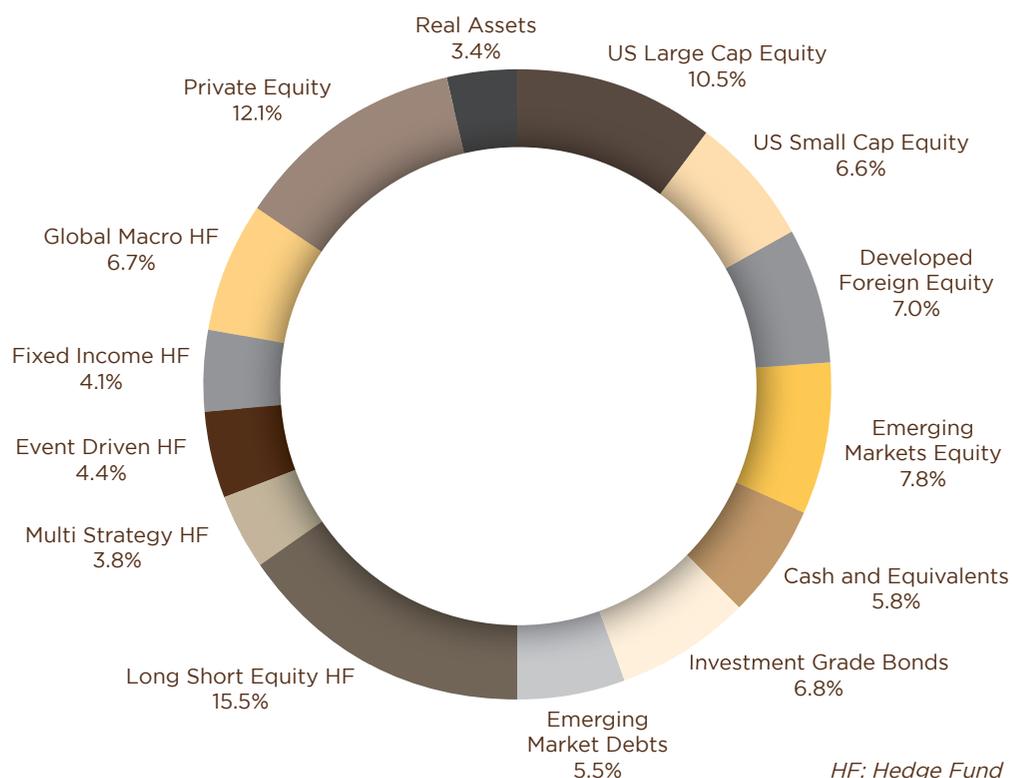
	Latest Quarter	One Year	Three Years	Five Years	Ten Years
NET TOTAL FUND PERFORMANCE					
Total Fund	0.6	4.1	3.0	7.6	4.4
S&P 500	3.8	12.0	8.9	14.7	6.9
Barclays US Aggregate	-3.0	2.6	3.0	2.2	4.3
MSCI Emerging Markets	-4.2	11.2	-2.6	1.3	1.8
Policy Index ⁽¹⁾	0.5	6.4	4.5	6.6	3.3

⁽¹⁾10% S&P 500 / 4% Russell 3000 / 7% MSCI EAFE / 7% MSCI Emerging Markets / 5% JP Morgan EMBI Global Diversified / 3% BBgBarc US Aggregate TR / 1% 91 Day T-Bills / 33% HFRI Fund Weighted Composite Index / 15% Cambridge Assoc. U.S. Private Equity Index / 15% CPI (inflation) + 3% (1-qtr lagged)

PORTFOLIO GROWTH IN MILLIONS



ASSET ALLOCATION



RAISING THE NEXT GENERATION OF RANCHERS

Y Cross Ranch Provides Significant Long-Term Funding for Agricultural Scholarships and Internships

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veryone needs to eat. That's why ag producers—farmers and ranchers—are so important. Without them, our way of life simply would not be possible.

And that's why agriculture scholarships and internships are so important. They not only encourage tomorrow's producers to follow what they love and to increase enrollment at Wyoming's only public university—they also develop the crops and ag technologies of tomorrow.

Even more moving is when a legacy profoundly impacts those who come after. The Y Cross Ranch is one such heritage.

The Y Cross Ranch Endowment supports undergraduate scholarships and internships in agriculture, natural resources, animal sciences, and veterinary medicine, as well as stipends for graduate students doing applied research on real-world issues of ranching, farming, and natural resource management.

Specifically, the fund created from the sale of the ranch supports hands-on experience-based learning opportunities outside the classroom. These may include practical internships on farms and ranches, laboratory and field research on issues important to Wyoming's agriculture, and travel to see best practices in operation, such as proper grazing in different settings.

This College of Agriculture and Natural Resources endowment totals more than \$10 million and will generate approximately \$400,000 annually that will directly benefit students.

The 60,000-acre Y Cross Ranch was a purebred cattle operation founded in 1941

by Courtenay C. Davis. Located in southeast Wyoming between Cheyenne and Laramie, the ranch was a large operation with a rich history.

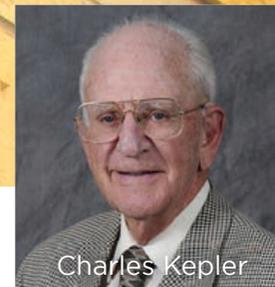
Born in 1901, Courtenay C. Davis graduated from Princeton University in 1924 and then earned his law degree from Northwestern. He practiced law in Chicago for the U.S. Attorney's Office, where in 1931 he was part of the prosecution of Al Capone on tax evasion. He owned two farms, one that grew corn and soybeans and the other dairy cows. After a few more years of working in Chicago, Courtenay pieced together the Y Cross and then moved there, where he actively ranched and lived for the rest of his life.

"He was a lawyer, but he was more interested in real estate," said his daughter Amy, who recalled spending Sunday afternoons driving around Chicago looking at properties. "Father was the secretary of the Chicago's Farmer's Club and a state champion badminton player."

Following Davis's death in 1995, the ranch was donated by the Courtenay C. Davis Foundation to the University of Wyoming Foundation and Colorado State University Research Foundation. The ranch was then a working laboratory for observation and study of plant and animal systems in a natural environment, along with providing scholarship and internship support for UW and CSU students majoring in agriculture and natural resources. An agricultural conservation easement preserves and protects natural habitat and natural ecosystems while promoting conservation.

The legacy of this ranch continues on through Wyoming's next generation of ranchers and farmers.

REAL LAW EXPERIENCE SAVES LIVES



Cody Attorney's Gift to UW's Legal Clinics Gives Students Invaluable Skills

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ttorneys go into the practice of law because they want to make a difference. They want to help people. The gift of a Cody attorney to the University of Wyoming is helping them do just that.

Students in the University of Wyoming College of Law don't have to wait. They help people almost immediately through Student Legal Clinics, which give students real legal experience. Caseloads are actual cases, and students work closely with approved law faculty and the client.

This is not a simulation, and all law students are encouraged to sign up for a clinic.

UW's Legal Clinics include international human rights, prosecution assistance, civil services, defender aid, energy and environmental and natural resources, and family and child advocacy, as well as an estate planning practicum.

For example, student attorneys in the International Human Rights Clinic have literally saved the lives of asylum seekers. This clinic is the only experiential learning program in the Mountain West focused on the promotion of international human rights, and it combines lawyering skills, international legal research, and human rights and asylum casework for real clients both in the U.S. and abroad. Student attorneys Ben Rose and Halinka Zolcik argued before Judge McGrail in the Denver immigration court on behalf of a detained client from Eritrea—their second such case. They were supervised by attorney and professor Suzan Pritchett. The court awarded their client asylum in the light of evidence so convincing that the judge declined to hear a closing statement and the government attorneys waived their right to appeal.

"My client will no longer wonder if he has somewhere to live safely," Zolcik says. "Today, my client will for the first time know he can stay somewhere permanently without fearing torture. I am not happy because I won—I am happy because I helped save my client's life."

She adds, "I will never forget today and am so humbled by all the great help I have had to prepare me for this case. For my very first trial before a judge, I could not have asked for a better team or a better clinic. It is a powerful thing to know you have saved someone's life."

Charles "Kep" Kepler was also a Wyoming attorney who wanted to make a difference. He enrolled at UW in 1940 but didn't earn his JD until 1948—after he'd been awarded a Purple Heart during World War II. He went on to have a career of over 60 years in the law and also generously supported the University of Wyoming and the other causes he believed in. He will be sorely missed as he passed away in 2012.

He and his family created the Kepler Fund for Professional Education that supports the UW Law Clinics. "The UW College of Law is important to the state of Wyoming and important to me," Kep said in 2002. "It is an outstanding school, one of the best in the country. I believe the Kepler family is unique in UW law school history in that three of us—myself, my daughter, and my nephew—graduated with UW law degrees, and all three with honors."

The Keplers made significant gifts for the Loretta Kepler Scholarship—which supports women first-year law students—and the Brimmer Legal Education Center, and through his work with the Paul Stock Foundation, Kep was instrumental in awarding literally hundreds of scholarships and grants to UW students.



BETTERING EDUCATION FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

The Ellbogen Foundation Launches Wyoming Civics Education

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oming stands upon the precipice of the best civics education in the United States. That is the sentiment of Matt Strannigan,

state director of the Wyoming We the People program, who says that dollars from the John P. Ellbogen Excellence Fund at the University of Wyoming has made all the difference in turning a good professional development program into a great one.

“The endowment from the Ellbogen Foundation allows us to reach Wyoming teachers currently delivering civics instruction and provide them the very best in professional development,” Strannigan says. “I don’t think anyone is doing it better, and that is because of Mary Ellbogen Garland (president of the John P. Ellbogen Foundation), the University of Wyoming, and the American Heritage Center.”

In 2015, the John P. Ellbogen Foundation graciously contributed \$350,000 to the University of Wyoming, with an additional \$250,000 in state matching funds, to support civics education throughout the state of Wyoming. These dollars support student and teacher education through

Wyoming History Day and Wyoming We the People programs.

The contribution from the Ellbogen Foundation will provide the opportunity for collaboration between Wyoming We the People and Wyoming History Day. Under the leadership and with the assistance of the faculty at the American Heritage Center (and beyond), both programs will allow unparalleled access to scholars, materials, and support and will provide both introductory and advanced development to Wyoming educators, including experiential learning and development experiences at historically significant sites throughout the state and nation.

“This is great news, and we salute the Ellbogen Foundation for its generous contribution and commitment to civics education,” says Wyoming State Supreme Court Chief Justice E. James Burke. “We have no doubt that the educational dividends generated by this contribution will benefit our state and its citizens for years to come.”

This past year, 30 teachers from across Wyoming participated in an advanced professional development course on the civil rights

movement during a trip to Birmingham, Alabama, where they visited locations of the tumultuous 1960s civil rights movement.

“What has Ellbogen monies meant? Everything,” Strannigan says. “And I think it is having a profound impact. That is a different kind of learning environment. You can’t replace *place*. It’s a great way for history to come alive.”

In February 2017, students from across the state once again descended upon Laramie to showcase their civic knowledge in the Wyoming state finals of We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution. Six teams and more than 200 students competed. In the team competition, each team member acted as an expert witness in a mock judicial hearing, testifying before a panel of judges comprised of legal scholars, justices, lawyers, and civic and community leaders.

Last year, Wyoming state champion Sheridan High School, taught by Tyson Emborg, won an individual unit award at the National We the People Finals competition.



KEEPING IT IN THE FAMILY



Lyman McDonald, Wally Erickson, Dale Strickland

Wyoming Consulting Firm Western EcoSystems Technology (WEST) Doubles Down on Wyoming Students



When Lyman McDonald was starting his career with the University of Wyoming as a young statistics professor, he

was introduced to ecologist Dale Strickland, a UW Ph.D. candidate who was soon to begin his career with the Wyoming Game and Fish Department. Over the course of 15 years, the two interacted on a number of projects and became very good friends—often hunting, fishing, and enjoying UW football and basketball games together.

In 1989 the Exxon Valdez ran aground in the Prince William Sound off the coast of Alaska, spilling more than 11 million gallons of crude oil into the sea. Lyman began work on the oil spill almost immediately. Dale left the Wyoming Game and Fish Department to join Lyman at the University of Wyoming to study the environmental impacts of the oil spill on shoreline and intertidal flora and fauna for the federal government and the State of Alaska.

In 1990, they decided to combine their knowledge into their own private ecological consulting firm, Western EcoSystems Technology, Inc. (WEST). As founders of the company, Lyman and Dale approached a UW graduate student,

Wally Erickson, about assisting them with the Exxon project as part of his graduate research. The next year, when it came time for Wally to graduate, Lyman and Dale hired him as their first employee, and he's been with them ever since—now serving as the chief executive officer of WEST.

“It really fell into place when the company got started,” Wally says. “I was working as a graduate research assistant on the oil spill, so when I came to WEST and I was finishing up my master’s, they hired me. I liked Wyoming and was with a company that was doing really interesting cutting-edge monitoring and research. Dale and Lyman were great to work for, and WEST has been an amazing company to be a part of.”

Recently, WEST decided to invest even further in the future of University of Wyoming young men and women by creating the WEST Research Awards for Quantitative Analysis in Wildlife and Fisheries Ecology. Scholarships from this newly established endowment are awarded to graduate students in the Department of Statistics and the Department of Zoology and Physiology and are intended to promote and enhance quantitative research on wildlife and/or fisheries ecology. The WEST Research

Awards provide support for graduate student research and stipends for students who lose their funding in months outside the standard academic calendar year.

“Most graduate assistants do not receive funding during summer breaks,” says student Marie-Agnes S. Tellier. “So most of us have to find alternative income during the summer, especially if we support a family. While working, little to no progress is usually made on the research front, essentially pausing our Ph.D. for three to four months, making it difficult to start right back up in September.”

With 17 offices and field stations in 15 states and one Canadian province, WEST has grown to be one of the premier environmental and statistical consulting firms in North America. Today, WEST currently employs 130 employees, 60 of which are University of Wyoming graduates.

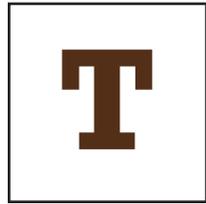
“It’s a great opportunity for us,” Dale says. “We hire students from the University of Wyoming because when we hire them they’re well educated and good potential employees, so the more we can help the university produce strong students, the better off we are as a company.”

THE ROY J. SHLEMON CENTER FOR QUATERNARY STUDIES



Roy Shlemon

Building an Intellectual Interdisciplinary Network at UW



The Quaternary Period of Earth's geologic history spans the last 2.6 million years—a relatively short time when you consider Earth is approximately 4.5 billion years old. And like this period in Earth's history,

the study of the Quaternary is equally fresh at roughly 40 years old—only a blink of the eye in the history of science. But what sets Quaternary studies apart is the diversity to which it may be applied. That's because its core purpose is to connect researchers through cross-disciplinary communication and collaboration.

“It forces people to talk to each other,” says Roy Shlemon, whose gift founded the Roy J. Shlemon Center for Quaternary Studies on the UW campus. “It is a form of synergism and they learn from each other—faculty, students, and even visitors can come in and express their ideas and exchange ideas.”

Generally speaking, the Quaternary is the period of geologic time in which man has been present. It studies all aspects of the environment during that time, including the ways in which man has influenced the landscape and environment over time and into the future.

The Quaternary Center was founded by a gift of \$50,000 from Shlemon in 2008, with a \$50,000 match from the State of Wyoming. In the years since, Roy's generosity has continued with a further \$450,000, all state matched, putting the endowment at just over \$1 million today.

The center's mission is to address critical areas of science and technology, environment and natural resources, and professions critical to the state and region. Since its inception, the center has facilitated collaboration between more than 20 faculty members in six different

departments across campus, building an intellectual interdisciplinary community of geologists, geophysicists, geographers, glaciologists, hydrologists, paleoclimatologists, paleontologists, botanists, ecologists, archaeologists, and civil engineers.

“The activities of the Quaternary Center directly align with many state needs ranging from managing our water supplies and soils to assessing risks associated with earthquakes, landslides, and fires,” says director of the center Bryan Shuman. “Students involved in the center work on projects that prepare them for a range of earth science and natural resource careers.”

The Quaternary Center also offers fellowships to graduate students, which includes field studies, in the Geology and Geophysics department. Field studies give graduate students practical experience while they obtain degrees within their home departments, but they also benefit from interdisciplinary courses, multi-departmental student and faculty functions, and multi-departmental committee memberships.

Few institutions have equal depth and excellence in this area. Shlemon hopes that as the program continues to grow, it will begin to bring the Law School and College of Health Sciences into the fold as well. Those applications, he says, are also vital for practical, real-world applications of Quaternary studies.

“Professionally, it has made my life,” Shlemon says. “It helped me to help resolve any number of practical problems around the world, and it helped me to even make a few dollars to assist the university. It also puts Wyoming on the map from an academic standpoint. Not too many schools have something called a Quaternary Center, which has almost unlimited possibilities to meet the needs and interest of the state.”



SUPPORTING WYOMING'S UNIVERSITY



The UW Foundation was established in 1962 and is appointed by the University Board of Trustees to raise, receive, and manage private gifts to maximize support

for the University of Wyoming. It is an independent nonprofit corporation with a Board of Directors.

The UW Foundation Board of Directors consists of up to 30 voting members, six non-voting ex officio members, and as many voting emeritus members as may be elected by the board. The UW Foundation Board meets throughout the year to guide the foundation in achieving its mission. Board members bring a wealth of experience from a broad spectrum of careers and professional and personal backgrounds.

The University of Wyoming Foundation has been a dynamic partner with the University of Wyoming for many decades. Through the generosity of our many alumni and friends, the UW Foundation raises an average of \$50.8 million a year in private support—money that goes to students and the faculty, staff, and programs that support them. This private support helps to make UW the best educational institution possible.

You can support the University of Wyoming by giving your gift online at www.uwyo.edu/giveonline or contacting the University of Wyoming Foundation at (888) 831-7795 or (307) 766-6300 or by email at foundation@uwyo.edu.



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VISION

We aspire to be a premier strategic partner with the University of Wyoming in achieving its desire to become the nation's finest land-grant university.

MISSION

We enhance excellence and distinction at the University of Wyoming by securing private resources, delivering superior stewardship, and creating enduring relationships with all who share our pride in Wyoming's university.

CORE VALUES

We aspire to set the highest performance standards in the following areas, which we consider essential to the successful achievement of our mission and attainment of our vision.

- **Accountability:** Faithfully steward the resources entrusted to us while maintaining transparency in all aspects of our management of these resources.
- **Integrity:** Demand the highest standards of professional conduct, acting at all times with truthfulness and integrity and adherence to the Donor Bill of Rights.
- **Quality:** Exceed expectations with exceptional service based on timeliness, accuracy, and responsiveness.
- **Trust:** Nurture high-trust relationships by listening carefully and communicating clearly.

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