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On the cover: Allen Trelease, Emeritus Professor, History

## LIFE IN TODAY'S GLOBAL SOCIETY DEMANDS MORE:

innovation, vision, exploration. The skills and critical capabilities needed are more complex, more comprehensive, more high-level than ever before.

In this competitive international education environment, our nation is losing its edge—just when we should be at the forefront. Graduate education is no longer an extra, but an essential: Without it goes any hope of finding a cure, solving the energy crisis, alleviating a child's trauma, starting the business that grows to employ thousands.

Who can make the difference and close this critical gap? The graduate students at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. They arrive from all walks of life—working professionals, continuing undergraduates, seekers of new knowledge. They enter our more than 120 diverse programs with dreams of personal growth. They come to build lives and careers that enhance the larger human community. Students engage in a wide range of research and learning, tackling every day the real challenges of our changing communities. They emerge fully prepared to create a better world.

Will they achieve these dreams? It's a tough call. It's true that UNCG offers extraordinary rigor, top-notch professors who offer uniquely personalized mentorship, an environment that values excellence and unparalleled opportunities for practical, life-changing research.

Yet to maintain this level of learning requires support. To keep a student on track and undistracted by financial stress takes scholarships—half of doctoral students nationwide leave without a degree, often for financial reasons. To remain competitive with our outstanding faculty takes investment. To attract the leaders of tomorrow takes your help.

In these pages, you can meet some of these future leaders—and discover how you can help them, and our nation, benefit from the education of a lifetime. EACH PERSON IN OUR UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY HAS A STORY THAT CAN CHANGE THE WORLD. How will you tell yours? What problem do you most want to solve? How can you expand your world? How can you have an effect on this nationwide educational challenge?

Luther Winborne Self asked these questions. He earned his PhD from UNCG at age 73, the oldest student ever to graduate from the school of education. He came to UNCG as a visiting professor, after a successful career in business, with an MBA. He believed students could make a difference to our future and he stood behind this by anonymously helping a fellow student financially. After his death, his wife and son expanded on his contribution. Today, the Luther Winborne Self Fellowships provide financial assistance to Educational Leadership and Cultural Foundations Department students at or nearing the dissertation stage.

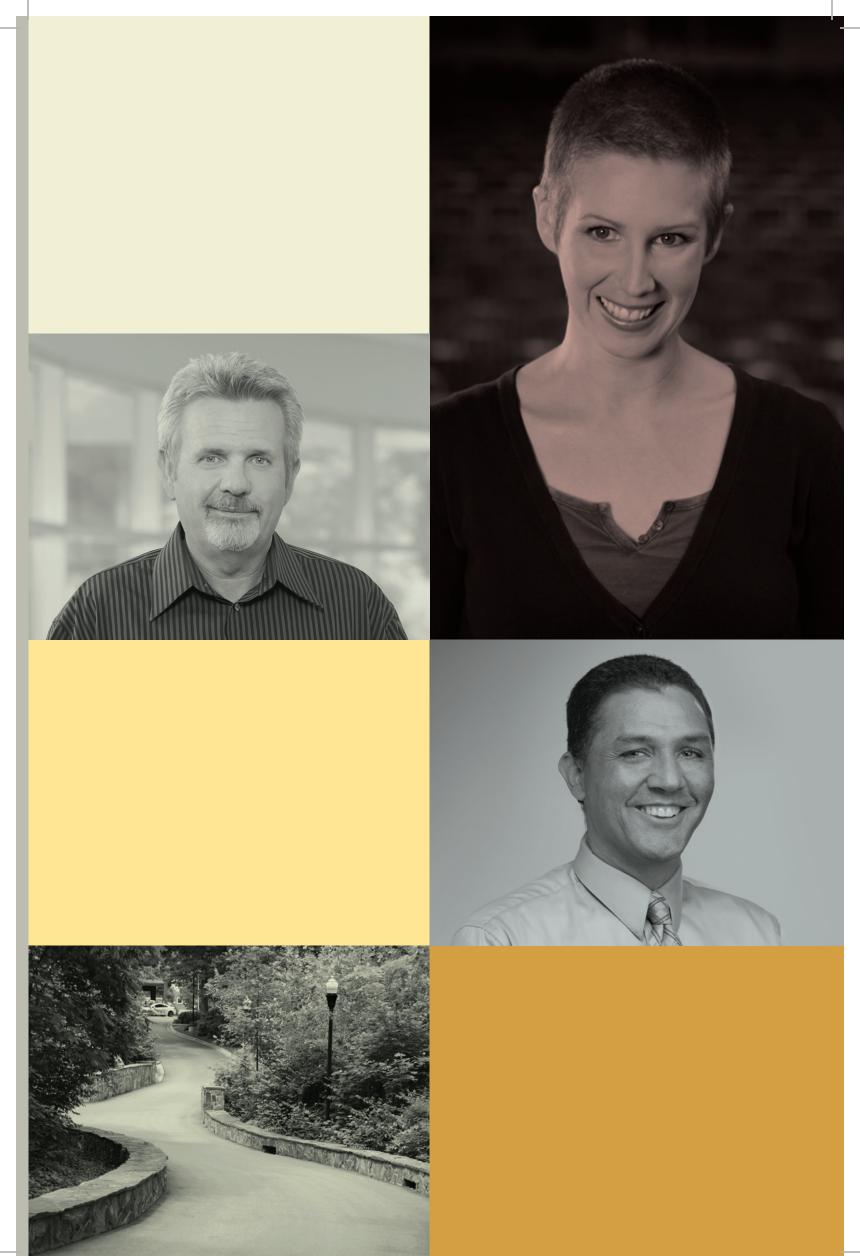
From one person helping one student to a legacy helping the nation—this is the impact of a donation to The Graduate School at The University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Graduate scholarships, unrestricted and university-wide, available in all fields of study, positions UNCG to attract the most promising students and productive faculty. A contribution to the Travel Fund allows PhD students in particular to travel to conduct research and present at national conferences, putting us on the map for innovative research. A named legacy gift marks the importance of an individual in the future of the university. Groups, families or businesses working together to create a fund can magnify the effect of a gift. Appropriate planned gift options can be designed to benefit the donor and the institution alike.

At this critical point, there is nothing more important to us than to continue to transform more students' lives—and through this, to improve the nation's future. We are ready to work with you to open up more opportunities to experience the education of a lifetime.

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