



Should you wish to discuss any aspect of Bournemouth University's work or receive additional information on leaving a gift to BU in your Will, we would be delighted to hear from you. All conversations will be treated in the strictest confidence. Please contact the Fundraising & Alumni Relations department on **01202 961085**, [fundraising@bournemouth.ac.uk](mailto:fundraising@bournemouth.ac.uk) or visit our website for further details on the benefits of leaving a gift in your Will.

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# Your legacy, our future

Leaving a gift in your Will  
to Bournemouth University





Our motto at BU is **Discere Mutari Est** – to learn is to change. It's a principle that runs through everything we do across education, research, professional practice and public engagement. In leaving a gift in your Will, you can support a learning community that strives every day to make an impact on the world around us – aiming to create a more sustainable, inclusive and healthy society.

From its origins in 1913, Bournemouth University (BU) has a proud history as one of the leading educational institutions in Dorset, and we remain one of the world's finest young universities. Our passionate and talented academics undertake research in fields as diverse as dementia care, innovative methods for early diagnosis of cancer, maritime archaeology and the protection and conservation of ecosystems under threat from climate change.

As a university and charity, philanthropic support is crucial and a legacy gift of any size could help BU continue to support our students, fund world-renowned academic research and provide the state-of-the-art learning environment to make it all possible.



## Your legacy gift will make a difference

Help the next generation of BU students realise their full potential regardless of their background and financial status – by funding much-needed student support initiatives.

Support our academics in their world-leading research and have a direct impact on our society - helping BU to preserve and understand the past, and improve our future.

Expand and modernise our campuses to create sustainable, environmentally-friendly and technologically-advanced facilities where our talented community can thrive.



## Our students

At BU, we believe that no individual should suffer academically because of financial barriers. We are committed to providing support to those who need it most. A gift in your Will to BU student support could help us:

**Fund studentships** to support talented students in need of financial support to thrive on their university journeys.

**Maintain our student support funds** to provide emergency non-repayable grants for students facing financial hardship during their time at university.

**Support placement opportunities** for students who may otherwise be unable to gain crucial experience to build towards their future careers.

**Fund prizes** which recognise the highest-achieving students in their respective fields.



## Our research

BU is home to dedicated and passionate academics striving to make a positive impact on our society by finding solutions to real-world problems. Here are two examples of our strategic research themes:

### Helping people live better for longer

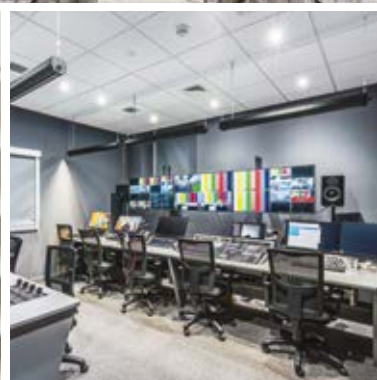
- Our researchers in The Ageing & Dementia Research Centre are producing work that significantly impacts the theory, education, and professional practice in nutritional care for those with dementia.
- Based in our MRI Centre, the Institute of Medical Imaging and Visualisation supports high-quality research, with programmes including studies into liver, pancreatic and biliary diseases, brain conditions and diabetes.
- Our highly-regarded Orthopaedic Research Institute is helping people with hip arthritis to live pain-free lives through its

ground-breaking Cycling Against Hip Pain programme. Working alongside regional hospitals and healthcare partners, they are helping people to live healthier, independent lives.

### Helping to protect and preserve a sustainable environment

- Our Institute for the Modelling of Socio-Environmental Transitions uses information on how past societies responded to environmental change to explore the most sustainable options available to present-day societies in response to similar pressures.
- We are also focusing on finding ways of protecting and enhancing coastal ecosystems, specifically in ports and harbours, which are areas typically hostile to marine life.
- BU academics are working on projects to widen our knowledge of ecosystems. From capturing heathland data in the Purbecks to monitoring wild salmon in the River Frome, analysing microbes in UK rivers and much more.





## Our campuses and facilities

**We believe that our students and academics should have access to buildings and facilities that allow them to produce their best work.**

From top industry standard television, film and audio studios at Poole Gateway Building to our state-of-the-art simulation hospital wards and ambulance suite in Bournemouth Gateway Building, we are committed to investing in providing the best

facilities while remaining true to our commitment to environmental sustainability.

BU aims to ensure all future builds incorporate renewable energy sources. A gift to BU will help us to build better, more sustainable and usable buildings which benefit our community, the environment and wider society. Our newest library is open 24 hours a day for study and research.

## Further information and next steps

**We recommend that you consult a solicitor when making or amending your Will.**

**Depending on your preferences, there are several types of legacy to consider, including:**

### **Residuary legacy\***

The bequest of all or part of your net estate after other legacies and provisions have been made. You do not have to specify the sum you would like to leave.

### **Pecuniary legacy**

This is a simple legacy of a specified sum of money.

### **Specific legacy\*\***

A legacy in the form of shares or other assets such as property, valuables, stocks or other items that BU can sell.

### **Suggested/example wording for Will:**

I give to Bournemouth University for its general purposes / for research / for student support / to enhance its physical facilities (please delete as appropriate).

The sum of \_\_\_\_\_ (£ \_\_\_\_\_)\* and I direct that the receipt of the Vice-Chancellor or other authorised officers of the said university shall be a sufficient discharge for my Executors / Trustees.

\* Whilst all types of legacy are valuable to the university, a Residuary legacy is less likely to be affected by inflation than other types, so it would be best placed to provide the support you intended at the time of writing your Will, thus maximising the value of your legacy.

\*\* For advice on the wording required for specific legacies, we recommend you consult a solicitor.



However you choose to support BU, **thank you**. Every gift helps us to create a better future for all, ensuring our community continues to grow and flourish.