



THE UNIVERSITY OF
SYDNEY

INSPIRED Giving

Supporting the greater good





Contents

- A snapshot of 20152
-
- A message from the Chancellor
and Vice-Chancellor4
-
- Growing a cure from cannabis6
- Preserving Aboriginal past and present8
- Investing in children 11
- Overcoming economic adversity 12
- Nurturing new music 14
- Crowdfunding animal care 16
- Living in the 2060s 18
- Supporting the carers 21
-
- INSPIRED board 2015 23
- Investment and Capital
Management Report 24

INSPIRED

The Campaign to support the University of Sydney

The INSPIRED campaign was launched to: drive new excellence at Sydney and establish key academic positions; increase support for our students; strengthen our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathways; improve our campus environment; and enrich our research.

Last year we raised \$137.6 million from 13,306 donors, helping surpass our ambitious goal of raising \$600 million by the end of 2017.

A full honour roll of donors is available online and includes a list of foundations that were established to bridge the gap between the University, industry and professions. We wish to thank the staff and volunteers of these organisations for their outstanding fundraising efforts during 2015.

– sydney.edu.au/inspired/honour-roll

If you would like to receive a printed copy of the honour roll please contact meghan.knox@sydney.edu.au

With your support, our researchers, staff and students can achieve extraordinary things. Thank you.

– sydney.edu.au/inspired



Paving the Way

Last year's annual 24-hour fundraising challenge supported students facing physical, mental health and financial barriers. Gifts also supported research to improve the health of people around the world.

Amount: \$3.6 million
 Donors: 1009
 Area: Student support, health research

A snapshot of 2015

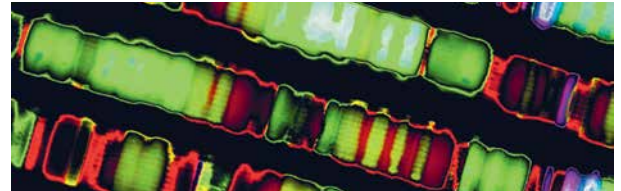
In 2015 we received more than \$137 million from generous alumni, friends, organisations and estates. Here are just a few examples of those gifts and their impact.



Liselotte Brasch bequest

This bequest will establish scholarships to help medical students experiencing financial hardship.

Amount: \$6 million
 Donor: The late
 Liselotte Brasch
 Area: Medicine



International Science School

This program provides opportunities for Year 11 and 12 students to study science at the University of Sydney.

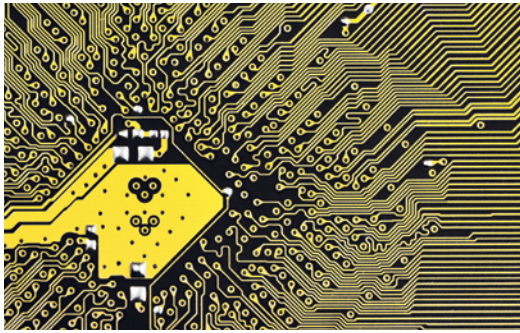
Amount: \$48,000
 Donors: 24
 Area: Science

Maurice Blackmore Chair in Integrative Medicine

This gift will establish the Maurice Blackmore Chair in Integrative Medicine. The chair will enable and advance independent research and scholarship in integrative medicine, and advocate for research to examine the best use of complementary medicines and alternative therapies.

Amount: \$1.3 million
 Donor: Blackmores Institute
 Area: Medicine





Scholarship boost for Master of Teaching program

This gift will provide scholarships to attract the University's top science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) graduates to the Master of Teaching degree and prepare them as specialist teachers for disadvantaged high schools in the Sydney area.

Amount: \$1 million
Donor: Mr Roger Massy-Greene and the Chancellor,
University of Sydney, Belinda Hutchinson AM
Area: Science, technology, engineering, mathematics

Tackling urban issues

This gift funds urban research to stimulate public discussion of topics such as affordable housing, reducing urban congestion and public transport solutions.

Amount: \$5 million
Donor: Mr Warren Halloran
Area: University of Sydney's
Henry Halloran Trust



NSW Freedom Ride Scholarship Fund

This fund will support talented Aboriginal students from across NSW in gaining a world-class education at the University of Sydney.

Amount: \$75,000 Donors: 426
Area: Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander students
Image: Blak Douglas, *Soul Train*, 2015 (detail)



Image: Gilbert & George, *Friendship*, 1982, photo-piece. JW Power Collection, the University of Sydney, managed by the Museum of Contemporary Art

Chau Chak Wing Museum

The new museum will allow precious and rarely seen objects from the University's collections to be displayed together for the first time. Of the estimated 700,000 objects in the three collections, 99 percent are currently in storage because of limited exhibition space.

Amount: \$15 million
Donor: Dr Chau Chak Wing
Area: Museums



June Rose Bullock bequest

This bequest will help attract the world's best feline specialists to work with the team of feline clinicians and researchers in the Faculty of Veterinary Science.

Amount: \$2.2 million
Donor: The late June Rose Bullock
Area: Veterinary Science

A message

From the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor

You are part of a powerful community donating to support our quest to be the best, and to change lives. Your generosity and foresight never cease to amaze us.


Two years ahead of schedule the INSPIRED campaign has surpassed \$600 million. Our Pave the Way fundraising and awareness campaign, held in September, raised \$3.6 million in just 24 hours, more than trebling the previous year's result.

These incredible numbers mean our supporters are helping change lives: supporters such as the Lamberts, motivated by their granddaughter's illness to fund research into the medicinal use of cannabinoids; and Susan and Isaac Wakil, whose deep appreciation of nurses moved them to assist young nursing students.

Your donations become solutions. A gift from the Financial Markets Foundation for Children is helping improve health outcomes for all children. An early gift to the Poche Centre for Indigenous Health helped it to deliver more than 10,000 oral health services in nine remote NSW communities in 2015.

With this donation, Greg Poche is a catalyst for real and lasting change.

Since its inception in 2008, the INSPIRED campaign has allowed the University of Sydney to redouble efforts in research and education. The impact of your gifts reverberates through communities, people's lives and on through the years. Thank you, once more, for your faith in the University of Sydney.



Belinda Hutchinson AM (BEC '76)
Chancellor



Dr Michael Spence (BA '85 LLB '87)
Vice-Chancellor and Principal





Love and hope

Growing a cure from cannabis

Long overdue research begins with a generous donation and a community ready to see new opportunities in a complex area.

When Barry and Joy Lambert made their \$33.7 million donation to the University for research into medicinal uses for cannabis, they couldn't have known the response it would inspire.

It wasn't just that it was one of the largest donations the University has ever received. It was also the sense that the research was long overdue and could deliver real benefits for people on chemotherapy, in chronic pain, or dealing with dementia. Or people such as the Lamberts' young granddaughter, Katelyn, who has been racked by thousands of epileptic seizures since she was born.

The story attracted intense media coverage throughout the country. "The Lamberts' investment gives our cause enormous momentum," NSW Premier Mike Baird said. "This is something that is going to reverberate around the world."

The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Sydney, Dr Michael Spence, said it was a story about "love and hope", and the Lamberts have certainly shown that.

Speaking to the media gathered in the Quadrangle for the official announcement, Joy Lambert said of Katelyn: "I never imagined she would make it to preschool. When you get to the end of the road you try desperate measures."

Now the Lamberts' donation means the lives of many more people may be transformed as researchers investigate about 100 different cannabinoid compounds that could make lives better.

As Australian legislation is relaxed to allow research into medicinal cannabis, University of Sydney researchers are ready to get to work.

“I never imagined she would make it to preschool. When you get to the end of the road you try desperate measures.”

Joy Lambert

Donor and grandmother of Katelyn



Clockwise from top: Katelyn; photo: Sue Graham/Newspix; from left, NSW Premier Mike Baird with researchers Professor Nicholas Lintzeris, Dr David Allsop and Professor Iain McGregor; Vice-Chancellor Dr Michael Spence at the podium; Vice-Chancellor Dr Michael Spence, centre, with Barry and Joy Lambert; and Chancellor Belinda Hutchinson AM, second from left, with Barry Lambert, Joy Lambert and Mike Baird.

Support for study

Preserving Aboriginal past and present

Arts student Kirsty Mitchell was the first recipient of the Gwen and David Moore Aboriginal Scholarship. She tells us what it means to her.

Gwen and David Moore met on the set of *Bitter Springs*, a film about an Australian family learning how to work alongside local Aboriginal people in the outback.

It was not only the start of the couple's love story, but also the start of their deep regard for Australia's history and dedication to Aboriginal education.

The Gwen and David Moore Aboriginal Scholarship was established in 2015. It's a trust worth more than \$850,000 that supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students studying a major in archaeology, anthropology, history or sociology, with a focus on Aboriginal heritage and Australian pre-history.

David Moore graduated in 1966 with a Diploma of Anthropology from the University of Sydney before being appointed Curator of Anthropology at the Australian Museum.

The scholarship's inaugural recipient, Kirsty Mitchell (left), is studying a Bachelor of Arts; she also wants to pursue her interest in archaeology by working at the Australian Museum.

"I am going to start volunteering in the museum's Indigenous unit," she explains. "Without the scholarship I wouldn't have the opportunity to volunteer, as I would have to continue working."

Kirsty hopes to pursue postgraduate studies in law and develop a leadership role with Aboriginal communities.

"It's important to preserve our history," she says. "At this vital time, when elders are getting older and no one is there to record our culture, stories and life experiences, it's important that young Indigenous people go on that path. This scholarship provides that opportunity."





INSPIRED GIVING

www.ox.ac.uk



Healthy future

Investing in children

A recent gift to the Charles Perkins Centre will help protect the youngest members of our community from rising risk factors.



For the first time in history, children are becoming less healthy than their parents.

Health experts are reporting rising rates of obesity, diabetes, cardiovascular disease risk factors, and numerous other disorders in children. Alarm bells are ringing.

One group determined to reverse this trend is the Financial Markets Foundation for Children, a charitable organisation supported by donations from the financial community. The foundation's purpose is to promote the wellbeing of children in Australia by funding research that can give children a healthier future.

The foundation made a \$5 million gift to the University of Sydney's Charles Perkins Centre to address the growing threats to childhood health. The gift will establish a Chair of Translational Childhood Medicine at the centre to work across the University, the Children's Hospital at Westmead and other University-affiliated hospitals.

The Acting Dean of Sydney Medical School, Professor Arthur Conigrave, highlights the powerful effect the gift will have. "This is a wonderful investment in Australia's future," he says.

The chair will oversee an Australian-first study of 10,000 couples and their children, which will show in unprecedented detail how biology interacts with environment and lifestyle to affect a child's health.

The insights will be far-reaching since it's already known that a woman's health before pregnancy can affect not only her future child, but also the health of future grandchildren.

The Charles Perkins Centre is uniquely suited to carry out this vital research. It is an innovative, cross-disciplinary hub for addressing diseases of the modern world brought on by poor diet and sedentary lifestyles. The gift from the Financial Markets Foundation for Children will allow more crucial research to get underway sooner.

Belinda Hutchinson AM, Chancellor of the University of Sydney, is optimistic about the possibilities. "This will have a transformative effect on research into the factors impacting children's health," she says.

Generations unite

Overcoming economic adversity

Retired civil engineer Richard Smith (BE (Civil) '61) and current University of Sydney student Alex Gibson both understand the value of education in providing all kinds of opportunities. Together they are inspired to do more.

Richard Smith had a long career in the housing and commercial construction industries, but he came from modest beginnings – his own family struggled financially.

Despite the family's challenges, Richard's mother always encouraged her children to complete their education. She offered to pay Richard's first year of university tuition, providing he obtained a scholarship for the second year.

"It was because of my mother's immense sacrifice that I managed to attend university," says Richard, who later secured a Commonwealth scholarship then a cadetship with the Snowy Mountains Engineering Corporation.

To ensure his mother's loving legacy continued, Richard and his wife Robyn established the Frances Marion Smith Scholarship in Civil Engineering in 2014. It supports talented students studying civil engineering at the University of Sydney.

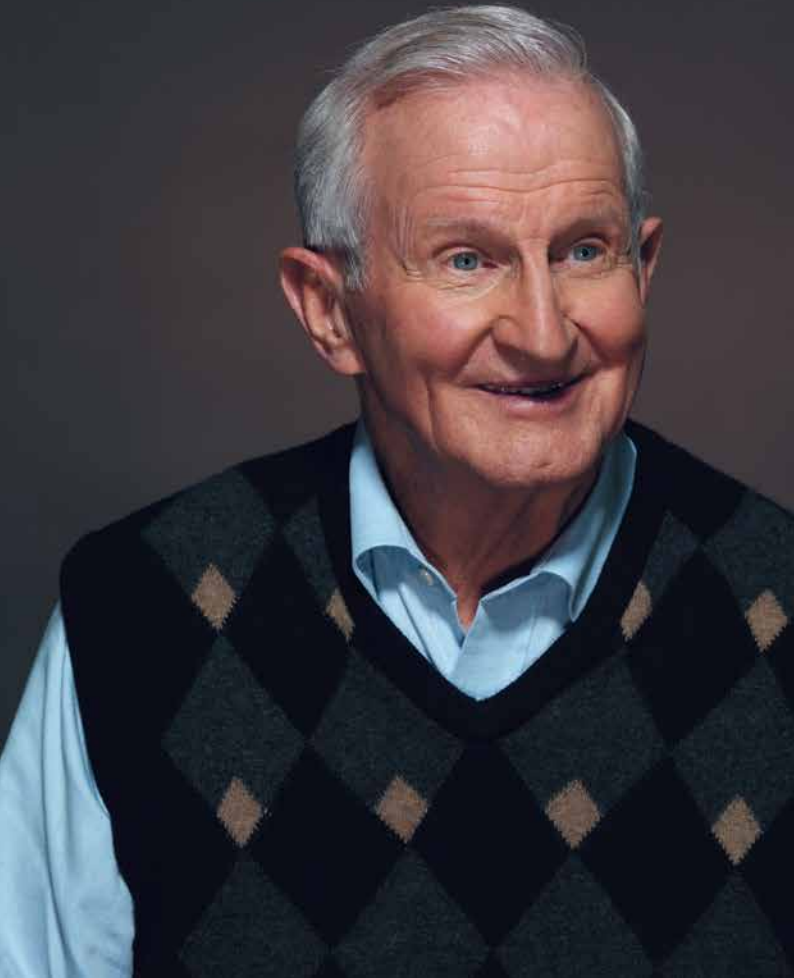
The scholarship is based on academic merit, with preference given to those who demonstrate financial need or medical disadvantage. Alex Gibson is the inaugural recipient. Coming from a rural community and a single-parent family, the scholarship is hugely beneficial to Alex and her family.

"I am so grateful for this opportunity," Alex says. "The scholarship has helped immensely. I hope that I will have the chance to work on, or even lead, large-scale collaborative projects in the future."

“I am so grateful for this opportunity. The scholarship has helped immensely. I hope that I will have the chance to work on, or even lead, large-scale collaborative projects in the future.”

Alex Gibson

Engineering student and recipient,
Frances Marion Smith Scholarship in Civil Engineering



Perfect harmony

Nurturing new music

One of Australia's greatest composers, the late Peter Sculthorpe AO (DMus '05), was central to shaping the nation's musical identity. His legacy will endure through a generous bequest.

Peter Sculthorpe was renowned for creating music that captures the energy and spirit of Australia and its landscape. He brought this vision to life through his extensive body of more than 350 works, but he also gave to the world of music by encouraging others.

For 40 years Peter taught at the University of Sydney, encouraging and mentoring students who went on to become some of Australia's best known musical identities, including composers Ross Edwards, Barry Conyngham and Anne Boyd.

Peter's gift of music also lives on through his bequest to establish the Sculthorpe Chair of Australian Music at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music.

The first of its kind in the country, the chair will promote and advance music in Australia through various channels. It will support work by Australian composers and the performance of Australian works both here and throughout the world.

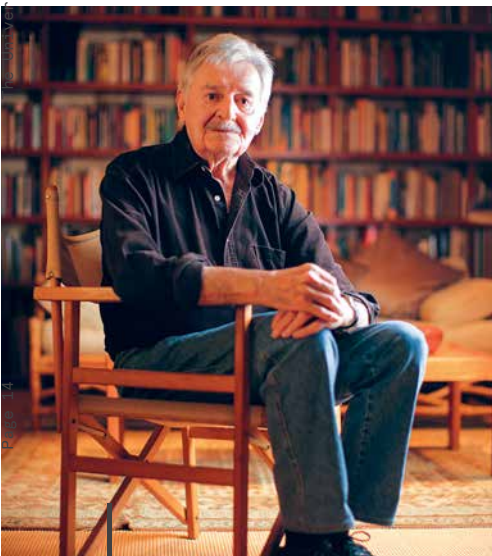
The chair will also support musicians, music ensembles, music theatre, opera and the recording of Australian music.

The bequest fulfils Peter's wish to enhance the arts within Australia. "His desire to capture and provide insight into our nation's identity is a key element expressed in his music and we hope that this vision will continue to be realised through the bequest," says Anne Sculthorpe, Peter's niece.

The appointed academic will help nurture the next generation of researchers and composers, working closely with postgraduate students and emerging scholars.

Professor Anna Reid, Dean and Principal of the Conservatorium of Music, is excited by the possibilities. "Thanks to Peter's foresight, we will be able to have a senior academic position dedicated to researching Australian music and the role of composers and musicians in the Australian music scene," she says.

Left: Peter Sculthorpe
Right: The Sydney Conservatorium of Music





Pet project

Crowdfunding animal care

Two dogs have a new leash on life thanks to inspiring work at our Veterinary Teaching Hospital.

In late 2015, the story of a young British Bulldog called Brooklyn captured hearts everywhere. Brooklyn needed four operations to repair problems with her urethra and uterus and was given a second chance at life through surgery at the University's Veterinary Teaching Hospital.

The story doesn't end there: Brooklyn became a video sensation. With a camera strapped to her back she raced through the veterinary hospital, introducing the world to the place and the amazing people who'd saved her.

The video inspired 217 donors to contribute through the University's crowdfunding platform, raising \$11,037 for the Animals in Need Fund – more than double the target.

The Animals in Need Fund helps ensure owners in need can pay for their sick or injured animal's veterinary care.

The fund also supports homeless animals to find loving new homes. Ranger was found as a puppy in rugged bushland, starving, dehydrated and with severe injuries.

Thanks to the Animals in Need Fund, Ranger is now a healthy and happy puppy who's been adopted by the Dogs for Diggers program. He's hoping one day to become a therapy dog for soldiers returning from Afghanistan or Iraq.

Since the Animals in Need Fund was established in 2012, more than 570 donors have contributed a total of \$32,000. The University Veterinary Teaching Hospital can now provide specialist treatment to one animal per fortnight as a direct result of donor support.

The video inspired 217 donors to contribute through the University's crowdfunding platform, raising \$11,037 – more than double the target.



Sustainable Sydney

Living in the 2060s

A scholarship named for John Bradfield (ME 1896 BE(Civil) 1889 DSc 1924), designer of the Sydney Harbour Bridge, has enabled an engineering student to develop a unique urban vision.

The \$700,000 Lendlease John Bradfield Scholarship Fund aims to encourage academic excellence and creativity in undergraduate students studying the development of cities.

Caitlin Hanrahan, a 20-year-old undergraduate student, has a sustainable vision for Sydney's future. She wants people to live in what she calls Central Living Districts (CLDs).

Caitlin imagines these as high-density districts located across the metropolitan area from Sydney's CBD to North Sydney, Parramatta, Liverpool, Campbelltown and Bankstown. Each district would include essential infrastructure such as healthcare, education and entertainment services.

With its population of 10 million, Caitlin sees CLDs as the key to making Sydney in 2060 the most livable city in the world.

"Now is the time to create a vibrant, affordable, sustainable and desirable place to live," she says.

"Sydney should be reshaped into a series of interconnected CLDs evenly distributed across the city, with an efficient, interconnecting transport system rather than one sprawling gridlocked central business district."

Caitlin is studying a combined Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) and Bachelor of Commerce. She is also the inaugural recipient of the Lendlease Bradfield Urban Vision Scholarship, which aims to encourage academic excellence and creativity in studies related to urbanism.

The scholarship is awarded annually in recognition of the legacy of John Bradfield, the celebrated Australian engineer whose transformative projects included Sydney's City Circle railway infrastructure and the Sydney Harbour Bridge.

The scholarship aims to give innovative thinkers such as Caitlin the chance to study, explore ideas and make transformative contributions to the urban landscapes in which we live.

Opposite page: One Central Park on Sydney's Broadway has a 5-star Green Star rating for its sustainability features including an on-site water recycling plant





Unsung heroes

Supporting the carers

Isaac and Susan Wakil's gift will truly support generations of students to join the caring profession – nursing.



Grace Gavin grew up on a property in central west NSW, where the nearest town had a total population of 600 people. Her dream was to become a nurse so that she could provide better healthcare to remote communities. Now, thanks to philanthropists Isaac and Susan Wakil, Grace can live in the heart of Sydney and study at the University of Sydney Nursing School.

“The impact of a Susan Wakil Scholarship is, for me, life-changing,” Grace says. “It makes my tertiary education possible and my career as a nurse achievable. I hope that upon finishing my degree I can return to rural or regional Australia to help improve access to forms of healthcare that are not readily available.

I want to be a nurse who provides care and support to people in need.”

The Wakils, through their extraordinary generosity, have recognised the heroic, often overlooked work that nurses perform every day. From juggling the complex needs of patients, to managing busy hospitals and health facilities, nurses are the linchpin of the health system.

However, current workforce predictions for 2025 point to significant skill shortages in the profession. This is why a major focus for the faculty is to prepare Australia's nurses for the demands of contemporary healthcare and to reconceptualise the industry.

It's a vision that resonated with the Wakils. The couple made history in May 2015 when they donated more than \$10.8 million to Sydney Nursing School, the largest ever gift to a nursing school in Australia.

The Susan Wakil Scholarships will be awarded to 12 nursing students annually in perpetuity. These scholarships will assist students such as Grace to meet study, tuition and accommodation expenses.

Grace knows that the scholarship is more than just financial support. “It will help me to achieve all my career aspirations and for that I will be forever grateful,” she says.



INSPIRED board 2015

Our INSPIRED board members are visionary philanthropists. They are the people who lead and support philanthropy at the University and help make the campaign's aspirations a reality.

Providing high-level advice and guidance on the campaign's strategy and implementation, our board members are the University's philanthropic heart.

You can find out more about them at

- sydney.edu.au/inspired

- Alex Abrahams (BDS '82)
- John Grill AO (BSc '66 BE '68 DEng '10)
- Hugh Harley (BEc '84 LLB '86)
- Sir Michael Hintze AM (BSc '75 BE '77)
- Philipp Hofflin (GradDipEc '95 PhD '99)
- John Hooke CBE (BSc '55 BE '58)
- Colin Johnston (MBBS '69)
- Barry Lambert
- Anthony Lee
- Jennie Mackenzie
- Susan Maple-Brown AM (BSc '65)
- Stuart McGill (BE '64 PhD '69)
- Samantha Meers (MLitt '99 BA '87 LLB '89)
- Daniel Petre AO (BSc '81 MBA '86)
- Greg Poche AO (DipTech '76 BBus '79)
- Josephine Skellern (GradDipNursEd '79)

Investment and Capital Management Report

Investment and Capital Management (ICM) manages the University of Sydney's investment portfolio, which comprises endowment capital, operating funds and non-core real estate investments. The pool is divided into two investment portfolios: medium-term and long-term funds.

The long-term investment fund primarily consists of the University's philanthropic capital. The ICM team invests the funds in a selection of defensive, growth and alternative asset classes in line with an approved Strategic Asset Allocation framework. The long-term portfolio is designed to preserve the capital in real terms so as to maintain its purchasing power and generate returns that allow annual withdrawals of 4.5 percent.

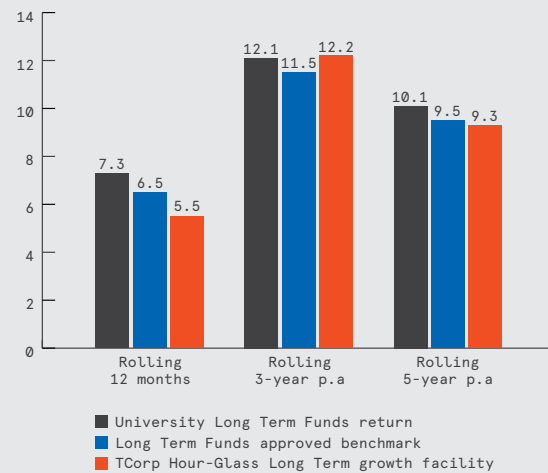
All asset classes are managed externally by selected sector specialist managers. An important milestone was achieved in early 2012 when both the medium-term and long-term investment portfolios were fully utilised.

Long-term funds performance in 2015

It was a favourable 12 months for the investment environment, with almost all asset classes delivering strong returns in 2015. The result was a solid positive annual return for the long-term funds of 7.3 percent.

As shown in the chart, the return on the University's long-term funds outperformed both the internal approved benchmark and NSW Treasury Corporation Hour-Glass Long Term Facility over the year and the rolling five-year period. Underperformance over the rolling three-year period against TCorp Hour-Glass Long Term Facility is due to differences in strategic asset allocation.

Long Term Funds performance as at end December 2015



Notes

- The University's returns are after underlying external manager fees and inclusive of franking credits.
- The NSW Treasury Corporation manages the Hour-Glass Long-Term Growth Facility and is comparable to the University's Long-term funds in nature. The facility's returns are after external manager fees and have been grossed up to account for internal administration fees.
- Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

Images

Inside front cover: Exterior, Sydney Nanoscience Hub

Page 5: Abercrombie Building staircase

Page 9: Cloisters, The Quadrangle

Page 10: Exterior, Charles Perkins Centre

Page 20: Interior, Sydney Nanoscience Hub

Page 22: Interior, MacLaurin Hall, The Quadrangle

INSPIRED

The Campaign to support
the University of Sydney

The University of Sydney

More information

Division of Alumni and Development
Level 7
Jane Foss Russell Building, G02
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006

Donor Relations

Meghan Knox
Manager, Donor Relations
+61 2 8627 8816
meghan.knox@sydney.edu.au

sydney.edu.au/inspired

Produced by Marketing and Communications, the University of Sydney,
March 2016. The University reserves the right to make alterations to
any information contained within this publication without notice. 16/5566

ABN 15 211 513 464 CRICOS 00026A