



College of Education and Social Services



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The Campaign for The University of Vermont



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# this is WHERE

## we help end bullying.

Public health prevention scientist Bernice Garnett uses the tools of her trade to combat bullying in schools. The CESS assistant professor teaches “Bullying and Youth Violence Prevention,” which examines violence as a learned behavior and challenges students to address it at the school level.

“It’s easy to label individual kids as ‘bad,’” she says. “It’s more effective to

look at why these behaviors manifest themselves and how we can replace them with positive behaviors.”

Garnett has taken her research to the state in hopes of creating a standard school climate assessment. “Vermont is the perfect place to pilot innovative models that we can showcase nationally,” she concludes. “UVM can play a major role by proving evidence-based research to create effective policy.”

# Investing in Education and Social Services



As the Information Age has altered social interaction and learning on a global scale, the College of Education and Social Services (CESS) has transformed how we prepare future educators and social service professionals. We're training teachers how to use technology to better engage students through the work of the Richard and Deborah Tarrant Institute for Innovative Education. Our campus lab school incorporates the innovative Reggio Emilia philosophy from Italy that develops critical-thinking and problem-solving skills and values children as collaborators in their own learning. Social work has expanded its global reach, with cooperative projects in India and Scotland designed to improve mental health services.

Our forward-thinking programs are gaining recognition: Over the

past decade, our graduate programs jumped 75 places in *U.S. News & World Report* rankings. We're now counted among the best in the country. In recent years, a number of faculty and students have also received prestigious Fulbright grants. We've achieved all this while maintaining our commitment to serving communities in need: Annually, our students donate 190,000 hours.

Through *Move Mountains: The Campaign for The University of Vermont*, CESS will invest to continue this upward trajectory. We will increase scholarships for hard-working students and research support for gifted faculty. We will strengthen programs that show promise for innovative teaching, learning and community impact. And we will do this by partnering with alumni, parents and friends. Join us.



“**THIS IS WHERE** I learned what kind of teacher I want to be. I’ve worked with Professor Carmen Petrick Smith in her research on improving math instruction, taught mathematical concepts to students in China and helped establish a summer math academy at an area middle school. I’ve been able to reflect on the true impact teachers have on us and am inspired to become a teacher so I can help those students who need a great teacher in their lives.”

— *Tegan Garon, junior, Stowe, Vermont*

### Scholarships: \$4.5 million

In CESS, students gain the knowledge and skills they need for rewarding careers in education and social work. Our graduates go on to advance the common good at home and around the globe. We want to ensure these

careers remain open to talented students regardless of their financial means. That’s why, through the campaign, we aim to substantially increase endowment for scholarships. Providing more scholarships will ensure we can continue to attract

the most promising students to our classrooms, enriching the learning experience of all.

### Faculty Professorships: \$1 million

Endowed professorships are a powerful tool to attract, reward and retain outstanding faculty. These positions are coveted by faculty because of the prestige associated with holding a named chair as well as the additional funds provided to advance their research. In CESS, endowed professorships will help further faculty research that has a positive impact on society; this includes children in foster care,





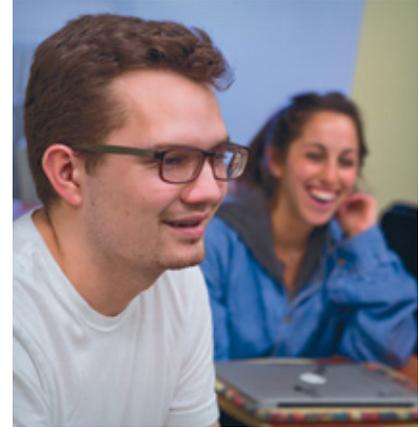
special education, English language learners and inclusive classrooms. Through the campaign, we hope to create four Green and Gold Professorships, which will provide funds to support outstanding faculty in their work to find meaningful solutions for social problems.

**Programs: \$1.75 million**

Increasing the number of educators to teach science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) is a national imperative. CESS is already doing this through the Champlain Research Experience for Secondary Teachers, leveraging local resources to teach science in schools all over

Vermont, which provides a model for strengthening STEM education nationally. We want to expand this innovation to the other STEM fields, encouraging educators to turn away from textbooks and toward experiential methods where students do math and science.

Campaign support will also allow CESS to strengthen our international programs in such countries as China, New Zealand and Thailand and to bring exchange students from around the globe to campus. Investing in these programs will ensure all of our students have a meaningful international experience before they graduate, one that will inform and



broaden their understanding of their field and cross-national understanding as well as build future collaborations.



**190,000**

Each year, students perform 190,000 hours of service through internship experiences in education, counseling and social work.

The College of Education and Social Services is committed to cutting-edge research, innovative teaching and nurturing future leaders who want to make a positive difference in the world. The time is right to launch the projects outlined here and secure UVM's national reputation as an outstanding research university.

*Move Mountains: The Campaign for The University of Vermont* presents the college with an extraordinary opportunity to build on this

momentum and invest in initiatives that will propel our programs into the future. Already, support from alumni, parents and friends is transforming tomorrow's vision into today's reality.

Now, we need your help. Together, we can succeed in this campaign, which will strengthen our ability to help students achieve their dreams, faculty become exceptional educators and our programs grow to meet evolving needs locally, nationally and globally. Together, we will *move mountains*.

For more details about any of these giving opportunities, contact:

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## Move Mountains: The Campaign for The University of Vermont

The time has come for UVM to assert our position as one of the nation's best public research universities. *Move Mountains: The Campaign for The University of Vermont* nurtures a culture of excellence and value and supports new opportunities for research, academic success and learning beyond the classroom. We will raise \$500 million in private support to ensure that UVM is where we indeed *move mountains* — through the students we educate, the discoveries we make and the positive impact we have on Vermont and the world.



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