

“I realize that the reason I’m even able to be at Dartmouth is because of the incredible generosity and selflessness of donors like you...Your support has made it possible for me, and many others, to have an incredible college experience.”

—Financial Aid Recipient, Class of 2024

Gifts of any size to the Dartmouth College Fund make a difference. In fiscal year 2023:

- 88% of all donors made gifts that were less than \$2,500
- all these gifts totaled \$5.1 million, or the equivalent of 85 student scholarships

Why Participate?

It increases financial resources available for Dartmouth and her students

- Foundations and corporations also consider alumni participation when deliberating grants. Their rationale is “if alumni do not support the college, why should we?”


It supports Dartmouth’s bond rating and translates to benefits for students

- Like most colleges, Dartmouth issues bonds for large projects, such as the construction of new residence halls. Dartmouth currently enjoys Aa1/AA+ (Moody’s/S&P) bond ratings.
- Rating companies consider alumni participation and philanthropy when annually re-evaluating the ratings. Dartmouth’s bond rating affects the interest rate the College pays to borrow money.

Classes are measured primarily in their alumni participation to the Dartmouth College Fund

- Dartmouth College Fund gifts support current students. Tuition, room and board, and fees cover only 45 percent of the cost of undergraduates’ education. Unrestricted gifts from alumni, parents, and friends help to cover the remaining cost.
- Class dues do not support current students but are charged by your class for specific class activities.
- Class projects and class gifts support specific initiatives by a class to benefit the College and students.

Dartmouth’s Top 20 Classes for DCF Participation in Fiscal Year 2023

 1960: 72.4%	} Tied for 1 st	1958: 51.8%	2010: 40.7%
1961: 72.4%		1955: 50.0%	1962: 40.4%
1953: 62.3%		1973: 48.3%	1952: 40.2%
1979: 55.6%		1959: 48.0%	2009: 40.1%
1954: 54.4%		2012: 47.6%	1997: 39.1%
1968: 53.8%		1956: 44.5%	1966: 38.9%
1963: 53.2%		1974: 41.2%	

Dartmouth’s fiscal year is July 1–June 30