

# INVENT THE FUTURE

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# Campaign Highlights

Fall 2008



## Students

Students in the School of Dental Medicine are able to join the American Student Dental Association and participate in their regional and national conferences thanks to private support from the Dean's Associates program. Their involvement engages them in the profession by learning about issues that affect the industry.

Graduate fellowships provide important resources for doctoral students completing their dissertations. This support allows students to focus on their in-depth research projects. Fellowships are beneficial to graduate students in all disciplines because they provide support for the students to complete much-needed research in their fields.

Law student Lucy Flores received a scholarship to the William S. Boyd School of Law after being the first in her family to attend college. An active community volunteer, she serves on the State Commission on Minority Affairs, where she looks at all issues affecting minorities in the state of Nevada.

## Programs

The Liberace Jazz Quartet is one of the featured combos in the College of Fine Arts. The Liberace Foundation generously supports these students through scholarships – giving more to UNLV than any other university. These talented students gain important performance experience and are being prepared for their own professional music careers.

The Wells Fargo Global Entrepreneurs Program in the College of Business provides aspiring entrepreneurs with full scholarships and several specialized courses, allowing students to learn from experienced entrepreneurs through guest lectures and compete in business plan competitions throughout the U.S.

In the entertainment engineering and design program, students combine artistic representations and amazing engineering feats. With the help of private support from scholarships and internships, they'll leave UNLV prepared for a career behind-the-scenes in the most innovative entertainment venues in the world.



## Faculty and Staff

Through a generous gift from Phyllis Frias – a longtime supporter of education in Southern Nevada – Mark Ashcraft, professor and chair of the department of psychology, was able to begin a longitudinal study in several elementary schools to look at math anxiety and determine where it comes from, when it starts, and how it affects the students' performance and interest in pursuing math related careers.

Cari Klecka, assistant professor in the department of Curriculum and Instruction, works in partnership with the Clark County School District on the Initiative on National Board Certification. This initiative – supported by a generous gift from State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company – aims to help teachers obtain this certification, and mentors them through the process.



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