



Donor Charter

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At the University of Leicester, philanthropy has driven impact for nearly 100 years. We are one of only two universities in the world to be founded as a living memorial to those who served and lost their lives in the First World War. Without philanthropy we would not be here and thus we are uniquely aware of the impact philanthropy has on our students, staff, research, campus, community, and society. Your support ensures that we remain a leading teaching and research university that strives to develop the leaders of tomorrow and tackle the world's greatest challenges. The University of Leicester is dedicated to treating its donors with the highest level of care and respect.

1. We will always:

- Inform donors of the way we intend to use gifts
- Commit to using gifts efficiently
- All gifts will be acknowledged promptly
- Keep donors updated about the impact of their philanthropy and the University's evolving needs and priorities
- Provide the University's most recent published financial accounts and other relevant financial information in an easily accessible format online
- Respect donors' rights to privacy and fully comply with data protection regulations
- Appropriately acknowledge, recognise and publicise gifts in consultation with donors, and respect anonymity where requested
- Provide progress reports and updates to donors on supported activity
- Ensure donors have access to our Complaints Policy
- Keep donors informed of the recruitment process and appointment where they have supported an academic post. As part of our commitment to academic freedom, the University reserves the right to itself to nominate candidates and manage the search and selection process
- In the case of financial support for students, as part of our commitment to academic freedom, the University reserves the right to itself to make the final approval of funding awards for students

2. How your gift will be used

- All gifts will be used for such purposes as the University judges will best advance its priorities
- Where the donor wishes to express a preference for the application of their gift, the University will take the greatest care to ensure that such wishes are carried out
- Where the donor restricts the application of their gift, the University will apply the gift in line with the restriction. The priorities of the University may change from time to time. Should this happen, alternative uses for restricted gifts will be discussed with the donor or the donor's representative (if alive)
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Further Online Reference Information

- **Freedom of Information**

The University is subject to the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Further information regarding the Act can be viewed at the following link:

www2.le.ac.uk/offices/ias/foi/what

- **Data Privacy**

Your data is held securely in the University's database. Full details on how your data is held and used are set out in our privacy notice: www.le.ac.uk/legal/privacy

- **University of Leicester's Financial Statements**

www.le.ac.uk/about/info/publications/financial-statements

- **University of Leicester's Charity Status**

www.le.ac.uk/institution/charity

Contact Information

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