



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS ON THE MIAMI UNIVERSITY STUDENT FOUNDATION

Why is the 50th celebration at Alumni Weekend 2024 if it started in 1972?

Though the Miami University Student Foundation (MUSF) began informally in 1972, it became an official student organization acknowledged by the University in the 1973-1974 academic year.

Why are scholarships important?

Scholarships are our number-one priority – a Miami education shouldn't depend on economic circumstances.

Currently, Miami is undertaking the most ambitious campaign in its history. Our \$1 billion financial goal for this campaign reflects the magnitude of our aspirations. We believe that by strategically investing in four campaign cornerstones, we can address critical global concerns and positively impact the university for decades to come. Nearly half of the goal (\$450 million) is dedicated to expanding our scholarships to ensure access and affordability for qualified students, regardless of circumstances.

By contributing to the MUSF Scholarship Endowed Fund, you become a partner in ensuring that deserving students from all backgrounds have access to a Miami education.

Will my gift to the MUSF campaign count toward the “big” campaign?

Yes! The MUSF campaign falls under the umbrella of the current *For Love. For Honor. FOR THOSE WHO WILL*. University-wide campaign aiming to raise \$1 billion. In fact, the MUSF campaign aligns completely with it, especially the Scholarships cornerstone. Fueled by a passion for our students, we will ensure that every deserving student from any background has access to an excellent Miami education.

Why do current MUSF members pay dues to belong to the organization?

At different points in its history, MUSF members have paid dues, while other times membership has been free. In recent years, the MUSF Steering Committee (the current student leaders) have established dues of \$25 a semester or \$50 a year to cover member-specific purchases, such as apparel, office space snacks, and member events. The dues are managed separately from the funds provided by the MUSF endowed accounts and Associated Student Government funding, which cover the costs of fundraising events and other programmatic needs.

How can I celebrate the 50th with fellow MUSF alumni and current students?

MUSF celebrates its 50th anniversary this year through various local and virtual events, culminating in an on-campus reunion during Alumni Weekend 2024. Current and former Moose are invited to commemorate the golden occasion by attending events, reconnecting with and meeting new MUSF friends, or donating to either the MUSF Scholarship Endowed Fund or MUSF Program Support Fund.

Please invite your friends to join you in celebrating this golden anniversary, too.