Endowed Professorships

Faculty Support for Long-Term Success

Endowed professorships are one of the highest honors the UF College of Medicine can bestow on a faculty member. Professorships play a critical role in recruiting and retaining proven leaders who can drive the Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation’s missions and high standard for excellence. Endowed professorships exist in perpetuity, with income from the funds providing support for salary, research, and resources for program development that enable faculty to pursue projects at the forefront of orthopaedic medicine.

Please read below to learn more about the endowed professorships within the Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation, which faculty members currently hold these endowed positions, and how you can help.

Orthopaedic Alumni Professorship (F005507)

The Orthopaedic Association Inc. created this fund in 1994 to support a professorship in the Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation in the College of Medicine. The University of Florida orthopaedic surgery program began in 1960 as a division of the Department of Surgery. In 1975, the Division of Orthopaedic Surgery achieved full departmental status.

Current Recipient: Paul Dell, MD

John H. and Mary Lou Dasburg Chair in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (F023815)

This endowed Chair in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation was established in February of 2019 by John and Mary Lou Dasburg. The fund provides support to the Chair holder, as well as individuals directly associated with the Chair’s scholarly work, teaching, or research support, new program development, etc. as specified. John is a UF graduate, earning a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering, a master's of business administration degree, and his juris doctorate. John’s wife Mary Lou is a graduate of Loyola University in New Orleans, the University of North Florida, and the University of Florida College of Law.

Current recipient: Kevin R. Vincent, MD, PhD

William F. Enneking, William E. Anspach and Orthopaedic Alumni Chair (F017469)

The Enneking Endowment was created by Orthopaedic resident alumni in 2005 to honor the retirement of former department chair Dr. William Enneking. With over 50 donors to the Enneking Endowment for the Advancement of Orthopaedics, the ultimate goal was always to establish an endowed chair in Dr. Enneking’s honor. A generous gift from Dr. Anspach led to the establishment of the William F. Enneking, William E. Anspach and Orthopaedic Alumni Chair. This endowed position provides exceptional funding for research and salary support for the Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation in perpetuity.

Current Recipient: Mark Scarborough, MD

Peter Gearen, M.D. Endowed Professorship in Orthopaedics (F017479)
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This fund was established in 2011 by the Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine Institute to support a professorship in honor of Dr. Peter Gearen. Dr. Gearen was a member of the UF faculty for almost 30 years, retiring in 2012. Dr. Gearen served as chief of staff at UF Health Shands Hospital, the assistant dean of clinical affairs at the UF College of Medicine, chair of the UF Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation, and as an associate professor of orthopaedics.

**Current Recipient:** Hari Parvataneni, MD

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**Frank P. Glowczewskie Professorship (F011019)**

Frank P. Glowczewskie, Jr., is a retired University of Florida associate faculty member of the Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation in the College of Medicine. This professorship was named for Frank Glowczewskie in recognition of his vision, years of tireless service and outstanding contribution to medicine, orthopaedic science and UF.

**Current Recipient:** Thomas Wright, MD

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**Wayne Huizenga Professor of Sports Medicine (F004777)**

Established in 1992 by the Huizenga Family Foundation, this fund provides a professorship in sports medicine in the Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation. A long-time Ft. Lauderdale resident, H. Wayne Huizenga is recalled for his long history of strong leadership and unparalleled ability to build businesses. A self-made man who turned his first enterprise into a multi-million dollar business, Wayne was vice chairman of the board of Viacom Inc. and chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Blockbuster Entertainment Corp. He directed Blockbuster into a position of world leadership in its industry and sold it to Viacom in 1994. Wayne is the only person in history to take six companies to the New York Stock Exchange, lead three Fortune 500 companies, and own three major league sports franchises at the same time. Wayne passed away in 2018, surrounded by family at home.

**Current Recipient:** Michael Moser, MD

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**Peter Indelicato, M.D. Endowed Professorship in Orthopaedic and Sports Medicine (F017481)**

The Orthopedics and Sports Medicine Institute established this fund in 2011 to enable educators to pursue projects at the forefront of orthopaedics and sports medicine at the University of Florida in honor of Dr. Peter Indelicato. Dr. Indelicato earned a medical degree from New York Medical College in 1969. He completed his residency at New York University, and then spent two years in the U.S. Navy as a staff orthopaedic surgeon. After completing his naval service, Dr Indelicato served as a sports medicine fellow at the Kerlan-Jobe Orthopedic Clinic. He cared for members of the Los Angeles Rams, Lakers, Dodgers and Kings. He was also the associate team physician for the Miami Dolphins from 1988 to 1996. Dr. Indelicato is a former Wayne Huizenga Professor and former chief of sports medicine for the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and Rehabilitation at UF. In 2011, Dr. Indelicato retired as the head team physician for the UF Athletic Association, a position he held since 1977.

**Current Recipient:** Kevin Farmer, MD

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**Eugene L. Jewett Professorship in Orthopedics (F002663)**

This fund honors Eugene L. Jewett and supports a professorship in orthopaedic surgery to benefit research, teaching and patient care in the College of Medicine. Eugene L. Jewett was an internationally
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known pioneer in orthopaedic care who invented the Jewett Orthopaedic Hip Nail and the Jewett Hyperextension Back Brace, two prostheses that revolutionized fracture treatment in the 1930s and 1940s.

Current Recipient: C. Parker Gibbs, MD

William Petty, MD Endowed Professorship (F018889)

This professorship was established in 2020 in honor of Dr. William “Bill” Petty, former chair of the Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation. Alumni, patients, colleagues, friends, and family collectively contributed $1.5 million to the department to endow this fund in honor of Dr. Petty’s tremendous contributions to the field of orthopaedics. The professorship allows the department to recruit top surgeons and expand its services to people in need of joint repair or replacement, while ensuring future generations never forget Dr. Petty’s significant legacy.

Current Recipient: To Be Announced

Shriners Professorship in Pediatric Orthopaedics (F024153)

Established in 2019, this gift supports a professor in the UF Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation specializing in pediatric orthopaedics, including clinical care, education and research. Since opening the doors of its first hospital in Shreveport, Louisiana, in 1922, Shriners Hospitals for Children has grown into a pediatric specialty health care system with hospitals in the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

Current recipient: Laurel Blakemore

Wesley W. Wood Professorship (F007299)

Virginia Wood established this fund in 1998 to honor her husband, Wesley W. Wood, Sr. and to support teaching and research activities of faculty members in orthopaedics with an interest in cancer. This professorship enhances the education of students, residents, fellows and faculty in the Department of Orthopaedics in the College of Medicine, with special attention to issues of metastatic cancer in orthopaedics.

Current Recipient: Scott Myers, MD

How Can You Help?

Private support is critical to the missions of the Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation. Your gift can make a difference in patient care, research, and education through philanthropy.

Tax-deductible contributions can be made via credit card, check, transfers of stock, real estate, or planned gifts such as wills, trusts and annuities. For more information on philanthropic opportunities within the UF Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation, please contact:
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