



# **STATISTICS**

#### Leaders in the field, researching some of the most interesting and relevant problems of the day

The Department of Statistics at the University of Michigan has long been ranked in the top ten and continues to excel in research and education. As home to both statistics and data science majors and master's programs, we serve over 800 undergraduates and about 300 master's students. Many of our faculty are internationally recognized leaders in statistics or are rising stars, and our Ph.D. students continue to head to top jobs in both academia and industry. The department is continuously evolving in response to our fast moving field, from faculty adding deep learning and large language models to their research agendas to intro stats courses leaning on GenAI to make data analysis more accessible to students from a wide range of backgrounds. Our alumni and their input, as always, remain a priceless resource to the department. Your donations help us train and inspire future statisticians and data scientists while advancing science and technology through our research, and have a positive impact both within the University of Michigan and beyond.

### **DEPARTMENT STRATEGIC FUND**

Expendable, undesignated gifts are extraordinarily important to the continuing success and growth of the department. Contributions of \$10,000 - \$50,000 annually to the Strategic Fund make it possible to meet unexpected needs and challenges such as seed funding for new faculty research, curriculum development, the Michael Woodroofe Lecture series, and student activities and clubs.



## **ENDOWED PROFFESORSHIP**

To retain our standing as one of the top statistics departments in the world, we must hire and retain internationally renowned scholars, and continuously compete with other universities and with industry. A named professorship, common in other departments within LSA but lacking in Statistics, will allow us to attract top faculty to our department or to retain these leading scholars.

### **ENDOWED UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS**

While degrees in statistics and data science open doors to many lucrative careers, getting such a degree is an expensive investment for families. More equitable access to these degrees can be ensured through increased funding for endowed scholarships. Through a named endowment, donors create a legacy scholarship fund that will support an LSA education for undergraduates in perpetuity. The minimum to endow a scholarship that will supply partial support is \$25,000.

### **ENDOWED GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS**

Graduate students are vital to the research mission of the department, and training graduate students is critical for the next generation that will help the world face the AI revolution. While any amount is helpful, a gift of \$50,000 can sponsor a student for a year and a gift of \$1M can endow a named, annual graduate fellowship. This support can be used for academic year fellowship, graduate student travel, and graduate research funding.

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