

INVEST IN LEARNERS & OUR COMMUNITY

Scholarships reduce financial barriers for adults returning to school to complete their degrees. Your support helps an individual earn their degree and increase their employment value and self-worth within the workforce.

Investment:

- \$10,000 – Endow a scholarship (\$400/year to 1 learner)
- \$25,000 – Endow a scholarship (\$1,000/year to 1 learner)
- \$100,000 – Endow a scholarship (\$1,000/year to 4 learners)

Program Development expands the reach of HornetAttain!. Your support provides additional advisors, reduces the digital divide, and assists learners from diverse backgrounds, while also strengthening our workforce and impacting our local economy.

Investment:

- \$12,000 – Tracking software
- \$20,000 – Expand program reach
- \$45,000 – Increase advising
- \$50,000 - \$100,000 – Research Community Impact

“Our region benefits greatly when education becomes accessible to all. HornetAttain! leads to economic prosperity for local businesses, removes barriers for returning learners, promotes career mobility, and charts a path to completing a degree for under-served communities.”

– Susan Wheeler
Workforce Development
Sustainable Communities
SMUD



The Need

By 2025, California will be short 1.1 million college-educated workers. There are nearly 4.5 million working-age adults in California and more than 345,000 in the Sacramento region who have some college, but no degree. Between 2012 and 2018 alone, more than 1,000 Sacramento State students discontinued their education within 15 units of earning their degrees.

The Initiative

HornetAttain! serves as part of a regional collaborative to increase quality, post-secondary educational attainment among working-age adults in the Sacramento region. HornetAttain! helps learners with some college, but no degree return to Sacramento State to cross the finish line.

The Approach

HornetAttain!, launched in February 2021, offers individualized education planning and support. Achievement advisors, who understand the unique needs of near completers, help returning adults overcome academic and personal obstacles and provide pathways needed to achieve success. Scholarships help reduce barriers for adults working towards degree completion.

The Impact

- Improves access, equity, and support for adult learners in the Capital Region
- Advances individual and regional prosperity
- Develops talent to meet workforce needs
- Improves graduation rate at Sacramento State



Did you know?

Degreed individuals are:

- 47% more likely to have health insurance
- 72% more likely to have a retirement plan
- 2x more likely to volunteer
- 3x more likely to have children who attend college

Data Source: Lumina Foundation