

OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT ADULT LEARNERS

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:

- \$2,500 – Name a scholarship
- \$10,000 – Endow a scholarship (\$400/year to learner)
- \$25,000 – Endow a scholarship (\$1,000/year to learner)

Dean’s Innovation Fund serves the immediate needs of learners including technology, outreach, and support services. Your gift addresses the current needs of learners and helps the College of Continuing Education build and deliver relevant programs.

Investment:

- \$500 – Join Dean’s Circle
- \$1,000 – Fulfill a crisis grant
- \$5,000 – Expand program reach



“I found that my ability to promote or advance in other areas was limited because I lacked a four-year degree. My family kept me going when things got really hard juggling life and school.”

– Victoria Rochester
B.S. Criminal Justice

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 to higher education and support
- 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