



Poised for Tomorrow

Shawnee State University Development Foundation

Shawnee State University

Securing Quality Education and Community Revitalization

Shawnee State University is one of the fastest growing universities in Ohio. An emerging reputation for academic excellence is coupled with service to the community as a catalyst in the revitalization of the region and the enrichment of the lives of all the area's residents.

Embracing its mission to be a university of excellence for the region, Shawnee State University is launching a capital campaign to support the development of new programs, construct vital facilities, increase scholarship funds, and assure faculty excellence.

Did You Know that Shawnee State University . . .

- Is celebrating its 20th anniversary of becoming a University.
 - Offers more than 80 bachelor and associate degree programs in a wide variety of disciplines.
 - Confers an advanced degree in occupational therapy.
 - Enrolls over 3,800 full and part time students.
 - Grants open admission to all who wish to attend, while attracting highly qualified students.
 - Provides on-campus housing.
 - Fields varsity teams in many of the major sports.
 - Houses nearly 200,000 volumes in the Clark Memorial Library, and offers on-line access to research databases, as well as access to the holdings of university libraries across Ohio.
 - Awards over \$2 million in scholarships every academic year.
 - Offers easy access to financial aid programs.
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An Investment in Shawnee State is an Investment in the Community

The future of Shawnee State is to build on these successes and continue the mission of being the best university for the region. The opportunities are clear and attainable. The *Poised for Tomorrow* campaign is a critical step for the continued growth of Shawnee State University. An investment in Shawnee State is not only an investment in education. It is an investment in the vitality of the entire region for generations to come.

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The Next Level of Achievement

A bold seven-part plan will lead Shawnee State to a new level of achievement

Undergraduate Research.

Shawnee State is proud that its students and faculty to work together to **contribute research and its discoveries to society**. A goal of this campaign is to provide increasingly unique growth and opportunities for students to engage in original and pioneering study.

Agenda for Technology.

Launching a new technology agenda will result in **graduates who are even more prepared for the future**, especially in the fields of healthcare, engineering, science, and the fine arts.. A key element is the creation of a **Motion Capture Studio** where the physical movements of a subject are digitally converted into virtual figures. This technology has applications in programs that cross all disciplines. **Revenue from the commercial applications** will support continuous enhancement of equipment and bring new business to Portsmouth.

Specialized Studies.

Understanding the history of Southern Ohio and Northern Kentucky is as important as connecting students from a variety of cultures for the common purpose of understanding and the exchange of ideas. Therefore, both **Regional Studies and International Education** will be advanced.

Faculty Development.

The new Faculty Development Center will be a **resource to support professional growth and development**, acting as a symbol of the central role Shawnee State's faculty plays in the lives of students, helping the University to attract talented and caring academicians.

Scholarships.

The power to **attract and retain motivated students** through scholarships is critical to the future of Shawnee State. Funds are needed to expand our scholarship programs, including scholarships for international students and retention scholarships for upper class students.

Enhanced Clinical Experience.

Clinical experience—practiced under the guidance of faculty or other health care professionals—is a necessity for all allied health students. However, the availability of clinical sites is limited. We hope to **create additional clinical experiences at a variety of sites** to alleviate some of the need by working in partnership with area healthcare providers.

Enhanced Quality of Life for the Region.

The partnership between SSU and the community is a special one as we are **dedicated to enhancing the lives of everyone**, not only our students. This campaign will enhance that relationship with additions to the Clark Planetarium, the University "zoo", and the Toombs Children's Learning Center, as well as the creation of shared recreational spaces, including a state-of-the-art baseball and softball complex on or near the campus.
