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Access to Excellence

2016-17 Linfield College Annual Report
At Linfield, we pride ourselves on our egalitarian tradition and our respect for all individuals regardless of wealth, background, or belief. We are also proud that we continue to enroll a wide variety of students, including those who are the first in their families to go to college. This befits our history, our culture, and our mission.

We probably don’t talk as often about our institutional excellence; certainly we don’t talk about it often enough. In fact, Linfield has outstanding faculty who are not only great teachers but internationally recognized scholars. Our students and graduates have won the most prestigious fellowships in the world; our athletes and artists have received national recognition; our alumni have gone on to the best graduate schools, medical schools, and law schools.

The Linfield story focuses on the transformation of students from all backgrounds, helping them find their calling and their passion, and bringing them forward to become productive citizen-leaders. At Linfield, we provide access; at Linfield, we assure excellence. That’s the power of our small college. And we couldn’t do it without the hard work and support of all members of the
Linfield family: students, faculty, staff, alumni, parents, and friends. Thank you for what you do for Linfield College.

— Thomas L. Hellie, President

Year in Review

$113 MILLION ENDOWMENT

$61 MILLION ENDOWMENT

11:1 RATIO

STUDENT-TO-FACULTY

$63.6 Million
Operating Budget

77% of Linfield students live on campus.
82% of students complete at least one internship before graduation.

Student Body:
1,632 McMinnville
343 School of Nursing
307 Online & Continuing Education
Excellence

Joe Wilkins
Associate Professor of English
2017 Oregon Book Award for poetry

161
CONSECUTIVE WINNING FOOTBALL SEASONS

2
NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION GRANTS
$648,000 FOR SCHOLARSHIPS
$128,000 FOR RESEARCH

#2
COLLEGE IN OREGON FOR VALUE
- MONEY MAGAZINE

#1
BEST ETHNIC DIVERSITY
LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGES OREGON & WASHINGTON
- U.S. News & World Report

BEST BANG FOR THE BUCK
OREGON & WASHINGTON - Washington Monthly
Access

1st Gen

25% of Linfield students are first generation

32%

U.S. students of color

26%

Pell Grant recipients (low-income families)

96%

of students receive financial aid

$29,000

Average financial aid package
One day, Ana Alfaro ’19 will be a doctor. In the meantime, she’s simulating medical reactions and refining research skills in Linfield College science labs.

Alfaro, a biochemistry major and math minor, is working with Brian Gilbert, professor of chemistry, to build a nanoparticle therapeutic delivery system. She’s making silver-coated nanoparticles and injecting them into yeast.

“This is simulating what we might do with human bodies,” she explained. "For example with cancer, instead of giving medicine throughout the whole blood system, we might deliver it directly to a tumor."

This hands-on experience is exactly what drew Alfaro to Linfield, along with myriad volunteer opportunities. She is a peer advisor, vice president of the college Spanish Club and a member of Young Life and Linfield College LatinX Adelante. She also volunteers with Habitat for Humanity and Alternative Spring Break.

"Being able to come to Linfield without so much financial pressure on my family was important as I made my decision. I am grateful for the scholarships, which have given me the opportunity to continue with such a great education."

— Ana Alfaro ’19

Biochemistry major, Diversity grant recipient
“I am the first college-bound person in my family. Scholarships are everything to my education at Linfield. I depend heavily on them.”

— William McCuen ’20
Environmental science major, Trustee scholar

2016-17
Giving

$3,597,734
Total Gifts from 3,986 Donors

$294,516
From Estate Gifts
Every Gift Counts, Every Student Benefits!

Donors allow Linfield to provide access to an excellent education for students from a variety of socio-economic backgrounds. Thank you for your continued support.

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