NEW UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

Besides Freshman and Sophomore Seminars and Undergraduate Research Programs, CUE also supported other programs organized under the auspices of John Bravman, the Freeman-Thornton Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education (VPUE). These programs have received a significant boost, largely through endowment gifts. The portion of the VPUE budget that comes from endowment increased from 11 percent in 2001-02 to 42 percent in 2004-05.

CUE also has raised more than $380 million for a variety of academic initiatives throughout the university, including the Bing Overseas Studies Program, the Haas Center for Public Service, the Earth Systems Program, undergraduate programs in the Schools of Engineering, Earth Sciences and Humanities and Sciences, and athletics. In the Bing Overseas Studies Program, for example, the campaign helped to add new centers in Australia and China, the new three-week Overseas Seminars and an annual conference that brings together students from different overseas centers.

A LASTING LEGACY: THE STANFORD FUND

The campaign has generated another form of long-term support as well—a dramatic increase in annual giving to The Stanford Fund for Undergraduate Education. In each year of CUE, donors have lifted the fund to record heights, contributing $19.5 million in 2004-05 and a total of $107 million in gifts and pledges during the campaign.

Seed money from The Stanford Fund originally helped jump-start new undergraduate programs such as Freshman and Sophomore Seminars. Today, annual gifts continue to supplement endowed funds, providing support for academics, scholarships and approximately 100 student organizations, ranging from the student radio station KSAN to public service groups housed at the Haas Center.

With CUE’s conclusion, The Stanford Fund continues. Increased participation in annual giving from alumni, parents and friends—sometimes referred to as a university’s “living endowment”—will be one of CUE’s most important legacies.