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WALSAA board members and staff at the October board of directors meeting: (back row) Pierce Dopp, Helen Holtz, Sherryl Pertzborn, Shawn Conley, Taylor Fritsch, Marjorie Stieve, Adam Gaspar, Jill Makovec, Scott Rasch, (front row) Kristina Hopkins, Kay Maas, Brandi Funk, Kara Luedtke, Paul Patterson, Stephanie Hammerly, Brooke Trustem, and David Cooper.

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Welcome to the WALSAA Snapshot 2019!

This annual year-end summary is part of our commitment to be your CALS Connection for Life! Snapshot provides an in-depth look at our organizational resources, donors and sponsors, and leadership.

Please read through Snapshot to learn how your support is helping our members stay connected, network and give back to CALS.

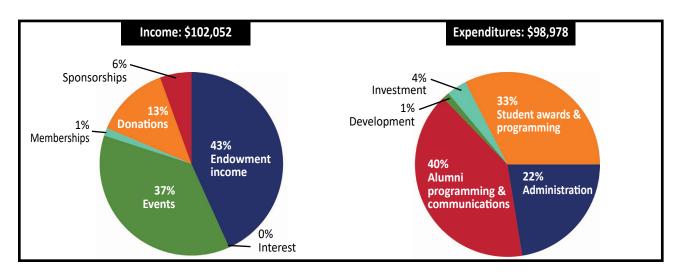
Since 1972, WALSAA has been THE alumni association of the UW-Madison College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (CALS) and Farm and Industry Short Course (FISC).

WALSAA is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that supports the connection of students, faculty and alumni to the UW-Madison College of Agricultural & Life Sciences.

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2019 **Fiscal Overview**



WALSAA Endowment Funds

6%

Ambassador Fund

66%

Fund

WALSAA

Estimated Annual Income: \$34,468

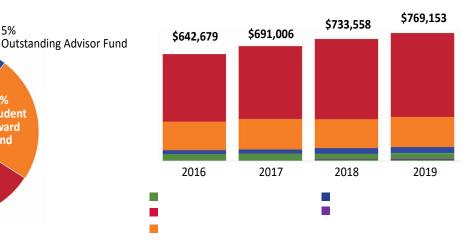
5%

23% Student

Award

Fund

Market Value Trend



Endowment Fund Descriptions

Ambassador Fund

This fund was established in December 2000 by the Wisconsin Agricultural and Life Sciences Alumni Association (WALSAA) to support the student ambassador program in the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (CALS).

Outstanding Advisor Award Fund

The WALSAA Outstanding Advisor Award Fund was established in October 1997 as part of the WALSAA 25th Anniversary Gala to recognize a member of the CALS faculty for exceptional student advising service.

Student Award Fund

The Student Award Fund was established by WALSAA with a \$20,000 donation on March 1, 1991. The fund supports student travel awards, scholarships, intern experiences, and other student recognition and professional development opportunities.

WALSAA Fund

This fund was established to support WALSAA activities, programs and publications. It is primarily used to support programming for members.

WALSAA Scholarship Fund

This fund was established in December 2018 by WALSAA for gifts designated specifically for student scholarships.

Snapshot 2019

WALSAA Resources at Work in 2019

Outstanding Sophomore Award

WALSAA recognized 10 exemplary sophomore CALS students last year. Students go through an application process, screening and personal interviews to each receive the \$2,000 recognition.

Last year's recipients and their majors included: Emily Franke, dairy science; Summer Henschel, dairy science; Dima Kenj Halabi, nutritional sciences; Jessica Mehre, dairy science and agronomy; Dawson Nickels, dairy science; Ethan Rocha, biochemistry switching to chemical engineering; Mena Schmitt, dairy science; Emily Schwanke, animal science; Yiding Wang, genetics; and Elise Warda, microbiology.

Outstanding FISC Student Award

WALSAA recognizes Farm and Industry Short Course (FISC) students who are leaders amongst their peers with this award. 2019 recipients included: Jennifer Lintner, Waterford, Wisconsin; Jenna Breitenfeldt, Wausau, Wisconsin; Rachel McCullough, Juda, Wisconsin; Ethan Hass, Manawa, Wisconsin; and Joseph Powalisz, Manitowoc, Wisconsin. WALSAA also recognizes FISC students with Outstanding Leadership and Activity Awards and Academic Excellence Awards.

WALSAA Outstanding Advisor Award

WALSAA has been honoring advisors with the Outstanding Advisor Award since 1979. The 2019 recipient was Dr. David Combs. Combs is a department of dairy science professor and coach of the National Dairy Challenge Team.

WALSAA Student Impact Grants

WALSAA supports CALS student organizations by providing excellent leadership and professional development opportunities through our Impact Grant program. Organizations apply for necessary dollars towards special projects, professional development activities, educational trips, etc.

Here are a few of the 2019 WALSAA Impact Grant recipients and what the funding was put towards:

- Association of Women in Agriculture Packaged meals during their annual Rally to Fight Hunger to provide nutritious meals to children throughout the world.
- Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources and Related Sciences Club Created an Immersion Week for students of Vincent High School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to travel to campus to learn about the opportunities within CALS.
- Plant Science Graduate Student Council Expanded the reach of their annual Plant Sciences Symposium through a webinar format to share current research and theories in plant sciences, which encouraged networking connections between fellow students, faculty, and industry representatives.
- Quarter-Scale Tractor Team Designed, built, and tested a quarter-scale pulling tractor for the International Quarter-Scale Competition held by the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers each spring.











A Sincere THANK YOU to our 2019 Donors

Please note, recognition within this list was determined using gift amounts in excess of the fair market value of auction items. A * denotes matching grant funds.

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