

Creating Futures

University of Colorado *Denver*

Endowed Chair in Urban Teacher Education

The Vision

Urban education presents unique joys and challenges. Our region's schools are no exception. In the Denver Public Schools alone, 124 languages are spoken by students and families. A high proportion of urban students are economically disadvantaged, often taught by teachers whose backgrounds and experience do not adequately prepare them for the students' diverse circumstances. Given the distinct correlation between family affluence and student success, our future depends on innovative research, and on quality, compassionate teachers who encourage renewal and success in urban schools.

Guided by our mission of Leadership for Educational Equity and our demonstrated capability to prepare teachers to excel in urban and diverse settings, the School of Education & Human Development at the University of Colorado Denver aims to enhance its resources in Urban Teacher Education with an endowed chair. Your support will allow this to happen.

The Endowed Chair

Our endowed chair in Urban Teacher Education will bring to the School seasoned experience in urban education practice, theory, and research, and provide intellectual leadership for the School's undergraduate and graduate Urban Teacher Education programs. The chair will enhance our expertise in fields such as critical race theory, funds of knowledge, social justice, and multicultural education. And it will enable us to increase community outreach, internships, professional development, research collaborations within and beyond UC Denver, and partnerships with regional educators and school districts.

How You Can Help

We are seeking an endowment of \$2.5 million to establish this chair. By supporting this chair, you will help:

- Fund the position in perpetuity, and bolster the School's standing and financial security for the long term
- Attract an experienced Urban Teacher Education scholar of exceptional ability and reputation
- Strengthen our region's teachers and schools
- Honor the individual for whom the chair is named, and the individual holding the chair



To learn about the many ways you can support this endowed chair:

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