



2019

FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT REPORT
January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Big ideas. Real-world thinking.

Your impact at a glance...



\$1.85 million

Total amount committed to endowed funds in 2019.

153

Endowment funds that received gifts or pledged commitments in 2019.

17

New endowment funds in process of being fully endowed. Once fully funded, they will also benefit students into perpetuity.

\$54.3 million

Endowment market value as of December 31, 2019.

437

Individuals and organizations that contributed gifts to endowment funds in 2019.

\$1.96 million

Amount that will be distributed from the endowment for the 2020-21 academic year.

344

Endowments that are actively supporting scholarships, research, and programs all across our campus.

233

Unique scholarship opportunities funded through the endowment.



I Believe in You



Cameron Laudert grew up being told he wasn't much. Too often, he believed it. Born on the White Earth Reservation to alcoholic parents, his eventual adoption gave him a better home environment. Yet his schooling was riddled with taunts of being different and weird. Drugs and alcohol followed.

He joined the Army and in 2015, a platoon sergeant offered four words that Laudert says made a difference: "I believe in you."

"It stuck with me," he says. "When somebody believes in you, you go searching for the why."

As he searched to understand why someone could believe in him, Laudert enrolled at South Central College, then Minnesota State University, Mankato. At the University, he found more people who believed in him through the Andreas American Indian scholarship, provided by the late David Andreas and his wife, Debbie.

Now a junior majoring in biology and psychology, he plans to attend medical school and become a psychiatrist. He'll specialize in addiction studies, then return to the reservation and provide sorely needed care for his Minnesota Ojibwe community.

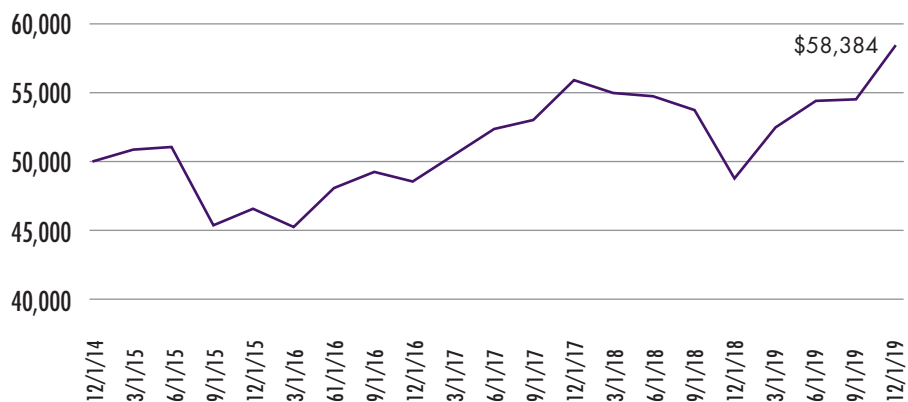
"I want to bring a little bit of hope to my people," he said.

He owes his own hope to the people who believed in him. "People like David and Debbie Andreas, the faculty and staff at Minnesota State Mankato," Laudert says. "They all invest time, effort and belief in students."

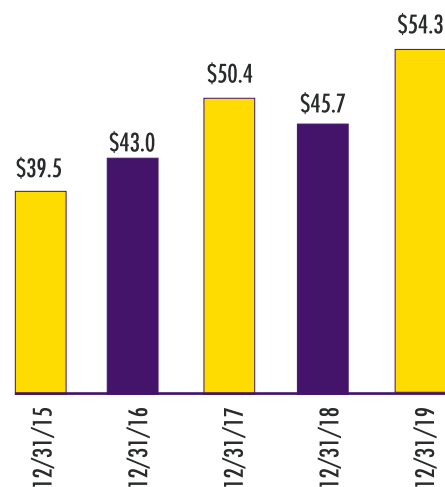
Total value of the Minnesota State Mankato Foundation Endowment in 2019

\$54,256,025

What \$50,000 invested in the endowment five years ago would be worth today

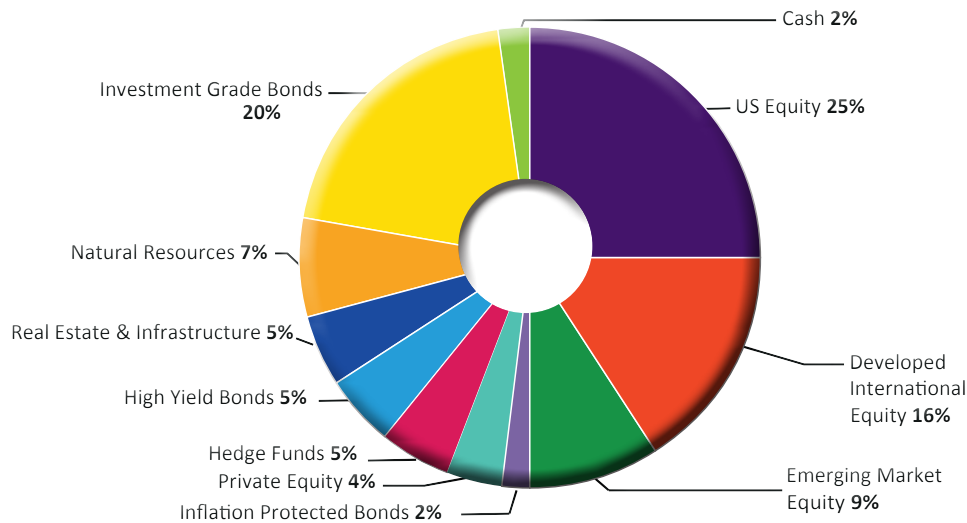


Market Value (in millions)



By partnering with Northern Trust, the Foundation is able to ensure that the endowment is invested to position assets into perpetuity regardless of market fluctuations. When markets are high, we are able to re-invest a portion of earnings back into the endowment. When markets are low, dollars are still available because of this re-investment. Allocations are reviewed by the Foundation's investment committee every three years with adjustments being made based on current strategies and vigilant risk management.

WHAT WE'RE INVESTED IN



The above pie chart shows the breakdown of investment strategy.

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