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Navabs Give $6M for Student Internships

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Mary Kathryn and Alexander Navab

Columbia College has received a $6 million gift from Alexander Navab ’87CC and his wife, Mary Kathryn Navab, for a program that will fund student internships with a variety of nonprofit and for-profit organizations beginning this summer.

The Navab Fellowship Program will support forty full-time internships annually and cover travel and living expenses. The program will connect College students with alumni seeking student interns via the University’s alumni network; it will be administered by the Center for Career Education. The aim of the program is to

provide students equal access to highly competive internships regardless of their financial circumstances.

A University Trustee since 2017, Alexander Navab is the founder and CEO of the private-investment firm Navab Holdings.

“Our goal with this fellowship program is to provide supplemental means for students who are interested in pursuing internships that truly interest them and help them make a real impact on society,” he says.



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