Darden is a beacon of transformative learning experiences, a testament to our faculty’s relentless passion for teaching and groundbreaking research. With a visionary $55 million endowment for faculty excellence, we’re not just maintaining our standards; we’re setting the stage for a new era of academic brilliance. This investment is a leap forward, amplifying our global academic footprint and ensuring Darden remains a trendsetter.

The academic landscape is evolving, and so are we. This endowment is a powerful magnet, drawing the world’s leading educators to Darden. With robust resources, unparalleled research support and enticing incentives, we’re not just competing; we’re leading. This proactive funding approach ensures that Darden is the first choice for visionary educators, fostering groundbreaking research, interdisciplinary innovations and the creation of next-gen educational content.
At the heart of our vision is the transformation of the Faculty Office Building. While it holds memories of the past, it's time for it to reflect Darden's vibrant future. More than just a space, it's where ideas are born, collaborations flourish and students connect with mentors. The allocated $15 million from the endowment is an investment in our future, turning this space into a living embodiment of Darden's progressive ethos. The revamped building will be a nexus for innovation, collaboration and community, ensuring every corner resonates with Darden's commitment to excellence and student-centricity.

“Darden was built on the shoulders of its faculty, and faculty remain Darden's most valuable asset.”

— Jim Cooper (MBA ’88), Milestone I Chair of Darden’s Powered by Purpose Campaign