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Scholarship Impact at Pace
University

2025





The Impact of **YOUR GENEROSITY**

Scholarships are at the heart of the Pace experience. They open doors for students to continue their education, explore their passions, and prepare for meaningful careers. Because of your generosity, countless students can focus on learning, growth, and the opportunities that will shape their future.

In this report, you'll not only see the measurable impact of scholarships—you'll also hear directly from the students whose lives you've touched. Their stories of determination, discovery, and success are a testament to the difference your support makes every day.

We hope you enjoy reading these student profiles and seeing the powerful role you play in shaping their journeys. Thank you for your continued partnership and for helping Pace students pursue their dreams with confidence.

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Investing in Tomorrow's Leaders

Pace students are driven to achieve, and your generosity makes that possible. Thanks to your support, they can focus on their education, pursue opportunities, and prepare for their futures without the heavy burden of financial stress. Every scholarship gift—whether creating a dedicated fund or supporting our broader scholarship program—not only eases the path to graduation but also opens doors to experiences that help students grow into tomorrow's leaders.



Scholarship Impact: By the Numbers

1,300

students received scholarship support in 2024-2025.

\$6.6M

Thanks to donor generosity, the total amount awarded was...



95%

of the Class of 2024 was employed or continuing their education within six months of graduation

The average number of first-year students receiving financial aid at Pace University is

98%

5,000+

Pace alumni are in C-suite and executive level positions

6,168

donors and organizations made gifts to Pace last year, including...

1,542

donors who were making their very first gift

4,300+

donors have made scholarship gifts since the 2020 launch of the Campaign for Pace, for a giving total of...

\$37.5M

Thank you!

Georgette Cosentino '25

Biology

Dyson College of Arts and Sciences

Georgette Cosentino, a proud member of the Class of 2025, demonstrated academic excellence, scientific curiosity, and leadership throughout her time at Pace. A Bronx native and daughter of a Pace alumna, Georgette found her passion for neuroscience through personal experience and rigorous academic exploration.

While earning her BS in Biology from the Dyson College of Arts and Sciences, she served as captain of the women's volleyball team and president of the Tri-Beta Biological Honor Society. Despite a demanding schedule, Georgette maintained a near-perfect GPA and completed an honors thesis on neuroinflammation and post-traumatic epilepsy using an adult zebrafish model. She spoke at commencement as the valedictorian of her class.

Georgette plans to pursue a PhD in Cell Biology, crediting the donor-funded scholarships and dedicated faculty mentorship she received at Pace for helping her develop into the researcher and leader she is today. She leaves Pace well-prepared to advance her scientific career and contribute meaningfully to her field.

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Your generosity has inspired me to accomplish all I can, help others, and give back to the community. I hope one day I can help the students of tomorrow achieve their goals, just as you have helped me.



Thomas Dennis '25

Finance

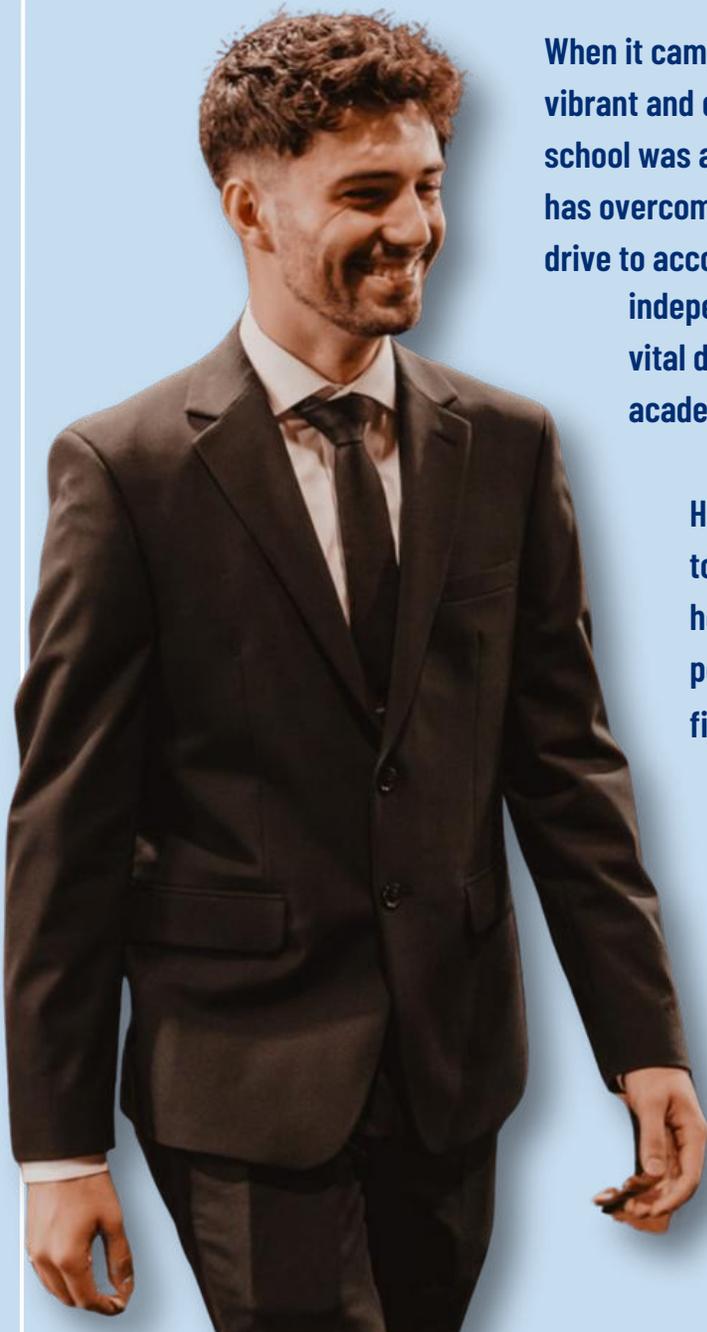
Lubin School of Business

Watch Thomas's
Story at
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Thomas grew up in a small Pennsylvania town, raised by a single mother who worked tirelessly in her role as a social worker to provide for Thomas and his sister while making a difference in her community. While they often faced financial challenges, Thomas's mother always made sure that he had the support he needed to pursue his dreams and passions without limits. When asked who his personal hero is, Thomas answers without hesitation: His mom. "I'm the person I am today because of her," Thomas says. "She is the inspiration behind everything I do."

When it came time to apply for college, he saw New York as a vibrant and diverse city where he could truly blossom. Paying for school was a considerable challenge—but it's a challenge Thomas has overcome through his own determination, perseverance, and drive to accomplish his goals. He has worked to support himself independently throughout his time at Pace and has received vital donor-funded scholarships in recognition of his academic and extracurricular achievements.

Having graduated in May 2025, Thomas is now working to launch a career in financial planning, in part so that he can provide essential guidance to hardworking people like his mother, who may be encountering similar financial hurdles. His time at Pace brought him within reach of this dream: Last summer, he completed an internship at Breakaway Wealth, providing him with crucial real-world work experience in the field. Today, he looks forward to building his career as a financial planner, and to continuing to make his mother proud.



Mahsheed Askari '23

Information Technology

Seidenberg School of Computer Science and Information Systems

Graduated: 2023
Current Role:
Senior Digital Risk Consultant,
EY

When Mahsheed Askari's parents immigrated to the U.S. from Afghanistan with just \$30, they dreamed of giving their children a life of opportunity. At Pace, Mahsheed found that opportunity—and thrived. A first-generation college student, she embraced leadership roles as a mentor, resident assistant, and intern, supported by generous donor-funded scholarships.

She credits Pace's faculty, staff, and donors for helping her complete three internships, including one that launched her career. Today, Mahsheed serves as Senior Digital Risk Consultant at EY, carrying forward the values of perseverance, service, and community she gained at Pace. "Your support means so much," she told planned giving donors at the 2022 Edward J. Mortola Legacy Society event. "I hope that I can continue to make you proud."

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My role here as a student, mentor, resident assistant, and intern has shaped not only my career development, but also the person I am choosing to be in this life. This journey has taught me the value of caring for others, being independent, and taking every opportunity as a wonderful life lesson.

(Mahsheed speaking at the 2022 Mortola Event)





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