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PATRICK F. CADIGAN'S HISTORIC \$42 MILLION COMMITMENT TO CLAREMONT GRADUATE UNIVERSITY

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Claremont Graduate University (CGU) has received a \$42 million philanthropic commitment—the largest in its history—from the Patrick F. Cadigan Family Foundation, established by alumnus Patrick F. Cadigan (MA, Executive Management, 1978; PhD, Executive Management, 1980). Following his wishes, CGU will use the gift to construct a building in the vacant lot at 11th Street/Drucker Way and Dartmouth Avenue, north of the Peter F. Drucker and Masatoshi Ito Graduate School of Management.

Who was Patrick F. Cadigan?

Patrick F. Cadigan, who passed away in April 2020, was one of the most successful private real estate investors in Orange County, Calif., who attended the Drucker School of Management, where he earned a master's degree and doctorate. The child of immigrants, he believed in the transformative power of education, which is why he directed much of his philanthropy toward his alma maters. He was also a firm believer in the principles of management theorist Peter Drucker, who was a member of Cadigan's dissertation committee. His daughter Maria Cadigan remembers him as a man who was deeply devoted to his family—someone who always found time for his children's activities despite his heavy business and academic responsibilities. She said her father "created his own opportunities, and he was so pleased that his success enabled him to pursue an education and a career in the greatest country in the world. He believed that responsibility and privilege are inseparable."

Why is this gift being used for a building?

Cadigan's philanthropy focused on helping his alma maters build out their campuses. He wanted to help CGU with its master plan and was keenly interested in creating something special on the university's vacant lot.

What plans does CGU have for the building?

The planned building will embody CGU's transdisciplinary learning philosophy. It will become the new home for the School of Arts & Humanities, as well as for the university's entrepreneurial business faculty and students. In addition, it will support strategic initiatives, executive education, and community engagement. It will be a place where creativity, innovation, and entrepreneurship thrive.

When will construction begin?

CGU is in the early stages of soliciting proposals for the project. Once a construction firm has been selected, a timeline will be determined. The university will provide updates.

What will the building look like?

The design will be determined in consultation with architects. CGU intends for the building to blend well with the architecture on campus, as well as make a bold statement about its purpose as a nexus for transdisciplinary education and entrepreneurship.

Has the city of Claremont been notified about this project?

Yes, CGU has made initial contact with the city about its intention to construct a building. The university will follow up with the city as needed.

Will the gift fully fund the project?

The Cadigan Family Foundation made this philanthropic commitment with that intent. The Office of Advancement and university leaders will work to identify other philanthropic partners to join in the mission of fully realizing the potential of the building and those who will use it.

How will CGU honor the memory of Patrick F. Cadigan?

The building will bear his name. In addition, CGU will tell Cadigan's story in the building in a way that not only honors him but inspires its occupants to achieve their dreams just as he did.



Where does this philanthropic commitment rank among CGU's largest gifts?

This is the largest gift in CGU's history. The university has had several major benefactors over the years. Their backgrounds and interests varied, but all shared a common belief in CGU—in its mission, its faculty, and its students. Among them are:

- **Masatoshi Ito**, founder and honorary chairman of the Ito-Yokado Group—\$20 million to the Drucker School of Management, which now bears his name alongside Peter Drucker's.
- **The San Manuel Band of Mission Indians**—\$14 million for the Yuhaaviatam Center, which will become the new home for a research center and the university's School of Community & Global Health. Faculty and students across multiple disciplines, as well as visiting scholars, will address health challenges facing underserved populations.

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About Claremont Graduate University

Founded in 1925, Claremont Graduate University is one of a select few American universities devoted solely to graduate-level education. The university is a founding member of The Claremont Colleges, which include Pomona College, Pitzer College, Claremont McKenna College, Scripps College, Harvey Mudd College, and Keck Graduate Institute. CGU is comprised of seven schools, offering 86 degree and certificate programs. CGU offers a unique transdisciplinary perspective encouraging students to explore issues and education across academic disciplines. CGU is home to the Peter F. Drucker & Masatoshi Ito Graduate School of Management and the annual Kingsley and Kate Tufts Poetry Awards. For more information, visit www.cgu.edu.

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