**Thomas J. Wenzel Research Endowment**

The endowment was created through a gift from James B. Weissman ’84, P’22 and Kyoko Oba Weissman P’22.

The purpose of the fund is to support the salary of students conducting an on-campus, summer research project with a faculty member in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry.  If necessary, approximately 20% of the available funds can be used to support the cost of consumables and other expenses needed by the student(s) to complete their summer work.

Faculty members within the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry select the student(s) to be supported through the fund.

Funds can be used to provide the full salary for students undertaking an 8-10 week project or to provide supplemental salary for one or more students with partial funding from another source (e.g., college funds, faculty member’s external grant).

Outstanding academic achievement in course work is not essential.  Support of students who excel in the laboratory or who have the most to gain through a research experience is encouraged.  Support of students from groups that have been historically underrepresented in STEM fields is encouraged, including those who are rising sophomores or juniors.