Risk Management Speaker Series—$200,000 endowment or $8,000 annually

- Funding is needed for a speaker series that will bring risk management and insurance executives to campus to showcase career opportunities for students. Support will cover costs associated with organizing these valuable forums.

Student Development Funds—$50,000 to $100,000 annually for various needs

- Students gain valuable networking and mentoring opportunities at a variety of national and regional professional conferences, meetings and industry events, such as The National Alliance, the Risk Management Society, Gamma Iota Sigma, Property & Liability Research Bureau and Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter. Funding is needed to increase the number of students who participate in these events, as well as increase the number of meetings they are able to attend.

Risk Management Research support—$20,000 annually

- Funding is needed to purchase software, data and subscription materials that support risk management research.

Risk Management/Sales Initiative—$10,000 annually

- Funding is needed to expand the risk management/sales program to include guest speakers and to support the insurance sales competition.

Risk Management Graduate Program Initiatives—needs and funding levels vary

- These initiatives include establishing graduate program scholarships for students in the risk management and insurance program.

FLORIDA CATASTROPHIC STORM RISK MANAGEMENT CENTER

Florida Catastrophic Storm Risk Management Center—$7 million endowment

- This named endowment will support center operations and help attract visiting scholars, postdoctoral fellows and graduate students across related disciplines to promote scholarship and collaboration on key catastrophe risk issues.

EARNEST Initiative—$7 million endowment

- This named endowment will fund a specialized program between Florida State researchers, the business community and students to focus on how to attain community-level financial development and resiliency to catastrophes through a balanced approach. The EARNEST, Economic Architecture of Resilient Neighborhood and Ensurance of Sustainable Thriving, Research Program is part of Florida State’s university-wide Risk Initiative, created to solve the challenges of risk through interdisciplinary research, teaching and service.
EARNEST Research Program Initiative Support—$250,000 to $400,000 annually

➤ This funding will be utilized to support specific projects within the EARNEST Research Program Initiative, actively promoting collaborations between Florida State researchers, the business community and students to focus on how to attain community-level financial development and resiliency to catastrophes through a balanced approach.

Postdoctoral fellowships—$125,000 annually

➤ This funding will be used to attract and support emerging scholars for short-term appointments at the center and support interdisciplinary research directly related to disaster risk adaptation, mitigation and financing.

Research Symposia and Workshops—$20,000 to $50,000 annually

➤ These annual funds will allow us to host symposia and events focused on catastrophe risk and insurance issues.

CENTER FOR INSURANCE RESEARCH

Center for Insurance Research—$5 million endowment

➤ Endowed funding for a named center will ensure its long-term success, allow for expansion of activities and support operational costs and ongoing research.

Academic Speaker/Visiting Researcher Program—$600,000 endowment or $24,000 annually

➤ Funds for this named program will be used to support visiting scholars for short- or intermediate-term research visits designed to foster collaboration with faculty and doctoral students.

Research Symposia and Workshops—$20,000 to $50,000 annually

➤ These funds will be used for symposia and workshops that bring together prominent academicians and practitioners in risk management to discuss relevant topics. Funding will cover expenses associated with these activities.

REAL ESTATE PROGRAM

Real Estate Program—$5 million endowment

➤ A named Real Estate Program will increase the program’s visibility nationwide and help promote its brand. This transformative gift will help keep the Florida State Real Estate Program as one of the best in the world.

Center for Real Estate Education & Research—$5 million endowment

➤ An endowment to name the center will increase its ability to enhance the Real Estate Program’s teaching, research and service mission. The center facilitates student learning experiences beyond the traditional classroom; strengthens the program’s relationships with its professional and academic constituencies; and works to build resources to attract, support and retain world-class faculty. The center organizes conferences and forums and
supports student participation in corporate tours, professional meetings and competitions, as well as scholarship, assistantship and award administration.

Recruit and Retain Outstanding Faculty—$250,000 to $2 million endowment

Endowment funding will be used to establish a named eminent scholar ($2 million) or named distinguished professorship ($250,000) that will allow us to attract the best scholars and reward those scholars who make significant contributions to the program.

Leadership and Honors Programs in Real Estate—$1.5 million and $1 million endowments

Funding is needed to endow named leadership and honors programs. The leadership program ($1.5 million) provides students the opportunity to attend professional conferences, council meetings, corporate events and specialized events of leading real estate industry groups. The honors program ($1 million) develops specialized internships, mentoring, assistantships and service initiatives, coupled with advanced coursework at the master’s level.

Student Access to Advanced Technology—$750,000 endowment or $30,000 annually

Funding is needed to develop course-embedded technology modules. Training our students to use ARGUS software and giving them access to ancillary material, such as REIS materials, CoStar data and Bloomberg technologies, are critical for their success.

Real Estate Laboratory (The War Room)—$300,000 endowment

This named laboratory will have a substantial impact on the future of both the Real Estate Program and the College of Business. The Real Estate Research Laboratory—also known as the War Room—will be a tremendous resource for undergraduate, graduate and doctoral education. The War Room will serve our faculty by providing a state-of-the-art space for collaborative research with other scholars around the world. This capability will help us attract and retain top-tier faculty.

LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

Legal Studies Program—$5 million endowment

A named Legal Studies Program will increase the program’s visibility nationwide and help promote its brand. Students pursuing a College of Business degree, as well as many students campus wide, must take legal studies courses as a degree requirement. These courses provide vital training in such areas as ethics, critical thinking and good citizenship, while fulfilling requirements for many professional designations.

Recruit and Retain Outstanding Faculty—$250,000 to $2 million endowment

Funding to establish named eminent scholar positions or named distinguished professorships allow us to attract the best scholars and reward those who make significant contributions to their discipline.