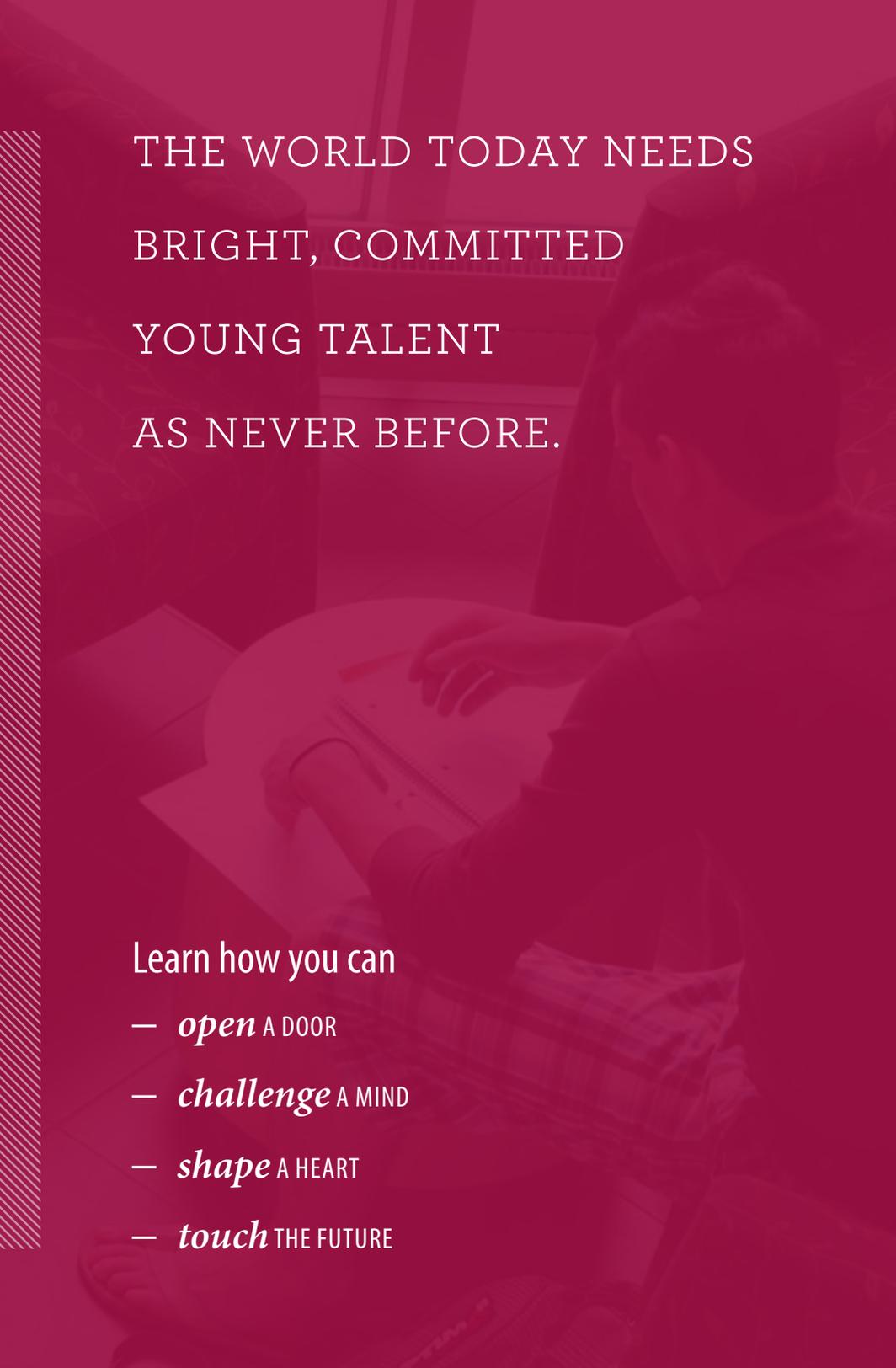




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## TODAY AT SUSQUEHANNA

MORE  
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**25%**

OF SUSQUEHANNA  
STUDENTS ARE THE  
FIRST IN THEIR FAMILIES  
*to attend college.*

**94%** *of students receive*  
SOME FORM OF FINANCIAL AID.

**73%** *graduate with an*  
AVERAGE DEBT OF  
*MORE THAN \$29,000.*

*Less than 8 percent of the university's \$38 million financial aid budget is funded by endowment income and other gifts designated for that purpose, compared to 15 percent at competitor schools.*

*The balance is derived from tuition and other revenue, which in turn places pressure on the operating budget and academic programs.*

## SHAPE A LIFE AND CHANGE THE WORLD.

Generations of outstanding students have relied on scholarships to achieve a Susquehanna education. Maybe you were one of them. Read about how two students, Jill and Jesse, have been impacted by donors.

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# FEW GIFTS ARE MORE MEANINGFUL OR LASTING THAN THE GIFT OF EDUCATION.

## FORTITUDE, INSPIRATION AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Jill Leshler '95 Fogleman started at Susquehanna as the mother of a small child. Still a teenager herself, Fogleman says

her scholarships made all the difference in her college success.

Inspired by faculty who believed in her, Jill graduated with a biochemistry degree and a 3.96 cumulative GPA. Jill says her professors turned her on to the possibility of graduate school and a career in pharmacology.

“My professors instilled a real enjoyment for science and a desire to pursue my dream. Dr. (Neil) Potter was a big influence,” she says. “And the Peelers, Tom and Peggy, they’re the ones who pointed me toward Duke for graduate school.”

Today Jill is vice president of general toxicology and pharmacology at Calvert Labs



*Life came full circle for Jill Leshler '95 Fogleman recently when she celebrated her eldest daughter Shannon's graduation from college. Jill's younger daughters, 6-year-old Sydney and 3-year-old Alyssa, were also on hand to mark the milestone.*



“I HAVE A DEEP SENSE  
OF GRATITUDE FOR WHAT  
THEY GAVE BECAUSE I  
KNOW THAT PEOPLE WORK  
HARD FOR THEIR MONEY.

*It means a great  
deal to me.”*

**Jill Leshler '95 Fogleman**

*Vice President of General  
Toxicology and Pharmacology  
at Calvert Labs Inc.*

and holds a doctorate degree in pharmacology from Duke University. At Calvert, she works on pre-clinical pharmaceutical testing and business development. “One of the main aspects of my work is setting up and overseeing studies on the side effects of new chemical entities—things that are destined to become new drugs,” Jill explains.

“Scholarships enable students to complete their education and really reduce the stress on how to finance it,” Jill says. “If I hadn’t had scholarships, I might not have been able to go to grad school because I would have had so many loans to pay off.”

Overcoming obstacles that might have been insurmountable for many, Jill used her scholarships to the fullest. Today, she is living proof that making a difference in one life can add untold value to the world.



*Jesse Ramsey '09 became an academic and student leader at Susquehanna thanks to the philanthropic investment of donors.*

## OVERCOMING ADVERSITY

To call Jesse Ramsey a dynamo is something of an understatement. He made his mark on the university—as outstanding senior man of the year, a Presidential Fellow and a Distinguished Service Scholar, as well as holding numerous student leadership roles. He even revived the inactive Phi Mu Delta, now the largest fraternity on campus.

But it wasn't easy for Jesse and his family. As one of five children, paying for college was a challenge. And sadly, Jesse's mother, Crystal, lost her battle with cancer during his sophomore year. While Jesse lost the loving encouragement and support of his mother, his academic career was secured by scholarships. Although he worked several campus jobs, scholarships allowed Ramsey to work fewer hours and meet his goal of graduating in four years.

Jesse graduated with both a Bachelor of Science in business administration and a Bachelor of Arts in philosophy in 2009, and landed a job at Deloitte Consulting as a human capital analyst. In 2011, he earned a Master of Science in organizational development and leadership from Shippensburg University.

Calling his Susquehanna experience “very much a story of transformation,” Jesse understands the importance of scholarships, and with gratitude, regularly pays his blessings forward to current students with annual gifts for student scholarships.

### A DONOR’S PERSPECTIVE

Lyn D’Alessandro ’51 is one of many alumni and friends of Susquehanna who have made student scholarships a priority for their giving. Lyn now has three scholarships at Susquehanna—one in her own name and the others in memory of her husband and her mother. She provides annual gifts to Susquehanna that are awarded in their entirety each year to her scholarship students. She has also made a provision in her estate planning that will continue her scholarships in perpetuity. This is a wonderful legacy that will shape and change lives for generations to come.

*“I consider my scholarships to be among my life’s most significant and personally satisfying accomplishments.”*

LYN D’ALESSANDRO ’51



*Lyn D’Alessandro ’51 with Jessica Davila ’09 at an annual scholarship lunch for donors and their scholarship students. Jessica was one of Lyn’s three scholarship students.*

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

about establishing a scholarship fund for an outstanding student, please contact Doug Seaberg, assistant vice president of university relations, at 570-372-4408 or [seaberg@susqu.edu](mailto:seaberg@susqu.edu).

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