

# REUNION



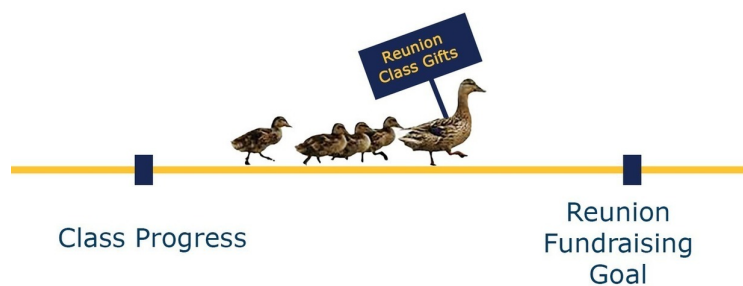
## Your Reunion is coming!

Saturday of Reunion Weekend offers so many memorable events - class photos followed by the alumni parade which brings everyone together in semi-organized and very noisy groups. Everyone winds their way to Reunion Convocation where fundraising checks are presented to President Murray and volunteers are recognized. Alumni and their guests can gather for lunch on the Green between Stanton Hall and Cleveland Commons. The afternoon is full of plenty events on and off campus and the day closes with class dinners.

You won't want to miss out on all the fun! [RSVP](#) and make plans to **come back to Whitman September 24 - 26, 2021.**

[RSVP Today!](#)

## Your Reunion Gift May Be Matched.



Reunions reunite our alumni not only by gathering everyone together, but by collectively giving back to the college with a class gift. In honor of your upcoming reunion we hope you will consider making a gift to [The Whitman Fund](#), or to an area that is most meaningful to you. Every gift counts and creates a collective impact for today's students. **For every Whitman Fund gift received before December 31 the Board of Trustees will make an additional \$100 gift to The Whitman Fund.**

Please join your classmates with a reunion gift today. Thank you to those who have already contributed. Check your class participation and class gift progress [here](#).

[Give to Your Class Gift!](#)



Brent Stratton '81

## Why I Give Back

"I moved to Chicago after graduation and have been here ever since. So, in a weird way, I give to Whitman because it helps me maintain a fond connection that is stretched by geography. Making regular donations - and larger ones during reunion years - causes me to think about and remember what Whitman meant to me, what it gave to me, what it prepared me to do for the rest of my life.

As much as I've loved living in the big city for the last four decades, I've always treasured those four years at a small college in a small town. I was fortunate that I didn't need to go into debt to attend Whitman, but I know others are not as fortunate, so if I can help new students afford the Whitman experience, that also helps me maintain the connection." - Brent Stratton '81

Join Brent and make a gift to The Whitman Fund. Your gift goes right to work for current Whitman students. Designate to the area you value the most:

- >> Greatest Need
- >> Scholarship & Student Aid
- >> Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
- >> Academic Excellence
- >> Internships

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## Financial Aid Helps Students Excel

Timo Jimenez '22 is a current Whitman student who is studying remotely from his family home in Concord, CA. He is a Chinese major but also loves his history classes. "I definitely like history courses – they're great! African History and Asian History are areas I hadn't explored before in my education."



Timo Jimenez '22

He misses Whitman, the small town of Walla Walla, and getting to converse with others. But, he says, "I think in due time we will gradually return back to normal."

He plans to study abroad in Shanghai, China his junior year, "I'd like to explore Shanghai, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and the rural counties. I'd like to eat the authentic cuisine and practice speaking with the locals – just get a fresh perspective on life."

Jimenez explains why he chose to attend Whitman, "I'm differently-abled – so to speak. I have Cerebral Palsy. I can't get around long distances. My family and I chose Whitman College because it was an open area and all the buildings were close together. I could get anywhere in about 10 – 15 minutes time. Also, it was a mix of the people there and the fascinating courses offered."

Gifts to [The Whitman Fund](#) help students like Jimenez achieve their education. When asked about the financial aid he's been awarded, he says, "I want to excel in college, graduate and focus on the future."

As Jimenez looks to the future and returning to campus he says, "As long as you put your heart into Whitman, you can excel no matter who you are."

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## End of Year Giving Information

**By Phone:** Call us at (509) 527-5189

**By Mail:** 345 Boyer Ave, Walla Walla, WA 99362. Checks made payable to Whitman College and must be postmarked before December 31 to be eligible for the 2020 tax year.

**Gifts of Stock or mutual funds:** We advise requests are made before December 18 to allow for processing and arrival before December 31. More information can be [found on our website](#).

*Gifts made to Whitman qualify as a charitable deduction. Through the CARES act, taxpayers who do not itemize are eligible to deduct up to \$300. Gifts must be made before December 31, 2020 to qualify.*



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