

The **Dr. Thayne and Margaret (Missy) McCallum Dutson Scholarship Endowment** was established in early 2022 by their colleagues and friends in appreciation for their many contributions to the College of Agricultural Sciences and Oregon State University. Scholarship recipients will be selected annually through the College's Office of Academics.

Bio Sketch of Thayne and Margaret (Missy) McCallum Dutson

When a student receives a scholarship, it is a source of great pride, and makes the educational journey easier. That is our hope for you, the recipient. We had help from scholarships for our graduate degrees, but we also had to work while going to college. Here is our story. Good luck in your journey!

Neither Thayne nor Missy had scholarship support for their BS degrees. Thayne received his BS degree in Zoology with a Minor in Chemistry from Utah State University in 1966 and Missy received her BS degree in Nursing from the University of Oregon (UO) in 1970. Thayne supported his undergraduate degree by working at a meat packing plant almost $\frac{3}{4}$ time, starting at 4:00 am and attending classes later in the day. Missy subsidized her BS degree by working nights at Doernbecher Hospital in Portland, OR. Due to the hard work required to complete their undergraduate education, Thayne and Missy are very appreciative of the contributions many caring people have made to create this endowed scholarship. These contributions will allow the scholarship recipients to concentrate more completely on their education at Oregon State University.

After his undergraduate degree, Thayne received MS and PhD degrees from Michigan State University with support from an NIH Traineeship and received a Post-Doctoral Fellowship at the University of Nottingham in England. Thayne spent 13 years as a professor at Texas A&M University teaching mostly graduate courses and conducting research. He then went back to Michigan State University as Department head of the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition, later receiving the Distinguished Alumni award from that department. Thayne was awarded two research awards, one from the American Society of Animal Science and one from the American Meat Science Association both of which were competed for internationally. Additionally, he was President of the Council for Agricultural Science and Technology (CAST), a national organization. Thayne accepted the position of Associate Dean for Research and Director of the Oregon Agricultural Experiment Station in 1987; in 1993 he accepted the position of Dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences; both at OSU. During Thayne's 21-year tenure at OSU, working with other partners, he was influential in establishing the Food Innovation Center and the Wheat Marketing Center in Portland; in expanding the Seafood Laboratory in Astoria; and the Coastal Oregon Marine Experiment Station, and the Marine Mammal Institute, both at the Hatfield Marine Science Center. Thayne was also a leader in fostering cross college collaborations at OSU and establishing an atmosphere of open collaborative management within the college. Thayne retired in 2008.

Missy continued her education by completing an MS degree in Nursing from the UO and later received Physician Assistant and Nurse Practitioner certificates. Missy was supported in her graduate education by a United States Public Health Service Traineeship and continued to work in nursing for 44 years, giving back the public investment in her career. A native Oregonian, most of Missy's career was in Oregon in many practice settings including acute care, ambulatory care, teaching and managing healthcare programs at Linn-Benton Community College and finishing the last 10 years in the operating room. Missy retired in 2012.

A family was raised, three children and numerous grandchildren, which are Thayne and Missy's pride and joy. After retirement, Missy and Thayne raised top quality registered Red Angus cattle at their ranch in Sisters, Oregon.

We hope our story of educational commitment, working while going to college, and scholarship support will inspire you in your careers. Scholarships are a proven method to invest in the future of our nation and the world. Good luck to you!