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**Denver Scholarship Foundation Names University of Colorado Denver  
DSF College Partner of the Year**

Denver, CO – Denver Scholarship Foundation (DSF) has awarded College Partner of the Year distinction to the University of Colorado Denver (CU Denver). The annual award recognizes an institution of higher education in Colorado, as a partner of DSF, that demonstrates exceptional innovation and collaboration to support DSF Scholars to persist in and graduate from a technical college, community college, or university.

“The University of Colorado Denver goes above and beyond, year after year, to champion the dreams of DSF Scholars,” said Lorii Rabinowitz, DSF CEO. “Our DSF Campus Advisors are fully integrated into CU Denver’s campus, working side by side with financial aid, the scholar community, and other advising staff, an intentional and highly effective model that ensures DSF Scholars have access to a one-stop-shop for all of their needs, promoting their success. For our Scholars, 88% of whom are the first in their families to pursue a college degree, this seamless experience contributes to the high success rates we see at CU Denver.”

Of DSF’s 31 partner institutions in Colorado, CU Denver ranks third in number of DSF Scholars served, with 289 DSF Scholars pursuing a degree at CU Denver in 2018-19. DSF awarded over \$770,000 in scholarship dollars to DSF Scholars at CU Denver, part of nearly \$5 million in scholarships for all DSF Scholars in 2018-19. Since its founding in 2006, DSF has awarded over \$7,300,000 in scholarships to DSF Scholars attending CU Denver.

“The Denver Scholarship Foundation has been a tremendous support to our students over the years,” said CU Denver Chancellor Michelle Marks. “Even more impressive is the work the foundation does to help them persist through to graduation. We’re so grateful for our partnership with DSF—which provides opportunities for our students to truly change their lives—and honored by the Collage Partner of the Year award.”

DSF Scholars benefit from the strong partnership between DSF and CU Denver. In fact, 85% of DSF Scholars at CU Denver are persisting or have graduated with their degree.

DSF will recognize CU Denver by presenting the award during DSF Spirit Week, a week-long celebration and fundraiser honoring DSF Scholars and Alumni, beginning on Monday, October 5, 2020. To learn more visit [www.denverscholarship.org/gala](http://www.denverscholarship.org/gala).

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### About the Denver Scholarship Foundation



Denver Scholarship Foundation (DSF) is a 501(c)(3) public charity whose mission is to inspire and empower Denver Public Schools' (DPS) students to achieve their college goals. A direct service provider, DSF provides college and financial aid advice to Denver students and families and offers a renewable, need-based scholarship to support Scholars throughout their college careers. DSF also partners with colleges across Colorado to implement retention strategies that help Denver students complete their college education. DSF aims to create systemic change to prepare Denver's youth to succeed in today's evolving workforce. For more information, [www.denverscholarship.org](http://www.denverscholarship.org) or connect with us on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).

### About University of Colorado Denver



As Colorado's only public urban research university, the University of Colorado Denver educates a diverse student body through quality academics, ambitious research and creative work, and civic engagement in the city we call home. Graduates gain the powerful combination of immersive classroom and real-world experiences that are in demand today, while the city benefits from well-educated, top talent and a new generation of knowledge that fuels the future of Denver and our region. We are CU in the city. For more information, visit [ucdenver.edu](http://ucdenver.edu) or connect with us on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).