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School of General Studies Gets New Funds to Support Financial Aid

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Columbia University is making a major investment in its School of General Studies, dedicating $30 million to the school’s endowment over the next three years to bolster student financial aid. The new investment, structured as matching funds, is designed to encourage additional donations from future supporters, further amplifying aid for GS students. Additionally, the funding will support the launch of a new initiative, the NYC Scholars program, which aims to create an affordable pathway to GS for high-achieving local community-

college students.

The University has also announced that it has commenced planning for a residential hall that would be the first ever dedicated to GS students; Kikka Hanazawa ’00GS, a Columbia Trustee, is leading an effort to raise $20 million in alumni donations for the project.



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