THE IMPACT OF AN ENDOWMENT

He accepted IBM’s offer, so after senior Nathan Meyers graduates in spring 2019, he will begin working on a team that develops microprocessors. “So it’s super-nerdy, right up my alley,” he says.

Awarded the George and Ann Haefner Presidential Scholarship, Meyers found the scholarship invaluable not only in covering four years’ tuition, but in distinguishing his resume, which lead to a dream job. Beneath it all, the scholarship bolstered his confidence.

“It’s reassuring that I’m going to a University that wants me to be here, that really sees me as someone who will succeed—and that cares about me,” he says.

Nathan Meyers

Total value of the Minnesota State Mankato Endowment in 2018

$53,616,000

What $50,000 invested in the endowment five years ago would be worth today

Market Value (in millions)

$49.4  $47.5  $51.3  $58.9  $53.6
By partnering with Northern Trust, the Foundation is able to ensure that the endowment is invested to position assets into perpetuity regardless of market fluctuations. When markets are high, we are able to re-invest a portion of earnings back into the endowment. When markets are low, dollars are still available because of this re-investment. Allocations are reviewed by the Foundation’s investment committee every three years with adjustments being made based on current strategies and vigilant risk management.

The above pie chart shows the breakdown of investment strategy on Dec. 31, 2018.
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