



# COMMIT TO RISING CHAMPIONS

*ATHLETICS, COACHING  
AND COMPETITIVENESS*

**CLEARLY** ✨ ✨ ✨  
**FURMAN**

*The Campaign for Our Third Century*





# INSPIRING GREATNESS

**M**ore than 350 Furman students compete as athletes across our 18 Division I teams, creating the single-largest shared student experience outside the classroom. Wherever they go, these student-athletes represent the drive for excellence that defines Furman. And when they take the field or the court, the track or the course, our student-athletes also apply the leadership skills, teamwork, discipline and passion for success that will reward them across their lives. Paladin athletics is about more than winning conference and national championships or earning academic and athletic honors; it is also about channeling talent and ambition to transform lives and the world around us.

**CLEARLY FURMAN** is making major investments in these champions of today and tomorrow because here, athletic and academic excellence take our student-athletes and the Furman name further. Through this campaign, we will bolster our training and practice facilities, create endowments that forever advance our recruitment and retention of outstanding student-athletes and coaches, and renovate and expand the spaces in which our alumni and fans can come together loud and proud to cheer on our student-athletes.

**Our fundraising goal for this priority is \$50 million.**

**GOAL:  
\$50 MILLION**







Every day I am thankful to be coached by the best staff in the NCAA and to be a part of a team culture that is like no other.

BETHANY GRAHAM '25

#### GIVING OPPORTUNITY

**F**urman has always supported student-athletes, with heavy emphasis on *student*. Our athletes are competitors in the classroom and on the field, rising to the occasion to meet Furman's rigorous academic and training schedules. To compete at their best, they depend upon outstanding coaches, excellent training and competition facilities, and a relentless commitment to maintaining the competitive edge that winning in the Southern Conference and in NCAA Division I sports require.

**Through *CLEARLY FURMAN*, donors can support these critical elements of student-athletes' success.**

#### *ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS*

Furman is the smallest DI school in the Southern Conference, and we award more athletic scholarships than any other league member, totaling about \$13 million a year. But only \$1.3 million of the \$13 million is endowed, requiring the annual operating budget to fund 90% of these scholarships. Donors can make permanent the capacity of our student-athletes to compete and win through endowed scholarships that provide a lasting resource or those investments.



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## TEAM ENDOWMENTS

Being a student-athlete demands a great deal of dedication from our Paladins. This dedication can only be maximized with the proper resources for team travel, training, equipment, nutrition, wellness, and more. An investment in any of our 18 Division I varsity sports creates the experience of a lifetime for our student-athletes, and the connection of a lifetime for our generous donors.

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## COACH ENDOWMENTS

Nobody influences the success of our student-athletes quite like our coaches. These gracious leaders are recruiters and field engineers, scouts and mentors, and must call out the best in our student-athletes while representing Furman with class and character. Investing in endowments for our coaching staff, **donors can singularly shape Furman's ability to recruit, retain and support the leaders who define the success of our student-athletes on and off the field**—and the caliber of programs that shape Furman's reputation everywhere our teams go.



We look forward to continuing to watch our graduates become doctors, researchers and leaders in their industry, but we also look forward to many more SoCon Championships, NCAA representation, Team USA members and professional runners.

**ROBERT GARY**  
HEAD COACH, CROSS COUNTRY AND TRACK & FIELD  
**RITA GARY**  
ASSISTANT COACH, CROSS COUNTRY AND TRACK & FIELD





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## ATHLETICS FACILITIES

A great place to compete means many things—first-rate playing surfaces, flexibility for practice and gameday use, comfortable spaces for fans, state of the art locker rooms, and much more. Furman's basketball program, for example, requires a separate practice facility to ensure that women's and men's programs achieve equal practice time. And with renovations that improve the facility and its branding, Timmons Arena will become a much better place to practice, boosting both competitiveness and recruiting.

**With investments in facilities like these, donors can create spaces for success that last a generation.**



Renderings of the future Timmons Arena.







For our student-athletes, wearing the purple and white is more than a statement of school pride or team unity. It is a symbol of their determination to succeed at the highest levels of competition and academic challenge, to represent Furman as winners even as they ask more of themselves as learners. Rooting for them, we let them know we are with them. And through **CLEARLY FURMAN**, donors can support them in ways that raise them up and carry them into every competition with everything they need to be their best.

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