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For a rewarding, 40-year career in commercial, corporate and international banking, David Poff '72 said he owes special thanks to his alma maters.



This year he set up scholarships at both the University of Dayton and Sinclair Community College. The financial aid complements the University of Dayton's ongoing efforts to provide pathways to a four-year degree for Dayton-area students who may not otherwise have been able to attend.

After three-and-a-half years serving in the Air Force, Poff earned an associate degree in accounting from Sinclair and

then enrolled at UD, where he earned a bachelor's in business management.

"The University of Dayton enhances the city of Dayton and its reputation greatly, and Sinclair offers Dayton a great service," Poff said. "Both institutions are a gift to Dayton, Ohio."

Poff's \$25,000 donation to Sinclair created a scholarship fund for veterans. At UD, he donated \$25,000 plus an additional gift from his estate to fund scholarships for students transferring from Sinclair to UD, with special preference to veterans.

The new scholarship complements the UD Sinclair Academy partnership that launched in September 2016, which offers students an enhanced pathway through Sinclair to a UD education. Academy

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students are among those who will be eligible for the Poff scholarship.

Poff credits his UD education with his success in achieving a senior vice president position with Union Bank in San Francisco. Before his retirement, Poff also recruited talent for his company.

He said a UD education stands up among degrees from highly regarded universities. It's an opportunity he's proud to make available to more students.

"If your résumé says UD, it makes a difference," he said.

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