



## MAKING A GIFT OF SECURITIES

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### HOW IT WORKS

- You may transfer shares of stock to the UM Foundation electronically, via mail, or by delivering stock certificates to the UM Foundation.
- Please immediately notify the UM Foundation when the transfer is made.
  - Provide your name,
  - the date of your gift,
  - the name of the security transferred,
  - the expected number of shares, and
  - the purpose of the gift.

This will ensure timely receipt and confirmation of your gift.

- If you have possession of stock certificates, mail the unendorsed certificate and a signed stock power (available from your financial services provider) to the UM Foundation in separate envelopes. The gift is complete for tax purposes on the date of the postmark of the later envelope.
- If your financial services provider holds the securities (including mutual funds) for your account, instruct that they be electronically transferred to:

*Stifel Nicolaus, 1311 Spring St., Suite B, Gulfport, MS 39507  
1-800-869-0881*

*For credit to: The University of Mississippi Foundation, 406 University Ave, Oxford, MS 38655*

*Tax identification number: 23-7310293*

*Account number: 31307598*

*DTC number: 0793*

When giving securities, specific advice should be obtained from your financial advisors regarding the best assets to give and optimal timing of your gift for tax purposes. Additional time should be allowed for completion of such transactions. The value of a gift of publicly traded securities will be the average of the high and low prices on the date the gift is completed. Giving securities can be especially rewarding to you and of special benefit to the UM Foundation. For more information before completing a gift of securities, contact the UM Foundation Office at 1-800-340-9542.



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