

## DAVE SATHER '89 LEADS EFFORTS TO SUPPORT HIS ALMA MATER

As President of Sather Financial Group in Victoria, Texas, Dave Sather has evolved into a lifelong supporter of TLU. His mantra is simple: I'll help a fellow Bulldog anytime. That spirit of giving and generosity are what makes his contributions even more special, since he says TLU is the first place where he truly felt he belonged.

Drawn to a smaller campus with one-on-one interactions between students and professors, his experience as a student was like being part of a community. He fondly remembers at graduation when an advisor told him, "Remember, Dave, just because you are no longer here, does not mean we are not here for you."

While he's known for giving back to many areas across campus, he has also served on the Business Advisory Board for more than 25 years, is a member of the Board of Regents, and was awarded the TLU Distinguished Service Award in 2011.

He is also a constant presence at key university events and still keeps in touch with his professors. With 10 family members who are Bulldogs, including his wife Carol, Sather is an advocate of how a TLU education can change lives.



Perhaps his most notable contribution is founding the Bulldog Investment Company (BIC), an on-campus internship program teaching students of all majors to read and interpret financial statements, analyze information, and present their research in a comprehensive manner, which provides real-world skills such as critical thinking and public speaking. The program is patterned after Warren Buffett's legendary management of Berkshire Hathaway.

With a portfolio now over \$800,000, the TLU team has finished first in the Texas Investment Portfolio Symposium for the last three consecutive years.

Sather encourages students to appreciate college as a place to learn how to learn, develop skills, and build lifelong relationships—all things that changed his own life.