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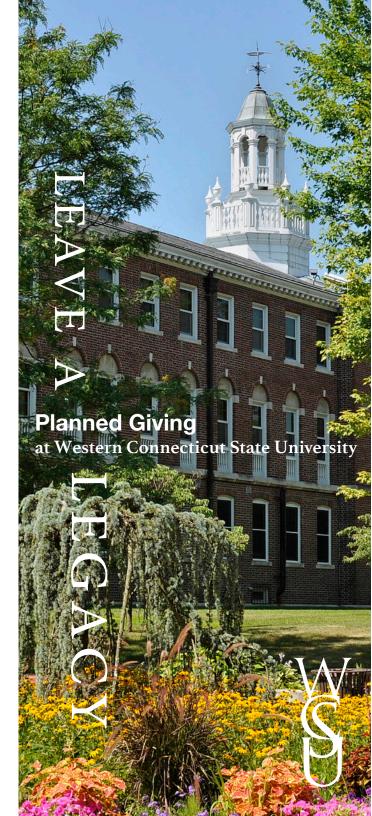


Maura P. Keenan, MBA '97 and Jody Rajcula, WCSU Faculty Emerita

"Leaving WCSU in our wills is one way Jody and I can make a positive impact in the world and ensure we can support students and faculty/staff for years to come. WCSU has been a part of our lives for decades, and the relationships we have made through it are what is most important. Leaving a legacy gift seemed like the most fitting way for us to do something together and support the university that has been such a large part of our lives." Maura P. Keenan



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