



NAME: Bill Anderson
@ UW ENG SINCE: 1976

Bill Anderson attended UW as an undergraduate student in the '70s, began his career in the petrochemicals industry for a few years, and then returned to UW for graduate studies. After earning an MASc and PhD – in chemical engineering at UW – he never left. “In 1991, I continued my career at the University – right out of school into school,” he says. Bill is now Professor in the Department of Chemical Engineering, and to continue the university tradition, his daughter Emily attended Renison College in Honours Arts.

What do you enjoy most about your job at UW?

I like working with students in teaching, research, and advisement and I enjoy developing and working on new and novel research topics in the areas of biochemical and environmental engineering. I personally value working at the University because it’s a community of good people who are easy to work with to accomplish things that I feel are important.

Why do you feel the University needs funds today?

Although there’s been a lot of investment in buildings and equipment, there continues to be a severe lack of funding for people – for example graduate student research support and scholarships. I designate my gift to undergraduate scholarships in Engineering and at Renison College.

What motivated you personally to give to UW?

I am proud to work at the University because it is known nationally and internationally for the quality of its faculty, staff, and students and the excellent results that come from those people. Donating to the Keystone Campaign is a worthwhile way to make a difference in addition to the day to day work that I do.

What do you enjoy in your spare time?

Most of my time is shared between work and family – with my wife Patricia, daughter, two sons, a cat, and a Newfoundland dog!

it takes a team.