



To our Case Western Reserve community,

My name is Dr. Andrew Crofton. As the newest director of Case Western Reserve's Anatomical Gift Program (AGP), I wanted to reach out to introduce myself and this special program to you.

As an assistant professor in the Department of Anatomy at Case Western Reserve University, I teach neurological anatomy classes. I get to see first-hand how our students are mesmerized by the physical structures that make us the people we are—and I am always struck by the generosity and forethought of those who make this possible.



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For over 40 years, the AGP has provided cadavers—generously donated by those who have passed away—to help train many of the health professions students at Case Western Reserve, including those in the medicine, physician assistant, dental medicine and graduate anatomy programs.

Many of the people who choose to donate their body to the AGP have a connection to Case Western Reserve, whether as an employee, alum, recipient of care from an affiliated medical center or other association. We are fortunate for the kinship fostered during their lifetime that ultimately helped them make this important decision.

Donating one's body is an amazing, selfless gift to our students and to their future patients. Such a gift allows students to learn anatomy as it really is—variant and amazingly intricate—while also allowing them to appreciate the true nature of the tissues of the body. Learning about the human body through dissection provides unique insights that span an entire career.

**Just one donation of a body can serve the health and wellbeing of thousands of human beings.**

If you or someone you know might be interested in donating to the Case Western Reserve AGP or would like more information about the program, there are several ways to reach us: Please visit our website, email us at [anatomy@case.edu](mailto:anatomy@case.edu) or call **216.368.3430** We would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

As one appreciative student once said: "To the donors who have taught me the wonders of humanity, thank you."

And to those who are contemplating a donation of their own, thank you for your consideration of AGP and the future health professionals at Case Western Reserve University.

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