Wofford Parents--

I’d like to take a moment to extend a special welcome to the parents of our first-year and transfer students. We are so glad that you are now a part of the Wofford family! You will receive this Wofford Parents e-newsletter the first Tuesday of each month. It is our hope that it will serve as a resource to you and help you stay connected with what is happening on Wofford’s campus and opportunities available to your student and family.

Wofford has recently adopted a new model of engagement, which includes two opportunities for parent involvement—the Wofford College Parents Association and the Parents Leadership Council. Visit the Wofford Parents website to learn more about each of these groups.

We hope you will make plans to join us this month for Family Weekend! As always, never hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or if I can be helpful to your student or your family.

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Family Weekend is Sept. 22-23

**Family Weekend** is this month! Come see what your student loves about Wofford. We've got a full weekend of events planned. Meet your student's professors, participate in the Family Weekend 5K, eat a meal in Burwell, attend a Wofford football game and tour the residence hall room your student calls home. For more information, visit the Family Weekend website.

Reminders from the Registrar

The Wofford Registrar's Office has posted the following dates and information for Wofford students:

- Students who have completed 80 hours and anticipate graduating during the 2017-2018 school year will be required to complete the Graduation Application found under the Student Tab of MyWofford. An email will be sent to all potential applicants reminding them to complete this process. This ‘Grad App’ information is used to order diplomas and is needed for the commencement program. The Grad App will be available now and will close November 17, 2017.
- The last day to add/drop classes for the Fall 2017 semester is Friday, September 8.
Important Dates from the Office of International Programs

There's an amazing world beyond Wofford! Your student has lots of travel opportunities available to them through Wofford International Programs:

- **The CIEE Passport Caravan** – Wofford is excited to partner with CIEE Study Abroad to provide students with the opportunity to receive a FREE U.S. PASSPORT (a $135 value)! Interested students must apply online by September 24. Please note that this event is for first-time passport recipients only - no renewals. To learn more and to apply, visit: http://www.wofford.edu/internationalprograms/

- **2018 Interim Travel/Study Fair** – Students interested in participating in a travel/study project during Interim should attend the Interim Travel Study Fair on September 14 from 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. in Main Building. Project sponsors and International Programs advisers will be available to answer questions about projects, locations, costs, and the application process.

- **Interim Travel/Study Project Applications** – Applications for Interim travel/study projects must be completed by September 21. To view a list of open projects and to start an application, visit: http://www.wofford.edu/interim/new/content.aspx?id=468370

- **Wofford Travel Grants** – Students planning on participating in an Interim travel/study project are encouraged to apply for a Wofford Travel Grant. Completed applications are due September 17. Financial need and academic merit are the principle considerations in awarding these grants. To learn more and to apply, visit: http://www.wofford.edu/interim/content.aspx?id=14594

- **The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship** - The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship is a scholarship opportunity available to students who receive a Federal Pell grant. Eligible students may receive up to $8,000 in funding for a study abroad or intern abroad experience. The Office of International Programs will host two interest sessions for students: September 11 at 5:30 p.m. in the Michael S. Brown Village Center, 113, and September 19 at 11 a.m. in the Michael S. Brown Village Center, 113. During each interest session, International Programs advisers will review the scholarship goals, eligibility requirements, and application components with interested students. To learn more about the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship, visit: https://www.gilmanscholarship.org/

- **Articulating the Study Abroad Experience** - The Office of International Programs and The Space will be providing recent study abroad alumni with tips on how to translate the skills they gained abroad to graduate schools, future employers, etc. at this event on September 13 at 5:30 p.m. in The Space. This event is a must for all study abroad alumni!
Wofford’s “First 54” Days

This fall Wofford will host the First 54, a series of campus-wide events held during the first 54 days of the fall semester. Why 54? Wofford was founded in 1854, and the first 54 days covers the beginning of the fall semester when students are adjusting to college life. The cross-campus collaboration will engage students with the campus community and give them the chance to preview a variety of student organizations and departments. Some events will include game nights, philanthropy events, intramurals and more. Click here to view all September events.

On-Campus Student Jobs

Did you know more than 360 Wofford undergraduates hold on-campus jobs? Having a part-time on-campus job allows your student to connect with professionals on-campus, develop a routine, gain work experience, and contribute financially to their education. If your student is interested in applying for an on-campus job, click this link!

Class of 2021 Profile

Each year Brand Stille, vice president for enrollment, writes a profile of the
incoming class. To learn more about the Class of 2021, click here.

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**Homecoming and Terrier Ball Reminder**

The countdown has begun for Homecoming, October 20-21! Alumni, parents and friends alike are invited to join us on Friday for Classes Without Quizzes, the 4th Annual Black Alumni Summit and the Terrier Ball, then join us for “Marys & Mimosas” and Class Reunions and to watch Wofford take on Samford University on Saturday. Click here to see the Homecoming weekend schedule and to register.

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**Wofford in the News**

- Celebrating the start of another academic year
- Wofford students receive Gilman International Scholarship
- Using research experience to prepare for the future
- Opening convocation, guest lectures highlight September

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