Wofford to begin remote learning

On Wednesday, March 25, President Nayef Samhat shared a COVID-19 update with the campus community, including the news that the academic program would move to remote learning through the end of the semester. Read the update.

RAINWATER USES EXTENDED SPRING BREAK TO PREP FOR THE MCAT

Price Rainwater ’21 used the extended spring break to continue her preparation for the MCAT. Self-quarantining with her family in Sullivan’s Island, S.C., she was working on the Critical Analysis and Reasoning Skills section when she discovered a question on Orientalism, Islam and global perspectives.

"These were all topics that we had read about, had lectures on and discussed in my REL 221 class with Dr. [Philip] Dorroll. I was able to navigate and understand the passage quickly and more easily identify the correct answers because the content was familiar. Maybe even more so, the skills I have developed in Dr. Dorroll’s class that require taking prior knowledge and experiences, comparing them to reliable literature and arriving at a more accurate
and informed conclusion helped me to tackle this and other CARS passages I have practiced."

Rainwater says she appreciates the college's and nation's concern for public health, but she also misses the Wofford community, her classes and spring at Wofford. "My heart hurts for our senior class," she says.

In preparation for medical school, Rainwater says she has interned in a clinical setting, shadowed physicians and developed a love of scientific learning through Wofford. She's traveled to South America and Europe during Interim, and her general education requirements helped her develop critical thinking skills and a global mindset. Her preparation started even in her first-year humanities class. "We spent an entire semester discussing and reading through the lens of poets the importance of empathy and compassion and the value in showing up and supporting others," she says. "These are themes I can't imagine beginning a career in medicine without first exploring...I could not be more grateful for what Wofford has given me to take into medical school and a career as a physician."

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**HOW IS THE CAREER CENTER WORKING REMOTELY WITH STUDENTS?**

Curt McPhail '96, executive director of the Career Center, talks about how students can continue to prepare for the future even while they're away from campus. The staff in the Career Center is eager to help. [Watch Curt McPhail's video.]

**STUDENT RESOURCES**

Faculty and staff have pulled together a list of resources that may help students navigate the remainder of the semester. Special services from the Wofford College Bookstore, free internet options, how to continue to receive research support from the Sandor Teszler Library, and much more — visit student resources for more information.

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