OCTOBER 2020 PARENT NEWSLETTER

All things considered, the fall semester is off to a great start at Wofford. Is it different? Absolutely. Masks conceal smiling faces. Handshakes and hugs have been replaced with air high-fives and waves. But the students, faculty and staff continue to push through to make the best during this global pandemic. Included in this newsletter is a fee waiver from admission for you to share with high school seniors. You'll also find a coupon for the Wofford Bookstore since there isn't a Family Weekend this year. As always, please let me know how I can help you.

Thom Henson
Director of Parent Engagement

Latest on the Coronavirus can be found here: https://www.wofford.edu/coronavirus

FROM THE ADMISSION OFFICE

Encourage high school seniors to apply to Wofford College!

Please help us find our next class of first-year students by encouraging young people in your community to consider Wofford. We'll even waive their application fee because you've recommended them. Please copy the QR code on the right and email it to high school seniors you think would make great Terriers!

If you have additional questions, please visit www.Wofford.edu/admission or email admission@wofford.edu.

FROM THE REGISTRAR

Mid-term grades are due on Monday, Oct. 19, 2020, and will be available for viewing through the student's portal of MyWofford.

Students who have completed 80 hours and anticipate graduating during the 2020-21 academic year will be required to complete the Graduation Application found under the Student section of MyWofford. An email was sent to all potential applicants reminding them to complete this process. This "Grad App" information is used to order diplomas and also for the Commencement program. The Grad App will be open and available until Nov. 13, 2020.

The link to the Commencement page is here.

The 2021 spring class schedule will be available mid-October, and students should make plans to meet with their academic advisors to prepare for a successful semester.

FROM THE TERRIER CLUB
This year the Terrier Ball will be held online. To participate, visit terrier.home.qtego.net/

FROM INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

2021 Interim Travel/Study Virtual Fair – NEW DATE – Students interested in participating in a travel/study project during Interim should attend the Interim Travel/Study Virtual Fair on Thursday, Oct. 22 from 11 a.m. – noon. Faculty sponsoring Interim travel/study projects, program representatives, and staff from the Office of International Programs will be available to answer any questions about project locations, application processes, etc. during drop-in information sessions. Zoom links will be shared on the Wofford Interim website closer to the event date.

Wofford Travel Grants – NEW DEADLINE – Students planning on participating in an Interim travel/study project are encouraged to apply for a Wofford Travel Grant. Completed applications are due Monday, Nov. 2. Financial need and academic merit are the principle considerations in awarding these grants. To learn more and to apply, visit wofford.edu/academics/interim/wofford-travel-grants.

Interim Travel/Study Project Applications – NEW DEADLINE – Applications for Interim 2020 travel/study projects must be completed by Thursday, Nov. 12. Applications for available programs will re-open in early October.

2019 Study Abroad Photo Contest Submission Deadline – Students who studied abroad during the 2019-20 academic year (semester, year and summer participants only) will be given the opportunity to showcase their images through the International Programs Photo Contest! Images will be accepted until Monday, Nov. 9 at 5 p.m. For more information, click here.

BIPOC & Abroad – NEW DATE – At this informational event for students of color interested in study abroad and/or international travel, current Wofford students and community members that have traveled/studied abroad will be sharing their insights and advice on the BIPOC experience overseas. The event will be held virtually on Wednesday, Nov. 18 at 6 p.m. Zoom information will be available through Daily Announcements.

Summer/Fall 2021 Study Abroad Application deadline – Students who are interested in participating in a study abroad experience during the summer or fall 2021 terms must submit their study abroad application by Monday, March 1. Students can set up an advising appointment with International Programs here.

International Programs Coronavirus FAQ Page – View frequently asked questions on Wofford's response to the coronavirus.

FROM THE CAREER CENTER

MyMentor seeks to connect alumni and students to support pathways after Wofford. Over 300 Wofford alumni and parents have signed up to support students. MyMentor is free for students to sign up. The Career Center posted this how-to video to support students in the process. In addition, students can sign up for a one-on-one meeting to learn about MyMentor by going to Handshake and signing up for a meeting.

FROM THE BOOKSTORE

Sign up to receive a coupon for 20% off one apparel or gift item!
Follow these steps:
2) Enter your email address.
3) Enter access code: 0488.
4) Show your coupon email at the register or use it online for your discount!

Visit Wofford College Bookstore to shop online.

FROM THE OFFICE OF ADVANCEMENT

Attached you will find the impact report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. Wofford received gifts from 968 current and former parents during this period, totaling over $3.0 million. Thank you to those who participated! For information on ways to give, visit wofford.edu/advancement/give-to-wofford or contact Thom Henson at hensontm@wofford.edu.