



The gold standard



By Robert W. Dalton

Eyon Brown '21 went straight from graduation to the hall of fame.

Brown, who graduated in May with a B.A. degree in English, is spending his summer as a marketing intern at the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio.

"It's a great museum, and I've been doing a lot of graphic design work. It's been a nice challenge, and I'm learning a lot," Brown says.

One of Brown's first tasks was creating the hall's "Gold Jacket Spotlight" social media posts. The posts highlight a hall-of-famer each week, and he's prepared all of the posts for the rest of the calendar year.

Brown's current project is designing credentials for enshrinement week, which kicks off on Aug. 5 and includes the induction ceremonies for the 2020 and 2021 classes on Aug. 7-8. He's also studying photos of the Gold Jackets "as the living hall-of-famers are called" so he'll recognize them when he sees them in person.

"It's going to be a really cool experience being here for enshrinement week," Brown says.

Brown is one of 13 interns at the hall this summer and one of two on the marketing team. He originally applied for an internship with the communications team and made it to the final interview stage.

“They kind of went in a different direction and that was fine,” Brown says. “So I was going to end up as a corporate communications intern at Volvo up in New Jersey.”

On the Wednesday of spring break week, the Hall of Fame came calling, and Brown’s plans changed. There was an unexpected opening on the marketing team, and they wanted him to fill it.

“Where I wanted to be originally was the Hall of Fame, so I took the opportunity,” he says.

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Three alumni join Wofford's Board of Trustees for 2021-22



The South Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church recently elected three new trustees for Wofford College's Board of Trustees.

The conference held its annual meetings virtually June 6 and 7 and elected Dr. Katherine A. "Katy" Close '83 of Stamford, Connecticut, and Pawleys Island, South Carolina; the Hon. Timothy E. "Tim" Madden '85 of Greenville, South Carolina; and the Rev. Lisa N. Yebuah '99 of Raleigh, North Carolina.

"Wofford College is thrilled to welcome three familiar faces and leaders with a deep commitment to the college to the board of trustees," says President Nayef Samhat. "We are also appreciative of the service of those who are rotating off the board. They showed tremendous leadership during a time of uncertainty, and their leadership helped the college set new records in enrollment and selectivity."

The new trustees are filling vacancies caused by the expiration of terms of D. Christian Goodall '79 and Chairman Corry W. Oakes '89. A third seat is being filled after the October 2020 death of the Rev. John W. Hipp '75.

Four current trustees were re-elected to new four-year terms: Steven W. Mungo '81, the Hon. Costa M. Pleicones '65, Joshua S. Whitley '05 and Joyce Payne Yette '80.

During the trustees' May meeting, officers were elected for the 2021-22 academic year:
Chair: Christopher A. P. Carpenter '90
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Secretary: Hon. Costa M. Pleicones '65

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