



## Gaining experience



Brendan McNeal '22, a biology major from Woodruff, South Carolina; Marisa Barrera '22, a biology major from Cowpens, South Carolina; and Jeff Woodward '22, a biology major from Simpsonville, South Carolina, participated in Prisma Health's MedEx Academy to prepare for careers in health care. Sophia Washburn '22, a biology and psychology major from Lexington, South Carolina, also interned with the health system through the Finding Your Future program and met Dr. Elizabeth Nodelman '12, an OB/GYN.

Ten Wofford College students spent part of their summer gaining experience for future careers in medicine with South Carolina's largest health system.

Marisa Barrera '22, Brendan McNeal '22 and Jeff Woodward '22 participated in Prisma Health's Medical Experience Academy (MedEx) in Greenville, South Carolina. Sophia Washburn '22 spent four weeks in the Finding Your Future program in Columbia, South Carolina, and met a fellow Terrier.

MedEx is a program that exposes and prepares students for careers in health care, beginning with high school seniors. Barrera, McNeal and Woodward participated in Tier IV of the program, which is geared for college students preparing for medical school. They shadowed physicians, participated in mock interviews for medical school, spent time in anatomy labs, attended lectures and joined second-year medical school students for patient case studies at the University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville.

"The program kept us on our feet," says McNeal, a biology major from Woodruff, South Carolina, who is interested in anesthesiology and internal medicine. "Each day there were some guest speakers that were either physicians talking about their respective field or speakers that focused on certain aspects of the medical school application, such as the personal statement or work and activities section. Some days I was able to meet with medical

students or Prisma Health faculty who helped edit my application, which was personally one of the most beneficial parts of MedEx.”

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## Wofford moves up



Wofford College continues to be recognized as one of the nation’s top liberal arts colleges, a best value and as a top performer in social mobility, according to U.S. News & World Report’s 2022 edition of “America’s Best Colleges.”

Rankings were announced on Monday, and Wofford is ranked No. 67 on the report’s list of national liberal arts colleges, No. 52 in best values and No. 73 in social mobility among national liberal arts colleges.

“Wofford College provides a challenging and life-changing educational experience to students from all backgrounds,” says Dr. Nayef Samhat, the college’s president. “This national recognition is a result of the college’s commitment to student success, which includes close faculty-student mentoring relationships, a strong alumni network, experiential learning opportunities, a commitment to degree completion in four years and an emphasis on preparing students for life after college.”

The college’s Class of 2025 has 461 students who were selected from the largest applicant pool in Wofford’s 167-year history. The class is the most selective ever and has the highest GPA of any entering class. This year’s class also is the most diverse, with 24% from populations underrepresented in higher education.

Compared to the report’s 2021 edition, Wofford moved up two places on the list of national liberal arts colleges and climbed 26 spots on the social mobility ranking, which measures how

well colleges graduate students receiving Pell Grants. The grants are typically given to students from households with annual incomes of less than \$50,000. Since 2019, the college has moved up 45 spots in social mobility.

This is the 37th year of the U.S. News' rankings. The United States has more than 4,000 institutions of higher education, including about 500 liberal arts colleges.

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## First home football game of the season



Ryan Ingram '24, an undecided major from Stone Mountain, Georgia, rushed for 48 yards and scored a touchdown against Elon. The Terriers are 1-0 going into their home opener against Kennesaw State this Saturday.

The Wofford football team will host Kennesaw State University at 6 p.m. Saturday at Gibbs Stadium. The team is 1-0 and Kennesaw State is 1-1. **Get game day info.** Make sure to listen to the **Josh Conklin Show** each Monday during football season.

### Athletics highlights

**Jones sets college record as low medalist at Golfweek Fall Challenge.**

**Jackson leads women's golf at Golfweek Fall.**

**Old named SoCon Defensive Player of the Week.**

**Terriers crowned Wofford Invitational champs, down North Alabama in four.**

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