

A banner for Wofford College Parents and Families. The top half features a group of diverse people in professional attire standing in front of a building. The text "WOFFORD COLLEGE" and "PARENTS AND FAMILIES" is overlaid in white, serif font. The bottom half is a solid black bar with white text.

# WOFFORD COLLEGE PARENTS AND FAMILIES

PARENTS | ALUMNI | MAKE A GIFT! WOFFORD TODAY

I hope all of your students are settled in and ready for a great fall semester. It was a joy to see so many smiling faces during the move-in days. We look forward to seeing all of you back on campus at the end of the month for Family Weekend. Please let me know if I can do anything for you or your student. Go Terriers!

**Thom Henson '96, P '25**

Director of Parent Engagement

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## From the Office of Parent Engagement

If you are interested in learning more about the Parent Leadership Council, visit [wofford.edu/advancement/wofford-parents/parents-leadership-council](http://wofford.edu/advancement/wofford-parents/parents-leadership-council).

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## 2022 Family Weekend

Family Weekend is scheduled for Sept. 30-Oct. 2. Registration is active.

The schedule and registration can be found at: [wofford.edu/advancement/wofford-parents/family-weekend](http://wofford.edu/advancement/wofford-parents/family-weekend).

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## From the Office of the Registrar

- Students who have completed 80 hours and anticipate graduating during the 2022-23 academic year will be required to complete the graduation application found on 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 is available now and will close on Nov. 18, 2022.
  - Drop/add for the fall will close on Wednesday, Sept. 7 at 5 p.m.
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## From the Office of International Programs

**Advising for spring 2023 study abroad:** Students interested in studying abroad during the spring 2023 semester can meet with international programs staff virtually via Zoom or in person. Students can sign up for an advising appointment [here](#). The spring 2023 application deadline is Oct. 1.

**Interim 2023 travel/study projects – no deposit required:** The list of travel/study programs from Interim 2023 is available [here](#). Applications will be

reviewed/accepted on a rolling basis until the final deadline of Sept. 18. We have removed the deposit requirement for interim 2023 in hopes that more students will have the opportunity to participate in a travel/study Interim. We have combined the Wofford Travel Grant application with the program application to streamline the process even more. Wofford Travel Grant recipients will be awarded in September after the final deadline.

**Study Abroad Fair:** All students interested in studying abroad while at Wofford are encouraged to attend the annual Study Abroad Fair. This year's fair will be combined with the Mungo Exchange Block Party. More details will be announced as we get closer to the event on Sept. 22. Representatives from Wofford's approved programs will be available to answer students' questions and distribute information and resources. We'll be giving away free swag too!

**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 during any term. The Office of International Programs will host an interest session for students in early September before the application deadline of Sept. 25. During the 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 [wofford.studioabroad.com/?go=GilmanScholarship](http://wofford.studioabroad.com/?go=GilmanScholarship).

**Office of International Programs Family Weekend reception:** Please join the Office of International Programs for a reception and meet-and-greet on Friday, Sept. 30 from 3:30-5 p.m. in the lobby of the international programs office, located in the Michael S. Brown Village Center, 113. This reception is for Wofford families who have students who will be participating in a spring 2023 study abroad program or plan to participate in a future semester study abroad program. RSVP to [internationalprograms@wofford.edu](mailto:internationalprograms@wofford.edu) by Monday, Sept. 26.

**Passport processing times:** Students interested in studying abroad during a future term are strongly encouraged to apply for their passports as soon as possible. A student's passport must be valid for a minimum of six months (for most locations) beyond their program's end date. Due to COVID-19 and its impact on the U.S. Postal Service, **the U.S. State Department is experiencing delays in receiving passport applications with routine processing service estimated to take as long as 11 weeks.** We recommend that students send their application using USPS' Priority Mail Express and consider requesting expedited service if able. **[Click here for more information on securing a passport.](#)**

**Updated COVID-19 vaccine policy for Interim 2023 travel/study projects:** The COVID-19 vaccine policy has been updated for Interim 2023 travel/study projects. You can access the updated policy **[here](#)**. Contact the Office of International Programs at [internationalprograms@wofford.edu](mailto:internationalprograms@wofford.edu) if you have any questions or concerns.

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## From Athletics

The Terrier Club, the fundraising arm of the athletics department, is excited to unveil our **A-Z Parents Guide to Wofford Athletics**. This downloadable and printable document provides parents with information on how to join the Terrier Club, ways to access reserved game day parking, ticket links, staff directories and more. We invite you to use the guide and to contact the staff members listed for

questions or additional information. Go Terriers!

If you enjoy watching the Terriers compete while bringing national attention to the college and to the Spartanburg community, we hope you will support Wofford Athletics' **online auction**. Every dollar raised through the auction impacts more than 400 Wofford student-athletes by providing scholarship support to all 20 of Wofford's sports programs. Guests can register and browse this year's items now, with bidding beginning Tuesday, Sept. 6.

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### **From the Office of Undergraduate Research**

Over 50 students participated in research this summer in the sciences, the arts and the humanities. Moments of some of these experiences were captured by campus photographer Mark Olencki and they can be found **here**. Yasmin Lee '23 also created a brief video about one of the projects and it can be found **here**. Please also see the summer undergraduate research booklet with more information **here**. Many of our student researchers will be presenting their work during Family Weekend (Sept. 30) and at the Southern Conference Undergraduate Research Forum (SURF) on Oct. 14-15. Please join us for these events if your schedule permits as we cheer for our students on the academic field.

Interested in learning more about these upcoming events? Email the Office of Undergraduate Research at **UR@wofford.edu**.

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### **From the Career Center in the Mungo Exchange**

The semester has started and it has been great to welcome students back and see them coming into the Career Center in the Mungo Exchange to talk about their career hopes and plans. The Career Center is devoted to helping your student develop the necessary skills, mindset and confidence to create success for a lifetime. From choosing a major to pursuing their first professional internship, preparing for graduate school or fostering their entrepreneurial mindset, we are here to provide tools and resources for every step of the way. There are two things we wanted to make sure you are aware of.

#### Career Center 24/7

The Career Center in the Mungo Exchange is excited to introduce our new website, which we are calling Career Center 24/7. This new custom online career portal allows users to explore the full range of career resources. Through Career Center 24/7, your students will be able to find and explore career resources such as jobs and mentors, as well as sign-up for Career Center events. Career Center 24/7 allows students to see information and resources specific to career communities, geographies and identities. In addition, the sites host online guides on resume writing, blog entries, specific careers, job searching and Launch, our entrepreneurship program. Students, faculty and staff can stay up to date by signing up for content you are interested when you click follow this community on each page.

#### Calling all Parents

As part of the reorganization of the Career Center in the Mungo Exchange, Rebecca Parker was promoted to director of external relationships. Rebecca is actively seeking alumni, parents and friends of the college who are looking to

deepen their connection with the college through internships, shadowing or other career preparation activities. If you would like to learn more about this work or have an opportunity you want to share with Wofford students please reach out to Rebecca at parkerm@wofford.edu or 864-597-4265.

We look forward to working with your student and helping him/her prepare for life after Wofford.

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### **From the Office of Campus Life and Student Development**

Please see the attached document that was sent to students making them aware of the college's new policy concerning animals on campus.

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### **Wofford photos**

Click here for a chance to look through lots of great pictures from the many happenings at Wofford: [woffordcollege.smugmug.com/](http://woffordcollege.smugmug.com/).

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### **COVID-19 information**

[wofford.edu/coronavirus](http://wofford.edu/coronavirus)

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