

CONQUER & PREVAIL

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Several months ago, Grant Wollam '21, a physics and finance double major with a minor in mathematics from Leesburg, Georgia, was swabbed, along with a number of other Wofford student-athletes, as part of **Be The Match** and the **Project Life Movement**. In early March, Wollam became a match to a leukemia patient and flew to Florida to donate stem cells at the **Gift of Life** donation headquarters. Wollam and his family have remained quiet about the donation, but they agreed to share because they understand the value of good news during this time. In addition, they hope that others may be inspired to sign up to become bone marrow donors.

Wollam is a goalkeeper on the Wofford men's soccer team and serves on the Student Athlete Advisory Committee. He is also an entrepreneur. He and his business partner, Duncan Williams '21, a history and finance major from Talbot, Tennessee, won the Terrier Start Up Challenge during their first year at Wofford with their **Tech Shelf business**.

Conquer and Prevail!

THE PROVOST TALKS ABOUT WHAT FACULTY WILL BE DOING THIS WEEK WITHOUT STUDENTS

Dr. Mike Sosulski, Wofford's provost, talks about how Wofford's faculty are meeting the challenge of COVID-19 and embracing the opportunity to develop new technological proficiencies as part of their commitment to Wofford students and their learning.

<https://youtu.be/ABw9COEFt9Y>

WE ARE BLESSED ...

By Allen Lollis '15, associate director of residence life and community standards, Division of Campus Life and Student Development

"We are blessed to live in extraordinary times."

That was a concluding line in a message from one of our wise administrators.

Blessed?

I've had some trouble with that idea. The sidewalks of our campus are empty when normally they'd be teeming with students between classes. Our activity spaces are quiet when normally they'd be filled with laughter and conversations. Our parking lots are unfilled when normally we'd be fighting for spaces on our lively campus.

Blessed? Are we really blessed to live in the fog of uncertainty or in a moment of significant crisis? Those words ran laps through my mind and, yes, we are blessed.

First, we are blessed to live. Full stop. Period.

Second, we are blessed to live in times with extraordinary tools and technology at our disposal.

Finally, I know I am blessed to live a life filled with people — who care for one another and who come together in adversity — and especially our students.

I'm blessed that campus does seem eerily quiet without them, blessed to work with students so great that we miss them when they aren't here. To echo the words of Dean of Students Roberta Bigger, yes, in fact "we are blessed to live in extraordinary times" and with extraordinary people in an extraordinary place.

WOFFORD.EDU/CORONAVIRUS

The college is posting all updates to a dedicated COVID-19 update page.

At [Wofford.edu/coronavirus](https://wofford.edu/coronavirus), read a message of thanks to the faculty and staff from President Nayef Samhat as well as messages to the Wofford community about changes in the academic schedule. Wofford leaders still are hopeful that students will be able to return to campus following spring break; a decision will be made by March 31, 2020.

SHARE A STORY

If you have a story about a member of the Wofford community who is conquering and prevailing in the face of adversity, email WoffordNews@wofford.edu.

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