



Giant Legacy



The first time he saw U.S. Rep. John Lewis in person, James Stukes learned the truth about giants.

Giants come in all sizes.

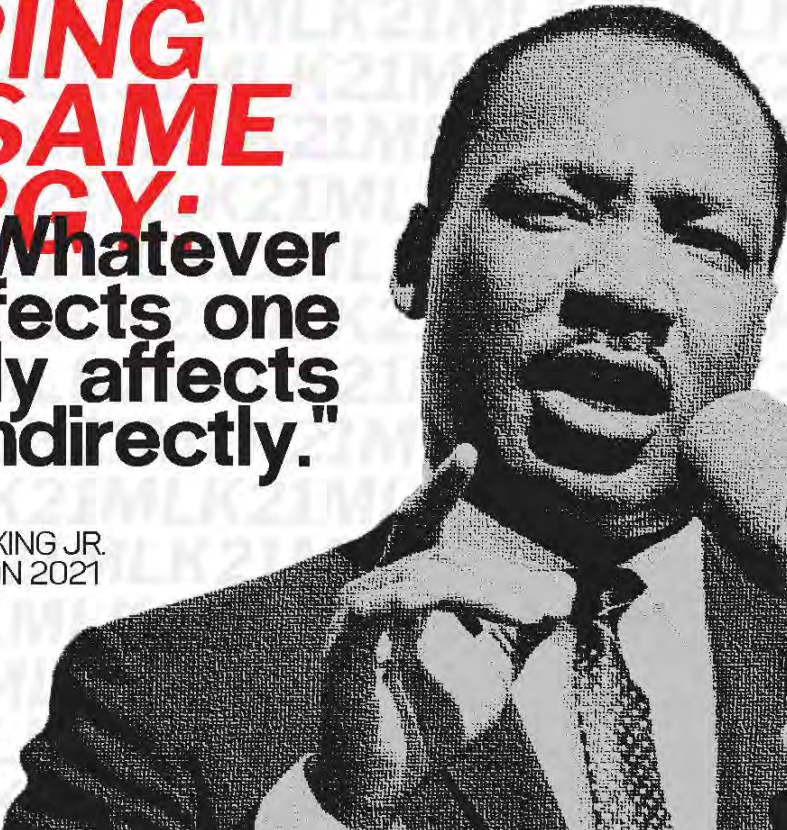
"It was a surreal moment," says Stukes, Wofford College's coordinator for college access and student success who helped lead a group of Bonner Scholars and other Wofford students on trips to Washington, D.C., during Interim in 2018 and 2019. "We were in his office, and it was my first time being in the Capitol. He walked in and the first thing that struck me was seeing in the flesh how small (5-foot-6) he was, but realizing what a huge legacy he had built."

Lewis, who represented Georgia in Congress from 1987 until his death in July, was a key figure, along with the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., in the civil rights movement that sought to end segregation. He was one of the leaders who helped organize the 1963 March on Washington and led a march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, that resulted in state troopers and police attacking marchers, including Lewis, on the Edmund Pettus Bridge.

Lewis spoke to visitors from Wofford on several occasions. Sarah Hager, a 2011 Wofford graduate from Rock Hill, South Carolina, worked in Lewis' office and helped organize the

congressman's meeting with the college's contingent. Hager is now a senior communications associate with the American Federation of Teachers in Washington. [Read more.](#)

MLK Events 2021



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The entire college community is invited to participate in the Wofford College Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Virtual Celebration. This year's theme is "Keeping the same energy: Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly." In alignment with the life and legacy of King, the Wofford College Planning Committee has used three Bonner Scholar social justice benchmarks to categorize each event to meet attendees where they are in their understanding. [See the college's complete list of MLK events.](#)

Town Hall Recording

The college hosted a town hall with students and families earlier this week to discuss COVID-19 guidelines and lessons learned from the fall. [Watch the recording of the event](#) and review a [list of frequently asked questions](#) that can also be found at wofford.edu/coronavirus. More information on the college's guidelines can be found at wofford.edu/wofford-together.

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