

We look forward to welcoming students back this month. This edition includes essential information about move-in, plus important updates from other campus departments.

Please let me know how I can assist. I look forward to seeing everyone as we gear up for another great year!

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Director of Family Philanthropy + Engagement

From the Office of Parent Engagement

Family Weekend will be Oct. 11-12. Registration opens in early September. Check out the **2024 Family Weekend schedule**.

If you are interested in learning more about the Parent Leadership Council, visit wofford.edu/advancement/wofford-parents/parents-leadership-council.

First-year parent event drop-in

Parents of first-year students are invited to gather Aug. 24 from 7-9 p.m. at Fr8yard in downtown Spartanburg. This event is sponsored by the Parent Leadership Council. If you haven't already, please register here.

First-year orientation and move-in

Welcome new Terrier families!

Orientation for new students will be Saturday, Aug. 24 from 8-11 a.m. for residential students and from 2-2:45 p.m. for commuter students. Be sure to check out the schedules for **new students** and **families** to see what's happening during your first days on campus.

WHAT TO EXPECT AT CHECK-IN

At check-in, all students will receive their student ID card, parking decal, advising information, important orientation materials and more. Students living on campus will also receive their room key, specific instructions about unloading and unloading lane passes for two vehicles. Check-in at the Mungo Student Center must be completed before unloading at your residence hall.

MOBILE CHECK-IN CARD

To expedite your student's check-in, please ensure they complete all items on their FYI checklist, located at **my.wofford.edu** in the FYI tab. When you arrive at the Mungo Student Center, students must show their mobile check-in card. The card is accessible on any device connected to the internet. It will indicate to our staff whether your student has any mandatory items to complete before they can move in. Students may access the card at **wofford.edu/checkin**.

Please have your student check their card today and resolve any outstanding items, which must be completed before they can receive their new student packet. If your student encounters any issues in the portal, please direct them to the appropriate office below. Student information will be provided only to the student and individuals copied on their correspondence.

- For the Business Office, contact sar@wofford.edu.
- For Financial Aid, contact WoffordFinancialAid@wofford.edu.
- For the Medical Form, contact wellnesscenter@wofford.edu.
- For photo IDs and parking permits, contact campussafety@wofford.edu.

PLANNING FOR YOUR STUDENT'S ARRIVAL

Move-in day is full of excitement. Students get to set up their rooms, meet new friends and explore campus. To make the most of your day, add these items to your pre-arrival to-do list:

- 1. Label all your student's belongings with their name, residence hall and room number to ensure smooth delivery to their room. Your student's building and room number can be found in the housing portal.
- 2. When packing, **refer to this list of recommended items** and those we prefer you leave at home. Remember, pets, extension cords, candles and alcoholic beverages are not permitted.

PREVIEW YOUR STUDENT'S ROOM

As you prepare to make your residence hall room your home away from home, we have a new resource for first-year students to preview their space. Click on your residence hall below for a 3D tour of a typical double room.

GREENE RICHARDSON MARSH

FRIDAY DROP-OFF OPPORTUNITY

Local students and those arriving early may participate in our early item drop-off on Friday, Aug. 23 from 3-7 p.m. at Greene, Richardson and Marsh residence halls. Participants will be assigned a 45-minute drop-off time slot. If interested, please have your student complete this form. Please note the following:

- The form will close when capacity is reached.
- Those participating in early drop-off can unload and be in their rooms only during

their assigned timeslot.

- No one will be allowed to stay on campus overnight in their rooms, and no keys will be distributed.
- Student or staff volunteers will not be available to assist with the unloading of belongings.
- Early drop-off time slots may not be transferred or shared with anyone else.
- Do not arrive earlier than your assigned time slot. You will not be able to check in or get in line to drop off items.
- Two parking spaces will be provided per student for item drop-off. At the end of your allotted time, cars must be moved to allow for the next scheduled arrival. New students will not be allowed to leave cars on campus overnight.
- When your time slot ends, your room will be locked. You will not be able to reenter until you are checked in on Saturday, Aug. 24.
- Our bright and energetic orientation staff will unpack vehicles for first-year families on Saturday morning from 8-11 a.m.
- Everyone must formally check in Saturday morning at the Mungo Student Center.
 Orientation packets and room keys will be distributed at this time.

Move-in information for parents of returning students

We look forward to welcoming your student back to Wofford this fall. Below are the available check-in times for returning students:

Monday, Aug. 26 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Returning students can check in at any point during the available check-in periods and do not need to schedule a specific time of arrival.

Check-in will be held in the lobby of the Mungo Student Center. Students who do not properly check in will be fined and may temporarily lose building access.

The deadline for early arrival requests has passed, so we cannot accommodate individual early arrivals.

If your student is a part of an approved early arrival group, they will receive individual instructions for their assigned move-in time. Students with early arrival groups must check in during their group's assigned move-in time.

If your student has any questions about their move information, please have them contact reslife@wofford.edu.

From the Office of Student Success

WOFFORD FIRSTS MOVE-IN DAY LUNCH

A lunch for first-year, first-generation Terriers and their loved ones will be held at noon

on Aug. 24 in the lobby of the Rosalind Sallenger Richardson Center for the Arts. Details and registration information will be sent to your student's Wofford email address soon.

Wofford Firsts, created in 2018, recognizes and celebrate the accomplishments of the college's first-generation students, who represent 15% of the student body.

Welcome to Wofford. We look forward to engaging with you and your student!

Interim grants available for students of critical languages

Rising sophomores and entering first-year students who enroll in Arabic or Chinese 101 and 102 during the 2024-25 academic year are eligible for a \$1,500 grant toward an Interim 2026 faculty-led experience to China, the Arabic-speaking world or the CET language intensive program in Beijing.

This program will be piloted during Interim 2025 for students who took Arabic or Chinese 102 in spring 2024 and enroll in Arabic or Chinese 201 in fall 2024.

For information, contact Dr. Vicki Gilbert, assistant professor of government and international affairs, at gilbertvj@wofford.edu.

Email address for Wofford parents

Need to ask a quick question or need some guidance to help your student? You can now email parents@wofford.edu in addition to emailing Thom.

2024-25 Academic Calendar

View all official dates for the upcoming academic year via the **2024-25 Academic Calendar**. Bookmark the link for handy reference.

From the Office of International Programs

Advising for spring 2025 study abroad

Students interested in studying abroad during the spring 2025 semester can meet with international programs staff in person or virtually. Students can sign up for an advising appointment here. The spring 2025 application deadline for most programs is Oct. 1. Click here to see programs with earlier deadlines.

Wofford in Milan spring 2025 application deadline

Students interested in joining the spring 2025 cohort of the Wofford in Milan program must submit their application by Oct. 1. This transformative semester-long study abroad program combines Wofford's academic excellence with immersion in the rich Milanese culture, inviting students to live "la dolce vita" and create unforgettable memories with their closest friends. English-taught courses are available across a wide range of disciplines. Eligible first-years, sophomores, juniors and seniors are encouraged to apply. Learn more at wofford.edu/Milan.

Interim 2025 travel/study projects

A list of travel/study programs for Interim 2025 is available **here**. Applications will be reviewed/accepted on a rolling basis until programs fill or the final deadline of Sept. 15 passes. No deposit is required at the time of application.

Interim 2025 travel grants

All submitted Interim 2025 travel/study project applications will be reviewed for travel grant funding after the Sept. 15 deadline. Financial need is the primary consideration for awarding grants. Two additional travel grants available during Interim with specific eligibility requirements are the Black Alumni Association Travel Grant and the 21st Century Boarding Pass.

The Wofford College Black Alumni Association awards a travel grant to one Black student annually for Interim study abroad. Historically, grants have ranged from \$3,000 to \$4,000. Interested students should complete the application, and those who are selected as finalists will be interviewed by the Black Alumni Association soon after. In addition to being chosen for the grant, the recipient will be formally recognized during the Black Alumni Summit during Homecoming weekend.

The Wofford College 21st Century Boarding Pass program provides scholarships for intensive language study during the Interim term. Eligible students include those who are enrolled full time, are engaged in language study at the 200 level and apply for JAN 440: Language & Culture Through Study Abroad. Recipients must plan to return to the 202 level of language study immediately after Interim. The funds are designated for students who have completed the 200 or 201 level before the start of the study abroad experience.

Withdrawal policy for Interim 2025 travel/study programs

Participants intending to withdraw from a faculty-led travel/study program must submit a notice of their withdrawal via email to the Office of International Programs at internationalprograms@wofford.edu. The effective date of the withdrawal will be based on the office's acknowledged receipt of the email. In the case of a participant's voluntary withdrawal from a faculty-led program prior to departure, the Withdrawal Policy Faculty-Led Travel/Study Interims applies to payments made by the withdrawn participant. Cancellation fees may apply based on the participant's date of withdrawal. To be considered for admission to their selected faculty-led travel/study program, applicants are required to read and sign a copy of this policy.

All travel/study programs sponsored by one of Wofford's off-campus study partners have individual policies for withdrawal, and they provide this policy information to all participants. Providers typically publish their withdrawal policies on their websites, and if needed, participants can find a link to their provider's homepage on their program's **online brochure**. In the case of a participant's voluntary withdrawal from a provider-sponsored program prior to departure, the participant should follow any procedures outlined in their provider's withdrawal policy. They must also submit a notice of their withdrawal via email to the Office of International Programs at **internationalprograms@wofford.edu**.

Travel insurance for Interim 2025 travel/study programs

Given the uncertainties and risks associated with travel, Wofford College highly recommends that all students participating in Interim travel/study programs consider purchasing travel insurance. This coverage protects against risks and financial losses resulting from travel interruption, delays or travel cancellation. While the college recommends travel insurance, it is not required, and individual participants are responsible for that decision. Travel insurance is separate from international health insurance, though some travel insurance plans may include some health/medical benefits. All Interim travel/study program participants will be enrolled in an international health insurance plan, the cost of which is included in the program fee.

Applicants interested in purchasing travel insurance should investigate options as soon as possible, since benefits and eligibility may depend on either the date of enrollment into the program or the date the student's bill for the program is paid. Travel insurance providers often require individuals to enroll in a plan no later than 14 to 21 days after paying their program fees. Click here for more information on Wofford's key dates for billing and payments. The cost, coverage, eligibility requirements and other terms and conditions of travel insurance vary. As you consider your options, please refer to individual provider and plan details for more information. The college has identified several possible plans that participants may be interested in considering, and these recommendations can be found on the "Insurance & Withdrawal Policy" tab of each program's online brochure. Participants in programs sponsored by Wofford's off-campus study partners should review the program's terms and conditions and follow any additional travel insurance recommendations.

Study Abroad Fair

All students interested in studying abroad while at Wofford are encouraged to attend the annual Study Abroad Fair on Sept. 19 from 5:30-7 p.m. 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. 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 \$9,000 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. 22. During the session, advisers will review the scholarship goals, eligibility requirements and application components with interested students. To learn more about the scholarship, click here.

Office of International Programs Family Weekend reception

Please join the Office of International Programs for a reception and meet-and-greet on Oct. 11 from 3:30-5 p.m. in the lobby of the international programs office, located in the Michael S. Brown Village Center, room 113. This reception is for Wofford families who have

students participating in a spring 2025 study abroad program or plan to participate in a future semester study abroad program. RSVP to internationalprograms@wofford.edu by Oct. 7.

From the Office of Alumni Engagement

The Wofford College Alumni Association and the Career Center are on the road for the 2024 Summer City Tour! This is a great opportunity for networking and socializing with local alumni, Wofford faculty and staff, families and current/incoming students.

Wofford Summer City Tour 2024: Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Aug. 15, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Foothills Brewing Tasting Room
Register here

Wofford Summer City Tour 2024: Greenville, South Carolina

Aug. 21, 6-8 p.m.

Home of Elliott '00 and Emily Whitt Goldsmith '01

Register here

From the Registrar's Office

Drop/add for continuing/returning and transfer students opens Aug. 6. Drop/add for first-year students opens Aug. 27. Both close Sept. 4 at 5 p.m.

From the Career Center

As we enter a new academic year, the Career Center is devoted to helping your student develop the 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. We have a variety of events and activities planned throughout the semester. Please encourage your student to check out **our website**.

Entrepreneurship

The Launch Program has unique opportunities for student entrepreneurs. With exclusive access to mentoring, business coaching, entrepreneurial stage development, pitch competitions and networking, we are seeking to engage parents who are subject-matter experts in marketing/sales, law, business finance, accounting, nonprofits and small business development. Parents, if you own a small- to medium-sized business that has a management or marketing project needing a bit more attention, you may be interested in becoming an Embark Project Partner. For information, contact Sarah Butler at butlersc@wofford.edu.

Internships

We're offering upcoming internship preparation events for the fall semester that are designed to support your student's academic and professional growth. Below is a list of events that will help them enhance their resumes, search for internships and receive professional career

advice. For information, contact Jennifer Sainovski at sainovskijs@wofford.edu.

September:

Resume Rescue: Drop-In and Polish

Internship Search Jumpstart: Walk-In Event

October:

Learning Work Internship Search Help Hours

How Scary Is Your Resume? Workshop

November:

Ace Your Internship Search: Walk-In Help

December:

Internship Search Success: Walk-In Event

Career Center Experience

The Career Center will host the Career Center Experience, a free career development program, from 5 p.m. on Aug. 25 to 10 a.m. on Aug. 27. Please note that participating students can no longer be offered an opportunity to move onto campus early, so they will be expected to arrange accommodations. Students will be charged \$85 if they are not there for the entire event.

Sessions include:

- Alumni career panels.
- Resume and LinkedIn development.
- Interview skills and professional etiquette.
- Preparation for graduate and professional school.
- Local company site visits.

Speakers include alumni and employees representing Milliken & Company, PwC, Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System, VCOM, Houlihan Lokey, Delta Air Lines, Converse College, Jeter Hrubala Wealth Strategies and more.

Interested students should **register ASAP**. Please direct your questions or concerns to Dr. Laura Love at **lovels@wofford.edu**.

From the Office of Admission

Fall Admission Events

Discover Days

Enjoy an informative day as you tour the campus with Wofford students, attend special interest sessions and cheer on the Terriers. This event is open to all high school students considering Wofford. The tailgating lunch and Wofford football game tickets are provided to registrants and guests at no charge. To register, click on the date below for the event you plan to attend.

Sept. 14

Oct. 12

Wofford Scholars

Since 1949, outstanding high school seniors have been competing at Wofford for scholarships based on academic achievement, leadership and character. Scholarships over a four-year period range from \$60,000 to \$250,000. Nominees who meet requirements are invited to attend our Scholars Day on Nov. 16. An invitation to the event will be sent after a nomination is accepted. Nominate yourself.

Bundles in the 'Burg

Bundles in the 'Burg, a Spartanburg-based company founded by Leslee Houck Page '91, creates and hand delivers "bundles" of love to your favorite Terrier. The company offers a variety of bundles throughout the academic year. It is currently offering several bundles to purchase for the fall, including:

- Back to School Bundle Welcome your Terrier back to campus in the fall. Each bundle includes an aluminum WOCO water bottle, Terrier koozie, Wofford storage bin and favorite childhood snacks.
- You're a BIG DEAL Bundle Congratulate your student on milestones like their first big job, graduate school, an internship or other major accomplishments.
- Birthday Bundle Celebrate your student on their special day. Each bundle
 includes a personalized cookie cake and a variety of birthday themed snacks. We
 offer a boy and girl version and can be customized to your liking.
- Candy Bundle Box Send a sweet surprise anytime.

You can view all of the company's offerings on Facebook, Instagram (@bundlesintheburg) or at **bundlesintheburg.com**. A portion of all sales benefits Wofford. To place an order, create a customized bundle or make inquiries, email **bundlesintheburg@gmail.com** or call 864-706-9424.

Wofford photos

Click here to view stunning photos of the many happenings at Wofford: woffordcollege.smugmug.com.



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