

A banner for Wofford College Parents and Families. The top half features a group of diverse people in a warm, sepia-toned photograph. Overlaid on this image is the text "WOFFORD COLLEGE" in a large, white, serif font, and "PARENTS AND FAMILIES" in a slightly smaller, white, serif font below it. The bottom half of the banner is a solid dark grey bar with the text "PARENTS | ALUMNI | MAKE A GIFT | WOFFORD TODAY" in a white, sans-serif font.

# WOFFORD COLLEGE PARENTS AND FAMILIES

PARENTS | ALUMNI | MAKE A GIFT | WOFFORD TODAY

Another academic year has flown by, and I'm struck by something I heard recently: The days are long, but the years are short. This never seems more evident than when students are in college. Best wishes to the parents of the Class of 2024; we look forward to celebrating with you. Thank you to all parents for your continued support of the Wofford educational experience. I wish everyone a safe and happy summer.

This is the final parent newsletter of the semester. We will resume these monthly again at the start of the fall semester. In the meantime, please reach out if I can help in any way.

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

Director of Family Philanthropy + Engagement

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## **From the Office of Parent Engagement**

Family Weekend will be Oct. 11-12, 2024. Look for more information this summer.

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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## **INTERIM GRANTS AVAILABLE for students who take critical language classes**

Rising sophomores (Class of 2027) and entering first-year students (Class of 2028) who enroll in Arabic or Chinese 101 and 102 in 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 is being piloted in Interim 2025 for students who have taken Arabic or Chinese 102 in Spring 2024 and who enroll in Arabic or Chinese 201 in the Fall of 2024.

For more information, contact Dr. Vicki Gilbert, assistant professor of government and international affairs, [gilbertvj@wofford.edu](mailto:gilbertvj@wofford.edu).

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## **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](mailto:parents@wofford.edu) in addition to emailing **Thom**.

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## 2024-25 Academic Calendar

This link includes all of the official dates for the 2024-25 academic year. Consider bookmarking it, so you have those dates handy.

## 2024-25 Academic Calendar

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### From the Office of the Registrar

Summer School registration and drop/add is now open. Students may register or drop/add for both terms of summer school through Banner Web. Drop/add will remain open until June 4 for the first term and until July 9 for the second term. Please refer to

<https://www.wofford.edu/academics/registrar/summer-school> for additional information pertaining to tuition, fees, meeting times, schedule, etc.

Final grades for the spring semester will be available for viewing Tuesday, May 21 through myWofford. If your student has a question about a grade, he or she should contact the professor of the course.

Commencement will be held on Sunday, May 19 at 9:30 a.m. on the front lawn of Main Building. The Lemonade on the Lawn reception with light refreshments will be held immediately following the ceremony. For more information pertaining to Commencement and the events of the weekend, please refer to

<https://www.wofford.edu/academics/registrar/commencement>

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### From the Office of International Programs

**Interim 2025 travel/study projects** – The list of available travel/study programs from Interim 2025 have been announced. Program options will be advertised on our website, through Daily Announcements and on social media. Be sure to follow International Programs on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter (@wocostudyabroad) for updates.

**Passport processing times** – Students interested in studying abroad during a future term are strongly encouraged to apply for their passport 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 currently experiencing delays in receiving passport applications, with routine processing service estimated to take as long as 11 weeks.** We, therefore, 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.**

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### From the Office of Alumni Engagement

The Wofford College Alumni Association and the Career Center are taking it on the road during 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: Charlotte, North Carolina*

Saturday, May 25, 2024, 5 p.m.

Frothy Beard Brewing Charlotte & Bank of America Stadium

<https://advance.wofford.edu/register/?id=a44ccd07-c1dc-4419-b661-f8031e3ba7e6>

*Wofford Summer City Tour 2024: Columbia, South Carolina*

Sunday, June 09, 2024, 5 p.m.

Segra Park

<https://advance.wofford.edu/register/?id=a9ff2c36-1545-469e-b5b2-2a9115c2e673>

*Wofford Summer City Tour 2024: Atlanta, Georgia*

Thursday, June 20, 2024, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

SweetWater Brewing Company

<https://advance.wofford.edu/register/?id=230124f1-c961-45be-a15d-6b89e9d04496>

*Wofford Summer City Tour 2024: Washington, D.C.*

Friday, June 28, 2024, 4 p.m.

Nucor Public Affairs Inc

<https://advance.wofford.edu/register/?id=8a52f0f8-7f04-4425-8307-e00dddb77c29>

*Wofford Summer City Tour 2024: Charleston, South Carolina*

Sunday, August 04, 2024, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Home of Morgan and Catherine Templeton '93

<https://advance.wofford.edu/register/?id=ad5c3c91-0fe9-4ef5-81de-ee37ef4efe6d>

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

Thursday, August 15, 2024, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Foothills Brewing Tasting Room

<https://advance.wofford.edu/register/?id=1505ab89-d678-4f6b-af8e-e5fbbee48447>

*Wofford Summer City Tour 2024: Greenville, South Carolina*

Wednesday, August 21, 2024, 6-8 p.m.

Home of Elliott '00 and Emily Whitt Goldsmith '01

<https://advance.wofford.edu/register/?id=66e9a336-24b7-4c2e-b20f-5fc1aac7d681>

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## **From the Career Center**

The Summer 2024 Internship Stipend Program is now open for applications!

Students can embark on their summer internship journey with financial support from Wofford College! Our Summer 2024 Internship Stipend Program is now accepting applications on a rolling basis, offering stipends ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,500.

Application period: April 24-May 10, 2024

Stipend announcement dates: May 17, 2024

Eligibility criteria:

Students must have a confirmed internship, demonstrate financial need, meet internship duration requirements, submit internship contract or offer letter, file FAFSA (if applicable), etc. See full eligibility details on the application. [Info and Link](#)

Deadline: Rolling basis until May 10, 2024 or until funds are exhausted.

### Questions?

Contact Jenn Sainovski, internship and information manager, at [sainovskijs@wofford.edu](mailto:sainovskijs@wofford.edu) for assistance.

### The Career Center Experience

The Career Center is excited to unveil "The Career Center Experience," a targeted program for rising sophomores and juniors at Wofford. Our goal is to outline a clear path for a successful academic year and link students with resources to bolster their career ambitions. This initiative aims to provide advice on choosing a major, mastering LinkedIn and networking, readying for internships and polishing interview skills.

This year, we're delighted to offer customized career and professional development to suit varied interests such as career paths in healthcare, networking strategies, business/real estate success, career pathways for the liberal arts, a panel with human resources professionals, alumni panels and much more. The charge is \$85, but students will **only be** charged if they are not present for the entirety of the program — so free if students attend all sessions. Students can register for the event in [Handshake](#).

If you have questions, reach out to Lee Smith, [smithla@wofford.edu](mailto:smithla@wofford.edu).

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### From the Office of Financial Aid

Update on the 2024-25 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

The process for next year's FAFSA has been delayed by technical issues regarding the calculation of the newly developed Student Aid Index. As a reminder, the SAI is replacing the term Expected Family Contribution.

The Wofford College Office of Financial Aid still plans to send aid offers to returning students in early to mid-June, which is our normal timeline.

**Even though the process has been difficult, if you have not completed the FAFSA yet and are a current recipient of federal and/or state grants, federal student loans and other types of financial assistance, you need to submit the FAFSA as soon as possible.**

Reach out to us at [finaid@wofford.edu](mailto:finaid@wofford.edu) or 864-597-4160 if you have questions.

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## **From the Office of Student Success**

The 4th annual Wofford Firsts Senior Celebration will be held on Saturday, May 18 in the Tony White Theater located in the Mungo Student Center. This drop-in event will be held from noon until 1:30 p.m. and will feature food, music and fellowship. Invitations will be sent to all class of 2024 first-generation college students. Please check with your senior as each student is allowed to bring guests. We hope that you can come celebrate your student's success and achievements!

Wofford Firsts was created in 2018 to highlight, celebrate and support the college's first-generation college student population through engagement opportunities and student success sessions.

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### **Bundles in the 'Burg**

Bundles in the 'Burg is a Spartanburg-based company that creates BUNDLES of love and hand delivers to your favorite Wofford Terrier. Founded by Wofford alumna Leslee Houck Page '91, Bundles in the 'Burg offers a variety of bundles throughout the academic year. We are currently offering several bundles to purchase:

- Summer Break Bundle - Summer is just around the corner. Encourage your Terrier to finish the semester strong. This bundle is packed full of all their favorite snacks to get them through exam week. Each bundle is \$45 and will be delivered the week before final exams.
- You're a BIG DEAL Bundle - Congratulate your student on their first big job, graduate school, internship or any major accomplishment.
- Birthday Bundle - Celebrate your Terrier on their big day.
- Feel Better Bundle - You may not be able to be there when your student gets sick, but you can still send them some LOVE to help them feel better.

You can view all of our products at Bundles in the 'Burg on Instagram [@bundlesintheburg](#) or our website [bundlesintheburg.com](http://bundlesintheburg.com).

A portion of all sales is donated back to the Wofford Fund: Student Experiences.

To place an order, create a customized bundle or make inquiries, email [bundlesintheburg@gmail.com](mailto:bundlesintheburg@gmail.com)

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## Wofford photos

Click here to view great pictures from the many happenings at Wofford:  
[woffordcollege.smugmug.com](http://woffordcollege.smugmug.com).

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