

A banner for Wofford College Parents and Families. The top half features a group of people in a sepia-toned photograph. The text "WOFFORD COLLEGE" is centered in a large, white, serif font, with "PARENTS AND FAMILIES" centered below it in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. The bottom half of the banner is a 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

It was great to see so many of you at Family Weekend. Thank you for sharing your time with us on campus and make sure to check out the link to photos from the weekend below.

Parents will have a chance to make a direct impact on the future of the college on a Day for Wofford. The focus for parents will be on establishing an endowed scholarship that will provide need-based support to students wanting to study abroad. You can read more in the newsletter, and I ask you consider joining me in making a gift on Nov. 14.

Please let me know if I can do anything for you or your Wofford student.

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

Director of Family Philanthropy + 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](https://wofford.edu/advancement/wofford-parents/parents-leadership-council).

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

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## A Day for Wofford

Mark **Nov. 14** on your calendar for **A Day for Wofford**, a 24-hour giving event to celebrate the collective impact of Terriers like you. Register for one of our regional club events [here](#). Parents, you can double your impact and unlock challenge money by making a gift on A Day for Wofford. Additionally, if we raise \$100,000 for the Parent Study Abroad Endowed Scholarship Fund by the end of the year, an anonymous donor has promised a matching gift.

<https://advance.wofford.edu/portal/adayforwofford2024>

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## From the Office of International Programs

**Travel Grants for Interim 2025 Travel/Study Programs** – Students who were awarded a travel grant for Interim 2025 travel/study programs were notified individually via email on Sept. 20. Please contact our office with any questions or concerns related to these awards.

**Interim 2025 Travel/Study Program Billing** – The Wofford Business Office posted bills for all Interim 2025 Travel/Study program fees to student accounts on Oct. 10. Payments are due in full on Nov. 15. See the **Interim calendar** for more information and dates, including information on the Interim 2025 faculty-led travel/study withdrawal schedule.

**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](mailto: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). Note: All applicants are required to read and sign a copy of this policy to be considered for admission to their selected faculty-led travel/study program.

All travel/study programs sponsored by one of Wofford's off-campus study partners have their own individual policies for withdrawal, and they provide this policy information to all participants. Providers also 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, and they must also submit a notice of their withdrawal via email to the Office of International Programs at [internationalprograms@wofford.edu](mailto: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 (also commonly referred to as "trip insurance"). Travel insurance is coverage designed to protect against risks and financial losses resulting from travel interruption (e.g., delayed travel) or travel cancellation. While Wofford recommends that participants consider travel insurance, it is not required, and individual participants are responsible for the decision to purchase such insurance. (Please note that 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 that the student's bill for the program is paid. Travel insurance providers often require individuals to enroll in a plan no later than 14-21 days after paying their program fees. See **this link** 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; so as you consider your options, please refer to individual provider and plan details for more information. Wofford 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](#). Those participating in programs sponsored by Wofford's off-campus study partners should also read their program's terms and conditions and refer to any additional travel insurance recommendations made by their study abroad program, if applicable.

**Advising for Fall/Summer 2025 Study Abroad** – Students interested in studying abroad during the fall or summer 2025 term can meet with international programs staff in person or virtually. Students can sign up for an advising appointment [here](#). The fall/summer 2025 application deadline for most programs is March 1. See [here](#) for programs with earlier deadlines.

**C. Yorke Lawson Cultural Immersion Scholarship** – The generous C. Yorke Lawson Cultural Immersion Scholarship is designed to support ambitious students wishing to study abroad for a full academic year with a focus on cultural integration. This competitive scholarship will fund one student for the 2025-2026 academic year. The application deadline will be in late February. For more information visit <https://wofford.studioabroad.com/?go=Lawson>.

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#### **From the Registrar's Office**

- Registration for the 2025 spring semester will be held Nov. 12-15, 2024. Students have been informed to view their Registration Time Ticket for the date and time that they are to register. All holds on a student's record must be cleared before their registration day/time or they will not be permitted to register.
  - The drop/add period for the Interim and spring semesters will open on Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2024 at 7:30 a.m.
  - Students who have completed 80 hours and anticipate graduating during the 2024-25 academic year are required to complete the Graduation Application found under the Student section of MyWofford. An email was 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 process will close Nov. 22, 2024.
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#### **From the Career Center**

Greetings, parents!

We're thrilled to reach the halfway point in the semester, and the Career Center is offering a few more valuable internship-focused events for students to attend. As the Internship and Information Manager, I'm excited to share workshops and resources designed to help

students succeed in their internship search and build essential professional skills. Here are some upcoming highlights:

1. Ace Your Internship Search: Walk-In Help on Nov. 7, 2024
2. Internship Search Success: Walk-In Event on Dec. 5, 2024

For more details and to stay updated on all events by visiting [careercenter.wofford.edu](http://careercenter.wofford.edu) and feel free to reach out to me directly.

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## **Entrepreneurship**

The Launch Program welcomed its newest cohort of student entrepreneurs at the beginning of the academic year, and they have been all over the place! Launch participants were exclusively invited to the NEXT Venture Summit in Greenville, S.C. Students met and networked with local business owners on a downtown Spartanburg walking tour. Next, a small group of students will attend the SC Innovates statewide student-pitch competition finale at the University of South Carolina in Columbia, SC. Several workshops and events were rescheduled due to the impact of Hurricane Helene. Open enrollment for the program will be as planned and run from Nov. 1-30. Interested returning students can experience a sneak peek of the program before they commit. Students are encouraged to check out the events posted on Handshake and attend events tagged as “Open Enrollment.”

Visit our website, [careercenter.wofford.edu](http://careercenter.wofford.edu), to learn more about the program and submit an interest form by Nov. 30.

## **Sarah C. Butler**

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## **From the Office of Admission**

Explore Dates for the spring – [Register Here!](#)

**January 20** – Explore Wofford

**February 17** - Explore Wofford

**April 26** – Discover Wofford

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

First-Generation College Student Celebration Week 2024 events

First-Generation College Student Celebration Day is celebrated nationally each year on Nov. 8, and Wofford will be hosting a week of events to highlight these students for the fifth consecutive year. Wofford Firsts was started in 2018 by the Office of Student Success to celebrate the college's first-gen student population, which represents more than 13% of the student body, while promoting a sense of community and support. This year's event will be in collaboration with the Tri-Alpha Honor Society for first-gen individuals will span from Nov. 4-11. Event information will be distributed via email, the daily announcements and on Instagram. To learn more about Wofford Firsts, please follow us on Instagram @woffordfirsts and visit our website <https://www.wofford.edu/academics/provost/student-success/wofford-firsts>.

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## **From the Office of Residence Life**

### **Residence life events**

Over the course of the semester, RAs and Residence Life staff have planned over 125 programs for residents in their area. One standout program from this year was the inaugural Battle of the Halls program, during which residents in each of our first-year halls competed in a week of challenges. This year, Greene Hall took home the trophy!

### **Upcoming breaks**

Residence Halls close for all major breaks. The only students permitted to remain in the residence halls are those who are required to be present for a college-approved group, international students and students with approved late-stay/early arrival forms for extenuating circumstances. No unapproved student is permitted to remain past closing. Students can individually request to depart late or arrive early from breaks for significant travel restrictions, such as international flight availability. Below are the dates of closing and opening for each of the upcoming breaks:

#### *Thanksgiving Break*

Closing: Nov. 22 at 6 p.m.

Opening: Dec. 1 at noon

Individual requests for break housing are due: Nov. 15 at 5 p.m.

#### *Winter Break*

Closing: Dec. 12 at 6 p.m.

Opening: Jan. 5 at noon

Individual requests for break housing are due: Dec. 6 at 5 p.m.

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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 gifts throughout the academic year. Bundles include:

- Santa's Exam Survival Bundle. Each bundle is \$50 and will be delivered Dec. 5.
- 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 student 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 on Instagram [@bundlesintheburg](#) or our website [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](#)

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### Wofford photos

Click here to view stunning photos of the many happenings at Wofford: [woffordcollege.smugmug.com](#).

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