



## Crafting brighter futures



Blake Batten '23 is using her passion for art to serve local Boys & Girls Club students through a Wofford art camp.

By Brandi Wylie '24, student intern

Blake Batten '23 is using her Wofford College coursework to launch herself into a summer of research, presentations and giving back to the Spartanburg community.

The sociology and anthropology and art history major from Anderson, South Carolina, used her sustainability seminar course with Dr. Alysa Handelsman, assistant professor of sociology and anthropology, and museums study course with Dr. Youmi Efurd, museum curator, to come up with a project that makes a difference in the Spartanburg community through art.

Batten and Efurd attended the Association of Academic Museums and Galleries annual conference to present the research and potential impact of their summer art camps for fifth graders at local Boys and Girls Clubs.

The theme of this year's conference was "Sustainability Now!" Batten was the only undergraduate student selected to present at the conference, which took place June 15-17 at Utah State University.

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## College Vision, Operations and Enrollment Town Hall webinar



The college's leadership team is hosting a vision, operations and enrollment town hall webinar TODAY (Thursday, June 23).

Join President Nayef Samhat and members of the college's leadership team for a **College Vision, Operations and Enrollment Town Hall webinar** event at 5 p.m. EST, TODAY, June 23. Register in advance [HERE](#).

# Dean's List



Wofford College's spring semester Dean's List has been announced.

Wofford College has announced the Dean's List for the spring 2022 semester. Students achieving a 3.60 grade-point average or higher after earning at least 12 academic hours qualify for the Dean's List.

**See the list.**

## Wofford names author Sheri Reynolds for endowed professorship



Author Sheri Reynolds will become the college's third John C. Cobb Endowed Chair in the Humanities.

Wofford College is welcoming New York Times best-selling author Sheri Reynolds to its faculty to serve as its John C. Cobb Endowed Chair in the Humanities. She will assume the role this fall.

Reynolds, the author of seven novels, specializes in contemporary Southern fiction.

"Wofford College's students will benefit from Sheri's experience as a critically acclaimed and best-selling novelist, gifted storyteller and an expert teacher," says Dr. Timothy Schmitz, Wofford's interim provost. "We are thrilled to have Sheri at Wofford and look forward to the impact that she will have in the classroom and across our campus community."

Reynolds is coming to Wofford from Old Dominion University, where she has served as chair of the English department since 2016. She has received numerous awards, including the State Council for Higher Education of Virginia's Outstanding Faculty Member.

Reynolds' 1995 novel "The Rapture of Canaan" was a New York Times bestseller. Her most recent novel, "The Tender Grave," was published in 2021.

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## African art collection



Pieces from the college's African art collection are on exhibit in the Rosalind Sallenger Richardson Center for the Arts. Learn how an art history class researched items in the collection and wrote descriptions that are included in wall labels for pieces.

## We'd like to hear from you

The Conquer & Prevail newsletter began two years ago to keep Terriers connected during the early stages of the COVID-19 pandemic. The college's Office of Marketing and Communications would like to hear your thoughts on the newsletter. What do you think of the publication's content and frequency, and is there anything that you'd like to see that's not included? **Please participate in a reader survey** and be entered into drawings for Terrier gear.

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