

# The Space in the Mungo Center

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Founded in 2010, The Space in the Mungo Center (<http://www.wofford.edu/thespace>) houses five programs that bridge the space between college and life after graduation. The programs leverage the college's liberal arts foundation and focus on developing skills and talents that give Wofford students a competitive advantage regardless of the future they pursue.

The Space truly changes the paradigm of preparing students for the transition to life after college by providing practical tools and hands-on experience for the world of work. Whether students anticipate a career in business, non-profits, medicine, law, entrepreneurship, or anything in between, The Space will help them get there.

## The Space to: Prepare

The Space to: Prepare houses the Career Development office, the Sophomore Experience and the Institute, three programs that help Wofford students develop the skills necessary to gain meaningful employment or entry into graduate or professional programs of study.

- **Career Development:** Assists students in the creation of a career portfolio (resume, cover letter, LinkedIn Profile), major choice, interviewing skills, strengths and mentoring.
- **The Institute:** Provides participants with a substantial set of skills directly applicable in the professional workplace. Scheduled during the second session of summer school, this four-week, residential program incorporates topics such as leadership development; innovation and creativity in problem solving; leveraging technology; public speaking and professional presentation skills; executive writing; understanding global issues; project and time management; business etiquette and personal finance; resumé development and interview skills. A real-world consulting assignment from an organization experiencing a specific difficulty forms the cornerstone of the program.
- **The Sophomore Experience:** A two-day annual conference held off-campus at the start of Interim, the Sophomore Experience focuses on establishing a foundation of characteristics and behaviors that lead to success. Session topics include developing strengths, networking fundamentals, choosing a major that aligns with your interests and passions, securing an internship, appropriate use of LinkedIn and professional etiquette. Students compete in a negotiation simulation and a guest executive delivers a keynote address on the key factors of success.

## The Space to: Impact

Impact is a competitive four-year scholarship program available to incoming and current Wofford students that teaches new essential skills, such as design thinking, entrepreneurship and social entrepreneurship, project management and the consultative approach to problem solving. While Impact is an academic program, participation in the scholarship program does not carry academic credit. Impact staff will also assist any Wofford student in taking an idea to improve or change their campus group or organization and make it a reality.

## The Space to: Launch

Launch is an entrepreneurial group that supports students in the concept, development and launch of a business idea. Some scholarship support is available to selected students; however, the program as a whole is available to all Wofford students. Launch participants create a real, viable business during the year. Launch advisers provide support to members through discussion of ideas and instruction including generating and formulating ideas; assessing opportunities: developing a business plan; raising capital; establishing operations and operational controls; managing cash flow; and determining exit strategies.

## The Space to: Consult

Consult is a student consulting group focused on providing businesses and organizations with strategies and solutions to improve performance. All Wofford students may participate in Consult at any time. Students learn the basics of business consulting, project management, solution development, analysis and a number of other skills needed to create a value-based solution. Consult advisers provide assistance throughout each engagement.

## The Space to: Explore

In the global economy, employees with the ability to help their organizations work successfully in other countries and cultures add tremendous value, regardless of the industry. The purpose of The Space to: Explore is to help make the Wofford liberal arts degree global-ready by providing internship and travel opportunities in the BRICS nations (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa).