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The following awards are among those given annually through the college in recognition of student excellence in community service, scholarship, and leadership achievements.

The American Legion Award: Given to seniors for demonstration of academic excellence, courage, and campus citizenship.

The Association of Multicultural Students (AMS) Eric L. Marshall Legacy Award: Honors the positive and lasting legacy that Eric L. Marshall, a 2007 alumnus, left on the Wofford community. The award is given to a senior of color who emulates leadership, sincerity, pure servant’s heart, trustworthiness, honesty, citizenship and love for humankind.

The Charles J. Bradshaw Award: A silver bowl is presented to a senior varsity athlete whose academic, leadership and citizenship contributions at Wofford best typify the ideals and contributions of Charles J. Bradshaw, student body president in the Class of 1959, whose example as parent, churchman, public-spirited citizen and practitioner of the American business system has brought honor to his alma mater.

The John Bruce Memorial Award: Given to the senior Bonner Scholar who has best demonstrated an overall commitment to the Bonner Program and its goals. The recipient is selected by fellow Bonner Scholars.

The George A. Carlisle Award: Made annually to the outstanding senior student member of the choral groups at Wofford. This award, honoring the memory of George A. Carlisle, a 1920 Wofford graduate and noted lyric tenor soloist, includes a cash stipend, an appropriate memento, and recognition on a plaque permanently displayed in the Campus Life Building.

The W. Norman Cochran Award: Given for outstanding achievement in the field of student publications.

The Dean’s Award: Given in those years in which a senior has made unusual contributions to the faculty and the academic program.

The Henry Freeman Award: Given to a senior who either begins a new volunteer program or breathes new life into an established one. This award is given only in years when there is a deserving recipient.

Helmus Poetry Prizes: Given for outstanding achievement in the writing of poetry.

The Global Citizen Award: Recognizes excellent academic and intercultural performance on a study abroad program, careful reflection upon return, and integration of skills acquired abroad into the senior year curriculum and future plans

The Honor Graduate Award: Presented annually to the graduating senior who has attained the highest grade-point average.

The William Stanley Hoole Award: Named for William Stanley Hoole, Class of 1924 and captain of the 1923 Wofford football team and awarded annually to the senior intercollegiate athlete with the highest academic average.

The Walter E. Hudgins Award: A medallion and a cash prize from an endowment fund created with memorial gifts and a bequest from the estate of Dr. Walter E. Hudgins, who was professor of philosophy at Wofford from 1972 until his death in 1986. This award honors students who not only perform well academically but also display intellectual curiosity and zest for learning and life outside the regular academic curriculum.

The Kinney/Pi Kappa Alpha Award: Presented each year to the senior brother of Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity who best exemplifies good campus citizenship, leadership and scholarship.

The William Light Kinney III Award: Presented each year to the outstanding first-year student member(s) of the Campus Union Assembly. It is named in honor of the late William Light Kinney III.

The J. Lacy McLean Award: Recognizes leadership and commitment to public affairs through community service.

The William James McLeod Award: A silver bowl and an honorarium is presented annually to a graduating senior who has demonstrated potential for future dedicated and selfless service to the church, the state, the nation, and Wofford College. His or her academic record, moral character, and community and college service are considered in making the selection. This award honors the ideals exemplified by the life of William James McLeod, who was a merchant and farmer of Lynchburg, S.C., known for his service to his nation as an infantry officer, his state as a public official, the church as a Methodist layman, and Wofford College as a member of its first board of advisers from 1888 to 1890.

The Outstanding Citizen Award: Given to the senior who has shown the greatest concern for and given the greatest service to the general improvement of Wofford College.

The President’s Award: Given in those years in which a senior has made unusual contributions to the college.

The Presidential Global Studies Scholarship: Given to one or more rising junior or senior selected annually to study the language and culture of one of the world’s most influential nations — Brazil, Russia, India, China, Turkey, or South Africa—focusing on a topic of the student’s own choosing. A stipend covers costs. This unique opportunity is provided by a friend of the college to expose students to the diversity of cultures and problems that define the contemporary world.

The Presidential International Scholar Award: Given to a rising junior or senior selected annually to plan and conduct study and travel in developing nations of the world. A stipend covers costs. This unique opportunity is provided by a friend of the college to expose students to the diversity of cultures and problems that define the contemporary world.

The Arthur B. and Ida Maie S. Rivers Award: Presented annually to the member of the senior class who most exemplifies traits of integrity, virtue, gentleness and character. This award is supported by an endowment fund given by the late retired Col. R. Stafford Rivers, of Columbia, S.C., in memory of his parents.

The Currie B. Spivey Award: Given annually to the member of the college community whose work in the area of volunteerism has been
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truly exemplary. The award is presented in memory of Currie B. Spivey, a business leader, devoted volunteer and member of the board of trustees.

The Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award: Awarded annually by the college, as authorized by the Sullivan Foundation, to two men, one a member of the senior class, the other a non-student, in recognition of nobleness and humanitarian qualities of character.

The Mary Mildred Sullivan Award: Awarded annually by the college, as authorized by the Sullivan Foundation, to two women, one a senior student, one a non-student, in recognition of humanitarian character and in memory of Mary Mildred Sullivan, a woman of rare gifts, overflowing love and unending benevolence in the service of humankind.

The Switzer/Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity Leadership Cup: Presented annually to the senior member of Zeta Chapter of Pi Kappa Phi social fraternity who best exemplifies the standards of excellence in leadership, academics and social responsibility that are the foundations of both Wofford and the fraternity. The award plaque and the permanently displayed cup are given by James Layton Switzer, Class of 1980, and Paul Kent Switzer, Class of 1977.

Heart of a Terrier Awards: Given to those students who have made a positive and measurable difference on the campus and excelled in scholarship, leadership, campus citizenship and service.

The Benjamin Wofford Prize: Awarded for the novella judged clearly superior in the novel-writing course.