The academic program, the primary means by which Wofford College seeks to realize its purpose, is based upon a liberal arts curriculum that provides an effective study experience for developing abilities and motivations for lives of success, service and fulfillment. A liberal arts education emphasizes general knowledge and intellectual skills. It acquaints students with the best of our cultural heritage and develops the abilities to think, to learn, to communicate, to judge, to adapt, and to solve problems. A liberal arts education is also meant to promote character and mature ethical choices. All of these are qualities and attainments are highly valued by the college.

Wofford has modified its programs over the years to include new and relevant material and approaches, but the college's concept of the purposes and reasons for a liberal arts education has seen little change.