



WAKE FOREST
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WAKE FOREST COLLEGE
The Undergraduate College
of Arts and Sciences

Dear Friends,

An important tenet of a Wake Forest education is the collective responsibility to provide for our students today but be aware of the changing landscape of higher education ahead. As dean of the Wake Forest College, I rely on my faculty and staff partners to help deliver the engaged liberal arts education our students deserve. Seeing our work unfold in the daily academic lives of our students serves as an example of our mission in action. It also reminds us of the countless partners like you who have invested in Wake Forest.

Your gifts enable us to make sure that students thrive at Wake Forest and take advantage of the multiple opportunities that are afforded by the private support we have received. By providing endowed support for student scholarships, we are ensuring that Wake Forest remains accessible to all students.

In addition, evidence of our partnership is also reflected in our continued national ranking. U.S. News & World Report has rated Wake Forest a top-30 national university for 24 consecutive years. Our ranking this year highlights our low student/faculty ratio (10 to 1). I am proud that we have been able to keep 57% of our undergraduate classes to fewer than 20 students.

Bringing talented students to Wake Forest who are taught by top-tier faculty creates an exceptional learning environment we strive to maintain. You are an important partner in our success, and I thank you for all the gifts you provide Wake Forest.

I am grateful to be part of a dedicated Wake Forest community whose generosity demonstrates pride in the work we are doing for our students and faculty. Thank you again for your commitment to Wake Forest as we continue to prepare students to serve as leaders and thinkers in an increasingly complex and challenging world.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michele Gillespie".

Michele Gillespie
Dean of the College
Presidential Endowed Chair of Southern History