

A Message from the Provost

As the Chief Academic Officer of the University, it is with pleasure that I extend a welcome to you on behalf of the members of the Faculty, Staff, and Administration of Wilkes University. The Wilkes' Mission is to prepare our students to be life-long learners. All of us at the University are dedicated to the future success of our students. That dedication is reflected in the quality of teaching, thoughtful advising, and mentorship of the University faculty and staff.

Wilkes faculty and advisors will guide you through the course work that is outlined in the pages of this document. The lecture or on-line courses, writing seminars, laboratories, discussion groups, service learning and research projects are only a portion of your overall educational experience. You will be challenged by a variety of pedagogical approaches by the Wilkes faculty who are active scholars in their respective fields. Wilkes students are expected to be active participants in this scholarly activity which will contribute to your intellectual and professional growth. Community engagement, citizenship, ethics, leadership, and the development of effective communication skills are integral components of the Wilkes undergraduate experience. A general education in the liberal arts and sciences along with the depth of knowledge in your field of study, will prepare you for success in an ever changing world.

You will be exposed to many curricular and extra-curricular experiences that will contribute to your personal growth in the next few years. Take this time in your life to experiment with new activities and get out of your comfort zone. All of us are dedicated to helping you make your learning journey a great success and your Wilkes experience one of excitement and continuous discovery. Enjoy your time with the Wilkes family, work hard, and make these next few years the best that they can be. The time will go quickly so cherish it and realize that the friendships you forge here with faculty and classmates are friendships that will last a lifetime. You will become part of the ever growing Wilkes family.

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