



## October 2021



### Note from TU Alumni Director

**THANK YOU DRAGON NATION!** During our third annual TU Giving Day, we met and exceeded our goal because of you! We raised over \$153,000 with a total of 792 gifts.

**SEE YOU THIS WEEKEND!** We are so excited to have our alumni, friends and parents on campus this weekend for Green & Gold Weekend. Make sure to check out the Green & Gold [website](#) for the official agenda.

We are coming to visit you! This month we will be in Canton, OH, Painesville, OH and Columbus, OH for our [TU Tailgate Takeover](#) with Dragon's Athletics. Then we head to [Washington D.C.](#) for our annual alumni and current student event on Tuesday, October 19. If you are interested in hosting an event near you, please let us know.

Tiffin University's alumni & friends magazine, **Challenge** (digital version), is here! *If you did not*

### Update your Information

Whether you're in a new career, just got married, or celebrating the birth or adoption of a child, we want to hear about it. [Share your news with your TU family.](#)

### Your Gift Matters

If you wish you could do more to forward our mission, **YOU CAN!**

Include Tiffin University in your will. Your bequest will create a lasting legacy, assuring that TU will continue to make an impact in the lives of students. Check out other planned

receive your copy, please [update your information](#). [Click here to read Challenge Magazine online](#).

giving options  
here: [plannedgiving.tiffin.edu](https://plannedgiving.tiffin.edu).

GO GONS!

Sincerely,



[Vickie Wilkins](#) '09, '11, *Director of Alumni Relations*

*If you have specific questions regarding the university's response to COVID-19, please visit [tiffin.edu/coronavirus](https://tiffin.edu/coronavirus).*

## Connect. Engage. Volunteer.

### News on Campus

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#### TU Day of Giving Reaches Goal

Tiffin University alumni, friends and donors joined forces to make a difference in TU's future by donating over \$153,000 during its third annual Giving Day on Wednesday, September 15. There was a total of 792 gifts.



Dr. Lillian Schumacher, Tiffin University President, said "The funds raised this year are the building blocks for our students' futures. We asked the TU community for their participation, and they came through in record-breaking numbers."

The day included five large-scale matching gifts totaling \$31,500, social media challenges and events at Tiffin's Chipotle and XCaret Mexican Restaurant.

TU is still accepting gifts. Contact Mikki King at [kingmr@tiffin.edu](mailto:kingmr@tiffin.edu) or 419.448.3443 for more information.

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#### TU Impact Shirt

Tiffin University's student-led organization, Dragon Philanthropy Council (DPC), has launched a new program to benefit Tiffin University and its students. The TU Impact Shirt is an exclusive, one-of-a-kind shirt that will change design and sell yearly. For every Impact Shirt sold, proceeds will benefit a select area of campus. This year, the Student Emergency Fund will be the focus.

The Impact Shirt is exclusively sold online through the Tiffin University bookstore. All proceeds will go directly to the Student Emergency Fund.

[Click here to view the TU Impact Shirt video](#)

[Click here to purchase your shirt](#)

For more information, email Vickie Wilkins at [wilkinsvm@tiffin.edu](mailto:wilkinsvm@tiffin.edu).




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#### National First-Gen Day

First-Generation Dragons, the campus student organization, will be hosting a panel of faculty, staff, and alumni who identified as first-generation college students when they were undergraduates.



We invite alumni, family, friends, and students to join us on Monday, November 8th, 2021, at 12:30 pm in Osceola Theatre in the Gillmor Student Center to learn more about their stories and where they are in their careers.

First-Generation Dragons will also be hosting an all day fundraiser to raise money for a scholarship to an incoming first-generation college student for the fall 2022 semester.

For more information about this event or the subject matter, email Professor Kylie Stocker at [stockerk@tiffin.edu](mailto:stockerk@tiffin.edu)

## Athletic Department Highlights

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Be sure to visit [gotiffindragons.com](http://gotiffindragons.com) to keep up with all your favorite Dragon athletic teams!

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### Dragons Competing This Fall

Keep up to date on Dragons Athletics by visiting [gotiffindragons.com](http://gotiffindragons.com).

As a reminder, there are no capacity limitations; however, **to attend any Dragon home competition you must have a ticket.**

To get/purchase your ticket, please go to [gotiffindragons.com](http://gotiffindragons.com).



### Hall of Fame Dinner and Induction Ceremony

Congratulations to the 2020/2021 Hall of Fame Inductees!

Ty Blake (Baseball), Tracy (Lehman) Greene (Softball), Rhys Cannella (Men's Soccer), Kylene (Spiegel) Biggs (Women's Basketball), Ashton Campbell (Men's Soccer), Kelly (Rethman) Cline (Women's Golf) and Chad Roberts (Men's Cross Country/Track and Field) will be honored for their outstanding Dragon careers. Longtime faculty member and former Faculty Athletic Representative Phyllis Watts will also be recognized as an Honorary Inductee for her contributions to athletics and student-athletes during her career.



### TU Tailgate Takeover

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#### Upcoming tailgates

- Friday, Oct. 8 - Volleyball at Malone University - Canton, OH - 5 p.m. tailgate, 7 p.m. game time





- Saturday, Oct. 9 - Football at Lake Erie College - Painesville, OH - 1 p.m. tailgate, 3 p.m. game time
- Saturday, Oct. 16 - Men's and Women's Soccer at Ohio Dominican University - Columbus, OH - 4 p.m. tailgate, 5:30 & 7:30 p.m. game times

## Tiffin Arts

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### TiffinKidz Choir Recording Project

TiffinKidz gives students the opportunity to get experience working in popular music styles and to experience working Tiffin University's state-of-the-art professional recording studio. It is also a chance for kids to explore a variety of musical styles that encourage a positive self-image, a strong work ethic, and an appreciation of diversity. TiffinKidz is open to all third through eighth graders.



For more information and to register, please visit [tiffinmusic.com/tiffinkidz](http://tiffinmusic.com/tiffinkidz)

## Career Services

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### Career Services for Our Alumni

The Career Services Office provides resume reviews, interview prep and job search strategies, among other services, to our alumni free of charge. We are also hoping to connect with alumni who may have recruitment needs for careers and internships. Email [careerservices@tiffin.edu](mailto:careerservices@tiffin.edu) to connect or request an appointment.



Don't forget to check out College Central Network for free career development resources! Register for an alumni account at [collegecentral.com/tiffin](http://collegecentral.com/tiffin).

## Upcoming Alumni Events

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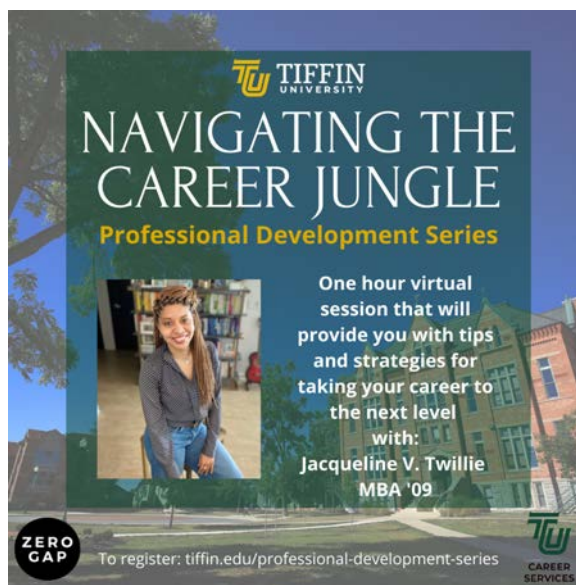
We are excited to offer alumni events on campus, off-campus and virtually! Please be sure to visit [tiffin.edu/advancement/alumni/events](http://tiffin.edu/advancement/alumni/events) to register for these events and for the most current event information.

### Navigating the Career Jungle - Professional Development Series

Tiffin University's Office of Alumni Relations and Career Services Office is excited to share that our professional development series, Navigating the Career Jungle, with TU alumna Jacqueline V. Twillie MBA '09, is set for the fall. This series offers a one-hour virtual session that will provide you with tips and strategies for taking your career to the next level. The program is free to all alumni, friends and students at Tiffin University courtesy of ZeroGap. Registration is required. Once you register, you will receive the Zoom link. Below are the remaining sessions.

- October 20, 11 a.m. - Upskilling and Skills for the Future - [register here](#)
- December 1, 11 a.m. - Achieving Entrepreneurial Success - [register here](#)

Jacqueline V. Twillie holds a MBA in Leadership from Tiffin University and is the Founder and President of ZeroGap.co, a global training and development firm that specializes in women's leadership within male-dominated industries. She's the Amazon Best Selling Author of Navigating The Career Jungle. Jacqueline has been featured in Forbes, FastCo, Essence Now, Black Enterprise, Parade, Today.com, NBC BLK and more. Her life's mission is to eliminate the gender wage gap by providing practical strategy for women to advance and thrive in leadership roles within male-dominated industries.



**Green & Gold Weekend - Homecoming & Family Weekend - October 1 -3**

Tiffin University's Green & Gold - Homecoming and Family Weekend will take place the weekend of October 1 – 3, 2021. Some of the highlighted events include the annual Dragon Alumni Symposium, Alumni Achievement Awards, Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner and Induction Ceremony, live music in the Marion Center, athletics events including men's soccer, women's soccer and football, a tailgate party, 25+ Reunion Luncheon, annual Golf Outing, Greek Cookout and the Tiffin Society Tent (members only) at the football game. The complete agenda and registration can be found online at [tiffin.edu/green-gold](http://tiffin.edu/green-gold). If you have any questions, please contact Vickie Wilkins, Director of Alumni Relations, at 419.448.3595 or email [wilkinsvm@tiffin.edu](mailto:wilkinsvm@tiffin.edu).



To register: [tiffin.edu/green-gold](http://tiffin.edu/green-gold)

**Washington, D.C. Alumni, Friends & Current Student Reception - Tuesday, October 19 at 6 p.m.**

The Washington, D.C. alumni, friends and current student reception will be on Tuesday, October 19 at 6 p.m. at Swingers Crazy Golf located in Dupont Circle. Join us for dinner, networking and minigolf with Dragons in Washington, D.C. Registration for this event is required and space is extremely limited.

To register: [tiffin.edu/advancement/alumni/events](http://tiffin.edu/advancement/alumni/events)



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## Alumni & Friends Announcements

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### TU Memorabilia for Sale to Benefit the Student Emergency Fund

We have a number of items available to purchase for a man-cave, she-shed, barn, etc. We have minimum requirements for each item; however, we would greatly appreciate donations above and beyond. All items are first come, first serve. Pick up on campus or buyer pays shipping.

Please contact Vickie Wilkins, [wilkinsvm@tiffin.edu](mailto:wilkinsvm@tiffin.edu), to place your order!



### Blazin' BBQ Chips

We will now proudly have Blazin' BBQ potato chips from Ballreich Snack Food Company available to the TU campus, alumni and friends.

If you wish to order Blazin' BBQ chips for an event you are hosting, you may place your order directly with Ballreich's by visiting [ballreich.com](http://ballreich.com) or calling customer service at 800-323-2447. A portion of all sales will go toward student scholarships.



### Italy & Greece

**With ancient architectural ruins and vibrant cultural traditions, Italy and Greece have long been top destinations for history buffs, art enthusiasts and pizza lovers alike.** Trace the footsteps of gladiators in the Colosseum and Greek philosophers in the Acropolis. Take in a variety of art, whether it's Michelangelo's masterpiece in the Sistine Chapel or a street vendor's colorful rows of creamy gelato. Any way you slice it, these two countries have centuries of stories to share.



To view the full itinerary and pricing, click [here](#). Once a traveler enrolls, they lock in their program price.



## Together We Can Help

Tiffin University has proudly served students with need throughout our history. It may be, in part, what makes us most proud of all their accomplishments. Because part of their persistence is overcoming financial challenges, the Student Emergency Fund was created. This fund has been used as an emergency fund for students so they can find success on their educational journey.



COVID will continue to impact our students. While we don't know what the future holds, we do know that, together, we can help those we serve rise above.

Your gift will transform the lives of our students. Any gift, large or small, will make an impact and your contribution is greatly appreciated. Click [here](#) to donate to the Student Emergency Fund.

## Tiffin University's Current Programs and Online Options

Do you know someone who could be a future Dragon? Are you interested in learning more about Tiffin University and the programs that we offer today? By clicking the TU Viewbook link below, you will take a closer look at what it is like to be on campus today. If you have any questions or would like a brochure mailed to you, please contact Dr. Amy Wood at [WoodAR@tiffin.edu](mailto:WoodAR@tiffin.edu).

[Tiffin University Viewbook](#)



## AmazonSmile in the Amazon Shopping App

You can now support Tiffin University on your favorite iPhone and Android phones!



How to turn on AmazonSmile in the mobile app:

- 1. Join AmazonSmile** - If you are not already an AmazonSmile member, [sign up](#) on your web browser. Simply select Tiffin University to start generating donations at no cost to you.
- 2. Get the app** - Download or update to the latest version of the Amazon Shopping app on your phone. You can find it in the [App Store](#) for iOS or [Google Play](#) for Android.
- 3. Turn on AmazonSmile** - Open the app and find 'Settings' in the main menu (☰). Tap on 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to turn on AmazonSmile on your phone.

## TU Specialty License Plate

If you are an Ohio resident, you can show pride in Tiffin University through the Collegiate License Plate Program, sponsored by the State of Ohio. You can get your TU specialty license plate at your local Bureau of Motor Vehicle location.



## Benefits and Volunteer Opportunities

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### Graduate Alumni Discount

Graduate and undergraduate students whose master's and/or bachelor's degrees were obtained from Tiffin University will be eligible to receive a \$150 per credit hour discount toward the doctoral program for Ph.D. in Global Leadership and Change. Students who receive this discount are not eligible to receive additional types of Tiffin University's discounts.

Questions? Contact Dr. Amy Wood, Vice President for Enrollment Management at [woodar@tiffin.edu](mailto:woodar@tiffin.edu).



### Alumni Association Board

What We Do - Tiffin University's Alumni Association (TUAA) Board meets three times per year and assists in planning many special events on campus and in communities around the country.



Our Mission - To be ambassadors of excellence, leadership and service for Tiffin University and act as a resource for the Office of Alumni Relations in building programs that support lifelong connections to Tiffin University alumni and friends.

Join Us - Serve at the highest level of alumni volunteerism by joining TU's Alumni Association Board. Alumni interested in joining the board can email Vickie Wilkins, [wilkinsvm@tiffin.edu](mailto:wilkinsvm@tiffin.edu).

### Admissions Volunteer

Our alumni are our international ambassadors! You create invaluable word-of-mouth marketing and take your knowledge of TU to your hometowns, countries and into your professional and social networks. By communicating with prospective students, you will enable Tiffin University to expand into diverse places. By helping the institution become bigger, stronger and more successful, you are also enhancing the value of your own degree qualification. You illustrate the benefits of a TU education by sharing your collegiate experience and professional success with prospective students. Click [here](#) to read the volunteer duties and responsibilities.

### Goals and Objectives

- To create meaningful points of contact between TU alumni, prospective students and their families.
- To increase the number of competitive and qualified students considering TU and to increase the percentage of admitted students enrolling.
- To provide assistance to the University's admissions efforts.
- To increase alumni engagement with TU.

**You may be the reason a student chooses to become a Tiffin Dragon!** If you are interested in participating as an admissions volunteer, click [here](#) to fill out a short application.

### Career Mentor Volunteer

Have you ever thought about being a **career mentor**?

Sharing your talent is a great way to give back to TU and assist others at the same time. The *Dragon Connect* program makes the process very easy to manage. Some of the basic



expectations of a career mentor in our *Dragon Connect* program include: maintaining your profile, exercising patience, offering advice, and posting a job or internship in [College Central Network](#).

Still have questions about being a career mentor? Looking for other ways to connect with students and offer career advice? Feel free to reach out to the Career Services Office at [careerservices@tiffin.edu](mailto:careerservices@tiffin.edu).

Ready to sign up? Register at [collegecentral.com/tiffin](http://collegecentral.com/tiffin) and click on the Career Mentoring Network.

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## Hire a Dragon!

Is your company looking for an intern or a connection to fill an open position? Encourage them to recruit from your alma mater! After all, if they're glad they hired you, they'll likely be excited about seeking candidates who share your educational experiences. (And attracting good talent to your team will also reflect well on you.)

Post your open positions on our job board at [collegecentral.com/tiffin](http://collegecentral.com/tiffin) or contact us to schedule a date to host a recruiting table on campus.

We look forward to working with you!

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