

Samford University

FAITH & LEARNING

A NATIONAL PILLAR FOR EDUCATING WITH
STRENGTH AND PURPOSE SINCE 1841



Chief of Police and Director of Public Safety & Emergency Management



ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

With 178 majors, minors and concentrations, Samford students are prepared for purpose and achievement in any field.

Majors that can also be pursued as minors are marked with an asterisk (*). Fast-Track programs are listed at the bottom of each school.

SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

MAJORS	Game Design	Musical Theatre	<i>Production Design and Technology)</i>	MINORS
Architecture	Graphic Design	Organ Performance		Church and Culture
Art	Instrumental Music Performance	Piano Performance	Theatre for Youth: Performance and Teaching Artistry	Film Production
Christian Ministry	Interior Design	Piano Performance with Pedagogy Emphasis	Voice Performance	Intercultural Engagement
Commercial Music* (concentrations available in Music Industry, Music Production, Performance and Songwriting)	Music*	Studio Art*	Worship Leadership* (concentrations available in Painting/Drawing and Sculpture)	FAST-TRACK
Composition	Music and Worship		Theatre*	Master of Architecture (five years)
Dance*	Music Education (concentrations available in Instrumental Music and Vocal/Choral Music)			

HOWARD COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

MAJORS	Environmental Science	Law and History	MINORS	Religion
Biblical Studies*	French*	Law, Politics and Society	Aerospace Studies	Science and Religion
Biochemistry	Geography (concentration available in Geographic Information Science)	Marine Science*	Asian Studies	Sports Media
Biology*		Mathematics* (concentration available in Data Science)	Bioinformatics	Theology and Ethics
Chemistry*		Neuroscience*	Biology	Traditional Geography
Christian and Religious Studies (concentration available in Ministry Leadership)	German*	Philosophy*	Classical Civilization	Western Intellectual Tradition
Classics*	Global Studies*	Philosophy and Religion	Classics	World Languages and Cultures
Communication Studies*	Greek*	Physics	Data Science	Writing
Computer Science* (concentrations available in Computer Engineering, Cybersecurity and Software Engineering)	History*	Political Science*	English	FAST-TRACK
Engineering Physics	International Relations	Psychology*	Environmental Studies	BA, Psychology to Master of Public Health (MPH)
English* (concentrations available in Writing and Film Studies)	Journalism and Mass Communication (concentrations available in Advertising, Broadcast and Electronic Journalism, Print Journalism and Public Relations)	Public Administration	Film and Video Studies	
	Sociology*	Sociology*	Film Production	
	Spanish*	Spanish*	History	
	World Languages and Literature	World Languages and Literature	Latin American Studies	
	Language and World Trade		Medical Ethics	
	Latin*		Ministry and Missions	
			Physics	
			Race, Ethnicity and Social Justice	

BROCK SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

MAJORS	MINORS	CONCENTRATIONS
Accounting*	Data Analytics	Data Analytics
Brock Scholars	General Business	Entrepreneurship and Corporate Innovation
Economics*	Social Entrepreneurship and Nonprofit Management	Professional Sales
Entrepreneurship*		Real Estate
Finance		
Management		
Marketing*		

ORLEAN BEESON SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

MAJORS	Elementary Education (concentration in Christian Education and Missions)	Secondary Education (6 th -12 th grade) (content areas available for teacher certification, including English, French, German, Mathematics, Social Studies and Spanish)	FAST-TRACK
Early Childhood Special Education, Elementary and Collaborative Education (ESEC) (Preschool-6 th Grade)	Human Development and Family Science* (concentrations available in Child Development Education, Child Life and Gerontology)		Human Development and Family Sciences majors can pursue accelerated programs: 3+3 Law Program Divinity Fast-Track

BEESON DIVINITY SCHOOL

Fast-Track Master of Divinity (MDiv) (six years) built upon the following degrees: BA, Christian Ministry (School of the Arts)	BA, Biblical Studies (Howard College of Arts and Sciences) BA, Christian and Religious Studies (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)	BA, Christian and Religious Studies, Ministry Leadership (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)	BS, Human Development and Family Science (Orlean Beeson School of Education)
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SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

MAJORS	MINORS	FAST-TRACK
Communication Sciences and Disorders*	Strength and Conditioning	Doctor of Physical Therapy (six years)
Exercise Science	Disability, Health and Physical Activity	Master of Science in Speech-language Pathology
Health Sciences	CONCENTRATIONS	
Sport Administration	Disability, Health and Physical Activity	
Sports Medicine		

CUMBERLAND SCHOOL OF LAW

A Juris Doctor (JD) degree can be pursued in conjunction with many programs through three years of undergraduate studies plus three years of graduate studies (3+3 law program). For more information, speak with your admission counselor.	JD/MAcc JD/MBA JD/MDiv JD/Master of Public Administration JD/Master of Public Health JD/Master of Science in Environmental Management	JD/Master of Arts in Theological Studies JD/Master of Laws
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MOFFETT & SANDERS SCHOOL OF NURSING

MAJORS
Nursing (Traditional BSN)
Nursing (Second-Degree BSN)

McWHORTER SCHOOL OF PHARMACY

The prepharmacy curriculum allows students to complete the required prerequisites within two years before entering pharmacy school.	After completion of prerequisites, a Bachelor of Science in pharmacy studies is awarded after the second year of the Doctor of Pharmacy program.
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SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

MAJORS	BS, Culinary and Wellness Nutrition Management	through our five year Fast-Track program built on a BS in Nutrition and Dietetics.
Culinary and Wellness Nutrition Management	BS, Global Studies	
Healthcare Administration*	BS, Health Sciences	
Nutrition and Dietetics	BS, Human Development and Family Science	Complete your Master of Public Health degree (MPH) through our five year fast-track program. Bachelor degree options include:
Public Health*	BS/BA, Psychology	BS, Public Health
MINORS	BS, Public Health	BA, Sociology
Health Informatics and Analytics	Complete your Master of Healthcare Administration degree (MHA) through our five year fast-track program built on a Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration.	BS, Public Health
Nutrition		BA, Psychology
FAST-TRACK		BA, Sociology
Complete your Master of Social Work degree (MSW) through our five year fast-track program. Bachelor's degree options include:		BS, Human Development and Family Science
BA, Biblical Studies	Complete your Master of Science in Nutrition with a Dietetics Concentration	BS, Health Sciences
BA, Christian and Religious Studies		

PREPROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS ADVISING AREAS

PROGRAMS	Pre-Engineering	Prephysical Therapy
Pre-Athletic Training	Prelaw	Prepodiatry
Pre-Audiology	Premedicine	Preveterinary
Prechiropractic	Pre-Occupational Therapy	
Predentistry	Pre-Optometry	

LEGACY OF IMPACT

Since its founding in 1841, Samford University has modeled academic achievement at the intersection of faith and learning.

1896 Samford demonstrates an early commitment to expanding access with its first female student, Anna Judge.

1961 Cumberland Law School is acquired by Samford, becoming part of its academic offerings.

1967 Samford's legacy of care expands again with its first full-time African American student, Audrey Gaston.

1984 Samford purchases the Daniel House in London, expanding its study abroad program.

2008 Samford joins the NCAA Division I Southern Conference, winning 87 conference championships to date.

2013 Samford forms the College of Health Sciences, offering career pathways in vital and fast-growing industries.

2022 The estate of Marvin Mann '54 honors Samford with a \$100 million gift, the largest single gift ever made to an institution of higher learning in Alabama.

2025 *The Wall Street Journal* ranks Samford University among the top in the nation: #2 for Character Development, #8 for Career Preparation and #10 for the Most Recommended University, while also completing a three-year campus plan focused on enhancing community, wellness and student support.

6,101 Students from 45 states, Puerto Rico and 16 countries

57,000+ Alumni shaping the world through their lives and careers

FRESHMAN ADMISSION TIMELINE

AUGUST 1

Application opens

NOVEMBER 1

Early Action application deadline
(Decision release begins
in early November)

DECEMBER 1

1st scholarship deadline

MID-DECEMBER

1st scholarship notification begins

FEBRUARY 15

FAFSA priority date &
2nd scholarship deadline

EARLY MARCH

Final Aid awards released &
Orientation registration opens

MAY 1

Samford decision deadline

ACADEMIC INDICATORS

THE MIDDLE 50% OF
INCOMING STUDENTS

ACT: 23-29

SAT: 1150-1380

GPA: 3.48-4.1

Samford University continues to
give freshman applicants the option
to be evaluated without a test score.
Learn more at
samford.edu/go/appoptions



SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships and financial aid are a mark of Samford's investment in the potential of each student. We award aid to more than 90% of our students as part of our commitment to making life-changing Christian education accessible and available.

90%

Students receive
Samford aid

Crosland Scholarship — \$18,000 average award for academic achievement.

Davis Scholarship — \$2,000 annual scholarship for community engagement and service during high school.

Marion Scholarship — \$15,500 average award for embodying Samford values and having a positive community impact.

Marvin Mann Scholarships — Awards between \$1,000 and \$10,000 for National Merit finalists, students with financial hardship, legacy students and children of parents ordained in a Christian organization.

Ragland Scholars Program — This competitive four-year program for entering freshmen fosters academic, career, and ethical excellence while encouraging social and civic responsibility. Scholars actively contribute to a Christ-centered, compassionate campus community as part of a cohort through participation in professional, social, and spiritual development events and completion of a four-year ethical competency curriculum.

Need-Based Aid — FAFSA application submitted to Samford by February 15.

TRANSFORMATIVE STRATEGIC PLAN

"Fidelitas: Faith and Future"

is Samford's ambitious strategic plan to become the school of choice among Christ-centered universities. Impacting every aspect of Samford, from academics to athletics to global influence, this comprehensive roadmap will propel the university to extraordinary heights over the next decade and beyond.

As part of this effort, Samford Horizons is an initiative focused on creating spaces that foster student growth and build lasting community. One of the signature projects of this plan is the new Recreation, Wellness and Athletic Complex, which will serve as a central hub for connection, well-being and holistic development. In addition to this transformative facility, the initiative includes four new residence halls and expanded parking to support a vibrant and accessible campus experience.

Through initiatives like these, Samford is committed to preparing students to bring the wisdom of Scripture to tomorrow's greatest challenges while opening pathways to share the love of Christ with the world.

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Most Recommended University
(The Wall Street Journal, 2025)



"Above all, this complex is a place FOR COMMUNITY. Obviously, students will use the equipment, but they'll have the opportunity to RUN INTO EACH OTHER, to ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER and to STUDY FOR AN EXAM between an intramural game. This is going to be a real hub in the West Campus area."

BECK A. TAYLOR, PhD

Samford University President



INTENTIONAL SPACES, BUILT FOR YOU.

Learn about Samford's new \$65 million Recreation, Wellness and Athletic Complex, four state-of-the-art residence halls and expanded parking on campus. All of these projects are complete as of fall 2025.



A FUTURE *that* INSPIRES

When you refer a student to Samford, you invite them
into a future greater than they might ever imagine.

REFER A STUDENT TODAY.



Samford University®

100+

Student organizations
forging lifelong connections

19

Average undergraduate
class size

#2

In the Nation for Character
Development (*The Wall Street
Journal*, 2025)

87th

Oldest university in the U.S,
founded as Howard College in 1841
in Marion, Alabama

178

Majors, minors
and concentrations

17

Division I NCAA teams
(Nine women's and eight
men's teams)

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