

Campus Life, Campus Facilities, Campus Services



Athletics - Intercollegiate

The mission of the Department of Athletics is to uphold the mission of Samford University within the context of a continually improving, competitive, diverse, and NCAA-certified athletics program. The Department of Athletics is responsible for the administration and implementation of an intercollegiate sports program that competes in NCAA Division I. Samford is a member of the nation's eighth oldest conference, the Ohio Valley Conference. The 17 intercollegiate sports sponsored by Samford University are:

Men	Women
Basketball	Basketball
Cross-Country	Cross-Country
Golf	Golf
Indoor Track	Indoor Track
Tennis	Tennis
Track and Field	Track and Field
Baseball	Softball
Football	Soccer
	Volleyball

Scholarships

Athletics aid is awarded in all of Samford's sports, primarily to student-athletes specifically recruited for that sport by the coaching staff. Students who were not recruited, but who are interested in participating in varsity sports, may contact individual coaches concerning opportunities. Coaches' contact information may be found at www.samfordsports.com.

Schedules

Schedules for all sports are distributed across campus and posted on the Web site at www.samfordsports.com. All times are Central. All dates and times are subject to change. Contact the Office of Sports Information at (205) 726-2799 or 2802, or visit www.samfordsports.com, to confirm schedules before making special plans.

Ticket Information/Procedures

Currently enrolled Samford students are admitted free to any Samford Athletics ticketed sporting event. Students must show their current Samford ID at the ticket window for individual events. Guest tickets may be purchased at the ticket window on game day. Ticket prices will be posted at each event.

Samford students are encouraged to support the Bulldogs on road trips as well. Ticket availability will vary depending on our opponent. Full ticket prices will be charged for away games as they are sold on consignment for opponents. Contact the Athletics Department concerning specific contests.

Spirit Program

Varsity Cheerleading: The main objective of Samford's Cheerleading program is to work within Samford Athletics to create an atmosphere of enthusiasm among students and fans. Samford Cheerleaders represent Samford University and its athletics program through performances at athletics events as well as at campus and community events. Tryouts are held each spring.

Mascot: The mascot, Spike, appears at athletics events as well as student and community activities in order to build enthusiasm and recognition for Samford University. Spike is a visual representation of the spirit and pride of Samford University and one of its most beloved inhabitants. Tryouts are normally held in the spring.

Exact dates and times for cheerleading and mascot tryouts may be found at www.samfordsports.com or by calling the Athletics Office.

Facilities

There are a variety of athletics and recreational facilities available for all students at Samford University. Field and court space is available for general student use when not being used for varsity practices, competition or Campus Recreation events.

Seibert Stadium hosts home football games in the fall as well as track meets in the spring. The facility is equipped with a newly renovated football field and the track is available for running, jogging and walking at nearly all hours. The track will be closed during athletic events and afternoon practices. Seibert Hall houses a hardwood-court gym, weight room, swimming pool, dance studio and locker facilities. Bashinsky Fieldhouse has a gym with two hardwood courts, an indoor track, four racquetball/handball courts, and one of the finest athletic training/sports medicine facilities in the Southeast. Athletics facilities also include the Samford Soccer Field across Lakeshore Drive, Joe Lee Griffin Baseball Field, the award-winning Samford Bulldog Softball Field and the Darwin C. Hardison Tennis Center.

Availability for Student Use

Facilities are generally available for use by students in the afternoon through the evening, except when athletic events or practices or Campus Recreation events are scheduled. A schedule of specific hours is available on the Campus Recreation Web site at www.samford.edu/camprec.

Student IDs are required to use all recreational facilities. Inspection of IDs will be made to ensure that only Samford University students, staff, and faculty are using the facilities. Please cooperate when asked to produce your ID card. In this way, the facilities may be kept available for your use.

Intercollegiate Athletics Administration and Staff

Director of Athletics	Robert L. Roller
Senior Associate Director	Peter F. Neuberger
Associate Athletics Director	Jay Roberson
Assistant Athletics Director	Chris M. Scott
Senior Woman Administrator	Michelle Durban
Business Manager	Wanda Lucas
Director of Athletic Training	Wayne M. Kendrick
Director of Broadcasting	Justin Firesheets
Director of Game Day Operations/Ticket Manager	Vaughan Lyons
Director of Marketing	Carrie Parker
Director of Promotions	Grant Lyons
Equipment Manager	James R. Carlson
Sports Information	Joey Mullins
Sports Information Assistant	Zac Schrieber
Strength and Conditioning Coach	Thomas P. Rohling

Head Coaches for Men's Sports

Baseball	Casey Dunn
Basketball	James A. Tillette
Cross Country	J. Glenn McWaters
Football	William A. Gray
Golf	Woodie Eubanks
Tennis	Kemper W. Baker
Track	J. Glenn McWaters

Head Coaches for Women's Sports

Basketball	Michael W. Morris
Cross Country	J. Glenn McWaters
Golf	Ian Thompson
Soccer	A. Todd Yelton
Softball	Lee Ann Ketcham
Tennis	Terri L. Sisk
Track	J. Glenn McWaters
Volleyball	Michelle Durban

Head Coaches for Co-Ed Sports

Cheerleading Coach	Mary N. Ussery
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Campus Recreation

The mission of the Department of Campus Recreation at Samford University is to provide recreational programs and outdoor adventure activities that will enhance the social, spiritual, emotional, intellectual, physical, and vocational needs of students, faculty, staff, and their spouses in an environment of Christian values. Campus Recreation strives to promote learning, fun, friendship, leadership development, and sportsmanship in a Christian environment by offering quality competitive and noncompetitive activities, employment opportunities, and equipment rental. Campus Recreation employs students in all areas, including the main office, intramural sports, fitness instruction, Alpine Tower, Carolina Climbing Wall, and as lifeguards and weight room monitors. There are opportunities for advancement within the department.

Alpine Tower and Carolina Climbing Wall

The Alpine Tower creates challenges and group problem-solving events suitable for any group. The tower is a 50-foot high structure, offering over 30 different climbing routes with varying degrees of challenge. The tower provides an effective method of fostering leadership development, teamwork, trust, communication, and cooperation among a group of participants. The Carolina Climbing Wall is a 50-foot high structure with windows that allow for social climbing on both sides of the wall. Whether a first-time or a seasoned rock climber, there is a route marked for you!

Fitness Programs

Aerobics classes are offered Monday through Thursday to students, faculty, staff, and spouses for a nominal fee. Step aerobics is offered for any level of stepper. Varied combinations are utilized to challenge every participant.

Intramural Sports

The intramural sports program offers many different activities for all levels of ability. Current offerings are bowling, flag football, volleyball, basketball, soccer, softball, tennis, racquetball, kick ball, dodge ball, and ultimate frisbee. There are opportunities for participation in state, regional, and national competitions, as well.

Sport Clubs

Sport Clubs are student-founded and student-led with the Director of Campus Recreation serving as advisor. Clubs that exist are the Men's Soccer Club, Swing Kids, Outdoor Adventure Club, and Ultimate Frisbee Club.

For more information on all our programs, check out our Web site at www.samford.edu/camprec.

Campus Bookstores

The main campus bookstore is located in the Beeson University Center and is owned and operated by the University. Classroom books, supplies, computer supplies, as well as gift items, are readily available. The bookstore is open Monday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Monday and Thursday evenings until 6:00 p.m.

Housed in the Beeson School of Divinity, the Cokesbury Beeson Bookshop carries an assortment of Christian and religious books and Bibles for coursework, as well as for leisure reading.

Campus Safety and Regulations

The Samford University Department of Campus Safety is a proprietary function of the University with jurisdiction to enforce the rules and regulations of the University on University property, as well as the laws of the State of Alabama in any extended jurisdiction prescribed by law. Those members of the department who are duly sworn and commissioned have full law enforcement authority and maintain a close working relationship with local law enforcement authorities, federal agencies, and other emergency agencies on all matters of mutual interest. Support and response by local law enforcement, fire department, and other emergency services are excellent. The Department of Campus Safety is located on the second floor of Beeson University Center and is staffed 24 hours a day, providing immediate availability for emergency response, performance of security patrols, monitoring of persons on campus, and providing other services to the campus community. Crime statistics, as required by federal law, are available by writing or calling the Director of Campus Safety.

Rules and Regulations

Automobiles on Campus

Students are permitted to have a motor vehicle on campus. A student wishing to maintain a motor vehicle on campus must register the vehicle with the Department of Campus Safety, pay a registration fee, properly display the registration decal, and comply with appropriate traffic/parking regulations. Failure to comply with vehicle registration requirements, parking regulations, and traffic regulations may subject the vehicle operator to fines, forfeiture of the privilege of operating a vehicle on campus, and disciplinary action.

Code of Values and Discipline

The Samford University community affirms the value of a peaceful and purposeful community, founded on the moral and ethical integrity of students and faculty. With a strong commitment to the Christian values on which the University was founded, reasonable expectations of student behavior are necessary for contributing to a healthy and quality environment. Using principles of fundamental fairness, Samford University established a Code of Values: Worth of the Individual, Self-Discipline, Academic Integrity, Respect for Property and the Environment, and Respect for Community Authority. Students are given this information in writing and orally during Orientation. (The complete Code of Values and minimum sanctions for inappropriate behavior can be found in the *Student Handbook*.)

Two expectations of Samford students may differ from other institutions. First, it is expected that a student will not possess, consume, sell, or distribute alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs on campus or in off-campus activities sponsored by a group or organization of the University. Second, a student is expected to obey residence-hall visitation regulations. Samford has limited visitation in the rooms of a person of the opposite sex.

Students are held accountable for their actions that violate Samford's Code of Values. A student accused of a values violation will be notified in writing and given a brochure outlining the judicial process. (See the Values Violation Process in the *Student Handbook* for complete details regarding disciplinary actions.)

Theft/Property Damage

Samford is not responsible for loss, damage, or theft of property owned by students or other individuals. It is suggested that students check that their parent's homeowners insurance provides coverage for a son/daughter living on campus.

Career Development Center

The Career Development Center is designed to help current students and Samford graduates with a variety of career and job search activities. Career Counselors are available to help with identification and evaluation of areas of interest for a major course of study and/or career choices. Career guidance instruments may be used in this process.

The Career Development Center contains information for career research, experiential education research, job search, company research, graduate and professional school research, and other topical information related to careers.

The Career Development Center sponsors presentations each semester on a variety of career development topics. Staff members are available to assist with many career search concerns. The Center acts as a connecting link between students and employers for part-time, summer, cooperative education, and permanent positions. Job listings are maintained for these areas.

Students and graduates have the opportunity to participate and receive information about various interviewing events. Prospective employers may view resumes of graduating students and alumni with completed files.

Clubs/Organizations

Co-curricular involvement is an important part of the student's development. Samford University students are encouraged to select from the numerous campus organizations for their co-curricular involvement.

Greek Organizations

Greek letter organizations are an integral part of student life at Samford University. Samford sororities and fraternities are involved in educational programs, community service, and leadership development in addition to providing a strong bond of friendship among their members. The Panhellenic Council monitors the sorority membership selection process and provides a variety of educational, social, and service opportunities for both sorority and fraternity members. The Interfraternity Council acts as the liaison between the seven fraternities and the University, promotes leadership within member chapters, and monitors the activities of member chapters. Samford maintains chapters for each of the following national organizations:

Fraternities:

Alpha Phi Alpha
Kappa Alpha Psi
Lambda Chi Alpha
Pi Kappa Phi
Sigma Chi
Sigma Nu
Sigma Phi Epsilon

Sororities:

Alpha Delta Pi
Alpha Kappa Alpha
Alpha Omicron Pi
Chi Omega
Delta Sigma Theta
Phi Mu
Zeta Tau Alpha

General/Professional/Educational Organizations-Undergraduate

Alpha Kappa Psi
American Chemical Society
Arnold Air Society
Association for Women in Communications
Association of World Language Majors
Delta Omicron (women, music)
F.A.C.E.S. Club (Fitness Awareness Club for Exercise Science)
French Club
German Club
Interior Design Student Organization

National Council on Family Relations (Student Chapter)
Nurses' Christian Fellowship
Phi Delta Kappa
Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia (men, music)
Samford Accounting Society
Samford Pre-Law Society
Sojourn
Spanish Club
Speakers Forum at Samford
Student Athletic Trainer's Association
The Reconcilers
Women's Coalition of Samford University

Service Organizations

Samford students have opportunities to serve the campus community, as well as the community at large, by being an active participant with the following organizations. In addition, numerous service groups function under the guidance of the Office of University Ministries. (See the University Ministries section of this catalog.)

Alpha Phi Omega (men)
Amnesty International
Circle K
Gamma Sigma Sigma (women)
Habitat for Humanity

Samford Ambassadors
Samford Recruitment Team
Student Government Association
Ville Crew

Social and Other Organizations

College Republicans of Samford University
Dance Team
ESL Ministry
Samford Dog Pound

Samford Soccer Club
Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Swing Kids
Water Ski Club

Religious Organizations

Family Court
Fellowship of Christian Athletes
Grace Dance Ministry
Impact Team
In His Hands
My Kappa

One Way Ministries
Son Reflectors
Student Ministries
Student Ministries Choir
Word Players

Computer Services and Resources

Campus Portal Services

All members of the Samford University community have access to a variety of computing resources. A Campus Portal via the web is the entry point from which all members of the campus community can tap into academic resources, administrative services, community information, E-mail and the Internet—all online, from anywhere. Some of the administrative resources available to Samford students are: grades, class schedules, and account payments. Upon admission to Samford University, students can go to the Samford home page and log into the Campus Portal using the *user name* and *password* provided by the Personal Technology Group.

Computing Assistance

Computer assistance is available from the Personal Technology Group, Room 326, Brooks Hall. Assistance is available Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Call (205) 726-2662 or e-mail support@samford.edu for additional information. The computing resources and assistance described here are all free of charge to Samford University students.

Computing Laboratories

Six general access computer laboratories are available to every student, except during times when one or more of the labs may be scheduled for classes. Several academic departments or schools also have computing labs that support their specialized needs. The general access laboratories offer a substantial suite of software to satisfy routine needs like word processing, as well as more specialized needs such as page layout, presentation preparation, or statistical analysis. Each computer in the general access computing labs is connected to the campus network, which is in turn connected to the Internet. This gives every Samford student access to the World Wide Web and other networked resources. For more information about laboratory resources, see the computer lab page at www.samford.edu/labs.

Library Resources

The online catalog for the Samford Library and several additional library-related resources are available via the campus network. Samford is an active participant in the Network of Alabama Academic Libraries and other consortia that enhance the resources available to the Samford community. For more information about library resources, see the Library Web page at <http://library.samford.edu/>.

Residence Hall Network Access

Each resident room has one Ethernet port per student, allowing students to connect their personal computers to Samford's computer network. Due to the changing environment of computer technology, students will be given information regarding the minimum requirements for a student-owned computer during student orientation. Additional information regarding minimum computer configurations can be found at www.samford.edu/support.

The Personal Technology Group assists students wishing to connect to the Samford University computing network. Nonresident students may access campus computing resources through an Internet service provider. For further information about computing resources at Samford University, call the Personal Technology Group (205) 726-2662 or e-mail support@samford.edu.

Wireless Network Access

Samford University is now offering Wireless Network access at a number of locations on campus. This service provides students and employees the convenience and flexibility of using portable computing devices at non-traditional locations around campus. For more information, see the wireless networking Web page at www.samford.edu/wireless.

Student-Owned, On-Campus Computers

While Samford strives to maintain the best available computer laboratories, many students may wish to bring or purchase a personal computer, and this is encouraged. Due to the changing environment of computer technology, students will be given information regarding the minimum requirements for a student-owned computer during student orientation.

Further Information via the Internet

For more information about computer resources at Samford University, see the computing World Wide Web page at <http://www.samford.edu/computers>.

Counseling Services and Disability Support Services

Counseling Services provides counseling to assist students as they adjust to campus life, cope with problems, and make the developmental transition from adolescence to young adulthood. The services include individual counseling, relationship counseling, crisis intervention, guidance, support, and referral information. Counseling Services also presents outreach presentations to student groups and classes on issues and topics pertinent to the developmental and emotional well-being of college students.

Accommodations for students with disabilities are handled by the counselor for Disability Support Services in Counseling Services. After admission to Samford, students who are entitled to accommodations under the ADA must contact the counselor for Disability Support Services with recent, appropriate documentation of their disability. Reasonable accommodations are determined using this documentation. Accommodations are individualized according to the particular needs of each student and may not be the same as those received in high school. Accommodations are communicated to the faculty by the counselor for Disability Support Services. A faculty member will grant reasonable accommodations only upon written notification from Disability Support Services.

For more information on either of these areas, please call (205) 726-2105.

Dining Services

More than just a dining room, the Beeson University Center Cafeteria is a central place in the social life of the University. It is an excellent place for both resident students and commuters to meet new friends and share campus experiences.

All entering freshmen and first year resident students are required to purchase the 19 meal plan. Sophomores may purchase either the 12 or 19 meal plan. Students who have successfully completed 64 credit hours may purchase either the 7, 12, or 19 meal plan.

The Food Court, located on the ground floor of the Beeson University Center, features fast-food services. Each meal plan includes a \$100 credit toward purchases in the Food Court and Cafeteria. Commuting students may deposit money to their student ID card which may be used for purchases in the Food Court and Cafeteria, or pay cash for meals at either location.

Financial Services

The SAMFORD CARD

All students are required to have an official Samford University photo ID (SAMFORD CARD), made and recorded by the Department of Campus Safety. These ID's offer students, faculty, and staff a convenient, safe, and easy way to make purchases and utilize campus services. It is used as identification, meal card, library card and for access to certain facilities. With activation of an optional debit account, the SAMFORD CARD can be used to make purchases in the bookstore, Food Court, cafeteria, several campus copiers, and drink and snack machines. Several campus laundry rooms are equipped to accept the card in lieu of cash. The SAMFORD CARD works similarly to a checking account in that your deposited funds are debited each time a student makes a purchase.

Check-Cashing Services

The Campus Bookstore is authorized to cash checks up to \$50 per day for students whose accounts are in good standing. The face of the check must have the student's name, local address, telephone number, and student identification number. Students must present a valid photo ID.

A student who presents a check to Samford University that is not honored by the bank will be charged \$28. If the check is not redeemed within 10 days of notification of a returned check, the student may be subject to disciplinary or legal action. All check-cashing privileges are revoked after the third returned check.

Information Center

Located in the Beeson University Center, the Information Center serves as a storehouse of information about the many and varied activities happening on the University campus. The University Calendar is maintained in the Information Center and can be accessed through the Samford University Web site.

Leadership Development

Leadership Education Awareness and Development (LEAD) is a program that provides a formal means by which a student can define his/her leadership philosophy, identify his/her leadership potential, and engage in a variety of educational opportunities, such as self-assessment, mentoring, skill workshops, and community service. Our desire is that students will be challenged and nurtured, so that they are prepared to actively influence the world in meaningful ways as leaders. For more information contact the Office of Student Involvement at (205)726-2345.

Libraries

Samford offers a wealth of library resources featuring an extensive print collection, as well as multimedia resources that include microfilm, music scores, and audio and video recordings. The campus computer network offers ready access to the online catalog and other electronic resources. This network is also connected to the Internet and gives worldwide access to a boundless suite of library resources that complement the library's own holdings. Other libraries in the Birmingham area cooperate with Samford on a reciprocal basis, increasing the variety of resources directly available to the Samford community.

Samford University Library

The Samford University Library is the primary library for all students, faculty, and staff. In addition to books, periodicals, collections and electronic resources, the library houses a large government documents collection—serving as an official repository. The Special Collection houses outstanding research materials with particular strengths in Alabama history, Baptist records, and Samford University Archives. Individualized and group instruction in the use of library resources is provided on a regular basis by librarians.

A computer laboratory, computer classroom, individual and group study rooms, multimedia viewing and listening rooms, meeting rooms with advanced presentation and conferencing capabilities, and a patron-lounge area are available for patron use.

The University Library is home to the Marla Haas Corts Missionary Biography Collection, the Alabama Men's Hall of Fame, and the Hellenic Scholars' Library.

Lucille Stewart Beeson Law Library

The Lucille Stewart Beeson Law Library provides extensive legal research and study materials for the Cumberland School of Law and the rest of the Samford community. The library contains 13 conference rooms, 474 study spaces, large carrels with electrical and data connections, and more than 30 computers, as well as laptop computers available for checkout. Online access to current legal information is provided through computer-assisted legal research systems. The book collection contains more than 200,000 volumes, and the microform and audiovisual room provides access to the microfiche equivalent of 87,000 volumes.

Global Drug Information Center

The Global Drug Information Center is located in the McWhorter School of Pharmacy and serves as a resource center, a drug advisory source for practitioners, and an information retrieval center for students, faculty, and practitioners. In addition to a variety of journals, books and other printed materials, major pharmaceutical and medical databases and many reference materials are available via CD-ROM and the Internet.

Curriculum Materials and Technology Center

The Curriculum Materials and Technology Center is located on the third floor of the Orlean Bullard Beeson School of Education and Professional Studies. Its primary function is to provide current resources, media, and services to the School of Education students, faculty, and staff as they design and utilize instructional materials for the P-12 classroom. Resources include an Education Library, a Make-and-Take Lab for the creation of curriculum materials, and an Instructional Technology Lab, which consists of computers and instructional software to facilitate learning in the field of education. The center is staffed to provide technical services and assistance to teacher education students as required by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

Global Center

The Global Center, located in the Beeson School of Divinity, features interactive resources that include world population and demographic databases as well as foreign language news broadcasts that assist students as they prepare for service throughout the world. (See Beeson School of Divinity in this catalog for more information.)

Career Development Center Library

The Career Development Center Library, located in the Ralph W. Beeson University Center, is a resource center for career-related books, videos, Web sites and handouts; and for extensive company and corporate information.

Center for Teaching Learning and Scholarship

The Center for Teaching, Learning, and Scholarship (CTLs) is a multifaceted resource committed to promoting, sustaining, and acknowledging teaching excellence at Samford University. Serving faculty, staff, administrators, and students, CTLs programs and services assist in faculty development, the enhancement of instruction, and the improvement of student learning.

The CTLs is located on the second floor of the Harwell G. Davis Library, in Room 213. For more information, please visit the CTLs Web site at www.samford.edu/groups/ctlts.

Music

The Division of Music in the School of Performing Arts offers a variety of opportunities for students to participate in instrumental and vocal ensembles. These groups offer valuable training and experiences in music to interested students.

Accompanying

Students with accompanying proficiency desiring credit hours or stipend may apply for accompanying duties.

Instrumental Groups

Bells of Buchanan: If you have experience ringing handbells and want to learn more, you'll want to join this member of the Division of Music ensemble family. Auditions are held from February through May of each year for fall registrations.

Chamber Ensembles: Usually student initiated, heterogeneous ensembles (brass quintets, etc.) are formed through common consent of the students. Homogeneous ensembles (flute choir, etc.) are formed by audition or recommendation of the faculty.

Jazz Ensemble: Ellington and Mangione, Basie and Spyro Gyra—the Jazz Ensemble does it all. Admission is by audition or recommendation of the faculty.

Percussion Ensemble: Admission is by audition or recommendation of the faculty.

Samford University Orchestra: Performs standard orchestral repertoire. Membership is open to non-Music majors as well as music majors.

University Band: This band includes a marching band and symphonic band. Admission is by audition or recommendation of the faculty.

Voice Groups

A Cappella Choir: Auditions for the A Cappella Choir are held each April. Membership in this group is usually limited to upperclassmen. Freshmen may also audition, however.

Music Theatre Ensemble: This ensemble is designed for music theatre majors and other students with performance skills appropriate for musical theatre. Auditions are held at the beginning of each semester.

Samford OperaWorks: Auditions for fall production are held each spring.

University Chorale: A nonaudition ensemble, this group performs a cross-section of quality literature with two major concerts each year.

Post Office

The post office is located on the first floor of the Beeson University Center, adjacent to the Food Court. All U.S. mail services are provided here, including registered, certified, and insured mail, stamps and postal money orders, and Express Mail Next-Day Service. An inter-office campus service is available for mail to students, faculty, and staff free of charge.

All undergraduate students are assigned a campus post office box. This box serves as the official local address for undergraduate students. Graduate students are not assigned a box. Students who are not enrolled at the university or are studying at the Daniel House London Study Centre during Jan Term or summer terms must provide the post office with a forwarding address.

Publications

Magazine—*Sojourn*

Sojourn is a literary and visual arts magazine focused on highlighting the artistic expressions of students, faculty, and staff at Samford. Published once each semester, students edit and compile each issue with assistance from outside professionals, as well as faculty advisors.

Newspaper—*The Samford Crimson*

The Samford Crimson is a student-run, campuswide newspaper. With a circulation of 3,500, it is available free to all full-time, undergraduate students and is distributed at key locations on campus. Published weekly, *The Samford Crimson* offers excellent opportunities to all undergraduates, regardless of major or experience, who are interested in writing, reporting, editing, as well as in photography and layout/design in the areas of news, sports, commentary, and arts and entertainment. The paper's advertising department, also run by students, caters to those more interested in the business side of *The Samford Crimson* and is also open to all students regardless of major or experience. Any student may compete for salaried staff positions.

Yearbook—*Entre Nous*

Entre Nous is Samford's student yearbook, published in late spring and available free-of-charge to all full-time undergraduate day students. The paid *Entre Nous* staff is comprised primarily of students involved in the study of journalism, graphic design, and photography. The publication provides an excellent opportunity for students to build a portfolio and gain professional publishing experience.

Facebook

For over a decade the University has provided to full-time undergraduate students and full-time employees a book of faces with permanent address. The book is normally distributed within a month after classes begin in the fall semester. This publication is not only helpful during a student's enrollment but it will become even more useful in later years as a pictorial record of classmates and University employees. The book utilizes the campus ID system for images. The publication is a function of the office of the Vice President and Dean of Students.

Radio Station

Serving a major portion of the Birmingham metropolitan area, Samford University's WVSU/FM-91.1 provides an unduplicated format of smooth jazz in a city that has a long history of great jazz artists. The appeal of the format to the community allows Samford to promote University events from theatre to orchestra, special programs to sports. WVSU-91FM broadcasts live Bulldog football and basketball games. The station's mass appeal provides an excellent outlet for heightened awareness of the University.

Residence Life

Living on campus in Samford residence halls provides the student an opportunity to develop human relations and leadership skills through community living. Staff in each hall assist students in creating an environment conducive to study, in planning programs and social events, and by serving as peer advisors and resources.

Residence facilities are grouped in three areas: Central Campus, West Campus, and Beeson Woods. Freshmen are primarily housed in the Central Campus facilities: Vail Hall, Pittman Hall, and Smith Hall.

Rooms are furnished with twin-sized beds, desks, chairs, chests, lamps, and blinds. Students may wish to add approved appliances and decorations. It is recommended this be done in communication with their roommate prior to or after arrival on campus. (Information regarding appliances that students are permitted to have in their rooms will be sent with the notice of room assignment.) Every room provides each student with his/her personal telephone line and computer portal. Basic telephone service is provided to each room at no cost to the student. (See Student Telephone Service in the Financial Information section of this catalog.) Each room is equipped with a cable TV connection.

Students provide their own bed linens, pillows, wastepaper baskets, and cleaning supplies. Students are responsible for cleaning their own rooms and private/suite bathrooms. Some room personalization is permitted, but students are encouraged to receive the permission of the Residence Life Educator and/or Residence Manager prior to doing so.

The University does not assume responsibility for loss or damage to personal property. Students are urged to consider personal insurance for valuable property they bring to the residence hall.

Residence halls are closed on designated University recesses and holidays including Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Spring Break. Students may leave their personal belongings in their rooms but may not remain on campus during these times.

All students living in the residence halls are required to purchase a meal plan.

Residence Hall Regulations

The University seeks to foster a spirit of community, benefiting from the full participation of each campus citizen. The student and the community are best served when the student is available to be involved in campus activities. Experience confirms that students who reside on campus are more likely to be fully engaged in their educational experiences, more likely to establish strong interpersonal relationships, and more likely to learn from group and interpersonal interaction.

To maximize the University experience, it is recommended that unmarried undergraduate students reside on campus in University housing during their bachelor's degree studies. Unmarried undergraduates 20 years of age and under are required to reside in University housing, unless they live at home with a parent or guardian. Undergraduate students who have attained the age of at least 21 at the beginning of the term, and who have completed two full years of undergraduate study with a satisfactory grade-point-average, may petition the Office of Residence Life for permission to reside off-campus. In addition, students must have a satisfactory record of personal conduct, and valid reasons for living off campus. If permission is granted, the student is subject to a substantial cancellation fee. Graduate students and students at least 22 years of age are not guaranteed University housing and are accommodated on a space-available basis after undergraduates are assigned.

During the summer and Jan terms, housing is limited to students enrolled at Samford University during the term, or to students required to be in residence to participate in University-approved activities. During fall and spring semesters, housing is limited to full-time students or to special needs part-time students. On campus housing is not available to students over 24 years of age, without permission from the Vice President of Student Affairs.

Standards of conduct and expectations of resident students are outlined in this catalog, the housing agreement, and in more detail in the Student Handbook. Students and parents should become familiar with these guidelines and the University disciplinary procedure prior to moving into campus housing. Samford University's residence halls have been declared SMOKE-FREE environments. Smoking is not allowed in any part of the residence hall facility, including the students' rooms. Students may not keep pets in their room, other than small fish in tanks no larger than ten gallons.

Students are expected to show good stewardship of their rooms and furnishings, and to abide by University policies regarding their housing. A system of fees is established for damage to facilities and failure to follow standard procedures for room change. If imposed, these will be placed on the student's account. (See Residence Hall Special Fees and Fines in the Financial Information section of this catalog.)

Samford does not have an open-visitation policy. Guests of the opposite sex are not permitted in student rooms at any time except for specific hours on days that may be designated and approved by the Office of Residence Life. Students may have overnight guests with advance approval of the Residence Manager of their hall.

Community Standards Council (CSC)

The mission of the Community Standards Council (CSC) is to foster and maintain a peaceful and purposeful community within the residence halls. The goal includes educating students in responsibilities and opportunities for community living. The CSC will monitor rule infractions stipulated by the Residence Life Housing Agreement and the *Student Handbook*. The council consists of seven students.

Samford Information Television Channel

Television channel 36 is the Samford Information Channel. Information regarding the following can be found on this channel: campus events, convocation schedule, sporting events, computer lab hours, library hours, food service hours, athletic facilities hours, weekly weather forecast, inclement weather announcements, and emergency announcements.

Samford Sunday

The purpose of Samford Sunday is to train students in the ministries of preaching and music. Students can sign up on a week-to-week basis to preach or lead music in local Baptist churches across Alabama. This unique ministry is more than 60 years old, and it serves as a vital link between Samford and Alabama Baptist churches.

Student Affairs

The Student Affairs Division is comprised of several departments that serve students in a variety of ways. The staff consider themselves to be educators who complement the primary academic program of the University. Whereas the classroom is the place of instruction for faculty, a residence hall, the Beeson University Center, or similar places are the classrooms of instruction for the student affairs educator. A goal of the staff is to provide quality services and learning opportunities that will assist the student in developing spiritually, intellectually, physically, emotionally, and socially.

Student Government Association

The mission of Samford University Student Government Association (SGA) is to serve, lead, and nurture the Samford University student body through cooperative efforts with faculty members, administrative officials, and community leaders, all while striving to enhance the learning community, to build community partnerships, and to advance the overall condition of the University community.

The Student Government Association is organized into four branches that are responsible for sponsoring the diversity of opportunities for involvement. Each branch is presided over by one of the executive officers. The executive branch is formed by the Student Executive Board and the Executive Advisory Board. The legislative branch is the Senate, which consists of senators and class officers. The senate is divided into committees that oversee the problems and concerns of students. The student activities branch is made up of a council and committees that plan and oversee all major campus activities such as homecoming, Step Sing, Spring Fling, and Speaker Series. The judicial branch is made up of a chief justice and nine other students justices, who help oversee the University values system.

SGA Events on Campus

Students will find a wide variety of events held on the Samford campus provided by the Student Government Association.

Family Weekend

This event is a family reunion held early in the fall semester. Students introduce their parents and relatives to their friends, faculty, and organizations, as well as enjoy quality family entertainment.

Homecoming

Homecoming is a celebration of Samford tradition with such events as spirit rallies, decorative displays, a football game, Homecoming Court elections and presentation, and the Homecoming Ball. The Office of Alumni Affairs and the Student Government Association jointly produce this event-filled activity.

Miss Samford Scholarship Pageant

Samford's pageant is an official Miss Alabama preliminary held for women enrolled at Samford. Women compete for scholarship awards and the opportunity to represent Samford University in the Miss Alabama Pageant. The pageant is planned, organized, and directed by students.

Samford Speakers Series

Founded to facilitate discussion to compliment student learning, Samford Speakers Series provides a forum to address recent, informed perspectives covering a wide range of significant issues. Topics include governmental policy initiatives, the role of religion in society, and community endeavors that promote responsible citizenship.

Spring Fling

This Student Government Association event allows students to manage spring fever through a weekend of fun-filled activities aimed at unifying Samford's campus through service and socialization.

Step Sing

A 52-year tradition, Samford student organizations participate in a music and choreography competition, planned, produced, and performed by students. Step Sing is "the" major Student Government Association event of the year.

Welcome Back

This event provides opportunities for students to meet new friends, welcome returning friends, receive information on organizations and area churches, and participate in entertaining activities centered around a theme.

Student Health Services

Student Health Services (SHS) is located at the rear ground level of Pittman Hall. The clinic provides outpatient health services to students attending the University. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Appointments are scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. The clinic is staffed by a full-time Physician Assistant (PA). Services provided include assessment and treatment of acute illnesses and injuries, well-woman exams, immunizations, allergy injections, and health education. The clinic features an on-site moderate complexity lab in addition to limited pharmacy services. The services of the PA are provided at no charge. However, students will incur charges for any lab services, vaccines, medications, or supplies utilized during their visit. These charges are billed to the student's account.

In the event that an off-campus referral recommendation is needed, SHS maintains relationships with several local specialists. Students requiring a referral for insurance purposes should coordinate this through their insurance company or primary care provider (PCP). Charges incurred for any off-campus pharmacy or medical services are the student's responsibility.

Immunization Record and Health Form Requirements

All students are required to submit the Immunization Record to SHS prior to registering for their first semester classes. The record must be signed by a health care provider or health department stamp. Failure to submit this documentation within two weeks of the first day of class will result in a \$150 fine and a registration hold on the student's record.

All undergraduate students living in university housing are required to submit the Residence Life Health Form in addition to the Immunization Record. The necessary physical examination and laboratory work must be within twelve months of submission to SHS and will only be accepted on the Residence Life Health Form provided. Students will not be permitted to take up occupancy in the residence halls until the Residence Life Health Form and Immunization Record have been received by SHS in their entirety.

Go to www.samford.edu/stuhealth to print the required forms.

Insurance

Accident and medical insurance are strongly recommended. Students who do not have out-of-network benefits, or who are not otherwise covered, may elect to subscribe to the Samford student group medical insurance plan at a modest cost. Information brochures regarding benefits and limitation of this plan are available in the clinic and can be viewed from the SHS Web site at www.samford.edu/stuhealth.

The clinic does not process insurance claims of any kind. Upon request, SHS will provide the patient with ICD-9 and CPT codes pertaining to their date of service in order to facilitate the submission of a claim.

Emergencies and Serious Illness

The University is closely located to excellent local hospitals and acute-care facilities. In the event of a medical emergency, individuals should call 9-1-1 for assistance. Resident students may also contact a Residence Life staff member or Campus Safety for emergency needs during hours that SHS is closed.

There are no inpatient facilities available on campus and the University believes students with a serious illness or contagious disease are best served at home or in the hospital.

Student Involvement

Student involvement is an integral part of the Samford educational experience. The Office of Student Involvement staff assist students with planning, implementing, and evaluating entertaining and enriching programs that enhance the college experience by teaching new skills and building relationships. The Office of Student Involvement is responsible for the recognition and registration process of clubs and organizations, training advisors to organizations, advising the Student Government Association activities branch, leadership education, Greek life, and service projects.

Student involvement can be a rewarding component of each student's education. Through participation in student activities and organizations, students can:

- complement their curriculum with out-of-class related experiences
- develop relationships among students with similar interests
- develop mentoring relationships with faculty and staff
- learn and practice life skills such as decision-making, planning, and problem-solving

Theatre

The Samford University Theatre (SUT) offers opportunities for students to be involved in stage productions, backstage and in the audience. Auditions are open for four main stage productions each year, and students have the opportunity to create workshop and experimental plays in a Second Season series. SUT ambitiously tackles plays from every major period in a wide variety of styles, while being dedicated to quality training in a Christian environment.

University Ministries

Growing in religious faith is one of the most significant experiences of college life. As a student at Samford, you will have the opportunity to develop a mature faith of your own, building on the beliefs you bring here. This development of your own adult faith will be stimulated at Samford in a number of ways.

University Ministries exists to encourage and equip persons to deepen spiritual maturity, sharpen theological integrity, clarify vocational identity, and embrace missional responsibility. Through worship, spiritual formation, and service, University Ministries strives to engage heart, soul, mind, and strength in the pursuit of knowing God and making Him known.

University Ministries Staff

Minister to the University	Matt Kerlin
Minister to Students, Campus & Community Involvement	April Robinson
Minister to Students, Global Involvement	Renee Pitts
Coordinator of Spiritual Formation	Brian Pitts

Worship

Shiloh: A worship gathering. Every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m., you are invited to a time of reflection, prayer, teaching, and communion in Hodges Chapel.

Seasonal Services: Hanging of the Green, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, and Prayer for the Persecuted Church are a few of the special services offered on campus throughout the year.

Student Ministries Choir (SMC): This 80-voice, student-led choir shares the powerful story of God's love through music in area churches, at youth events, and on tour. Auditions are held at the beginning of each semester.

GRACE: This interpretative dance group uses creative movement to enhance worship in settings on campus and in the community.

Word Players: This creative ministry team uses both comic and dramatic skits, mime, and testimony to present the Gospel to audiences of all ages. Auditions for this team are held at the beginning of each semester.

In His Hands: Through the use of creative sign language and song, this group ministers in the community and local churches to people of all ages.

Son Reflectors: Students use miming and clowning to creatively minister in various contexts including churches, retirement homes, and children's ministries.

Spiritual Formation

Life Groups: These groups are dedicated to helping students explore and develop their faith. Topics and meeting times vary each semester.

Freshman Ministries: Small groups and special events provide opportunities to build relationships and spiritual support during the first semester of transition into the college lifestyle.

Imago Dei Groups: These groups provide a context in which women can explore what it means to be "created in the image of God." Using the Bible as well as other sources from the media, psychology, and cultural studies, we examine the messages we receive about being a woman and how those messages affect body image, role expectations, and what it means to be a Christian.

Vocare: Latin for "call," Vocare is an overnight retreat designed to help equip students with tools to discern their vocational calling. This retreat focuses on gaining a greater understanding of vocation through scripture, shared stories, common readings, and small group discussion.

Cadres: These small groups are lead by faculty/staff during the chapel hour for the purpose of theological discussion and spiritual formation.

Breathe: This spiritual formation retreat is intended to create a space in the lives of students for the purpose of reflection, rest, and resolve in the serious call to a life of discipleship. Join us this fall!

Fellowship of Christian Athletes: Through worship, Bible studies, and fellowship, the love of Christ is shared among Samford athletes.

Global Involvement

Summer Missions: Summer Missions provides the opportunity to expand your worldview, put your faith into practice, and learn something new about yourself and God.

Missions Scholarship Program: Each year, Student Ministries raises a substantial amount of money for the specific purpose of helping student missionaries. In order to distribute these resources to students, we have established a scholarship program in which any student preparing for a summer mission project can submit a request for missions funding assistance.

Global Christian Fellowship: Students meet monthly to host special guests who will address a variety of mission-related topics. This group is for anyone interested in missions, whether short-term or vocational. We welcome anyone seeking to become a global Christian.

Global Missions Emphasis: This week is set aside to educate and inspire students in the area of global missions. We hope to raise awareness about what God is doing around the world and how students can become involved in missions, both during and after their college experience.

Mu Kappa: "By MK's for MK's," for the purpose of meeting the needs of Missionary Kids and international students.

Community Involvement

Spring Break Missions: Spend Spring Break ministering to children, planting churches, painting houses, working at a food bank, or feeding the homeless. Whatever the details of the trip, the purpose will always be to share the love of Christ.

BRICK: Building Relationships, Integrity, Character, and Knowledge through tutoring and ministry to children in downtown Birmingham.

Family Court/Juvenile Detention Ministry: Listening, answering questions about God, playing basketball or a game of cards are all important elements of this ministry to juvenile offenders. The group meets Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

Habitat for Humanity: Students meet on designated Saturdays to build houses in an effort to reduce substandard housing in the Birmingham area.

Perry County Initiative: Students, faculty, and staff investing in the people and organizations of Perry County in pursuit of community and justice.

SMILE (Student Ministries Involved in the Lives of the Elderly):

Students visit with residents in nursing homes and retirement communities and provide various programs including, music, drama, games, etc.

Ville Crew: Inner City children wait expectantly every Saturday morning for this group of students who come to play with them and to share the love of Christ through music, Bible stories, and one-on-one relationships.

SNAP: A ministry to Special Needs Adult Persons through organizations such as the Exceptional Foundation.

Young Life: If you are interested in ministry with junior high or high school students, this is a wonderful opportunity in the Birmingham area! Young Life focuses on sharing Christ with adolescents and helping them to grow in their faith.

Urban Missions Emphasis: This week focuses on the needs and opportunities available in the area of urban ministry. This week highlights issues facing the inner city and ways that students can respond.

Social Justice

Alabama Citizens for Constitutional Reform (ACCR): Join other Alabamians in the work to create a better future for themselves and their state through efforts to get a new state constitution drafted.

Restoring Eden: Students positively impact the community by raising awareness of environmental issues and by rallying efforts for recycling on campus. We are all called to be good stewards of God's creation, and this group leads by example.

Bread for the World: A nationwide Christian movement that seeks justice for the world's hungry people by lobbying our nation's decision makers. Students learn and practice effective advocacy strategies like writing letters, calling and visiting their members of Congress.

Global Women: Students work to educate others on issues effecting women in developing countries, and provide opportunities to respond with justice and compassion.

International Justice Mission (IJM): IJM Campus Charters empower students to use their faith, talents, and abilities to support the fight against injustice through education, prayer, and fundraising.

Leadership

Council: This team of students organizes and facilitates the various areas of ministry within the Student Ministries structure. Application for this leadership team is held during the spring semester.

Committees: Students may volunteer to serve in any area of Student Ministries. Visit www.samford.edu/stumin for details on how to get involved.

Convocation

The purpose of Convocation is to nurture students in faith, learning, and values from a distinctly Christian perspective. Students are made aware of the Christian worldview and are encouraged to develop sympathy with the Christian mission in the world. Students are provided with opportunities to grow toward spiritual maturity. Convocation events help to cultivate the climate within which transcendent and teachable moments can occur in both formal and informal contexts at Samford.

Convocation offers nurture on an individual level, a corporate level, and a confessional level. First, Convocation provides activities that challenge persons to grow toward Christian maturity. Second, Convocation encourages persons to contribute to the Christian ethos of the University community. Third, Convocation is a formal means by which we – the University – can be who we say we are: a community committed to faith, learning, and values rooted in a Christian worldview.

Students must acquire convocation credits, which are applied to their student record. An entering freshman must acquire 64 credits in order to graduate. For transfers, the number of credits required is prorated. Credits can be earned by participating in any approved events that fall into one of the four tracks that are described in the Convocation brochure which each student receives at the beginning of the semester. The four tracks are University Chapel, Lectures/Dialogues, Cultural Arts Programs, and Convocation Cadres.