

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 athletics department is responsible for the administration and implementation of an intercollegiate sports program that competes in NCAA Division I. In the fall of 2008, Samford began its inaugural season as a member of the nation's fifth-oldest NCAA Division I collegiate athletic association, the Southern 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 varsity 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 or online at www.samfordsports.com. 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

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 contacting the athletics department.

Athletic Facilities

There are a variety of athletics and recreational facilities at Samford University.

Seibert Stadium hosts home football games in the fall. The facility is equipped with a synthetic turf football field. Athletics facilities also include the Samford Soccer Field across Lakeshore Drive, Joe Lee Griffin Baseball Field, the Samford Bulldog Softball Field, the Pat M. Courington Tennis Pavilion, and the new Cooney Fieldhouse for football.

The Pete Hanna Center is home to the 5,000 seat Thomas E. and Marla H. Corts Arena. It is the venue for Samford volleyball and basketball, as well as for commencement and other major events. In addition, the Hanna Center is the day-to-day home of the Samford athletics department, and also features a state-of-the-art fitness center for the University community.

Availability for Student Use

Some 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 of Athletics	Peter F. Neuberger
Associate Director of Athletics (External)	Jay Roberson
Associate Director of Athletics (Compliance), SWA	Michelle Durban
Assistant Director of Athletics (Academic Services)	Chris M. Scott
Assistant Director of Athletics (Business)	Wanda Lucas
Assistant Director of Athletics (Marketing)	Grant Lyons
Executive Director of Athletic Foundation	Larry Long
Director of Athletic Training	Michelle Johnson
Director of Bulldog Club	TBA
Director of Ticket Sales & Customer Service	Lee W. Weldon
Director of Marketing & Community Relations	Hollie Huey
Director of Sports Information	Joey Mullins
Strength and Conditioning Coach	Thomas P. Rohling
Strength and Conditioning Coach (Football)	Paul Hogan

Head Coaches for Men's Sports

Baseball	Casey Dunn
Basketball	James A. Tillette
Cross Country	Rod Tiffin
Football	Pat Sullivan
Golf	Woodie Eubanks
Tennis	Kemper W. Baker
Track	Rod Tiffin

Head Coaches for Women's Sports

Basketball	Michael W. Morris
Cross Country	Rod Tiffin
Golf	Woodie Eubanks
Soccer	A. Todd Yelton
Softball	Stephanie VanBrakle
Tennis	David Vest
Track	Rod Tiffin
Volleyball	Derek Schroeder

Head Coaches for Co-Ed Activities

Cheerleading Coach	TBA
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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 facility supervisors, office assistants, intramural sports, fitness instruction, Alpine Tower and Carolina Climbing Wall facilitators, lifeguards, and weight room monitors. There are opportunities for advancement within the department.

Seibert Gym and Bashinsky Field House

Housed in these facilities are three wooden basketball courts, four racquetball courts, a game room with two pool tables and two ping-pong tables, indoor walking track, dance studio, indoor pool and locker facilities. All that's needed to access these areas is a current Samford University ID card.

Pete Hanna Fitness Center

The fitness center is located on the upper level of the West side of the Pete Hanna Center. This state of the art facility has eight treadmills, eight ellipticals, and four Lifecycles bikes, all with their own personal televisions. Also in the cardio room are several Signature Series Strength Machines. The center also features a free weight room equipped with Hammer Strength equipment. The fitness center is free to all current students, faculty, and staff members at Samford University.

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, kickball, dodge ball, and ultimate Frisbee. There are opportunities for participation in state, regional, and national competitions, as well.

Fitness Programs

Aerobics classes are offered Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday to students, faculty, staff, and spouses for a nominal fee. Kickboxing and jazzercise are offered for any level of participant. Varied combinations are utilized to challenge every participant.

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 allows social climbing on both sides of the wall. Whether a first-time or a seasoned rock climber, there is a route marked for everyone.

Sport Clubs

Sport Clubs are student-founded and student-led with the director of campus recreation serving as advisor. Clubs include the Men's Soccer Club, Swing Kids, Outdoor Adventure Club, and the Ultimate Frisbee Club.

For more information on all programs, check out the Campus Recreation 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.

Career Development Center

The Career Development Center (CDC) is designed to help current students and Samford graduates with a variety of career and job search activities. Career counselors can help with identification and evaluation of areas of interest for a major course of study and/or career choices. Career guidance instruments are available to assist 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. Employers and graduate school representatives visit the campus to recruit and interview students. The CDC acts as a connecting link between students and employers for part-time, summer, cooperative education, internship, and full-time positions. Job listings are maintained for these areas.

Students and graduates have the opportunity to participate and receive information about various career and recruiting events. CDC services are provided free of charge to current Samford students and alumni.

Clubs/Organizations

Co-curricular involvement is an important part of the student's development. Samford University students are encouraged to select from the more than 120 campus organizations for their co-curricular involvement. Students may contact the offices within Student Affairs for a complete listing of student organizations.

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 six 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

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	National Council on Family Relations (Student Chapter)
American Chemical Society	Nurses' Christian Fellowship
Arnold Air Society	Phi Delta Kappa
Association for Women in Communications	Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia (men, music)
Association of World Language Majors	Samford Accounting Society
Delta Omicron (women, music)	Samford Pre-Law Society
French Club	Sojourn
German Club	Spanish Club
Interior Design Student Organization	Speakers Forum at Samford
	Student Athletic Trainer's Association
	The Reconcilers

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	Habitat for Humanity
Alabama Citizens for Constitutional Reform	Oxfam at Samford
Amnesty International	Samford Ambassadors
Bread for the World	Samford Recruitment Team
Gamma Sigma Sigma (women)	Student Government Association
	Ville Crew

Social and Other Organizations

Club Tennis	Samford Letterboxing Society
College Republicans of Samford University	Samford University Bass Club
Dance Ensemble	Samford University College Democrats
ESL Ministry	Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
Men's Club Lacrosse	Swing Kids
Samford Soccer Club	Women's Club Lacrosse

Religious Organizations

Family Court	Impact Team
Fellowship of Christian Athletes	In His Hands
Gospel Choir	Mu Kappa
Grace Dance Ministry	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 username and password provided by Technology Services.

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

Five 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 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. 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, e-mail support@samford.edu, or consult the Technology Services Web site at www.samford.edu/ts.

Wireless Network Access

Samford University is now offering wireless network access across the entire campus, including residence halls and outdoors on the quadrangle. This service provides students and employees the convenience and flexibility of using portable computing devices. 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. Samford does not sell computers but some computer companies offer direct discounts to Samford students. More information about these discount programs and about minimum specifications for student-owned computers is available from the Technology Services Web site at www.samford.edu/ts.

Further Information via the Internet

For more information about computer resources at Samford University, see the Technology Services Web page at www.samford.edu/ts.

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, 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 students living in the residence halls are required to purchase a meal plan. 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 \$130 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.

The HUB

Located in the Beeson University Center, the HUB is the 24/7 service center for campus and a storehouse of information concerning the University and Birmingham activities, etc. The HUB is staffed 24 hours per day, seven days per week in order to service the varied needs of the students and the University community. Some of its services include package pickup, bicycle rentals, and processing after-hours maintenance requests. The number for the HUB is (205) 726-2407.

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.

Drug Information Center

The 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 electronic reference materials are available.

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.

Music

The Division of Music in the School of the Arts offers a variety of opportunities for students to participate in instrumental and vocal ensembles. These courses are open to music majors and non-music majors.

Accompanying

Pianists and organists accompany in voice and instrumental studios with faculty supervision. They also meet in a weekly master class session on ensemble literature. This course is open to non-keyboard majors with the permission of the instructor.

University Bands:

Marching Band: Performs at football games and other sporting events. Auditions are held each spring and continue into summer.

Symphonic Band: Performs a cross-section of quality literature in major concerts and University events each year. Auditions are held in fall and spring.

Wind Ensemble: Performs major wind band repertoire. Auditions are held each fall and spring.

Jazz Ensemble: Performs standard big band and small combo literature from the jazz repertoire. The performance season includes a featured concert or other collaborative event. Admission is by audition or recommendation of the director.

Percussion Ensemble: The Percussion Ensemble performs works that range from jazz to traditional chamber music to the avant-guard and world music. The ensemble season includes on-campus and off-campus events. Membership is by audition and is open to all Samford students.

Other Instrumental Ensembles

Bells of Buchanan: A member of the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers, Inc., the choir performs original compositions, transcriptions, and arrangements on six-octaves of handbells. The performance calendar includes fall and spring concerts, convocations, and area festivals. Auditions for 13 ringers are held each August.

Chamber Ensembles: Students and faculty work together to form various string, wind, percussion, vocal, and hybrid chamber ensembles. Ensembles are coached by music faculty and perform each semester.

University Orchestra: Performs standard orchestral and chamber orchestra repertoire. The orchestra season includes featured concerts, major University events, and collaborations. Auditions are held each August.

University Choirs

A Cappella Choir: The major touring choir of the University. Auditions for A Cappella Choir are held each April.

Music Theatre Ensemble: Features students in review and ensemble productions. Auditions are held at the beginning of each semester.

Samford Opera: The Samford Opera season includes a mainstage production complemented by scenes and one-act performances. Auditions for fall production are held each spring.

University Chorale: A non-audition ensemble, this group performs a cross-section of quality literature in major concerts and University events each year.

Operations and Planning

The Division of Operations and Planning (OPS) is responsible for coordinating the strategic and master planning processes of the University, assessing University performance and operational effectiveness, and providing a welcoming, safe, and healthy environment for learning, teaching, working, and living. Two departments within OPS that play a key role in campus life are Public Safety and Emergency Management and Residence Life. See those sections within Campus Life for more information.

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.

Public Safety and Emergency Management

The Samford University Department of Public Safety and Emergency Management 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 Public Safety and Emergency Management is located on the second floor of Beeson University Center and is staffed 24 hours a day, providing a patrol and traffic division, response to emergencies, security patrols and monitoring of persons on campus, and providing other services to the campus community. Crime statistics, as required by federal law, are available on the Public Safety Web site (www3.samford.edu/ops/publicsafety/) or by writing or calling the director of public 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 Transportation Services, 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*. Code of Values detail can also be found in the Student Affairs subsection of this catalog.)

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.

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.

Newsletter—*The Belltower*

The Belltower is a weekly electronic newsletter that includes campus announcements and other news of interest to students, employees, alumni, and friends of the university.

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, 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, although staff positions are available to any student. The publication provides an excellent opportunity for students to build a portfolio and gain professional publishing experience.

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 is the flagship station for Samford athletics broadcasts. 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 assists 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, desk 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. Wireless Internet is also available in the residence halls. 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 coordinator 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 totality of the undergraduate experience, it is recommended that students live on campus until the completion of the bachelor's degree. Unmarried undergraduate day students are **required** to live on campus for four semesters (typically through the sophomore year) unless they live at home with a parent or guardian.

When a student is assigned a room, the housing agreement represents a lease for the academic year. The University commits to provide a room, and the student commits to reside on campus through the following spring term unless the student graduates, withdraws from the University or gets married. Students may not move off campus for any other reasons between fall and spring terms. **A substantial penalty is imposed if residents break their lease agreement. (The maximum penalty is \$500.)**

Students who have lived on campus for four semesters, are beginning their fifth semester (typically their junior year), have a minimum 2.50 cumulative grade point average, and are in good standing with the University, may petition the Office of Residence Life to live off-campus.

Students with senior status may live off campus without petition. Undergraduate students 22 years old and graduate students are assigned University housing 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 operations and planning.

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 of the same gender 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.

Samford University Printing

Students are welcome to use the services of the University's digital print facility. Located in Room 112 of Brooks Hall, it is equipped with high volume color printers/copiers and equipment to meet any printing requirement. The staff can help students with copies, banners, booklets, and posters, without having to leave campus, and at a competitive price. Samford Printing can only accept payment with a Bulldog Bucks account. Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 on Friday. Their phone number is 726-2830 and e-mail is www.print@samford.edu

Student Affairs

The offices within Student Affairs support the mission of the University by empowering students through personal development so that they learn to experience a fulfilled life and thereby make a positive difference in the world.

Student Affairs is comprised of several departments that serve students in a variety of ways. The staff considers 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.

Code of Values

Preamble: We as the Samford community affirm the value of a peaceful and purposeful community, founded on the moral and ethical integrity of students and faculty. We commit ourselves to the Christian values on which Samford University was founded. We expect that our commitment to mutual responsibility and a spirit of cooperation will create a community that is orderly, caring, and just.

Worth of the Individual: We value the intrinsic worth of every individual in the community. Our respect for other individuals includes an appreciation of cultural backgrounds different from our own, an understanding of different attitudes and opinions, and an awareness of the consequences of our actions on the broader community.

Self-Discipline: We value personal responsibility and recognize the individual's needs for physical, intellectual, spiritual, social, and emotional wholeness. We value the full development of every student in terms of a confident and constructive self-image, of a commitment to self-discipline, and of a responsible self-expression.

Integrity: We value a campus community that encourages personal growth and academic development in an atmosphere of positive Christian influence. We affirm the necessity of academic standards of conduct that allow students and faculty to live and study together. We value the fair and efficient administration of these standards of conduct.

Respect for Property and the Environment: We value the rights and privileges of owning and using property, both personal and university, and the benefits of preservation and maintenance of property and of our natural resources. In our stewardship of property, we recognize the accountability of our actions to the future of the Samford community.

Respect for Community Authority: We value our privileges and responsibilities as members of the university community and as citizens of the community beyond the campus. We value the community standards of conduct expressed in our system of laws and value the fair administration of those laws, including university, municipal, state, and federal laws.

Allegiance to these values obligates the Samford University student to refrain from and discourages behaviors that threaten the freedom and respect every individual deserves.

For additional information on the Code of Values, see the Public Safety and Emergency Management subsection.

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 President's Advisory Council. 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, and Spring Fling. The judicial branch is made up of a chief justice and nine other students justices, who help oversee the University values system.

Students will find a wide variety of events held on the Samford campus provided by the Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management.

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. The Office of Alumni Relations and Parents Program jointly produce this event with the Student Government Association.

Homecoming

Homecoming is a celebration of Samford traditions, with such events as a bonfire, fireworks, spirit rallies, parade, tailgate parties, a football game and other athletics events, Homecoming Court elections and presentation, alumni of the year presentations, and concerts. The Office of Alumni Relations and Parents Program jointly produce this event with the Student Government Association.

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.

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 tradition since 1951, 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 4:30 p.m. Appointments are scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. The clinic is staffed by a full-time physician assistant (PA) and registered nurse (RN). 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. There is a \$15 fee for visits with the PA. Charges will also be incurred for lab services, vaccines, medications, and any supplies utilized during the visit. These charges are billed to the student's account if not paid at the time of service.

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 students living in university housing are required to submit the 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 Health Form provided. Failure to submit all 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.

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 patient's 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 Public 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.

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 effort to "love God, love people, and change the world."

LOVE GOD...

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.

Shiloh Small Groups: These groups meet weekly to discuss and process the weekly teachings at Shiloh. If you are interested in deepening relationships and deepening faith, this is a place to do both.

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.

Cadres: These small groups are lead by faculty/staff 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.

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.

LOVE PEOPLE...

Freshman Ministries: Small groups, special events, and a retreat the first weekend after classes begin provide opportunities to build relationships and spiritual support during the transition into college life.

Neighboring: Students practice what it means to "love your neighbor" in the communities of College Hills, Loveman's Village, and Perry County. There are many and varied opportunities to put your gifts to good use and build meaningful relationships.

Samford Ministries Choir (SMC): This 50-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.

CHANGE THE WORLD...

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.

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. Any student preparing for a summer missions project can submit a request for missions funding assistance.

Global Christian Fellowship: Students meet regularly to host special guests who 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.

Social Justice: Students organize to encourage awareness and action on important issues of justice from environmental stewardship to human trafficking.

Leadership

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

Committees: Students may volunteer to serve in any area of University Ministries. Visit www.samford.edu/um 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.

Convocation programs allow students to satisfy the Convocation requirement for graduation. For more information about Convocation requirements, please see p. 24 of this catalog, or visit the University Ministries Web site at www.samford.edu/um.