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# **Samford University**

- The Wall Street Journal ranks Samford #10 of all colleges and universities in the United States for the quality of career preparation provided to its students (2024).
- Samford ranked #1 in Student Engagement in the 2022 rankings published by The Wall Street Journal and Times Higher Education (2022).
- 97% of undergraduate alumni are working or in further study within six months of graduation (2022).
- Samford is ranked 34th in the nation among private universities and 115th among all public, private and liberal arts colleges and universities analyzed for Kiplinger's Personal Finance's Best College Values list (2019).
- Samford's athletic teams earned a 98% Graduation Success Rate by the NCAA. The score ranked second in the nation among all Division I universities and tied with more than a dozen other impressive group of peer institutions at that level.
- Samford is ranked 1st in Alabama and 32nd nationally by LendEdu in its list of best colleges for financial aid (2020).
- Over the past two academic years, a total of \$18.6 million in external funding was authorized to Samford faculty from federal, state, private industry, foundations and nonprofit funding sources in support of education, research and scholarly activities (2021-23).
- Samford's annual economic and fiscal impact on Alabama is \$453.3 million, 2,635 jobs and \$18.2 million in income and sales taxes, including more than \$11.5 million in state tax revenues and nearly \$6.7 million in local sales taxes (2021-22).
- Samford enrolls undergraduate and graduate students from 49 states, including Alaska and Hawaii, Puerto Rico and 16 countries (fall 2023). The university is a net importer of human capital to both the state of Alabama as well as the Birmingham metropolitan area. According to a recent analysis, between 2013-23, 18% of all students whose home state was outside of Alabama decided to remain in Alabama employed or in graduate school after graduation. A significantly smaller percentage (11%) of students whose home state was Alabama elected to relocate outside of the state after graduating. Further, between 2013-23, 17% of all students who resided outside of the seven county Birmingham metropolitan area when they enrolled at Samford decided to remain in the Birmingham metropolitan area after graduation.

President Beck A. Taylor, PhD **Established** 1841, 87th-oldest university in the U.S. Accreditation Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACSCOC) Faculty (Fall 2023) 357 full-time teaching faculty (86% with terminal degree) Enrollment (Fall 2023) 5,791 (3,832 undergraduate; 1,959 graduate/professional) **Entering freshman class (Fall 2023)** 1,080 Freshman retention rate 88% Entering freshman from out of state 77% Student-to-faculty ratio 14:1 57,062 worldwide Alumni Campus size 247 acres \$430.5 million **Endowment (September 2023)** Geographic diversity of student body (Fall 2023) 49 states, Puerto Rico and 16 countries Geographic diversity of alumni 62 countries **Athletics** 17 NCAA Division I varsity sports Average undergraduate average class size 19 Undergraduate tuition and fees (2023-24) \$38,144 9 undergraduate; 31 graduate Degree programs (22 distinct and 9 professional/doctoral) Undergraduate majors, minors and concentrations 174

Graduate majors, minors and concentrations 66

Student life 57 student activities organized events 152 spiritual life events 182 undergraduate and graduate student organizations 31 residence halls

16 Greek-letter organizations 2,130 undergraduate students are involved in Greek life 9 club sports 10 intramural sports 74 annual arts events

> 6 main-stage theatre and open events 115 cadres for spiritual growth

Undergraduate students living on campus 2,400

Global Engagement students and programs in 14 different countries on 6 continents (Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe,

North America, South America)

Samford's annual fiscal and economic impact on Alabama (2021-22)

\$453.3 million

967

Total number of full-time employees (September 2023)

# **Samford University**

#### Mission

Samford University nurtures persons in their development of intellect, creativity, faith and personhood. As a Christian university, the community fosters academic, career and ethical competency while encouraging social and civic responsibility, and service to others.

#### **Core Values**

The Samford community values lifelong:

- belief in God, the Creator of the heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord
- engagement with the life and teachings of Jesus
- learning and responsible freedom of inquiry
- personal empowerment, accountability and responsibility
- · vocational success and civic engagement
- spiritual growth and cultivation of physical well-being
- integrity, honesty and justice
- appreciation for diverse cultures and convictions
- · stewardship of all resources
- service to God, to family, to one another and to the community

#### Vision

Anchored in Christian understanding, Samford University will be a diverse community, stressing vigorous learning and personal faith, in the Baptist tradition. Within that commonality, the community will be innovative in teaching, learning and research; sensitive to global issues; aggressive in self-assessment and continuous improvement. Faithful to its mission, Samford will be known and acknowledged worldwide by holding to its core values. The world will be better for it.

#### **Honor Pledge**

I believe that the members of the Samford community possess dignity and are worthy of honor. I understand that honoring others fosters academic achievement, personal growth and spiritual development. I commit to hold myself and my peers to the standards of conduct and academic integrity maintained by the university. To this, I pledge my sacred honor.

## **Strategic Plan**

Samford is casting its eyes to the future with the launch of its next comprehensive strategic plan, "Fidelitas: Faith and Future." The new plan was unanimously adopted by the Samford Board of Trustees in December 2023.

The new strategic plan is aligned along eight themes:

- Academic Distinction
- Student Engagement
- Employee Elevation
- Faith Formation
- Community Celebration
- Athletic Success
- Financial Stewardship
- · Global Influence

#### **Schools**

School of the Arts
Howard College of Arts and Sciences
Brock School of Business
Beeson Divinity School
Orlean Beeson School of Education
School of Health Professions
Cumberland School of Law
Moffett & Sanders School of Nursing
McWhorter School of Pharmacy
School of Public Health

### **Nondegree Programs**

Academy of the Arts Lay Academy of Theology Ministry Training Institute Pharmacy Technician Training Program

### **Academic Centers**

Center for Congregational Resources
Center for Children, Law and Ethics
Center for Law and Civic Education
Center for Science and Religion
Center for Sports Analytics
Center for Women in Ministry
Center for Worship and the Arts
EDiscovery Institute and Review Center
Experiential Learning and Simulation Center
Frances Marlin Mann Center for Ethics and Leadership
Healthcare Ethics and Law Institute
The Institute of Anglican Studies
Pharmaceutical Sciences Research Institute
The Robert Smith Jr. Preaching Institute

# **Samford University**

## **Narratives**

#### **Short Version**

Samford is one of the country's leading Christian universities and offers undergraduate and graduate programs grounded in the liberal arts with an array of nationally recognized graduate and professional schools.

#### **Medium Version**

Samford is one of the country's leading Christian universities and offers undergraduate programs grounded in the liberal arts with an array of nationally recognized graduate and professional schools. Founded in 1841, Samford is the 87th-oldest institution of higher learning in the United States. Samford enrolls 5,791 students from 49 states, Puerto Rico and 16 countries in its 10 academic schools: arts, arts and sciences, business, divinity, education, health professions, law, nursing, pharmacy, and public health. Samford fields 17 athletic teams that compete in the tradition-rich Southern Conference, and ranks sixth nationally for its Graduation Success Rate among all NCAA Division I schools.

#### **Long Version**

Samford is one of the country's leading Christian universities and offers undergraduate programs grounded in the liberal arts with an array of nationally recognized graduate and professional programs through 10 academic schools: arts, arts and sciences, business, divinity, education, health professions, law, nursing, pharmacy and public health. Founded in 1841, Samford is the 87th-oldest institution of higher learning in the United States. It enrolls 5,791 students from 49 states, Puerto Rico and 16 countries. Samford is regularly recognized as one of the best Christian universities in the United States, receiving high marks for academic quality and value.

Among Samford's 57,062 alumni have included more than 60 members of the U.S. Congress, eight state governors, two U.S. Supreme Court justices, one Secretary of State, four Rhodes Scholars, multiple Emmy and Grammy award-winning artists, two national championship football coaches, and recipients of the Pulitzer and Nobel Peace prizes.

The university fields 17 varsity sports—eight men's and nine women's—that participate at the NCAA Division I level in the Southern Conference. Samford's athletic teams earned a 98% Graduation Success Rate by the NCAA, ranking sixth among all Division I universities in the nation, along with an impressive group of peer institutions.

#### **Institutional Profile**

Samford University is a leading nationally ranked Christian university. Founded in 1841, Samford is the 87th-oldest institution of higher learning in the United States. Located in the Birmingham, Alabama suburb of Homewood, the university's campus covers approximately 247 acres and is renowned for its beauty and Georgian-Colonial style architecture. The university currently enrolls 5,791 students from 49 states, Puerto Rico and 16 countries. Samford is regularly recognized as one of the best Christian universities in the United States, receiving high marks for academic quality and value.

Samford offers undergraduate programs grounded in the liberal arts and a distinct blend of graduate and professional schools through 10 academic schools: arts, arts and sciences, business, divinity, education, health professions, law, nursing, pharmacy, and public health. The university has one of three accredited law schools and one of only two accredited pharmacy schools in Alabama. Samford's Beeson Divinity School is the only fully accredited graduate divinity school based in Alabama. The university is classified by the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education as a doctoral/professional institution and the student-to-faculty ratio is 14:1.

Samford's mission to nurture student development intellectually, ethically and spiritually is fostered through an array of opportunities, including 170 student organizations, global engagement in more than 14 different countries and dozens of courses that incorporate community service. Additionally, undergraduate students complete Samford's core curriculum, providing a well-rounded foundation in the liberal arts. The result is a highly-tailored educational experience that results in 97% of undergraduate alumni employed or in further study within six months of graduation.

Samford launched its next comprehensive strategic plan in December 2022. The plan, "Fidelitas: Faith and Future," is aligned along eight themes: academic distinction, student engagement, employee elevation, faith formation, community celebration, athletic success, financial stewardship and global influence. Samford maintains a strong endowment with investments totaling \$430.5 million (September 2023), which helps support scholarships, study abroad opportunities, general operations and other programs. In addition to the main campus in Homewood, the university owns a house in Marion, Alabama, used for cultural study and service, and the Daniel House, a study center located in the heart of London, England, near Kensington Park.

Samford has 57,062 alumni living in all 50 states and 62 foreign countries. The university's alumni have included more than 60 members of the U.S. Congress, eight state governors, two U.S. Supreme Court justices, one U.S. Secretary of State, four Rhodes Scholars, multiple Emmy and Grammy award-winning artists, two national championship football coaches, and recipients of the Pulitzer and Nobel Peace prizes.

The university fields 17 intercollegiate sports—eight men's and nine women's—that participate at the NCAA Division I level. The Samford Bulldogs have won 74 conference championships since joining the Southern Conference in 2008. Samford's athletic teams earned a 98% Graduation Success Rate (GSR) by the NCAA, ranking sixth among all Division I universities in the nation. Samford has a long history of performing among the nation's elite universities for its combination of excellence in academic and athletic performance and has consistently earned an overall GSR above 90% since 2012.

# **Samford Messaging Guide**



Powerful and assertive, driven by growth and being an industry leader.

## Samford's character is rooted in strength and leadership.

Samford's 182-year history is one of academic excellence and leadership. As a private, Christian institution, we remain firmly rooted in our identity and mission while continually expanding educational opportunities and experiences for our students. Samford increases its influence by graduating students capable of addressing the profound challenges facing today's society. Samford's strong character positions us as a place of hope and as a guiding light for future generations of thoughtful leaders.



Beautiful and refined, driven by experience, sophistication and beauty in all forms.

## Samford's distinctive beauty inspires excellence.

At Samford, the beauty of God's creation that surrounds us inspires us to be our best selves. Beauty is found on our nationally recognized campus. It's in the architecture of our traditional brick buildings and our modern learning spaces. It's in the lush greenery of our 247-acre campus of rolling, tree-covered hills. Most importantly, beauty is found, and nurtured, within the hearts and minds of our students. Our learning environment enriches the spiritual, intellectual and social development of our community members. We manifest the beauty found at Samford by restoring hope to a broken world.



Supportive and selfless, driven by compassion, warmth and the desire to care for others.

## Samford builds strong, lasting relationships.

Samford is a welcoming and caring community. Christ's love and selfless example compel our culture of service and compassion. Community service, campus fellowship and classroom learning encourage us to focus our gifts on a world in need. Relationships develop and strengthen through research opportunities and scholarly collaboration between Samford faculty and students, and between Samford faculty and their colleagues around the world.

## School of the Arts

Interim Dean: Lance Beaumont, DMA

Established: 1915

**Enrollment (Fall 2023): 491** 

**Specialized Accreditation:** National Association of Schools of Music (NASM), Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA) and

National Association of Schools of Theatre (NAST)

#### Mission

The School of the Arts prepares today's artist to shape tomorrow's world by inspiring artistry, promoting scholarship and realizing professionalism as we serve the community in the spirit of Christ.

#### **School of the Arts Overview**

The School of the Arts is comprised of:

- Department of Art & Design with programs in studio art, graphic design, and game design and 3D animation.
- Department of Architecture & Interior Design with a degree in interior design and a five-year accelerated Master of Architecture degree.
- Department of Theatre and Dance with degrees in musical theatre, theatre, production design and technology, theatre for youth, and a minor in dance. Each year, students participate in 6-8 mainstage performances.
- Division of Music with degrees in commercial music, composition, music education, music and worship, and performance. It hosts more than 150 student, faculty and guest artist events annually.
- Department of Christian Ministry with a major and two minors for students committed to ministry and disciple-making.

## **Recent Highlights**

- At the 2023 state chapter of the International Interior Design Association Design Award celebration, several Samford alumni faculty and students received awards. This included special recognition to Jim Griffo, adjunct professor in Architecture & Interior Design. Griffo was recognized for being among IIDA International's first Emeritus Class, a designation awarded to 19 of the institute's 15,000 members.
- Samford University and Miles College developed the MISA Collaborative as a cultural partnership. Initiatives have included a joint play, a mural project and an urban redevelopment plan.
- The Samford University A Cappella Choir swept the top awards at the CantaRode International Choir Festival in the Netherlands. With a score of 95 points out of 100, they won first place among 13 choirs. They also won two other significant awards: the "Audience Award" and "Best Conductor" for professor Philip Copeland, who has led the A Cappella Choir since 2010.

#### **Student Highlights**

- The School of the Arts' building, Buchanan Hall, completed a transformative 18-month renovation in Spring 2022, including the addition of a brand-new recording studio. The studio has given students the opportunity to mix and create music from scratch.
- Several students in the commercial music program will be releasing singles and EPs completely recorded in the new studio! The first student to release her song was sophomore, Kacie Bell.
- Piano performance and pedagogy major at Samford, Allison Frederick, was nationally selected as one of six teaching assistants at Interlochen Arts Camp, one of the most prestigious music camps in the world.
- Recent graduate of interior design, Joe Turner, collaborated with Crate & Barrel to be
  one of their featured artists. Turner has also had his work featured in the Architectural
  Digest Iconic Home, which was a virtual show home in 2021 sponsored by the
  publication.

#### **School of the Arts Extension Programs**

- The Academy of the Arts enrolls approximately 1,200 Birmingham area residents of all ages annually in arts enrichment programs and serves as a teaching lab for Samford students.
- The Department of Christian Ministry is home to the Ministry Training Institute, which serves over 1,500 individuals in the ministerial community annually and included 44 extension locations.

## **Degrees**

BA, Christian ministry

BA, studio art

BA, commercial music (business, music production, performance and songwriting)

BA, music

BA. theatre

BA, theatre: concentration in acting and directing

BA, theatre: concentration in production design and

technology

BA, worship leadership

BFA, graphic design

BFA, interior design

BFA, musical theatre

BFA, studio art

BFA, theatre for youth

BFA, musical theatre

BS, music (premedicine)

BM, composition

BM, performance (instrumental, organ, piano, piano with pedagogy, voice)

BM, music and worship

BME, music education (instrumental, vocal/choral)

BS, architecture

MArch, architecture

BS game design and 3D animation

MM, (church music, piano, piano performance and pedagogy, instrumental performance and vocal performance)

MME, music education (traditional program, fifth-year nontraditional program, National Board Cohort program)

#### Minors

art, church and culture, commercial music, dance, film production, intercultural engagement, music, theatre, worship leadership

# **Howard College of Arts and Sciences**

Dean: Dawn McCormack, PhD

Established: 1841

**Enrollment (Fall 2023): 944** 

## Mission

As the heart of Samford University, Howard College of Arts and Sciences inspires students to a lifetime of inquiry and service through engaged learning, faculty research and vocational discovery within the liberal arts and the Christian and intellectual traditions.

#### Distinctions

- Math and computer science alum Bailey Holland '23 became the first Samford student to win the U.S. Department of Defense Smart Scholarship. (2022)
- The Department of Math and Computer Science started offering cybersecurity classes for the first time in Samford's history. (2023)
- Freshman Ella Ford won top speaker at the national American Debate Association tournament at Georgetown University, giving her a legitimate claim of being the best first-year debater in the United States. (2023)
- Howard College of Arts and Sciences launched a new major in neuroscience and a new minor in race, ethnicity and social justice. (2022)
- Communication and media assistant professor Danielle Deavours won three awards for her autoethnography and two research papers from the Broadcast Education Association. (2023)
- Communication and media students in print, multimedia, broadcast and audio won 12 awards at the Southeastern Journalism conference at Nicholls State University. (2023)
- Math and computer science professor Kwadwo Antwi-Fordjour was selected to participate in the 2023 African Diaspora Joint Mathematics Workshop to collaborate with the most prestigious mathematicians and statisticians in the nation.
- Dawn McCormack became first female dean of Howard College of Arts and Sciences. (2023)

- Geography and sociology professor Chuck Stokes and College of Health Sciences professor Rachel Hagues were awarded the Lilly Faculty Fellowship to enhance faith and learning on campus. (2023)
- Assistant professor Mingwei Sun received a grant to enhance the Department of Math and Computer Science's ability to prepare students for industrial careers. (2023)
- Communication and media students won six first-place awards at the 2023 Professional Communication Contest at the National Federation of Press Women's annual conference in Cincinnati, Ohio.
- Department of World Languages and Cultures professors Sara Ortega-Higgs, Joanna Bradley, Heather West and Tiffany Robayna attended a symposium hosted by Lee University and Colegio Americano, a Presbyterian-affiliated school, in Bogotá, Colombia. (2023)
- Anthony Overton, chair of thr Department of Biological and Environmental Sciences and director of the Environmental Health, Policy and Management graduate program, was appointed to the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council by the U.S. Secretary of Commerce. (2023)
- Sarah Westmoreland '23 was one of 54 recipients nationwide to receive a Phi Kappa Phi Fellowship and junior Kendall Bearden was one of 50 students nationwide to win the inaugural Pioneer Award. (2023)

### **Undergraduate Majors**

Biblical Studies Biochemistry Biology

Chemistry

Christian and religious studies (ministry leadership)

Classics

Communication studies

Computer science Engineering physics

English

Environmental science

French Geography

Geography with GIS certificate

German

Global and cultural studies

Greek History

International relations

Journalism and mass communication

Language and world trade

Latin

Latin American studies Law and history Law, politics and society

Marine science Mathematics Neuroscience Philosophy

Philosophy and religion

Physics, BA
Physics, BS
Political science
Psychology, BA
Psychology, BS
Public administration
Science and religion
Sociology

World languages and literature

### **Undergraduate Minors**

Spanish

Asian studies
Biblical studies
Bioinformatics
Biology
Chemistry
Classics
Communication studies

Computer science

English

Environmental studies Film and video studies Film production French

Geography German Greek History

Latin Marine science Mathematics Medical ethics

Ministry and missions

Neuroscience Philosophy Physics Political science Psychology Religion

Science and religion Sociology Spanish

Theology and ethics

World languages and literatures

Writing

### **Concentrations**

Advertising

Broadcasting and electronic journalism

Creative writing
Film studies
Ministry leadership
Print journalism
Public relations

### Certificates

Geographic information science

#### **Graduate Programs**

Master of Science in Environmental Health, Policy and Management\*

Graduate Certificate in Environmental Studies\*

Graduate Certificate in Geographic Information Systems\*

#### **Joint Degrees**

MSEM / JD (Cumberland School of Law) MSEM / MBA (Brock School of Business)

\*Offered online

See page 16 for the full list of accelerated pathways to graduate school available with our majors.

# **Brock School of Business**

Dean: Charles M. Carson (Chad), PhD

Established: 1965

Enrollment (Fall 2023): 1,005

**Specialized Accreditation:** Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) International (Less than 5% of the more than 15,000 business schools in the world have earned AACSB accreditation.)

#### Mission

Brock School of Business delivers lifelong education to its constituents through quality teaching, meaningful scholarship and servant relationships, imbued by its Christian commitment.

#### **Distinctions**

- Largest academic school on campus based on fall 2023 undergraduate enrollment data.
- More than 90% of May undergraduate alumni are employed, attending graduate school
  or in a post-graduation internship within six months of graduation.
- Launched in 2012, the sports marketing program in Brock School of Business was the
  first of its kind in the Southeast. The program offers business students the opportunity
  to add sports marketing as a concentration to any major. In 2020, a sports business
  concentration was added to the Master of Business Administration curriculum.
- The Center for Sports Analytics promotes the ethically centered, rational inquiry into
  issues at the intersection of big data, analytics and sports. The center provides a forum
  for students and industry professionals to learn about the increasing role of analytics in
  the global sports industry. The center mission encompasses all areas where analytics
  impacts sports including fan engagement, sponsorship, player tracking, sports medicine,
  sports media and operations.
- The M. Chad Trull/Krowten Capital Data and Sports Analytics lab provides a home for sports marketing and analytics students who have completed data analysis and marketing research projects for international brands such as Coca-Cola, Nike, the LA Dodgers Foundation, the Atlanta Braves, and many more.
- The Bulldog Investment Fund is a portfolio valued at approximately \$3.5 million that is

- managed exclusively by current business students. It is the largest student-managed fund in Alabama and is among the largest in the Southeast.
- Over the last decade, Samford's accounting program has been ranked as one of the top 40 medium-sized programs by the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) for first-time pass rate on the Certified Public Accounting (CPA) exam. The program regularly ranks as the top program in Alabama for CPA exam pass rate.
- Sales Education Foundation (SEF) recognizes the professional sales concentration as a Top University Sales Program.
- The Samford Startup student business incubator is designed to offer a professional atmosphere for all Samford students who want to launch a new business. Many graduates who launched their businesses through the program are now successful entrepreneurs.
- The Alfa Risk Management and Insurance Lab, launched in 2022, provides a space for students to take a deep dive into real-world risk management and insurance data. The lab is a compliment to the risk management and insurance concentration for business majors.
- The Fairway Commercial Real Estate Lab, opened in 2023, is dedicated to students
  concentrating in real estate and provides a space for hands-on collaboration while they
  work on industry-related research projects.

### **Degrees**

BA, economics

BSBA, (accounting, Brock Scholars, economics, entrepreneurship, finance, management, marketing)

MAcc, (accountancy)

MBA, (business administration, business administration with a concentration in data analytics, finance, sports business)

### **Concentrations (available for all business majors)**

Data analytics, entrepreneurship and corporate innovation, professional sales, real estate, risk management and insurance, social entrepreneurship, sports marketing

### Minors (available for nonbusiness majors)

Accounting, business, data analytics, economics, entrepreneurship, marketing, social entrepreneurship and nonprofit management

## **Joint Degrees**

MAcc/JD (Cumberland School of Law)
MBA/MAcc
MBA/MDiv (Beeson Divinity School)

MBA/JD (Cumberland School of Law)
MBA/PharmD (McWhorter School of Pharmacy)

MBA/MSEM (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)
MBA/MHA (School of Public Health)

### Fast Track

Professional Accountancy (MAcc and BSBA, accounting)

### **Academic Internship Program**

Approximately 97% of all business undergraduate students complete at least one internship for academic credit. Students have been placed worldwide, including organizations such as the following:

Alabama Power Birmingham Legion FC Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP Merrill Lynch Shannon Waltchack Real Estate Alabama Sports Hall of Fame Bruno Event Team Ernst & Young Neverthirst Slappey Communications Carr Riggs & Ingram LLC **ESPN** Pearce, Bevill, Leesburg, Moore PC Barfield, Murphy, Shank & Smith Sony Music LLC (BMSS) Chick-fil-A Fireseeds PricewaterhouseCoopers State Farm BBVA USA Children's Hospital Foundation Forge Protective Life Corporation **UBS Financial Services** 

 Bham Now
 Christian Service Mission
 Founders Advisors
 Regions Financial Corporation
 United Way

 Big Communications
 Compassion International
 IMG Sports Marketing
 REVELXP
 Uptick Marketing

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# **Beeson Divinity School**

Dean: Douglas A. Sweeney, PhD

Established: 1988

**Enrollment (Fall 2023): 125** 

**Specialized Accreditation:** Association of Theological Schools (ATS)

#### Mission

The mission of Beeson Divinity School is to prepare God-called persons to serve as ministers in the church of Jesus Christ. We accomplish this by providing face-to-face, classical graduate theological education, worshiping the triune God and encouraging the practices of Christian spirituality in covenanted community.

#### **Distinctions**

- More than 20+ Protestant denominations are represented among the faculty, staff and students.
- Divinity faculty believe theological education happens best face to face, and the student body is kept small (under 200 students) by design. The faculty-to-student ratio is 1:7.
   Every student takes part in a weekly faculty-led mentor group. Students, faculty and staff worship together every Tuesday and then share a common meal.
- The Global Center allows divinity students to participate in global Christianity by sending
  equipped divinity students into every part of the world and by hosting speakers from
  around the world. Every MDiv student is required to participate in a cross-cultural
  ministry experience.
- 100% of full-time master's degree students receive scholarship assistance.
- The divinity school hosts three annual lectures: Biblical Studies Lectures, William E. Conger Jr. Lectures on Biblical Preaching and Reformation Heritage Lectures.
- Numerous divinity school faculty members published books recently, including Gordon Bals (Common Ground: Understanding God's Redemption in Marriage, updated), Gerald Bray (A Companion to the Book of Common Prayer), Joshua Chatraw (The Augustine Way and Surprised by Doubt), Mark Gignilliat (The Prophets and the Apostolic Witness: Reading Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel as Christian Scripture contributor), Jonatha Linebaugh (The New Perspective on Grace: Paul and the Gospel after Paul and the Gift), Robert Smith Jr. (Exalting Jesus in Joshua), Douglas A. Sweeney (The Substance of Our Faith: Foundations for the History of Christian Doctrine), Frank Thielman (Paul's Letter to the Romans) and Doug Webster (The Psalms: Jesus' Prayer Book and Pastoral Identity)
- The divinity school offers three certificates to those MDiv students who complete the requirements: Anglican studies, missions and Wesleyan studies.
- The divinity school's Andrew Gerow Hodges Chapel was consecrated as a hallowed place
  of worship in 1995 and is dedicated to the glory of the living Triune God for the service
  of his church and the furtherance of his kingdom. This chapel is spoken of as "A Sermon
  in Stone" for its gospel witness through sacred art and architecture to the Samford
  community, the greater Birmingham community and the far-reaching places of the world.

- The Institute of Anglican Studies at Beeson Divinity School builds the Anglican Communion by helping educate students and the public in the riches of the Anglican tradition.
- The Robert Smith Jr. Preaching Institute at Beeson Divinity School exists to serve and strengthen the whole person in relation to God, the church, other preachers and the world for faithful proclamation of God's Word. It seeks to do this by increasing knowledge and understanding as a preacher, deepening formation as a Christian and preacher, and strengthening competence and skill in the practice of preaching. The Lilly Endowment Inc. awarded Samford a \$1.2 million grant for The Spirit and Power Preaching Project, which will be coordinated by the Robert Smith Jr. Preaching Institute. The project will offer opportunities for both divinity students and undergraduate students to improve their preaching, as well as offering opportunities to sharpen those who are already preaching.
- The Thriving Pastors Initiative at Beeson Divinity School aims to help pastors thrive in congregational leadership by improving the quality of relationships pastors have with one another. It is funded by a \$1 million grant from the Lilly Endowment Inc.
- Beeson's Lay Academy of Theology provides continuing education for ministers and laity taught by Beeson faculty.
- The Center for Women in Ministry at Beeson exists to encourage and equip women called to Christian ministry and to serve as a resource for the church of Jesus Christ for the edification of the church and for the thriving of women in ministry.
- The divinity school has established three new alumni fellowships in Birmingham, Atlanta and Nashville. The purpose of these fellowships is to support the lives and ministries of Beeson graduates and to help recruit future Beeson students.
- Timothy George, Distinguished Professor of Divinity, is president of the Evangelical Theological Society.

#### Degrees Joint Degrees

MDiv MDiv/MBA (Brock School of Business)
MACC MATS/JD (Cumberland School of Law)
MATS MDiv/JD (Cumberland School of Law)
ThM MATS/MSW (School of Public Health)
PhD MDiv/MSW (School of Public Health)

# Orlean Beeson School of Education

Dean: Anna McEwan, PhD

Established: 1915

**Enrollment (Fall 2023): 474** 

**Specialized Accreditation:** Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and National Council on Family Relations (NCFR)

#### Mission

Orlean Beeson School of Education enriches the community and empowers its students to educate, lead and serve.

#### **Distinctions**

- The Human Development and Family Science undergraduate program is an NCFR CFLEapproved program offering course work covering the content required for the Certified Family Life Educator (CFLE) designation. Graduates of NCFR CFLE-approved programs qualify to apply for the CFLE designation via the CFLE-approved program process.
- The Department of Teacher Education offers the only undergraduate major in Alabama with four different teaching certifications within the program. Graduates are certified in early childhood education, early childhood special education, elementary education and elementary collaborative education.
- 100% of May 2021 teacher education and human development and family science graduates were employed or enrolled in graduate study within three months of graduation.
- Teacher education students have a 100% pass rate on national undergraduate Praxis II licensure tests and pass rates on the edTPA surpass state and national averages.
- The Department of Human Development and Family Science has had six recipients
  of the Outstanding Undergraduate Paper Award by the National Council on Family
  Relations (2005 (2), 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015).
- 100% of human development and family science students conduct original research projects.
- Teacher education students have the opportunity to gain 1,000+ hours of field experience and 600+ hours of internship experience.
- Mandy Jayne Stanley '14 was named National Student Teacher of the Year by the Kappa Delta Pi International Honor Society in Education and the Association of Teacher Education (2014).
- The school has received recognition from the National Association for the Education
  of Young Children, the National Council of Teachers of English, the National Council

- of Teachers of Mathematics, the National Council for the Social Studies, the National Association for Sport & Physical Education, the Educational Leadership Constituent Council/National Educational Leadership Preparation.
- Clara Gerhardt, professor of human development and family science, received the 2013
  Certified Family Life Educator Award from the National Council on Family Relations
  (NCFR). She has authored two textbooks and currently serves in the endowed position
  of Distinguished Beeson Professor in Orlean Beeson School of Education.
- Nineteen educational leadership students and alumni are serving as school superintendents, with three having recently retired from the superintendency and two serving in leadership roles in state organizations. More superintendents in Alabama's public school districts have received their doctoral degrees from Samford than any other institution.
- Jonathan Davis, professor of human development and family science, received the 2012 Meritorious Service Award from the National Council on Family Relations.
- In 2020, four alumni were named Alabama Teachers of the Year at their respective schools and one of them was named the Alabama State Teacher of the Year.
- Human Development and Family Science students have the opportunity to gain 50
  hours of service learning experience, 80 hours of community service and 125 hours of
  practicum.
- The teacher education program is the first undergraduate program in the United States to earn affiliation with the International Multisensory Structured Language Education Council (IMSLEC).
- The school's undergraduate and graduate teacher preparation programs have been recognized by the National Council on Teacher Quality (NCTQ) as among the best in the nation in their new report, Teacher Prep Review: Strengthening Elementary Reading Instruction. Samford is one of only two schools in the United States to have earned an A+ distinction for preparing aspiring teachers in the most effective methods for teaching reading.

#### Degrees

BA, human development and family science

BSE, early childhood, special education, elementary, elementary collaborative (P-6th grade)

BSE, elementary education with a concentration in Christian education and missions (K-6th grade)

BSE, secondary education (6th-12th grade)

MSE, instructional leadership

18-hour certification, instructional leadership\*

MSE, elementary education, alternative class A\*\*

MSE, K-12 collaborative special education, alternative class A \*\*

MSE, secondary education, alternative class A\*\*

EdS, instructional leadership

EdD, educational and organizational leadership\*

### Concentration (available for elementary education majors)

Christian education and missions

### Degree areas (available for human development and family science majors)

Child development education, child life, gerontology.

## Accelerated programs (available for human development and family sciences majors)

3+3 law program

Divinity fast track

Public health fast track

Social work fast track

## Minor (available for all majors)

Human development and family science

\*components online or entirely online

\*\*Hybrid delivery

# **School of Health Professions**

Dean: Alan P. Jung, PhD, FACSM

Established: 2013

**Enrollment (Fall 2023): 783** 

**Specialized Accreditation:** Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), Council on Academic Accreditation (CAA) for the Speech-language Pathology program.

**Accreditation-Provisional:** Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA)

#### Mission

The School of Health Professions prepares leaders in a Christian environment who promote health, wellness and quality of life through excellence in professionalism, scholarship and service.

### **Distinctions**

- The School of Health Professions offers an array of baccalaureate, master's and doctoral degrees that make up a major portion of the health care workforce.
- The school provides a number of prehealth profession majors to prepare students
  for graduate and professional programs, including medicine, physician assistant,
  occupational therapy, physical therapy and speech pathology, most of which are listed
  in the top 30 on the 2022 U.S. News & World Report list of 100 Best Jobs in the United
  States.
- Interprofessional education is an integral component of the curriculum for all majors within the school.
- More than 90% of health professions students who apply to graduate or professional school are accepted.
- 95% of health professions graduates are employed or in graduate programs (most recent survey).
- 100% of graduate students participate in service learning projects locally, nationally and around the world.
- Students have traveled to 15 different countries since 2016 to participate in servicerelated course work.

- The school's exercise physiology and human performance labs contain the latest, stateof-the-art equipment for students to apply physiological principles in practice settings.
- Research performed at the undergraduate level has resulted in more than 140 project presentations being presented at state, regional, national and international conferences.
   Seventeen student projects were published in peer-reviewed journals.
- The school offers a fast-track Doctor of Physical Therapy program and will soon add a fast-track Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology program.
- The school offers three highly competitive graduate programs: Doctor of Physical Therapy, Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies, Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology.
- 95% of speech-language pathology students passed the 2023 licensure exam and 100% were employed within six months of graduation.
- Over the past two years, the ultimate pass rate on the licensure exam for Doctor of Physical Therapy students is 97%, and 100% were employed within six months of graduation.

"The ARC-PA has granted Accreditation-Provisional status to the Samford University Physician Assistant Studies Program sponsored by Samford University. Accreditation-Provisional is an accreditation status granted when the plans and resource allocation, if fully implemented as planned, of a proposed program than has not yet enrolled students appear to demonstrate the program's ability to meet the ARC\_PA Standards or when a program holding Accreditation-Provisional status appears to demonstrate continued program in complying with the Standards as it prepares for the graduation of the first class (cohort) of students. Accreditation-Provisional does not ensure any subsequent accreditation status. It is limited to no more than five years from matriculation of the first class.

#### **Degrees**

BS, communication sciences and disorders

BS, exercise science

BS, health sciences

BS, sport administration

BS, sports medicine

MSPAS (physician assistant studies)

MSSLP (speech-language pathology)

DPT (physical therapy)

#### Minor

Communication sciences and disorders Strength and conditioning

#### Fast Track

DPT and BS, exercise science

MSSLP and BS, communication sciences and disorders

# **Cumberland School of Law**

**Dean:** Blake Hudson, JD **Established:** 1847

**Enrollment (Fall 2023): 483** 

**Specialized Accreditation:** American Bar Association and Association of American Law Schools (AALS). The health law and compliance program is accredited by the Compliance Certification Board (CCB).

Member: Association of American Law Schools

#### Mission

Cumberland School of Law educates a diverse community of students with knowledge and practical skills, equipping them to become highly competent, ethical lawyers committed to professionalism and public service.

#### **Distinctions**

- Cumberland School of Law celebrated its 175th anniversary in 2022, making it one of the nation's oldest law schools.
- Cumberland School of Law is ranked 4th in the nation for trial advocacy by U.S. News & World Report (2024).
- The law school ranked 6th in the nation for best quality of life and 7th in the nation for best resources for women by the Princeton Review (2023).
- Cumberland School of Law's National Trial Team is ranked 5th in the nation in the Trial Competition Performance Rankings for 2022-23. They are also ranked 4th for overall performance since 2016.
- Cumberland School of Law awards over \$2.3 million in first-year scholarships each academic year, with an average merit-based award of \$16,200 for first-year students.
- Most of the eight joint degree programs can be completed in as little as three years.
- 35+ student organizations
- 95% employment rate (Class of 2022, 10 months after graduation, who are not pursuing a graduate degree)
- The GAVEL Rankings recognize performance in the most difficult of trial competitions.
   Cumberland School of Law ranked 3rd in the nation for 2022-23 and 2nd overall since 2019.

### **Recent Regional and National Competition Results**

Year after year, Cumberland School of Law advocacy competition teams travel to regional and national legal skills competitions where they have a history of performing at the highest level. Cumberland School of Law is among the most decorated law schools in the nation.

### Recent Results Dating Back to Spring 2022:

 American Association of Justice Student Trial Advocacy Competition, National 2nd and 5th Place

- American Association of Justice Student Trial Advocacy Competition Co-Champions (Regional Sweep)
- National Trial Competition, Regional Semifinalists
- Trials and Tribulations Competition, Quarterfinals and Two Outstanding Advocate Awards
- South Texas Mock Trial Challenge, Final Four and Outstanding Advocate Award
- Flash Trial Competition, 5th Place and Professionalism Award
- Battle of the Experts, 3rd Place
- Syracuse National Trial Competition, Semifinalist and Best Advocate Award
- National Trial Competition, Regional Co-Champions (3rd Consecutive Regional Sweep)
- American Association of Justice, Regional Champion and Regional Finalist
- American Association of Justice, National Quarterfinalist
- The Verdict Trial Competition, 3rd Place
- South Texas Mock Trial Challenge, Sweet 16 and Outstanding Advocate Award winner
- Top Gun National Trial Competition, Professionalism Award
- 31st Annual Duberstein National Bankruptcy Moot Court Competition, Sweet 16 and Best Advocate Award
- Esports National Negotiation Competition, Quarterfinalist and Semifinalist
- American Bar Association Arbitration Regional, Two Semifinalist Teams
- ABA Moot Court Appellate Advocacy Regional Competition, Champion
- ABA Moot Court Appellate Advocacy National Competition, Quarterfinalist
- Transatlantic Negotiation Competition, U.S. Runner-Up

## Degrees

JD

LLM (for lawyers)\*

MSL (for non-lawyers)\*

\*online programs

### Concentrations for LLM and MSL

Financial services regulatory compliance, health law and compliance, higher education law and compliance and legal operations

### **Joint Degrees**

JD/MAcc (Brock School of Business)

JD/MBA (Brock School of Business)

JD/MDiv (Beeson Divinity School)

JD/MPA (School of Social and Behavioral Sciences at University of Alabama at Birmingham)

JD/MPH (School of Public Health at University of Alabama at Birmingham)

JD/MSEM (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)

JD/MATS (Beeson Divinity School)

JD/LLM

#### **Clinics**

Capital Defense Clinic

Criminal Appeals Clinic

Cooney Contracts and Risk Management Clinic

Cumberland Innocence Clinic

Cumberland Parole Clinic

Cumberland Veterans Legal Assistance Clinic

#### **Exchange Programs**

- · Summer Abroad Program, Cambridge, England
- The Norwich Law School at the University of East Anglia, Norwich, England

# **Moffett & Sanders School of Nursing**

Ralph W. Beeson Dean and Professor: Melondie R. Carter, PhD, RN

Established: 1922

**Enrollment (Fall 2023):** 739

**Specialized Accreditation:** Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia

Educational Programs (COA)

#### Mission

Our mission is to prepare caring, competent and compassionate graduates with a commitment to service, scholarship, lifelong learning and professional practice by providing a quality nursing education in a nurturing Christian environment.

#### Distinctions

- The nursing school is designated a Center of Excellence in Nursing Education for creating environments that promote the pedagogical expertise of faculty by the National League for Nursing (2017, 2021).
- National certification pass rates for all graduate programs consistently exceed national
- Ranked 48th Best College for Nursing in America by Niche (2023).
- The nursing school was the first program in Alabama to achieve national accreditation and has remained fully accredited throughout its existence.
- 96% of May 2022 BSN graduates achieved employment at graduation.
- Since 2003, Moffett & Sanders School of Nursing has utilized more than \$25 million in grant funding from HRSA (the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration) to prepare more than 700 nurse educators.
- From high fidelity simulations to inpatient acute care, students participate in extensive clinical experiences in more than 1,320 sites in 37 states.
- Moffett & Sanders School of Nursing launched the school's first residency program in 2020 utilizing a \$3.5 million Advanced Nursing Education—Nurse Practitioner Residency Grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration. In 2023, the school received an additional \$2.6 million in grant funding to further enhance the program.

- The nurse anesthesia program boasts a 0% attrition rate (5-year average), 100% of alumni state they would choose Samford again, and 100% of employers state they would hire another program graduate (3-year average).
- Certification pass rate for all nurse practitioner options for first-time test takers is 94%
- Certification pass rate for psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner program was 100%
- Certification pass rate for the nurse anesthesia program for first-time test takers is 91% (5-year average).

## **Degrees**

BSN. traditional

BSN, second-degree

BSN, transfer

BSN, veterans

DNP (nurse leader\*, emergency nurse practitioner\*, psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner\*, family nurse practitioner\*, nurse anesthesia)

ARPN certificates (family nurse practitioner\*, emergency nurse practitioner\*, psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner\*)

## **Pathways to Graduate Degrees**

BSN to DNP

MSN to DNP

\*online programs

# **McWhorter School of Pharmacy**

Dean: Michael A. Crouch, PharmD, FASHP

Established: 1927

**Enrollment (Fall 2023): 354** 

**Specialized Accreditation:** Accreditation Council for Pharmacy

Education

#### Mission

McWhorter School of Pharmacy's mission is to prepare students in a nurturing, Christian environment to be exemplary pharmacists and improve health worldwide through innovative pharmacy practice, scholarship and service.

#### **Distinctions**

- McWhorter School of Pharmacy is ranked 2nd among private pharmacy schools in the South and 65th in the nation by U.S. News & World Report (2020).
- The pharmacy school received accreditation when first available in 1941 and has remained fully accredited since that time.
- 94% of graduates are employed in pharmacy, including residencies, within six months of graduation (six-year average).
- 94% of graduates complete the program of study in four years (10-year average graduation rate).
- Graduates have a 92% average first-time pass rate on the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination (NAPLEX; 15-year average).
- Graduates have a 94% average first-time pass rate on the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination (MPJE; 15-year average).
- Sixty-three graduates from the school matched with an ASHPaccredited pharmacy residency in 2023 (top 20% of pharmacy schools in the United States).
- The school has a 10:1 student-to-faculty ratio.

- McWhorter School of Pharmacy has two residency programs—a postgraduate year one (PGY1) community-based pharmacy residency and a postgraduate year two (PGY2) pediatric care pharmacy residency.
- At McWhorter School of Pharmacy, students can personalize their PharmD through global engagement, joint degrees, elective courses, certificates and research opportunities.
- The school has formal international affiliations with institutions across five continents with countries including: China, Great Britain, Japan, Macau (special administrative regions China), Paraguay, South Korea, Spain, Thailand and Zambia.
- McWhorter School of Pharmacy has 14 pharmacy-specific student organizations, many of which have been recognized nationally.
- The school is home to the Pharmaceutical Sciences Research Institute (PSRI), providing an alternative to traditional contract research organizations.
- The school offers a pharmacy technician education program that prepares participants to sit for the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) examination.

## Degree

PharmD

## **Joint Degrees**

PharmD/MBA (Brock School of Business)

PharmD/MHA (School of Public Health)

PharmD/MPH (School of Public Health)

PharmD/MSHIA (School of Public Health)

PharmD/MSL health law and compliance concentration (Cumberland School of Law)

PharmD/MS, nutrition (School of Public Health)

#### Prepharmacy

The prepharmacy curriculum allows students to complete the required prerequisites within two years before entering pharmacy school. If admitted to McWhorter School of Pharmacy after completion of prerequisites, a Bachelor of Science in pharmacy studies is awarded after the second year of the Doctor of Pharmacy program.

# **School of Public Health**

Interim Dean: Melissa Lumpkin, PhD, MPH

Established: 2013

**Enrollment (Fall 2023): 221** 

**Specialized Accreditation:** Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) and Council on Social Work

Education (CSWE)

#### Mission

The mission of the School of Public Health is to prepare servant leaders who demonstrate God's love by promoting health and well-being in individuals and communities.

#### **Distinctions**

- The School of Public Health houses disciplines focused on the prevention of disease and the promotion of improved health among entire communities and populations.
- Samford's School of Public Health is the only Christian public health school in the Southeast.
- · All graduate degrees are offered online.
- Online BS in Public Health is offered through Professional Studies to accommodate non-traditional students.
- Degree programs in the School of Public Health prepare graduates for some of the fastest growing industries in the United States and worldwide.
- The school offers fast-track, or accelerated, options for Master of Public Health, Master of Healthcare Administration and Master of Social Work.
- The Department of Nutrition and Dietetics offers hands-on experiences through its state-of-the-art food production labs, nutrition research lab and food science lab.

- 100% placement rate for nutrition and dietetics majors in dietetic internships (2022)
- The school offers numerous joint degree programs within the school and in partnership with Samford's McWhorter School of Pharmacy, Beeson Divinity School, the Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine and Brock School of Business.
- The Master of Social Work program offers significant practice experience through internship programs in more than 150 organizations, locally, nationally and globally.
- Health informatics and analytics courses utilize state-of-the-art electronic health record and virtual lab applications.
- Students in the School of Public Health are actively engaged in community service and participate in research with faculty.
- The Department of Healthcare Administration was named the 2018 New Program of the Year by the Association for University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA).

## **Degrees**

BS, culinary and wellness nutrition management

BS, health care administration

BS, nutrition and dietetics

BS, public health

MHA\*

MSHIA\*

MPH\* (community public health, public health management, public health nutrition)

MS, nutrition\*

MSW\*

DrPH\* (health management and policy, population health analytics and decision making)

## Minors

Health informatics and information management, health care administration, nutrition and public health

## **Graduate Certificate**

Dietetic Internship

#### **Joint Degrees**

Dietetic internship/MPH

Dietetic internship/MS, nutrition

PharmD/MHA (McWhorter School of Pharmacy)

PharmD/MSHIA (McWhorter School of Pharmacy)

PharmD/MPH (McWhorter School of Pharmacy)

PharmD/MS, nutrition (McWhorter School of Pharmacy)

MATS/MSW (Beeson Divinity School)

MDiv/MSW (Beeson Divinity School)

MPH/DO (Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine)

MSW/MPH

MHA/MBA (Brock School of Business)

\*online programs

# **College of Health Sciences**

#### Established: 2013

The College of Health Sciences is comprised of four schools—School of Health Professions, Moffett & Sanders School of Nursing, McWhorter School of Pharmacy and School of Public Health. It is also home to the Experiential Learning and Simulation Center.

### Mission

The mission of the college is to prepare graduates in an interprofessional, Christ-centered learning community to promote and improve the health and well-being of individuals and communities. The college emphasizes healing the body, nurturing the mind and inspiring the spirit through rigorous academics, local and global service, and innovative scholarship.

#### **Distinctions**

- The College of Health Sciences prepares graduates for four of the top 10 best jobs in the U.S. by U.S. News & World Report (2023).
- Spanning more than 223,000 square feet, the College of Health Sciences facilities are designed to foster interprofessional education and cutting-edge experiential learning.
- The Experiential Learning and Simulation Center offers discipline-specific and interdisciplinary learning opportunities across the simulation continuum. The center is one of only two accredited simulation centers in Alabama.
- Graduates are prepared to practice collaboratively, safely and effectively in the everevolving health care environment.

#### **FAST TRACKS, OR ACCELERATED PROGRAMS, AT SAMFORD UNIVERSITY**

#### **SCHOOL OF THE ARTS**

## Fast-track MArch (five years)

BS, architecture

#### **BROCK SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**

### Fast-track MAcc (five years)

BSBA, accounting

## Fifth-year MBA

BA or BS offered by Howard College of Arts and Sciences, with a general business minor

## **BEESON DIVINITY SCHOOL**

## Fast-track MDiv (six years)

BA, Christian ministry (School of the Arts)

BA, Biblical studies (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)

BA, Christian and religious studies (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)

BA, Christian and religious studies, ministry leadership (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)

BS, human development and family science (Orlean Beeson School of Education)

## **SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS**

#### Fast-track DPT (six years)

BS, exercise science

#### Fast-track MSSLP (five years)

BS. communication sciences and disorders

## **CUMBERLAND SCHOOL OF LAW**

## JD, 3+3 Program (six years)

Available with all majors, pending adviser approval

#### MCWHORTER SCHOOL OF PHARMACY

#### Fast-track PharmD (six years)

Prepharmacy curriculum

#### **SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

### Fast-track MSW (five years)

BS, culinary and wellness nutrition management

BS, public health

BS, global studies (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)

BS/BA, psychology (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)

BA, Biblical studies (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)

BA, Christian and religious studies (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)

BA, Christian and religious studies, ministry leadership

(Howard College of Arts and Sciences)

BA, sociology (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)

BS, human development and family science (Orlean Beeson School of Education)

BS, health sciences (School of Health Professions)

#### Fast-track MHA (five years)

BS, healthcare administration

### Fast-track MPH (five years)

BS, public health

BA, psychology (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)

BA, sociology (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)

BS, human development and family science (Orlean Beeson School of Education)

BS, health sciences (School of Health Professions)

#### **JOINT DEGREES AT SAMFORD UNIVERSITY**

JD/LLM

JD/MAcc

JD/MBA

JD/MATS

JD/MDiv

JD/MPA at University of Alabama at Birmingham

JD/MPH at University of Alabama at Birmingham

JD/MS, bioethics at Albany Medical College

JD/MSEM

MAcc/MBA

MATS/MSW

MDiv/MBA

MDiv/MSW

MHA/MBA

MPH/DO at Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine

MSEM/MBA

MSW/MPH

PharmD/MBA

PharmD/MHA

PharmD/MPH

PharmD/MSHIA

PharmD/MSL, health law and policy

PharmD/MHA

PharmD/nutrition

## Samford Athletics

**Director of Athletics:** Martin Newton

Student-athletes: 394

**Number of sports:** 17 NCAA Division I varsity sports

(8 men's, 9 women's)

Colors: Red and Navy Blue (PMS 200 Red, PMS 289 Navy Blue)

Affiliation: NCAA Division I

Conference: Southern Conference

**Number of championships:** 74 championships since joining the

league in 2008

NCAA Division I Graduation Success Rate (GSR): Samford's athletic teams earned a 98% Graduation Success Rate by the NCAA, ranking sixth among all Division I universities in the nation, along with an impressive group of peer institutions.

Men's Sports: Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf,

Tennis, Indoor/Outdoor Track and Field

Women's Sports: Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Indoor/Outdoor Track and Field, Volleyball

Number of Events: Samford Athletics hosts approximately 150 oncampus events with an approximate annual attendance of 76,000. Samford Athletics also hosts 6,500 youth for summer camps.

Academic All-Conference members: 132

Student-athletes on the Southern Conference Honor Roll: 265

Student-athletes Earned Southern Conference Commissioner's Medal (3.8 GPA or higher): 73

MLB Draft Picks: 29 (in SoCon era)

Former Samford Players Currently in the NFL: 4

Former Samford Players Have Played in the NFL: 20

## **SoCon Championships**

2008 Volleyball North Division Regular Season

2009 Women's Cross Country

2009 Volleyball North Division Regular Season

2010 Women's Cross Country

2011 Women's Basketball Tournament

2011 Men's Tennis Tournament

2011 Women's Soccer Regular Season

2011 Women's Soccer Tournament

2011 Volleyball North Division Regular Season

2011 Volleyball Tournament

2012 Women's Basketball Tournament

2012 Men's Tennis Regular Season\*

2012 Baseball Tournament\*

2012 Volleyball North Division Regular Season

2013 Men's Tennis Tournament

2013 Football\*

2014 Men's Outdoor Track and Field

2014 Women's Outdoor Track and Field

2014 Women's Soccer Regular Season

2014 Volleyball Tournament

2015 Men's Outdoor Track and Field

2015 Women's Tennis Regular Season

2015 Women's Tennis Tournament

2015 Women's Soccer Regular Season

2016 Women's Indoor Track and Field

2016 Softball Regular Season

2016 Softball Tournament

2016 Women's Soccer Regular Season

2016 Women's Soccer Tournament

2016 Volleyball Tournament

2017 Women's Indoor Track and Field

2017 Women's Outdoor Track and Field

2017 Women's Soccer Regular Season

2018 Women's Indoor Track and Field

2018 Baseball Tournament

2018 Women's Soccer Regular Season

2018 Volleyball Tournament

2019 Women's Indoor Track and Field

2019 Women's Outdoor Track and Field

2019 Baseball Regular Season

2019 Soccer Regular Season

2019 Soccer Tournament

2019 Volleyball Regular Season

2019 Volleyball Tournament

2020 Women's Indoor Track and Field

2020 Men's Indoor Track and Field

2020 Women's Basketball Regular season

2020 Women's Basketball Tournament

2021 Women's Basketball Regular Season

2021 Indoor Women's Track and Field 2021 Indoor Men's Track and Field

2021 Spring Volleyball Regular Season

2021 Spring Soccer Regular Season 2021 Outdoor Women's Track and Field

2021 Spring Volleyball Tournament

2021 Outdoor Men's Track and Field

2021 Baseball Tournament

2021 Soccer Regular Season

2021 Soccer Tournament

2022 Men's Indoor Track and Field

2022 Women's Indoor Track and Field

2022 Men's Outdoor Track and Field

2022 Women's Outdoor Track and Field

2022 Women's Soccer Regular Season

2022 Women's Soccer Tournament

2022 Football Regular Season

2022 Volleyball Tournament

2023 Men's Basketball Regular Season

2023 Women's Indoor Track and Field

2023 Men's Indoor Track and Field

2023 Women's Outdoor Track and Field

2023 Men's Outdoor Track and Field

2023 Baseball Regular Season

2023 Baseball Tournament

\*later vacated

# **Advancement and Marketing**

## Samford Alumni Association

5 Alumni Boards 57,079 Total Living Alumni

9 Alumni Chapters Hosted 60 events through the

13 Alumni Clubs

Samford University Alumni
Association, with 3,668

193 Alumni Volunteer Leaders registered attendees.

## Giving to Samford in 2022-23:

Total value of gifts received: \$80,065,683.03

**Estate gifts received: \$66,383,145.22** 

(includes \$64.8M received from the estate of Marvin Mann)

Total non-estate gifts received: \$13,682,537.81

**Total number of unique donors: 4,875** 

Average size gift received: \$1,391.69

(excludes \$64.8M received from the estate of Marvin Mann)

## **Established 43 new scholarships**

## **2022-2023 University News, Website and Social Media Outcomes**

Linked In followers	41,723
Facebook followers	31,281
Instagram followers	23,650
YouTube followers	13,623
Twitter/X followers	13,360
Visits to the Website	3.4 millior
Media Mentions in National and Global Outlets	29,900