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Samford Essentials

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- Samford is the top-ranked university in Alabama in national rankings by Forbes Inc. and The Wall Street Journal (2018).
- Samford is ranked #87 nationally and #1 in Alabama by The Economist. Samford is in the 93rd percentile nationally of the 1,275 colleges and universities in this ranking (2016).
- Samford is ranked #3 in the South, #5 in the South for most innovative and #1 in the South for best colleges for veterans among regional universities by U.S. News & World Report (2018). Only 66 colleges and universities in the country were included in the Most Innovative Schools ranking, and Samford is the only Alabama institution included in this special list.
- Samford is ranked #40 private university in the U.S. for value and affordability by Kiplinger’s Personal Finance (2017).
- Samford is ranked #8 for Southern regional universities (2016) and #36 nationally for best Christian colleges (2017) by College Choice.
- 97% of undergraduate alumni are employed, attending graduate school or in a post-graduation internship within six months of graduation (2017).
- Samford is recognized as a best value–top college by Educate to Career for the employability of graduates.
- Samford’s NCAA graduation success rate for its student-athletes is 97%. Ten of Samford’s team received perfect scores, placing Samford #1 in Alabama and in the top #15 NCAA Division 1 schools in the country (2017).
- Samford is one of only 23 master’s institutions in the nation included on The Chronicle of Higher Education’s list of Top Producers of Fulbright Scholars and Students. Samford is the only institution in Alabama recognized for its success in student applications to the Fulbright U.S. Student Program, the flagship international educational exchange program sponsored by the U.S. government (2017).
- Samford is ranked #1 in Alabama for median earnings of former students 10 years after graduation by the U.S. Department of Education’s College Scorecard (2017).
- Samford is ranked top 50 nationally for top private colleges that give students the least private student debt by The Student Loan Report (2017). Samford is the only institution in Alabama listed in the top 50.
- Samford is ranked in the top 25 best institutions for higher education by The Knowledge Review (2017).
- Samford is recognized by U.S. News and World Report as one of the nation’s top universities granting merit-based financial aid (2017).

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<th>President</th>
<th>Andrew Westmoreland, Ed.D.</th>
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<td>Established</td>
<td>1841, 87th oldest university in the U.S.</td>
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<td>Faculty (Fall 2017)*</td>
<td>366 full-time teaching faculty (87% with terminal degree)</td>
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<td>Enrollment (Fall 2017)</td>
<td>5,509 (3,373 undergraduate; 2,136 graduate/professional)</td>
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<td>Entering freshman class</td>
<td>857</td>
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<td>Freshman retention rate</td>
<td>87%</td>
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<td>Alumni</td>
<td>50,605 worldwide</td>
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<td>Student-to-faculty ratio*</td>
<td>13:1</td>
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<td>Accreditation</td>
<td>Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACSCOC)</td>
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<td>Campus size</td>
<td>247 acres</td>
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<td>Endowment (March 2017)</td>
<td>$285.9 million</td>
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<td>Geographic diversity of student body</td>
<td>45 states and 30 countries</td>
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<td>Geographic diversity of alumni</td>
<td>60 countries</td>
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<td>Athletics</td>
<td>17 NCAA Division I varsity sports</td>
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<td>Undergraduate average class size</td>
<td>19</td>
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<td>Undergraduate tuition (2017-18)</td>
<td>$29,640</td>
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<td>Undergraduate and graduate degree and certificate programs</td>
<td>32</td>
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<td>Undergraduate majors, minors and concentrations</td>
<td>168</td>
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<td>Graduate majors, minors and concentrations</td>
<td>71</td>
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<td>Student life</td>
<td>114 student organizations 200 annual arts events</td>
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<td>8 main-stage theatre and opera events</td>
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<td>30 residence halls 15 Greek-letter organizations 11 intramural sports</td>
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<td>Total hours Samford students spent serving and learning in the community (2015-16 academic year)</td>
<td>927,192</td>
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<td>Academic service hours</td>
<td>608,584</td>
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<td>Cocurricular service hours</td>
<td>318,609</td>
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<td>Total economic value of Samford students’ service</td>
<td>$21.39 million</td>
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<td>Samford’s fiscal and economic impact on Alabama (2014)</td>
<td>$335.1 million</td>
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<td>Total giving (2017)</td>
<td>$17,432,977.19</td>
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<td>Alumni annual giving percentage (2017)</td>
<td>8.25%</td>
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<td>Employee annual giving percentage (2017)</td>
<td>73%</td>
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<td>Total number of employees (Fall 2017)*</td>
<td>1,246</td>
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*preliminary numbers; finalized Nov. 1
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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.

Schools
School of the Arts
Howard College of Arts and Sciences
Brock School of Business
Beeson Divinity School
Orlean Beeson School of Education

Nondegree Programs
Academy of the Arts
Lay Academy of Theology

Academic Centers
Anglican Institute at Beeson
Center for Advocacy and Clinical Education
Center for Congregational Resources
Center for Children, Law and Ethics
Center for Faith and Health
Center for Healthcare Innovation and Patient Outcomes Research
Center for Law and Civic Education

School of Health Professions
Cumberland School of Law
Ida Moffett School of Nursing
McWhorter School of Pharmacy
School of Public Health

Graduate Degree Programs
School of the Arts
M.M., (church music, piano, piano performance and pedagogy, vocal performance)
M.M.E., music education (traditional program, fifth-year nontraditional program, National Board Cohort program
M.S.D.S., design studies (online)

Howard College of Arts and Sciences
M.S.E.M.
Fifth-year nontraditional program for alternate teaching certification

Brock School of Business
M.Acc.
M.B.A., (business administration, business administration with a concentration in entrepreneurship, marketing, finance)

Beeson Divinity School
M.Div.
M.A.T.
M.A.T.S.
D.Min.

Orlean Beeson School of Education
M.S.E., elementary education
M.S.E., gifted education
M.S.E., K-12 special education
M.S.E., instructional design and technology
M.S.E., instructional leadership
18-hour certification, instructional leadership
M.S.E., educational leadership: policy, organizations and leadership
M.S.E., elementary education fifth-year nontraditional
M.S.E., K-12 special education fifth-year nontraditional
M.S.E., secondary education fifth-year nontraditional
Ed.S., instructional leadership
Ed.D., educational leadership

School of Health Professions
M.A.T.
M.S., respiratory care
M.S., speech language pathology
D.P.T.

Cumberland School of Law
M.C.L.
M.S., health law and policy
J.D.

Ida Moffett School of Nursing
M.S.N., (family nurse practitioner, nurse educator, nurse anesthesia)
D.N.P., (advanced practice, administration, dual nurse practitioner (family/emergency) family nurse practitioner, health systems and administration, nurse anesthesia)
ARPN certificates, (family nurse practitioner, post-FNP emergency nurse practitioner)

McWhorter School of Pharmacy
Pharm.D.

School of Public Health
M.H.A.
M.S.H.I.
M.P.H.
M.S., nutrition
M.S.W.
Dietetic internship

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Narratives

Short version (200 characters, arranged in priority order for possible editing):
Samford University is a premier nationally ranked Christian university. Samford enrolls 5,509 students from 45 states and 30 countries studying in multiple undergraduate and graduate degree programs.

Medium version (500 characters, arranged in priority order for possible editing):
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Samford offers numerous undergraduate and graduate/professional degrees through 10 academic schools: arts, arts and sciences, business, divinity, education, health professions, law, nursing, pharmacy and public health. The faculty-to-student ratio is 1:13, and no classes are taught by teaching assistants.

Among Samford’s 50,600 alumni are 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 athletics teams are ranked #1 in Alabama and the Southern Conference for Graduation Success Rate (GSR) by the NCAA with an average score of 98%. Ten teams posted perfect scores.

Media Releases

ABOUT SAMFORD UNIVERSITY—Samford University is a premier nationally ranked Christian university. Founded in 1841, Samford is the 87th-oldest institution of higher learning in the United States. U.S. News & World Report ranks Samford 3rd among regional universities in the South, and Samford is recognized as the top-ranked university in the state of Alabama in national rankings published by Forbes Inc., The Economist and The Wall Street Journal. Samford enrolls 5,509 students from 45 states and 30 countries in its 10 academic units: arts, arts and sciences, business, divinity, education, health professions, law, nursing, pharmacy and public health. Samford also fields 17 NCAA Division I teams that compete in the tradition-rich Southern Conference. samford.edu

Forever Samford Campaign to Secure Samford’s Financial Future

Forever Samford is a six-year, $300 million capital campaign that was launched publicly in fall 2016. It is the largest undertaking of its kind in Samford University’s 175-year history. It will help to ensure that Samford continues to prepare and send dedicated, thoughtful, ethical people out into the world.

The campaign goals are in four major areas:

Scholarships • $90 million
Although we strive to keep tuition affordable, the total cost of a four-year undergraduate degree from Samford now approaches $160,000. Generous scholarships enable us to open our doors to student leaders whose talents and achievements will have a wide influence.

Academic Programs • $90 million
Endowed professorships and ample research funds enable us to better support the outstanding faculty we have and to attract talented new scholars and teachers. We also can continue to grow the depth and breadth of our rigorous academic programs.

Places and Spaces • $60 million
While our campus is beautiful and functional, many of our spaces are in their seventh decade and in need of upgrading and renovation. We are building innovative new spaces to house relevant academic programs. We also are creating new gathering spaces where both campus and community can come together to share ideas and inspiration.

A Solid Foundation • $60 million
It costs $165 million per year to operate a quality university like Samford. Only 70 percent of this cost is covered by tuition and fees. We can close this gap and sustain the momentum and progress that has made Samford a top nationally ranked university.
## Notable Alumni

### Arts, Literature and Entertainment

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<th>Name</th>
<th>Notable Achievement</th>
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<tr>
<td>Mary B. Anderson</td>
<td>actor, <em>Gone with the Wind, Lifeboat</em></td>
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<td>Zane Birdwell</td>
<td>Grammy Award-winning recording engineer</td>
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<td>Kate Campbell</td>
<td>Nashville-based singer-songwriter</td>
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<td>Jennifer Pharr Davis</td>
<td>world-record holder, fastest through hike of the Appalachian Trail (2011)</td>
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<td>Karen Fairchild and Kimberly Schlapman</td>
<td>Grammy Award-winning vocalists for Little Big Town</td>
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<td>Wayne Flynn</td>
<td>Pulitzer Prize-nominated historian</td>
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<td>Elizabeth Futral</td>
<td>international opera star</td>
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<td>Anne George</td>
<td>Pulitzer Prize-nominated poet and Agatha Award-winning mystery novelist</td>
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<td>Tony Hale</td>
<td>Emmy Award-winning actor</td>
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<td>Harold Martin</td>
<td>Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist (<em>Montgomery Advertiser</em>, 1970)</td>
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<td>Susan Patterson</td>
<td>international opera star</td>
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<td>Sarah Smiley</td>
<td>nationally syndicated columnist and author</td>
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<td>Kristian Paul Stanfill</td>
<td>Christian rock singer-songwriter and Dove Award nominee</td>
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<td>Perry Stephens</td>
<td>actor, <em>Loving, The Bold and the Beautiful</em></td>
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### Business

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<td>Daryl Byrd</td>
<td>president and chief executive officer, IberiaBank</td>
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<td>Stephen Christopher</td>
<td>former president/chief executive officer, ING Life Insurance</td>
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<td>Gayla Delly</td>
<td>retired CEO, Benchmark Electronics Inc.</td>
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<td>Andrew Gerow Hodges</td>
<td>former executive vice president, Liberty National Life Insurance Company</td>
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<td>Thomas Luckie</td>
<td>chairman and chief executive officer, Luckie &amp; Co.</td>
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<td>Marvin Mann</td>
<td>founding chairman and chairman emeritus, Lexmark</td>
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<td>Mickey Newsome</td>
<td>member, Board of Directors; retired CEO, Hibbett Sports Inc.</td>
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<td>William S. Probst</td>
<td>founder and former president, Qualitest and Vintage Pharmaceuticals</td>
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<td>Leigh Ann Pusey</td>
<td>senior vice president of corporate affairs and communications, Eli Lilly and Co.</td>
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<td>Jimmy Rane</td>
<td>president and chief executive officer, Great Southern Wood</td>
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<td>William Stevens</td>
<td>former chairman and chief executive officer, Motion Industries</td>
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<td>R. Clayton McWhorter</td>
<td>former chairman, Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corp.</td>
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### Education

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<td>Mandy Jayne (Stanley) Atwine</td>
<td>National Student Teacher of the Year (2014)</td>
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<td>Hugh C. Bailey</td>
<td>former president, Valdosta State University (1978–2002)</td>
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<td>J. Claude Bennett</td>
<td>former president, University of Alabama at Birmingham (1993–96)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mary Lynne Capilouto</td>
<td>former dean, University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Dentistry (1998–2005)</td>
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<td>Sonia Carrington</td>
<td>National Distinguished Principal of the Year (2008)</td>
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<td>John Draper</td>
<td>CEO, Education Research Services (ERS) (2008–12)</td>
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<td>L. Earl Franks</td>
<td>executive director, National Principals Association (2017)</td>
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<td>Kirby Godsey</td>
<td>former president, Mercer University (1979–2006)</td>
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<tr>
<td>William E. Hull</td>
<td>former provost, Southern Seminary (1972–75) and Samford University (1987–96)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Jasper Hutto</td>
<td>founder, South's first Department of Journalism (Samford, 1915)</td>
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<td>David Gordon Lyon</td>
<td>former Hollis Chair, Harvard Divinity School (1882-1910)</td>
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<td>Ladell Payne</td>
<td>former president, Randolph Macon College (1979–97)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Betsy Rogers</td>
<td>National Teacher of the Year (2003), Alabama State Teacher of the Year (2002)</td>
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<td>Pamela Smith</td>
<td>Milliken Family Foundation National Educator Award (2012)</td>
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<td>John G. Beard</td>
<td>chairman and president, Alacare Home Health &amp; Hospice</td>
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<td>Peter J. Clemens IV</td>
<td>retired executive vice president and chief financial officer, Surgical Care Affiliates</td>
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<td>Francois J. Coutu</td>
<td>president and chief executive officer, the Jean Coutu Group, Montreal, Quebec, Canada</td>
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<tr>
<td>Juanzetta S. Flowers</td>
<td>pioneer, nurse practitioner movement</td>
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<td>Frances Watts Johnston</td>
<td>pioneer, surgical technology</td>
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<td>John B. McWhorter</td>
<td>president, Baylor University Medical Center at Dallas</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ida V. Moffett</td>
<td>nursing pioneer and namesake of Samford’s nursing school</td>
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<td>Sylvia Rayfield</td>
<td>internationally known nurse educator, entrepreneur and business leader</td>
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<td>James E. Shmerling</td>
<td>president and CEO, Connecticut Children’s Medical Center</td>
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<tr>
<td>Connie Yarbro</td>
<td>internationally known leader and lecturer, oncology nursing</td>
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<td>Sylvia Young</td>
<td>president and chief executive officer, HealthONE and HCA’s Continental Division</td>
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<td>Robert B. Aderholt</td>
<td>U.S. House of Representatives (1997–present)</td>
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<td>Karon Bowdre</td>
<td>chief judge, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Alabama</td>
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<td>Houston L. Brown</td>
<td>first African American presiding judge, 10th Circuit, Jefferson County, Alabama</td>
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<td>Chief Judge Stephen Dillard</td>
<td>Court of Appeals, Georgia</td>
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<td>Edward East</td>
<td>acting governor, Tennessee (1865)</td>
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<td>James E. Folsom Sr</td>
<td>governor, Alabama (1947–51; 1955–59)</td>
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<td>James E. Horton</td>
<td>presided over retrial of one of the “Scottsboro Boys”; set aside guilty verdict</td>
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<td>Cordell Hull</td>
<td>47th U.S. secretary of state (1933–44); Nobel Peace Prize winner (1945)</td>
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<td>Howell Edmunds Jackson</td>
<td>U.S. Supreme Court justice (1893–95)</td>
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<td>Evan Hollingsworth Jenkins</td>
<td>U.S. House of Representatives, West Virginia</td>
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<td>Thomas Lemuel Johns</td>
<td>U.S. Secret Service; present during John F. Kennedy assassination (1963)</td>
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<td>Horace Harmon Lurton</td>
<td>U.S. Supreme Court justice (1909–14)</td>
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<td>Charles Robert Malone</td>
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<td>Nina Miglionico</td>
<td>civil rights advocate and first female elected to Birmingham City Council</td>
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<td>Horace Elmo Nichol</td>
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<td>Robert Ashby Pate</td>
<td>justice, Supreme Court of Palau (2013–2016)</td>
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<td>Loreta Raulinaityte</td>
<td>permanent representative, Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania to the European Union (2006–present)</td>
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<td>J. Griffin Smith</td>
<td>chief justice, Arkansas Supreme Court (1937–55)</td>
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<td>Charles Billingsley</td>
<td>Christian singer, worship leader, songwriter, author, Thomas Road Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Virginia</td>
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<td>Matthew Cook</td>
<td>past moderator, Cooperative Baptist Fellowship</td>
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<td>Scott Dawson</td>
<td>founder, Scott Dawson Evangelistic Association; founder, Strength to Stand Conference movement</td>
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<td>Herschel Hobbs</td>
<td>pastor, First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City; president, Southern Baptist Convention (1961–63); author, Baptist World Alliance leader</td>
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<td>Rick Lance</td>
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<td>Wanda Seay Lee</td>
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<td>Russ Levenson</td>
<td>pastor, St. Martin's Episcopal, Houston, Texas</td>
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<td>Randall Lolley</td>
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<td>Martha C. Myers</td>
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<td>R. Albert Mohler</td>
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<td>Willy Rice</td>
<td>senior pastor, Calvary Baptist Church; president, Southern Baptist Convention Pastor’s Conference</td>
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<td>William D. Shiell</td>
<td>president, Northern Seminary</td>
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<td>Ed Stetzer</td>
<td>executive director, Billy Graham Center for Evangelism at Wheaton College and The Billy Graham Distinguished Chair of Church, Mission, and Evangelism at Wheaton</td>
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<td>Ralph Douglas West</td>
<td>founder and senior pastor, the Church Without Walls, Houston, Texas</td>
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<td>J. Robert White</td>
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<td>head football coach, Florida State University (1976–2009); College Football Hall of Fame (2006)</td>
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<td>James Bradberry</td>
<td>second-round NFL draft pick, Carolina Panthers (2016)</td>
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<td>Phillip Ervin</td>
<td>first-round draft pick, Cincinnati Reds (2013)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cortland Finnegan</td>
<td>player, NFL, Tennessee Titans, St. Louis Rams, Miami Dolphins (2006–14); Pro Bowl (2009); Carolina Panthers (2015)</td>
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<td>Jimbo Fisher</td>
<td>head football coach, Florida State University (2010–present); national champion (2013)</td>
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<td>Michael Pierce</td>
<td>member of the Baltimore Ravens (2016–present)</td>
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<td>Jaquiski Tartt</td>
<td>second-round NFL draft pick (highest drafted football player in Samford history; 46th overall pick), San Francisco 49ers (2015)</td>
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<td>Corey White</td>
<td>player, NFL, New Orleans Saints (2012–14); Dallas Cowboys (2015); Buffalo Bills (2016)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Alyssa Whitehead</td>
<td>professional soccer player, Sweden (2011–13)</td>
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<td>Nick Williams</td>
<td>player, NFL, Pittsburgh Steelers (2013); Kansas City Chiefs to (2014-16), Miami Dolphins (2017–present)</td>
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School of the Arts

Dean: Joseph Hopkins, D.M.A.
Established: 1915
Enrollment (Fall 2017): 282 undergraduate; 15 graduate

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.

New Initiatives
• School of the Arts is launching an innovative new undergraduate curriculum that allows Samford to position itself as a leader in arts education. The new approach will engage students with a more collaborative approach to developing their talents. The four-year curriculum will culminate with an immersive independent senior project, allowing them to apply their skills. The School of the Arts received a $500,000 gift from the John and Rosemary Brown Foundation to support the new curriculum.
• The School of the Arts announced a new program in Christian ministry and the hiring of the first director, Dr. Scott Guffin.
• The School of the Arts hired three new faculty members: Dr. Larry Hardin and Dr. Beth McGinnis in music and Christian Specht in theatre.

Distinctions
Art and Design
• Design Education for World Impact (DEWI) is an educational hands-on mission allowing students to have real world experience. In 2016-17 interior architecture students designed projects in Ecuador.
• Jeannie Krumdieck, professor and chair of the Department of Interior Architecture, was appointed by the governor to the Alabama Board of Registered Interior Designers where she will serve a four-year term.
• Larry Thompson, associate dean for the Department of Art and Design, participated in an exhibit at the Pentagon in fall 2016.
• Kathryn Fouse and Larry Thompson performed Aural Vision, a collaborative music and visual program, across the United States, and internationally in Paris and Serbia. The next presentation will take place in Bogota, Colombia.
• Scott Fisk, professor and chair of the Department of Art, was been awarded a design grant by the Alabama State Council on the Arts.
• The Alabama Chapter of the International Interior Design Association hosted its biannual event and three interior design students took the top awards.

Theatre
• Mark Castle, associate professor, wrote a play that was presented in the Houses of Parliament in Westminster Hall (in conjunction with the UNESCO International Day of Remembrance of the Slave Trade on August 23, 2017) by Samford theatre students who traveled to London after participating in a play festival in Edinburgh, Scotland.

Music
• Orchestra and jazz students traveled to the Dominican Republic performing, teaching and sharing ministry during spring break.
• Samford String Quartet received a $1 million endowment from the Wilton Bunch family. The String Quartet performed at Carnegie Hall in fall 2016 with guest soloist Dean Joseph Hopkins and works by professor Joel Davis.
• Samford’s music and worship program is an editor’s pick for Worship Leader magazine’s annual Best of the Best issue in the category of higher education.

Special Program
• The Center for Worship and the Arts equips congregations with tools and resources for training worship leaders.

Overall
• Over 200 faculty and student performances and exhibits are hosted annually by the School of the Arts bringing thousands of visitors to the campus.
• Approximately 52 additional events take place at the Wright Center attracting over 100,000 guests.
• Academy of the Arts enrolls approximately 1,200 students in arts enrichment programs and classes.

Degrees
B.A. or B.S., fine art
B.A., theatre (acting/directing, theatre design, generalist)
B.F.A., graphic design
B.F.A., interior design
B.F.A., musical theatre
B.F.A., theatre for youth
B.S., fine art
B.S., music (premedicine)
B.A., music
B.F.A., musical theatre
B.A., theatre (acting/directing, theatre design, generalist)
B.M., composition
B.M., performance (instrumental, organ, piano, piano with pedagogy, voice)
B.M., music and worship
B.M.E., music education (instrumental, vocal/choral)
M.M., (church music, piano, piano performance and pedagogy, vocal performance)
M.M.E., music education (traditional program, fifth-year nontraditional program, National Board Cohort program
M.S.D.S., design studies (online)

Minors: art, dance, film production, music, theatre, worship leadership, interdisciplinary minor in the arts

Joint Degree
M.M./M.Div. (Beeson Divinity School)
## Howard College of Arts and Sciences

**Dean:** Timothy Hall, Ph.D.  
**Established:** 1841  
**Enrollment (Fall 2017):** 884 undergraduate; 7 graduate  
**Accreditation:** Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACSCOC)

### 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 ethical and intellectual traditions.

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Howard College of Arts and Sciences

**Distinctions**

- Communication studies alumna Natalie Bennie ’16 was named a Rhodes Scholarship finalist, adding to a list of personal achievements that includes selection as a Debate All American, U.S. National Debate Team member, Summa Cum Laude Debate Scholar and Fulbright program teaching assistant in Germany.

- English and classics alumnus Stone Hendrickson ’16 received a prestigious national fellowship from Phi Kappa Phi national honor society.

- Biochemistry major Karisa Nelson won the NCAA indoor track and field championship in the mile was named the Southern Conference Female Athlete of the Year.

- The journalism and mass communication program was ranked number one in Alabama, top five among southern universities and one of 35 “best value” programs in the nation.

- STEM Honors Scholar Edgar Flores was chosen to take part in the Big Data Analytics Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) Summer program at Washington University.

- Geography professor Jennifer Rahn led students in ongoing efforts to preserve the coral reef of the Caribbean island of Saba.

- Samford’s Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) chapter was recognized as a Star Chapter, an honor enjoyed by fewer than 10% of PRSSA chapters nationally.

- Political science professor Serena Simoni was visiting scholar at the Barcelona Institute for International Studies.


- The debate team of Hope Reamer and Jamie Davenport won the University of Kentucky Henry Clay Debate Tournament.

- English professor Steven Epley published a new book on Susanna Rowson, author of America’s first best-selling novel.

- Journalism and mass communication major Asia Burns was the only student in the nation to earn the Public Relations Student Society of America’s (PRSSA) Gary Yoshimura Scholarship.

- Religion professor David Bains coedited a book on theologian Philip Schaff.

- Math and computer science professor and associate dean Emily Hynds earned Samford’s Jennings B. Marshall Award for Service.

- History professor John Mayfield coedited an anthology on southern character.

- Math and computer science professor Steve Donaldson and science and religion professor Josh Reeves published a book describing the essential role Christian scientists have in bridging the gap between science and Christian belief.

- More than 750 visitors attended eclipse shows as part of Christenberry Planetarium’s ongoing program of free public education about the universe.

- Religion professor James Strange led students in a sixth season of excavations at the ancient site of Shikhin in Israel.

- Political science professor and prelaw adviser Marissa Grayson earned Samford’s John H. Buchanan Award for Excellence in Classroom Teaching.

- Equal Justice Initiative founder and Just Mercy author Bryan Stevenson presented the 2016 J. Roderick Davis Lecture to a record-breaking audience.

- Biology alumnus Jeff Cole’16 earned a National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship.
Brock School of Business

Dean: J. Howard Finch, Ph.D.
Established: 1922
Enrollment (Fall 2017): 619 undergraduate; 137 graduate

Accreditation: Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) International (Less than 5% of the more than 13,000 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
• The Brock School of Business online M.B.A. program is ranked #72 nationally by U.S. News & World Report (2017).
• The Brock School of Business part-time, evening M.B.A. program is ranked #115 by U.S. News & World Report (2017).
• The business school was recognized as the best new entrepreneurship program in the United States by United States Association of Small Business and Entrepreneurship (USASBE) (2010).
• 98% of May undergraduate alumni are employed, attending graduate school or in a post-graduation internship within six months of graduation (2016).
• The Bulldog Fund is a portfolio valued at more than $1.9 million that is managed exclusively by current business students (2017). It is the largest student-managed fund in Alabama and is among the largest in the Southeast.
• Accounting graduates have a 100% placement rate (2016). Samford graduates had the highest first-time pass rate on the CPA exam of any university in Alabama (2015).
• The annual Regions New Venture Challenge allows business students to create and present business plans for a chance to win $20,000 seed money to start their business. The business plans are judged by a panel of community business partners.
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Degrees
B.A., economics
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Graduate Minor: business administration

Joint Degrees
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Academic Internship Program
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Bruno Event Team
Carr Riggs & Ingram LLC
Chick-fil-A
Children’s Hospital Foundation
Christian Service Mission
Deloitte
Dent, Baker & Company LLP
Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP
Ernst & Young
ESPN
Fireseeds
Homewood Chamber of Commerce
IMG Sports Marketing
Markstein Consulting
Merrill Lynch
M-Power Ministries
Pearce, Bevill, Leesburg, Moore PC
PricewaterhouseCoopers
Protective Life Corporation
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ESPN
Fireseeds
Homewood Chamber of Commerce
IMG Sports Marketing
Markstein Consulting
Merrill Lynch
M-Power Ministries
Pearce, Bevill, Leesburg, Moore PC
PricewaterhouseCoopers
Protective Life Corporation
Regions Financial Corporation
REV Birmingham
Shannon Waltchack Real Estate
Southern Progress Corporation
Stewart-Haas Racing
The Modern Brand
UBS Financial Services
United Way
Warren Averett
Beeson Divinity School

Dean: Timothy George, Th.D.
Established: 1988
Enrollment (Fall 2017): 154 graduate
Accreditation: Association of Theological Schools (ATS)

Mission
The mission of Beeson Divinity School is to provide graduate theological education, to prepare God-called persons to serve as ministers in the Church of Jesus Christ, and to worship the Triune God and encourage the practices of Christian spirituality.

Degrees
M.Div.
M.A.T.S.
D.Min.

Joint Degrees
M.A.T.S./J.D. (Cumberland School of Law)
M.A.T.S./M.S.W. (School of Public Health)
M.Div./M.B.A. (Brock School of Business)
M.Div./M.Ed. (Orlean Beeson School of Education)
M.Div./M.M. (School of the Arts)
M.Div./M.S.W. (School of Public Health)

Distinctions
• More than 20 different evangelical denominations are represented among the faculty, staff and students.

• Divinity faculty believe that 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 M.Div. student is required to participate in a cross-cultural ministry experience.

• 100% of full-time students receive scholarship assistance.

• Beeson Divinity School was awarded a grant of $78,520 from the Kern Family Foundation to equip pastors with a better understanding of the intersection of faith, work and economics (2017).

• Numerous divinity school faculty members have written books, including Timothy George (Theology of the Reformers), Carl L. Beckwith (The Holy Trinity), Gerald R. McDermott (Israel Matters: Why Christians Must Think Differently about the People and the Land), Frank S. Thielman (Theology of the New Testament), and Mark S. Gignilliat (A Brief History of Old Testament Criticism: From Benedict Spinoza to Brevard Childs).

• The divinity school offers a certificate in Anglican Studies and a missions certificate with the completion of an M.Div.

• Beeson Divinity School continues to steward the $499,983 Lilly Endowment Grant to strengthen the quality of preaching. The grant focuses on peer groups of local ministers and enriching the preaching curriculum of Beeson Divinity School.

• The divinity school hosts three annual lectures: Biblical Studies Lectures, William E. Conger Jr. Lectures on Biblical Preaching and Reformation Heritage Lectures.
Orlean Beeson School of Education

Dean: Jeanie A. Box, Ph.D.
Established: 1915
Enrollment (Fall 2017): 330 undergraduate; 349 graduate
Accreditation: National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and National Council on Family Relations as a Certified Family Life Educator-approved program, which allows graduates to apply for the CFLE designation with an abbreviated application process
Mission
Orlean Beeson School of Education empowers its students to educate, lead and serve; enriching the community and making a positive difference in the world.

Distinctions
• The education school 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 2016 teacher education graduates received a job placement within three months of graduation.
• Education students have a 100% pass rate on national undergraduate Praxis II licensure tests.
• The Department of Human Development and Family Life Education 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 life education students conduct original research projects.
• 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 U.S. Department of Education recognized the Department of Teacher Education as one of the top four effective teacher preparation programs in the nation (2000).
• Clara Gerhardt, professor of human development and family life education, received the 2013 Certified Family Life Educator Award from the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR).
• Twenty-two educational leadership students and alumni are serving as superintendents.
• The education school has nine programs that have received national recognition status from twelve Specialized Professional Associations. The school has received recognition from the Association of Childhood Education International, the National Association of Education for Young Children, the Council for Exceptional Children, the National Council of Teachers of English, the National Council for the Social Studies, the National Association for Sport and Physical Education, the Educational Leadership Constituent Council and the National Association for Gifted Children/Council for Exceptional Children. With these honors, the education school has the highest number of nationally recognized programs in Alabama.

Degrees
B.A., human development and family science
B.S.E., early childhood education/early childhood special education/elementary education/elementary collaborative education (preschool–6th grade)
B.S.E., elementary education with a concentration in Christian education and missions (K-6th grade)
B.S.E., secondary education (6th-12th grade)
M.S.E., elementary education*
M.S.E., gifted education*
M.S.E., K-12 special education*
M.S.E., instructional design and technology
M.S.E., instructional leadership
18-hour certification, instructional leadership
M.S.E., educational leadership: policy, organizations and leadership
M.S.E., elementary education fifth-year nontraditional
M.S.E., K-12 special education fifth-year nontraditional
M.S.E., secondary education fifth-year nontraditional
Ed.S., instructional leadership
Ed.D., educational leadership*

Concentration (available for all majors): Christian education and missions
Concentrations (available for secondary education majors): English language arts, general social studies, history, math, world languages (6th-12th grade or preschool–12th grade), French, German, Spanish
Concentrations (available for human development and family science majors): child development education, child life, gerontology. Accelerated programs include 3 + 3 law program, public health fast track and social work fast track.

Minor (available for all majors): human development and family science

*components online or entirely online
Cumberland School of Law

**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 has a rich history of more than 170 years of legal education and is the 11th oldest law school.
- Cumberland School of Law is ranked #6 nationally for trial advocacy by *U.S. News & World Report* (2017).
- Law students placed first in the National Trial Advocacy Competition (2014).
- Cumberland School of Law awards nearly $3 million in scholarships each academic year, with an average merit-based award of $16,000 for first-year students.
- Most of the eight joint-degree programs can be completed in as little as three years.
- Faculty members hold degrees from 20 law schools, including Yale, Harvard and Columbia, and all faculty members have practiced law prior to teaching.

**Dean:** Henry C. Strickland III, J.D., Ethel P. Malugen Professor of Law

**Established:** 1847

**Enrollment (Fall 2017):** 483

**Accreditation:** American Bar Association and Association of American Law Schools (AALS). The M.S. in health law and policy is accredited by the Compliance Certification Board (CCB)®.

**Member:** Association of American Law Schools

**Degrees**
- M.C.L.
- M.S., health law and policy
- J.D.

**Joint Degrees**
- J.D./M.Acc. (Brock School of Business)
- J.D./M.B.A. (Brock School of Business)
- J.D./M.Div. (Beeson Divinity School)
- J.D./M.P.A. (School of Social and Behavioral Sciences at University of Alabama at Birmingham)
- J.D./M.P.H. (School of Public Health at University of Alabama at Birmingham)
- J.D./M.S.E.M. (Howard College of Arts and Sciences)
- J.D./M.A.T.S. (Beeson Divinity School)
- J.D./M.S., bioethics (Albany Medical College)

**Exchange Programs**
- The Norwich Law School at the University of East Anglia, Norwich, England
- NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad, India
- Summer Abroad Program, Cambridge, England

**Regional Championships**
- TYLA Mock Trial Competition (2009-2016, as well as 14 more times dating back to 1982)
- NITA Tournament of Champions (2008-2015, as well as three more times dating back to 1996)
- AAJ (ATLA) Student Trial Competition (2008-2014, as well as 11 more times dating back to 1982)
- Florida National Trial Advocacy Tournament (2015)
- National Trial Competition (2016 and 2015 regional round)
- American Bar Association National Appellate Advocacy Competition (2013 regional round)
- Lone Star (2007)

**Recent Student Awards**
- Top Advocate in the Preliminary Rounds Award (2014), South Texas Mock Trial Challenge, Houston, Texas
- Best Advocate in the Final Round Award (2014), South Texas Mock Trial Challenge, Houston, Texas
- Honorable Mention as Best Oralist (2013), National Environmental Law Moot Court Competition, White Plains, New York
- Professionalism and Ethical Lawyering Award (2012), National Civil Trial Competition, Los Angeles, California
- Best Brief Award (2012), American Bar Association National Appellate Advocacy Competition, Atlanta, Georgia
- Top Gun Courtroom Technology Use Award (2017)

**National Championships**
- Michigan National Trial Advocacy Competition (2014 and 2011)
- National Civil Trial Competition (2013)
- American Bar Association Student Tax Challenge (2011)
- National Trial Competition (1984 and 1981)
- Tournament of Champions (2011)
The College of Health Sciences is comprised of four schools—School of Health Professions, Ida Moffett School of Nursing, McWhorter School of Pharmacy and School of Public Health—and the Center for Faith and Health.

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 nine of the top 10 best jobs in the U.S. by U.S. News & World Report.
- The college is home to more than 30 majors and numerous fast-track, coordinated and joint-degree programs.
- The College of Health Sciences opened new facilities in fall 2016. Spanning more than 223,000 square feet, the 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.
- Graduates are prepared to practice collaboratively, safely and effectively in the ever-evolving health care environment.
- The Center for Faith and Health is home to all outreach programs, mission work and community initiatives.

Degrees
School of Health Professions
B.S., athletic training
B.S., communication sciences and disorders
B.S., exercise science
B.S., health sciences
B.S., respiratory care
B.S., sport administration
B.S., sports medicine
M.A.T.
M.S., respiratory care
M.S., speech language pathology
D.P.T.

School of Pharmacy
B.S., pharmacy studies
Pharm.D.

School of Public Health
B.S., foods and nutrition
B.S., healthcare administration
B.S., health information management
B.S., nutrition and dietetics
B.S., public health
M.H.A.
M.S.H.I.
M.P.H.
M.S., nutrition
M.S.W.
Dietetic internship

Ida Moffett School of Nursing
B.S.N., traditional
B.S.N., second-degree
B.S.N., accelerated second-degree
B.S.N., veterans
M.S.N., (family nurse practitioner, nurse educator, nurse anesthesia)
D.N.P., (advanced practice, administration, dual nurse practitioner (family/emergency) family nurse practitioner, health systems and administration, nurse anesthesia) ARPN certificates, (family nurse practitioner, post-FNP emergency nurse practitioner)

McWhorter School of Pharmacy
B.S., pharmacy studies
Pharm.D.

*No longer enrolling new students
**The Samford University Respiratory Care program, B.S. and M.S. degrees, CAARC program numbers 210620 and 200620 respectively, in Birmingham, AL, hold Provisional Accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (www.coarc.com). The status signifies that the program has demonstrated sufficient compliance to initiate a program in accordance with the Standards through the completion and submission of an acceptable Provisional Accreditation Self Study Report (PSSR), completion of an initial on-site visit, and other documentation required by the CAARC. The content of Provisional Accreditation denotes a new program that has made significant progress towards meeting the Standards of Accreditation. The program will remain on Provisional Accreditation until achieving Continuing Accreditation. It is recognized by the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) toward eligibility to the Respiratory Care Credentialing Examination(s). Enrolled students completing the program under Provisional Accreditation are considered graduates of the CAARC accredited program.
***Graduation from an athletic training program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) is necessary for eligibility to sit for the Board of Certification (BOC) Examination (BOC), which is required by all states for the practice of athletic training.
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Ida Moffett School of Nursing

Dean: Nena F. Sanders, Ph.D., RN, FAAN
Established: 1922
Enrollment (Fall 2017): 497 undergraduate; 340 graduate
Accreditation: Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs (COA)

Mission
The mission of Ida Moffett School of Nursing is to nurture students while providing a quality nursing education in a Christian environment that prepares competent, courageous and compassionate graduates with a commitment to service, scholarship, lifelong learning and professional practice.

Degrees
- B.S.N., traditional
- B.S.N., second-degree
- B.S.N., accelerated second-degree
- B.S.N., veterans’
- M.S.N.,** (family nurse practitioner*, nurse educator*, nurse anesthesia)
- D.N.P.*, (dual nurse practitioner (family/emergency), family nurse practitioner, health systems and administration, nurse anesthesia)
- Post-master’s D.N.P.*, (administration and advanced practice)
- Certificates* (post-graduate APRN certificate FNP and Post-FNP emergency nurse practitioner certificate)

Pathways to Graduate Degrees
- RN to D.N.P.
- B.S.N. to D.N.P.
- M.S.N. to D.N.P.

*online programs
**no longer enrolling new students

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.
- Ida Moffett School of Nursing is ranked #90 nationally for graduate schools, #13 nationally for online graduate programs and #42 nationally for online graduate programs for veterans by U.S. News & World Report (2016).
- The nursing school is ranked #14 for best online master’s programs in nursing by College Choice (2017).
- The nursing school was the first program in Alabama to achieve national accreditation and has remained fully accredited throughout its existence.
- 98% of 2016 B.S.N. graduates achieved employment within six months of graduation.
- The school’s Congregational Health Program maintains relationships with 179 churches throughout Alabama.
- During 2015 and 2016, nursing students and faculty participated in medical missions in Ecuador, Honduras, Haiti, Peru and the United States.

- National licensure and certification pass rates in all programs consistently exceed national averages: 98% NCLEX-RN first-time pass rate for 2015–16; 100% pass rate on Family Nurse Practitioner Certification Exam; 92% National Certification Exam first-time pass rate for nurse anesthesia Class of 2016.
- Ida Moffett School of Nursing received the second largest U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) award nationally to provide grants to graduate students in nursing who plan to teach following graduation (2017).
- From disaster management simulations to inpatient acute care, students participate in extensive clinical experiences in more than 1,320 sites in 37 states.
McWhorter School of Pharmacy

Dean: Michael A. Crouch, Pharm.D., BCPS, FASHP
Established: 1927

Enrollment (Fall 2017): 478 Doctor of Pharmacy students; 101 prepharmacy students

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 #2 among private pharmacy schools in the South and #53 nationally by U.S. News & World Report (2016).
• The pharmacy school received accreditation when first available in 1941 and has remained fully accredited since that time.
• 91% of graduates complete the program of study in four years (2017).
• Graduates have a 94% average first-time pass rate on the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination (NAPLEX; 10-year average).
• Graduates have a 96% average first-time pass rate on the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination (MPJE; 10-year average).
• Twenty-four graduates from the school match annually with an accredited postgraduate year one pharmacy residency (five-year average).
• McWhorter School of Pharmacy has two residency programs—a postgraduate year one (PGY1) community pharmacy residency and a postgraduate year two (PGY2) ambulatory care pharmacy residency.
• The school has formal international affiliations with 12 institutions in 9 countries on four continents including China, Egypt, Japan, Macau, Paraguay, South Korea, Spain, Thailand and United Kingdom.
• Over 75 students travel abroad annually as part of global outreach including mission work, elective courses and advanced pharmacy practice experiences.
• McWhorter School of Pharmacy has 11 pharmacy-specific student organizations, many of which have been recognized nationally.
• Pharmacy students provide over 235,000 hours of community service annually through academic programing, cocurricular activities, student organizations and student involvement in various community initiatives.
• The school is home to the Pharmaceutical Sciences Research Institute, providing an alternative to traditional contract research organizations.
• McWhorter School of Pharmacy is home to the Center for Healthcare Innovation and Patient Outcomes Research (CHIPOR), providing meaningful analyses to assist hospital systems and other health care organizations in improving patient outcomes while reducing costs.

Degrees
B.S., pharmacy studies
Pharm.D.

Joint Degrees
Pharm.D./M.B.A. (Brock School of Business)
Pharm.D./M.P.H. (School of Public Health)
Pharm.D./M.S.H.I. (School of Public Health)
Pharm.D./M.S. in health law and policy (Cumberland School of Law)
Pharm.D./graduate business minor (Brock School of Business)
School of Health Professions

Dean: Alan P. Jung, Ph.D., FACSM
Established: 2013
Enrollment (Fall 2017): 385 undergraduate; 142 graduate

Accreditation: Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) for undergraduate athletic training program
Seeking accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) for new Master of Athletic Training program.

Granted candidacy status from the Council on Academic Accreditation (CAA) for Speech-Language Pathology and the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE).

Council on Academic Accreditation (CAA) has received and approved the official application for the Doctor of Audiology program and the on-campus site visit will be scheduled.

Granted provisional accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (COARC).

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 of Health Professions offers degrees that can prepare graduates for 21 of the top 25 careers listed in U.S. News & World Report’s 100 Best Jobs (2017).
- 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, dentistry and optometry.
- Interprofessional education is an integral component of the curriculum for all majors within the school.
- More than 93% of health professions students who apply to graduate or professional school are accepted.
- More than 90% of School of Health Professions graduates are employed in the field (over the past 10 years).
- 100% of graduate students participated in service learning projects locally, nationally and around the world (2016-17).

Degrees
- B.S., athletic training
- B.S., communication sciences and disorders
- B.S., exercise science
- B.S., health sciences
- B.S., respiratory care
- B.S., sport administration
- B.S., sports medicine
- M.A.T.
- M.S., respiratory care
- M.S., speech language pathology
- D.P.T.

- Over the last 10 years, the undergraduate research program has resulted in more than 100 projects being presented at state, regional, national and international conferences. Nine student projects were published in peer-reviewed journals, and four students have received regional or national research awards.
- 88% of Master of Science in speech language pathology graduates were employed prior to graduation (2017).
- The school will soon add audiology, occupational therapy and physician assistant programs.
- The school offers fast-track, or accelerated, options for the Master of Athletic Training and Doctor of Physical Therapy programs.

*Students participated in service-related course work in nine different countries (2016-17).
*The school offers the only Master of Respiratory Care program in the state of Alabama.
*The school's exercise physiology and body composition labs contain the latest, state-of-the-art equipment for students to apply physiological principles in practice settings.
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### Degrees
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- B.S., communication sciences and disorders
- B.S., exercise science
- B.S., health sciences
- B.S., respiratory care
- B.S., sport administration
- B.S., sports medicine
- M.A.T.
- M.S., respiratory care
- M.S., speech language pathology
- D.P.T.
**School of Public Health**

**Dean:** Keith Elder, Ph.D., M.P.H., M.P.A.

**Established:** 2013

**Enrollment (Fall 2017):** 80 undergraduate; 146 graduate

**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.
- 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 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.
- Nutrition and dietetics students had a 100% first-time pass rate on the Registered Dietitian (RD) certification exam (2015-16).
- Dietetic internship students have the opportunity to earn a Master of Healthcare Administration, Master of Public Health or Master of Science in nutrition while in the program.
- The Department of Social Work offers concentrations in clinical social work and global community development.
- The Master of Social Work program offers significant practice experience through internship programs in more than 120 organizations, locally, nationally and globally.
- Health Informatics and Information Management 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 in the School of Public Health.

**Degrees and Programs**
- B.S., foods and nutrition
- B.S., healthcare administration
- B.S., health information management*
- B.S., nutrition and dietetics
- B.S., public health
- M.H.A.
- M.S.H.I.
- M.P.H., (community public health, public health)
- M.S., nutrition
- M.S.W., (clinical social work, global community development)
- Dietetic internship

**Joint Degrees**
- Dietetic internship/M.P.H.
- Dietetic internship/M.S., nutrition
- Dietetic internship/M.H.A.
- Pharm.D./M.S.H.I. (McWhorter School of Pharmacy)
- Pharm.D./M.P.H. (McWhorter School of Pharmacy)
- M.A.T.S./M.S.W. (Beeson Divinity School)
- M.Div./M.S.W. (Beeson Divinity School)
- M.P.H./D.O. (Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine)
- M.S.W./M.P.H.

*This program is pending SACSCOC approval.
**The MSW program was admitted to accreditation candidacy by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) in June 2015 and is currently pursuing full accreditation. Students who graduate from an MSW program in candidate with CSWE are license eligible in Alabama. Licensing laws vary by state, so it is important to be informed about the licensure requirements of the state in which you plan to practice.
**Samford Athletics**

**Director of Athletics:** Martin Newton  
**Student-athletes:** 356  
**Number of sports:** 17 NCAA Division I varsity sports  
(8 men’s, 9 women’s)  
**Colors:** Red and Navy Blue (PMS 200 Red, PMS 209 Navy Blue)  
**Affiliation:** NCAA Division I  
**Conference:** Southern Conference  
**Number of championships:** 32 championships since joining the league in 2008  

**NCAA Division I Graduation Success Rate (GSR):** Samford’s NCAA graduation success rate for its student-athletes is 97%. Ten of Samford’s team received perfect scores, placing Samford #1 in Alabama and in the top #15 NCAA Division 1 schools in the country (2017).

**Student-athletes named to Southern Conference Academic Honor Roll:** 196 (2016–17)

**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 on-campus spectator events with an approximate annual attendance of 90,000. Samford Athletics also hosts 6,500 youth for summer camps.

**SoCon Championships**

2017 Women’s Indoor Track and Field  
2017 Women’s Outdoor Track and Field  
2016 Women’s Soccer Regular Season  
2016 Women’s Soccer Tournament  
2016 Volleyball Tournament  
2016 Women’s Indoor Track and Field  
2016 Softball Regular-Season Champions  
2016 Softball Tournament Champions  
2015 Soccer Regular-Season Champions  
2015 Women’s Tennis Regular-Season Champions  
2015 Women’s Tennis Tournament Champions  
2015 Men’s Outdoor Track and Field Champions  
2014 Soccer Regular-Season Champions  
2014 Volleyball Tournament Champions  
2014 Women’s Outdoor Track and Field Champions  
2014 Men’s Outdoor Track and Field Champions  
2013 Men’s Tennis Tournament Champions  
2012 Women’s Basketball Tournament Champions  
2012 Volleyball North Division Regular-Season Champions  
2011 Women’s Basketball Tournament Champions  
2011 Men’s Tennis Tournament Champions  
2011 Soccer Regular-Season Champions  
2011 Soccer Tournament Champions  
2011 Volleyball North Division Regular-Season Champions  
2011 Volleyball Tournament Champions  
2010 Women’s Cross Country Champions  
2009 Volleyball North Division Regular-Season Champions  
2009 Women’s Cross Country Champions  
2008 Volleyball North Division Regular-Season Champions