

Supportive Community

These degree programs are rigorous, but Samford's close-knit community enables you to learn and grow. Students research, study, and volunteer together inside and outside the classroom.



Strong Reputation

Nationally recognized and accredited, our programs set you apart from the competition.

The U.S. Department of Education recognized the Department of Curriculum and Instruction as one of the top four effective teacher preparation programs in the nation.



Samford is accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education [NCATE].



The National Council on Family Relations recognizes Samford as a Certified Family Life Educator-approved program, which allows graduates to apply for the CFLE designation with an abbreviated application process.



ORLEAN BULLARD BEESON SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

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#3

in the South for Regional Universities
–U.S. News & World Report

#4

in the South for Best Undergraduate Teaching
–U.S. News & World Report

98%

of May 2013 graduates were employed or enrolled in graduate school within seven months

NATIONALLY RANKED 2014

by *Kiplinger's Personal Finance*, *Forbes* and *The Princeton Review*

10 Colleges and Schools

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

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

Visit Samford

Maybe you just want a feel for campus. Or maybe you want to sit in a class, eat in the caf, meet a professor and stay in a residence hall. Either way, we invite you to experience Samford for yourself. To make a reservation, go to www.samford.edu/visits or call 205-SAMFORD (726-3673).

Apply to Samford

Ready to start your application? Go to www.samford.edu/apply.

Application Checklist

- Application THE COMMON APPLICATION
- Essay
- Official test scores
- Official high school transcripts
- Academic recommendation

Application Deadlines

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| Aug. 1 | Dec. 15 | March 15 |
| Application available | Merit Scholarship Deadline | Non-merit Scholarship Deadline |

Contact us:

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Graduate Programs

Take your education to the next level with Samford's graduate programs. In just five years, students can earn their undergraduate AND graduate degrees in Early Childhood/Elementary Education or Secondary Education.

- M.S.E., Elementary Education
- M.S.E., Gifted Certification
- M.S.E., Instructional Leadership
- M.S.E., Educational Leadership: Policy, Organizations and Leadership
- 5th-year Alternative Graduate Program in Early Childhood/Elementary Education
- 5th-year Nontraditional Master's in Secondary Education
- Ed.S., Teacher Leader
- Ed.S., Instructional Leader
- Ed.D., Educational Leadership





The Front Lines of Change

Students in Orlean Bullard Beeson School of Education change lives every day. In the classroom or in the community, our students and graduates are on the front lines, making a difference for children and families. These are not jobs for the faint of heart. It takes passion, courage and stamina. With real-world experience, a supportive community and a strong reputation, Samford prepares you to conquer the challenges you'll face every day.

- Curriculum and Instruction
- Human Development and Family Life Education

"Teachers work tirelessly to educate, mentor and develop the future of our nation. Our job is vital to the success of our nation, yet is rarely noticed by the majority of the population. Being an educator is a great honor and responsibility, one that I am glad to call my own."

Aaron Conner, senior, curriculum and instruction

Lead in the Classroom

Curriculum and Instruction

Students may be in your classroom for only one year, but your actions can shape the rest of their lives. At Samford, we prepare you to take on this responsibility. With over 1,000 clinical hours prior to student teaching, our students feel at home when they enter the classroom their junior year.

Majors and Concentrations

- 1 degree = 4 certifications
 - Early Childhood Education
 - Early Childhood Special Education
 - Elementary Education
 - Elementary Collaborative Education (3 years-6th grade)
- Secondary Education (6th-12th grade)
 - English Language Arts
 - General Social Studies
 - History
 - Math
 - World Languages (6th-12th grade or P-12th grade) French, German and Spanish
- Elementary Education with a concentration in Christian Education and Missions
- Music Education (P-12th grade) instrumental, choral



"Educators have the responsibility of preparing every other profession. Teachers have an enormous responsibility to prepare the future professionals and leaders of the world. If we fail, society fails."

Mandy Stanley, '14, curriculum and instruction, National Student Teacher of the Year

Lead in the Community

"The human development and family science major is an intersection of psychology, sociology and individual development that pushes students to explore a variety of different career options. What you learn in this program helps you in whatever personal and professional endeavors you choose."

Katrina Brown '13, works with families and students at Academy Charter Schools, Harlem, N.Y.



Human Development and Family Life Education

Being on the front lines means being an advocate. In this profession, you serve families during difficult and life-altering times. You have the power to impact lives for the better.

Possible Career Options*

- Adoption Case Worker
- Community-based Social Services
- Child Development Education
- Counseling
- Elder Care Services
- Family Intervention/Education
- Family Law Practitioner
- Government and Public Policy
- Occupational and Speech Therapy
- Youth/Teen Services
- Child Life Specialist
- Social Work

*Advanced education may be necessary for some careers.

Majors and Concentrations

- **Human Development and Family Science degree**
 - Child Development Education concentration** prepares students for work in early childhood settings as teachers and/or administrators.
 - Child Life concentration** interests students who desire to work in a medical setting to provide emotional support and coping strategies for children and families.
 - Gerontology concentration** prepares students to provide services and research for those in the later stages of life.
- **3+3 Law** is an accelerated law-degree program with three years of Samford undergraduate study and three years at Samford's Cumberland School of Law. This program works particularly well for those interested in family law and policy issues.

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only program in Alabama offering four certifications in one program

100%

job placement within 3 months of graduation for May 2014 graduates

100%

pass rate on national Praxis II licensure tests

#1

recipient of the Outstanding Undergraduate Paper Award from the National Council on Family Relations for three consecutive years

100%

of human development and family life education students conduct original research projects

216

hours of community service performed by human development and family life education students

490

hours of student teaching

1,000

clinical hours before student teaching

Hands-on Opportunities

Avondale Elementary School
The Bell Center
Birmingham Crisis Center
Birmingham YMCA
Children's Hospital
Crisis Line
The Exceptional Foundation

Family Court
Hand-in-Hand
Homewood High School
IMPACT Family Counseling
Lakeshore Foundation
Lifeline Children's Services
Lovely Center

Mitchell's Place
Mountain Brook Elementary School
Sav-A-Life
Shades Valley High School
Special Equestrians
Tarrant Elementary School
Trace Crossings Elementary School

