



THE samford parent

At some point this past year, you have probably asked yourself, “How on earth is it possible that my child is headed to college?” Surely, you’ve heard it at least a million times from those who punched the parent time clock before you: “It goes by so fast!” And yet, here you are now, wishing you could turn back the hands of time and asking yourself, “Where did the time go?”

Once your son or daughter is immersed in Samford life, they will become accustomed to organizing their day by the clock tower and the carillon bells that chime every 15 minutes. Before you know it, they will be asking the same question: “Where did the time go?” We only have them here at Samford a short time, but even the layout of our campus reminds students of a greater plan that God has for them.

Samford’s bell tower symbol has been used in the school’s primary logo in several forms over the last three decades. It is a symbol of time-honored tradition and scholarly excellence. The symbol is a simplified representation of the bell tower atop the library. The hands on the clock inside the logo are set at 6:05 to reflect the verse engraved on the front gates of our beautiful campus taken from Deuteronomy 6:5 and Mark 12:30-31: “Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind: and thy neighbor as thyself.”

Time may be a thief, but it can never steal the love you have for your children. Now you are entrusting your sons and daughters to Samford University to teach and guide them over the next four years. Everyone in the Samford community commits to do all within our ability to help them reach their full potential and eternal calling. It is our privilege to partner with you in raising the next generation of Samford women and men.

Alongside,

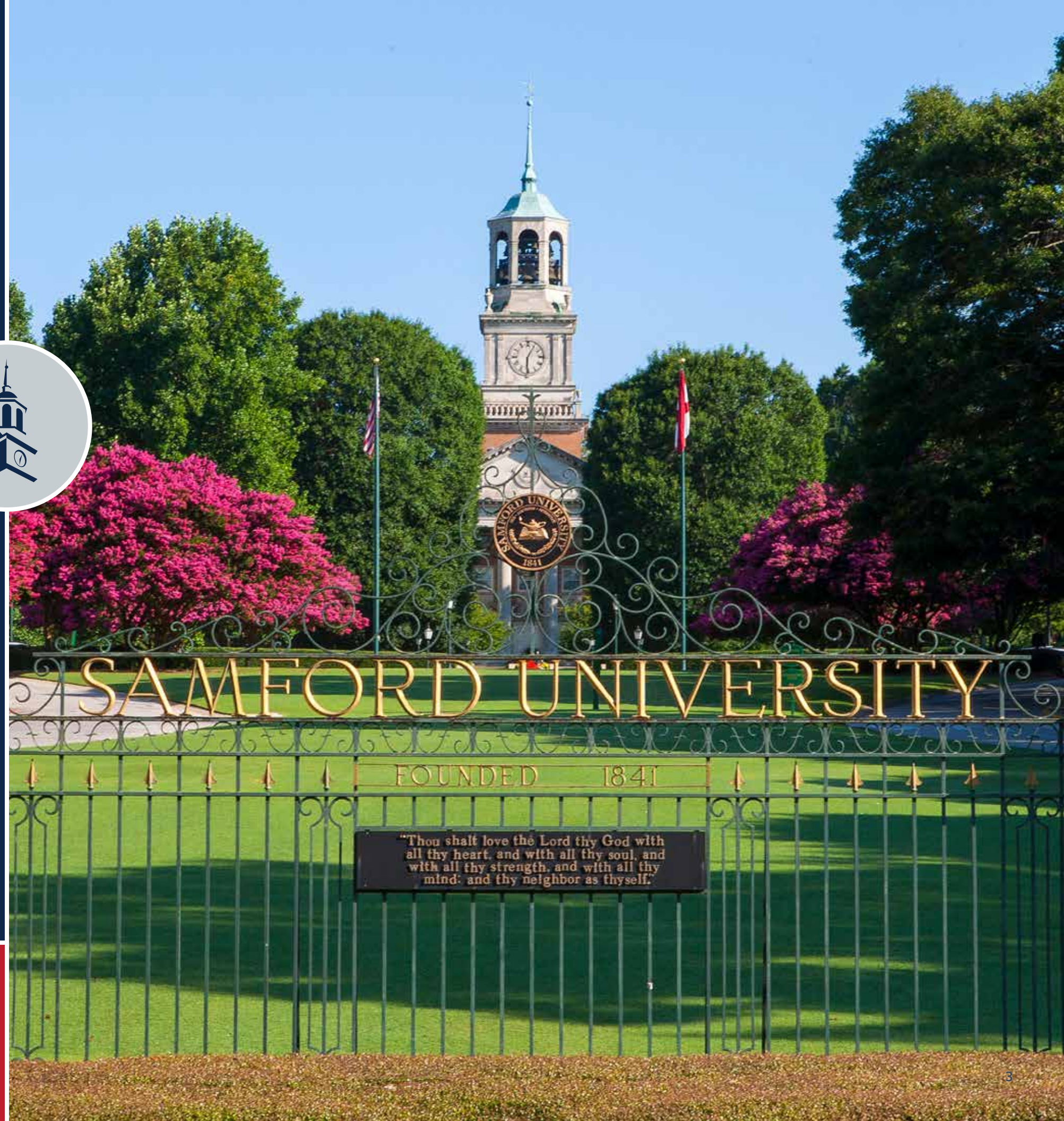


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**Dates are subject to change.*

JULY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		Priority processing deadline for financial aid materials 1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	Payment plan enrollment opens for fall 2025 plans 16	17	18	19
Nashville Regional Welcome Party 20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Atlanta Regional Welcome Party 27	Greek Life Zoom Call for Parents: IFC Recruitment 101 28	Greek Life Zoom Call for Parents: Panhellenic Recruitment 101 29	30	31		

Dates are subject to change. To see a full university calendar of events, visit samford.edu/events.



THINGS TO DO

- ❑ Connect with other students and families at a Regional Welcome Party, hosted by the Office of Parent and Family Engagement, or a Samford Send Off, hosted by Samford families. (samford.edu/parents/events)
- ❑ Purchase your Samford Talks Cards and enjoy conversation around the family dinner table.
- ❑ Remind your student to watch for fall housing assignments, sent via email in mid-July.
- ❑ Secure hotel reservations for Family Weekend.
- ❑ Order a back-to-school gift through the Office of Parent and Family Engagement.
- ❑ Attend a Greek Life Zoom call for parents and learn about the application process, recruitment events and Bid Day.
- ❑ Check out our resource page for recommendations from Birmingham parents to find links for lofting your student’s bed and move-in help.



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TO PURCHASE
SAMFORD TALKS CARDS

PRAYER

Divine Father, I pray for my student who will soon be stepping into a new season on Samford’s campus. I pray you will guide him/her in all the logistics of class enrollment, meeting professors, setting up resources and moving into housing. Surround him/her with friends who will be supportive during this transition. Help us to trust that you go before us, will be with us and never leave or forsake us. Keep us from fear and discouragement. (Deuteronomy 31:8)

AUGUST 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
					1	2
Dallas Regional Welcome Party 3	4	Enrollment window for the five-installment payment plan closes 5	6	Res Life Zoom Call for Parents: Move In Process 7	8	9
10	Initial Fall 2025 Account Statements Posted to the Financial Portal 11	Greek Life Zoom Call for Parents: NPHC Recruitment 101 12	13	14	All eligible full term financial aid will disburse to students' account 15	16
Returning Student Move In 17	Returning Student Move In 18	Move In for Students Attending Bulldog Days VI 19	Returning Student Move In 20 All eligible refunds delivered by direct deposit processed	New Student Move In 21 Introduction to IMPACT	New Student Move In 22 Introduction to IMPACT	Returning Student Move In 23
Returning Student Move In 24 OSSD Welcome Back Your School Your City	Classes Begin 25 Freshman Class Officer and Senator Election Applications & Committee Applications, Freshman Forum Open	University Convocation 26 Sorority 101	Local College Ministry Expo 27 Samford United Student Worship	Student Involvement Fair 28 Meet the Greeks tailgate Samford Football vs. West Georgia at home	Last day to add or drop a fall course(s) without financial penalty 29 Deadline to submit Course Repeat form in semester repeated course is taken	30
Welcome Back Week						
Panhellenic Recruitment 31						

- Other Important Dates:
- Students who have their own health insurance will have until September 15, 2025 to waive out of the Samford health insurance plan. The link to the waiver out can be found at: <https://samford.myahpcare.com/waiver>.
 - Please note: This health insurance requirement is for CHS and international students only.
 - August 29: All eligible refunds delivered by paper check mail today
 - August 29: Freshman Forum application and freshman class officer/senator applications close.

THINGS TO DO

- ☐ Attend the Res Life Zoom call to learn more about what to expect during move in.
- ☐ Make sure your student has added you as an authorized user in his or her financial portal.
- ☐ Student information is restricted by FERPA. Make a plan with your student about how and when they will share academic information with you.
- ☐ Help your student prepare, health wise:
 - Make a plan in case of a medical emergency.
 - Provide a first aid kit to keep in their car and/or dorm.
 - Send copies of health insurance cards.
 - Ensure your student has set up and completed their Med+Proctor account.
 - If your student requires medication, plan to send a month's supply and begin the transfer process to a local Birmingham pharmacy.
- ☐ Remind your student of sorority and fraternity recruitment deadlines. (samford.edu/greeklife)
- ☐ Watch for emails to register for Family Weekend, September 26-28, at samford.edu/parents/family-weekend. Make a note of upcoming deadlines for state t-shirt orders.



MOVE-IN AND CONNECTIONS:

This year, two days have been set aside for new student move in: Thursday August 21, and Friday, August 22. For students attending Bulldog Days in August, move in will be Tuesday, August 19. Students will select a day and time to move in. Upperclassmen will choose from move-in appointments on August 17, 18, 20, 23 or 24.

When you arrive on the day of your student's chosen move in, signage will direct you to know where you may offload your student's belongings and then park. As soon as your student's room is set up, you will want to say goodbye so your student can jump into an amazing college experience. Parent and Family Engagement will have stations set up at Centennial Walk behind the Mr. Beeson statue to allow you to walk through a special goodbye time with your student. After you depart, new students will enjoy Connections, a weekend of activities planned and led by students to help them get acquainted with their classmates, the campus and their new city.

PRAYER

Faithful Lord, I pray that my student will have clear discernment to choose right over wrong. I pray that he/she will shape opinions and choices about life based on Your Word and what is right in Your sight. Lead my student to trust in You with all his/her heart and not lean on human understanding. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

SEPTEMBER 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	Labor Day (University Closed) 1 Parents in Prayer Zoom Call	Payment in full due for those not enrolled in a payment plan 2 Payment Plan enrollment closes for the four-installment payment plan	3	Registration canceled, and classes dropped for incomplete or nonpayment 4 NPHC Greek Speak	5	Samford Football vs. The Citadel at home 6
Panhellenic Recruitment						
Panhellenic Bid Day 7	8	9	Freshman Class Officer and Senator Elections 10	11	IFC Bid Day 12	Samford Football at Baylor 13
IFC Recruitment						
14	15	16	17	18	19	Samford Football at Western Carolina 20
21	22	23	24	25	Samford Abroad Fair 26	Samford Football vs. Furman at home 27
Family Weekend						
28	29	30				

- Other Important Dates:
- September 2: Fall cadre and small group registration opens
 - Monthly account statement emailed to students and authorized users on or around the 10th of each month
 - Installments due for the four & the five installment payment plans the 5th of each month for the duration of the plan
 - September 15 - October 15 is National Hispanic Heritage Month.



September 26-28

SAMFORD STATE FAIR

General information opens in late August at samford.edu/parents/family-weekend. Other information will be emailed to parents and students.

A few highlights of the weekend include...

- Pops with the Prez
- Service Project for Families
- Vespers, featuring A Capella Choir
- Friday Night Dinner on the Quad, Social Taco
- Concert with Lakeshore Commercial Music Band
- Parents Association Annual Meeting and Breakfast
- Tailgate on the Quad (including parent tent, Greek & student org tents, and Rodney Scott's BBQ)
- Bulldog Walk, featuring the Samford football team, cheerleaders, marching band and dance team
- Samford Football vs. Furman

THINGS TO DO

- ❑ Watch for opportunities to celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month, September 15 - October 15.
- ❑ October brings the new pressures of midterms. Encourage your student to get ahead and make appointments with professors to talk about expectations and assignments.
- ❑ Recommend your student has a conversation with their roommate to work out any problem areas before issues arise. Encourage your student to generate his/her own solutions to problems. If help is needed, your student should reach out to his or her resident assistant.

PRAYER

Victorious Father, please give my student a spirit of **THANKFULNESS** and **COMPASSION**. Thank you for instructing us whatever we do, whether in word or deed, to do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father, and as God's chosen people, holy, and dearly loved, to clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.
(Colossians 3:17, 12)

OCTOBER 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4 Samford Football at Mercer
September 15 - October 15 is National Hispanic Heritage Month.						
5	Parents in Prayer Zoom Call	6	7	8	9	10 Midterm grade entry deadline
11						
12	13	14	15	16	17 Graduation application deadline for spring 2026	18 Samford Football at VMI
Fall Break						
19	20	21	22	23	24 Mr. Beeson's Birthday	25 Samford Football vs. Chattanooga at home
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Other Important Dates:

- Study abroad applications open October 17 for May term, summer, and fall 2026 at abroad.samford.edu.
- 2026-2027 FAFSA available - studentaid.gov anticipated on or after October 1, 2025
- Monthly account statement emailed to students and authorized users on or around the 10th of each month
- Installments due for the four & the five installment payment plans the 5th of each month for the duration of the plan
- Mid-October: Registration begins for spring and summer terms (exact dates TBA)



THINGS TO DO

- ☐ Attend Samford Athletics events.
- ☐ Encourage your student to meet with an academic advisor prior to registration for spring semester.
- ☐ Make sure student accounts are up to date to be ready for spring semester registration.
- ☐ Plan ahead! Make hotel reservations for Step Sing weekend.
- ☐ Talk to your student about studying abroad next year. Study abroad applications open this month for May term, summer, and fall 2026, at abroad.samford.edu.
- ☐ Talk to your family about participating in the Samford mission trip. Parents, students, faculty, staff and alumni are invited to join us in this ministry adventure. Find details at samford.edu/parents/service.

PRAYER

God of Peace, please give my student a spirit of CONFIDENCE and CALMNESS. Thank you that we can do all things through Him who gives us strength. Help us not to be anxious about anything, but in everything with prayer, petition and thanksgiving, present our requests to you, and the peace of God which transcends all understanding will guard our hearts and our minds through Christ Jesus.
(Philippians 4:13,6)

NOVEMBER 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	November is Native American Heritage Month					Samford Football at Wofford1
2	Parents in Prayer Zoom Call	3	4	5	6	7
						Samford Football vs. ETSU at home8
				Homecoming		
9	10	11	Deadline to submit pass/fail form for a course being taken in the current semester12	13	14	Samford Football at Austin Peay15
Samford Parents Pack & Pray events in cities around the country16	17	18	19	20	21	Samford Football at Texas A&M22
23	24	25	No Classes26	27	28	29
			Thanksgiving Holiday			
30						

Other Important Dates:

- Study abroad applications are open for May term, summer, and fall 2026 at abroad.samford.edu.
- Monthly account statement emailed to students and authorized users on or around the 10th of each month
- Installments due for the four & the five installment payment plans the 5th of each month for the duration of the plan
- November 12: Last day to withdraw from a fall course OR to completely withdraw from all fall courses without acadmic penalty



THINGS TO DO

- ❑ Add us to your Christmas card list. Mail to: Samford University/Parent and Family Engagement 800 Lakeshore Drive, Birmingham, AL 35229
- ❑ Host or attend a Pack & Pray exam care package party and/or purchase from Parents Association “A Taste of Homewood Before You Head Homeward,” a set of gift cards to area restaurants.
- ❑ Encourage your student to stay active. Campus Rec provides recreational programs and outdoor adventure activities. (samford.edu/campus-recreation)
- ❑ Explore the opportunity to travel with Samford during the Parent Journey to Italy 2026. Watch for details in your monthly newsletter.
- ❑ Plan conversations to have with your student during the Thanksgiving holiday:
 - Study abroad options during his/her collegiate career
 - Spring break plans
 - Summer 2026 internships, mission trips, employment and service opportunities
 - Don’t forget to use your Samford Talks Conversation Cards.

PRAYER

God of Wisdom, please give my student a spirit of TEACHABILITY and DILIGENCE. Thank you that your Word says if a wise man is instructed, he will be wiser still, and if a righteous man is taught, it will be added to his learning. Whatever we do, help us to do it all as working unto you and not unto man. (Proverbs 9:9, Colossians 3:23)

DECEMBER 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	Parents in Prayer Zoom Call	1	2	3 Last day of classes Lighting of the Way Study abroad applications close for May term, summer, and fall 2026	Study Day 5	6
Study Break Snacks, Sponsored by Parents Association 7	8	9	10	Legacy League Christmas Home Tour 11	12	Fall Commencement 13
Final Exams						
Residence Halls Close for Graduating Seniors at 9 a.m. 14	15	Final grades due 16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

- Other Important Dates:
- Students should plan to leave for Christmas break 24 hours after their last exam.
 - Monthly account statement emailed to students and authorized users on or around the 10th of each month
 - Installments due for the four & the five installment payment plans the 5th of each month for the duration of the plan



THINGS TO DO

- ☐ Talk with your emerging adult about expectations you will have for each other during the holidays.
- ☐ During the holiday break, help your student reflect on his/her first semester and assess it honestly.
- ☐ Make a year-end tax deductible gift to the Samford Parents Scholarship. (samford.edu/parents/giving/scholarship)
- ☐ Attend the 2025 Christmas Home Tour, a favorite community event. Find details at samford.edu/legacyleague/events/Christmas-Home-Tour.

From Parents, For Parents:
*A Message From Samford Parents
Pam and Marc Hoppers*



PRAYER

Victorious Father, please give my student a spirit of PURPOSE and SECURITY. Thank you that you help our eyes to look straight ahead and fix our gaze directly on you. Lord, you alone are our portion and our cup; you make our lot secure.
(Proverbs 4:25, Psalm 16:5)

JANUARY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	
				1	2	3	
4	Initial spring 2026 account statements posted to the financial portal All eligible full term financial aid will disburse to students' account	5 Payment Plan enrollment opens for spring 2026 plan	6	7	8 All eligible refunds delivered by direct deposit processed	9	10 Move In for Spring Semester
11 Move In for Spring Semester	12 Classes Begin	13 University Convocation Step Sing Ticket Sales Open to Participants	14	15	16 Last day to add or drop a spring course(s) without financial penalty Deadline to submit course repeat form in semester repeated course is taken	17	
18	19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day (University Closed)	20 Payment in full due for those not enrolled in a payment plan Enrollment window for the four-installment payment plan closes	21	22 Registration canceled, and classes dropped for incomplete or nonpayment	23	24	
25	26	27	28 Step Sing Dress Rehearsal and Samford Student Show	29	30	31	
Step Sing							

Other Important Dates:

- January 16: Step Sing ticket sales open to the public.
- January 20: All eligible refunds delivered by paper check mailed today
- January 20: Spring cadre registration opens.
- Monthly account statement emailed to students and authorized users on or around the 10th of each month
- Installment due on the four installment payment plan on the 5th of each month for the duration of the plan.



THINGS TO DO

- ☐ Purchase tickets to Step Sing this month or livestream a performance and host a watch party. Send your pictures to us for a chance to be featured on our social media accounts: parents@samford.edu.
- ☐ Arrive early to Step Sing to find a good parking place and enjoy dinner in the Caf or food court.
- ☐ Remind your student to keep up with convo credits.
- ☐ Ask your student about spring Greek recruitment options.
- ☐ Encourage your student to visit the Career Development Center. The CDC will prepare students by offering opportunities and workshops leading up to the job and internship fair next month.

PRAYER

Mighty Counselor, please give my student a spirit of DIRECTION and AVAILABILITY. Thank you that whether we turn to the right or the left, You show us the way we should walk. When we hear your voice saying, “Whom shall I send?” help us to respond with, “Me!”
(Isaiah 30:21, 6:8)

FEBRUARY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1 Parents in Prayer Zoom Call	2	3	4	5	6	7
February is Black History Month						
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
FAFSA Priority Filing Deadline 15	Online Family Academy 16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Officer Election Applications Open	23	24	For-Profit Job & Internship Fair 25	Government/ Nonprofit Job & Internship Fair 26 SGA Executive Board, Senator and Class Election Applications Close	Midterm grade entry deadline for all undergraduates 27	28

- Other Important Dates:
- February 26: Collegiate Day of Prayer
 - Monthly account statement emailed to students and authorized users on or around the 10th of each month.
 - Installment due on the four installment payment plan on the 5th of each month for the duration of the plan.



THINGS TO DO

- ☐ Encourage your students to talk with his/her advisor and department chair about eligibility for department and program scholarships.

☐ Ask your student to check his/her email inbox for fall housing information and have a conversation about their plans.
- ☐ Participate in Family Academy, featuring Samford professors, for a glimpse into your student’s academic experience.

☐ Make plans to attend a Family Day basketball game, date TBD.

PRAYER

Merciful Savior, please give my student a spirit of **STRENGTH** and **REST**. Thank you for giving strength to the weary and increasing the power of the weak. Help us to find true rest in you alone, for our hope comes from you.
(Isaiah 40:29, Psalm 62:5)

MARCH 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1 Parents in Prayer Zoom Call	2	3	4	5	6	7
March is Women's History Month and National Reading Month.					Samford Mission Trip to Ecuador	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Spring Break						
15 SGA Executive Board, Senator and Class Election Campaigning Begins Study abroad applications open for spring 2027 at abroad.samford.edu	16	17	18	19	20 Graduation Application Deadline for Fall 2026	21
22 SGA Executive Board, Senator and Class Election Elections	23	24	25	26	27	28 Samford Gives Back
29	30	31				

Other Important Dates:

- Mid-March: Registration begins for fall term (exact dates TBA)
- Monthly account statement emailed to students and authorized users on or around the 10th of each month.
- Installment due on the four installment payment plan on the 5th of each month for the duration of the plan.



Pray for the Samford mission team serving in Ecuador.

THINGS TO DO

- ❑ Remind your student of summer term housing sign-up deadline.
- ❑ Drop an encouraging note in the mail to your student.
- ❑ If your student is trying to decide on a major, encourage him or her to make an appointment with the CDC to meet with a career counselor and take advantage of their resources, including assessments.
- ❑ March is National Reading Month. If you are a Samford parent who has authored a book, please send a signed copy for the Parent Commons' library.
- ❑ Check out the Bulldog Bucket List of things to do with your student when you are in Birmingham. samford.edu/parents/resources.
Tag us in your photos and add #bulldogbucketlist

PRAYER

Supreme God, please give my student a spirit of GIFTEDNESS and WISDOM. Thank you for instructing us that we should use whatever gift you have given us to serve others as faithful stewards of your grace in various forms. Help wisdom to enter our hearts and knowledge to be pleasant to our souls.
(1 Peter 4:10, Proverbs 2:10)

APRIL 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			1 Last day to withdraw from a spring course OR to completely withdraw from ALL spring courses without academic penalty	2	3	4
	Samford observes Asian American/Pacific Islander Heritage Month in April.					
Easter 5	6 Parents in Prayer Zoom Call Easter Monday (University Closed)	7	8	9	10	11
	Lead with Love Week					
Samford Parents Pack & Pray events in cities around the country 12	13 Payment plan enrollment opens for summer 2026 plans	14	15	16	17 Initial summer 2026 account statements posted to the financial portal	18
19	20	21	22	23 Study abroad applications close for spring 2027 at abroad.samford.edu Last Day of Classes	24 Study Day	25
26 Study Break Snacks, Sponsored by Parents Association	27	28	29	30	*Students should plan to move out of the Residence Halls 24 hours after their last exam.	
Final Exams						

Other Important Dates:

- April 1: Deadline to submit Pass/Fail form for a course taken in the current semester (undergraduate only)
- Monthly account statement emailed to students and authorized users on or around the 10th of each month
- Installment due on the four installment payment plan on the 5th of each month for the duration of the plan.
- All eligible financial aid will disburse to students' account on varied dates depending on session enrollment
- All eligible refunds delivered by direct deposit processed on varied dates depending on session enrollment
- All eligible refunds delivered by paper check mailed on varied dates depending on session enrollment



THINGS TO DO

- ☐ Host or attend a Pack & Pray exam care package party and/or purchase a spring exam gift from Parents Association.
- ☐ Check out graduation information at samford.edu/departments/registrar/graduation.
- ☐ Encourage your student to add culture to their college experience by attending a year-end Samford Arts event in Harrison Theatre, the Art Gallery and/or Brock Recital Hall. (samford.edu/arts/events)

PRAYER

Mighty Rock, please give my student a spirit of EMPOWERMENT and PEACE. Thank you that the prayers of the righteous are powerful and effective and he has peace whose mind is stayed on you. Help us to have peace in all things as we pray without ceasing.

(James 5:16, Isaiah 26:3)

MAY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
					1	2
					Commencement Ceremonies	
Residence Halls Close for Graduating Seniors at 9 a.m. 3	May Term Classes Begin 4	Spring Term Final Grades Due 5	Enrollment window for the summer 2026 payment plan closes 6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	Memorial Day (University Closed) 25	26	Last Day of May Term Classes 27	Final Exams 28	29	30



THINGS TO DO

- ☐ Looking ahead: Students receive fall housing assignments via email in mid-July.
- ☐ Don't make major changes at home without informing your student. Keep them in the loop on family decisions.
- ☐ Consider hosting a Samford Send Off this summer. Visit samford.edu/parents/events for details.
- ☐ April 10 is National Sibling Day. Send us a photo of your "Samford siblings" for a chance to be featured on our social media accounts. Email photo to parents@samford.edu.

- May 6: Last day to add or drop a May term course(s)
- May 6: Deadline to submit course repeat form in semester repeated course is taken
- May 11: Last day to withdraw from a May term course OR to withdraw completely from ALL May term courses without academic penalty
- May 11: Deadline to submit pass/fail form for a course being taken in the current term

Other Important Dates:

- June 6: Payment in full due for those not enrolled in a payment plan (for all summer sessions other than the final summer session which is due July 10, 2026)
- June 8: Registration canceled, and classes dropped for incomplete or nonpayment (for all summer sessions other than the final summer session)

PRAYER

Holy Father, please give my student a spirit of RESPECTFULNESS and HUMILITY. Thank you that we will show one another proper respect, love the brotherhood of believers, and fear and honor You, our King. Help us to be completely humble, gentle, patient and bearing with one another in love.
(1 Peter 2:17, Ephesians 4:2)

PARENTS ASSOCIATION

samford.edu/parents/association

Welcome to the Samford family! As your student embarks on this exciting new chapter, we invite you to engage with the **Samford Parents Association**, a community of parents and family members dedicated to supporting both our students and the university.

By partnering with Parents Association, you'll gain access to valuable resources, connections and opportunities to support your student throughout their college experience. With our gifts, we help fund programs that directly enhance student life, including:

- The Samford Parent monthly e-newsletter
- Family Weekend events
- Care packages
- Campus experiences beyond tuition-based programming
- Parents Scholarship Fund
- Family hospitality ministry
- Parent Commons amenities

Whether on campus or from your hometown, there are many ways to engage:

- Annual Association meeting
- Local gatherings
- Parents in Prayer monthly Zoom calls
- Hospitality during move-in and exam week
- Seasonal care package offerings

We invite you to register today and find your place in the **Samford Parents Association**. Your involvement makes a lasting impact, not only on your student but on generations of Samford students to come.

Warmly,

Eric and Sharla

ERIC & SHARLA STAFFORD
(Samford parents Class of '25 and '27)

SAMFORD PARENTS ASSOCIATION CO-CHAIRS



<i>Your partnership provides the following:</i>	Complimentary Partner	Scholastic Partner-\$200 INDIVIDUAL PARTNERSHIP 100% tax-deductible gift	Collegiate Partner-\$500 FAMILY PARTNERSHIP \$400 tax-deductible gift
The Samford Parent Resource Guide and Calendar	Given at Bulldog Days	Given at Bulldog Days	Given at Bulldog Days the First Year and Mailed the Next Three Years
Parent Commons Access	●	●	●
Samford Parent Monthly Newsletter	●	●	●
Parents Association Annual Breakfast Invitation	●	●	●
Local and Regional Event Invitations	●	●	●
One Samford Parent T-Shirt		●	
One Samford Parent Car Decal		●	
One Samford Flag			●
Two Samford Parent Car Decals			●
Two Samford Parent T-shirts			●
Samford Shop Discount Coupon - 20% off one regular-priced, non-textbook item			●
Limited Edition Signature Gift at Joining (Samford University Lands' End Canvas Tote Bag)			●
Samford University Fleece Blanket			●
Annual Invitation to Collegiate Partner Reception in the President's Home, hosted by the President and First Lady, during Step Sing Weekend			●

* Partnership active while student is an enrolled undergraduate



SAMFORD PARENTS ASSOCIATION:

When you give as a Scholastic or Collegiate Partner, you help provide extra care to our students. Some examples include specialty snacks during exams and major events during Family Weekend and Step Sing. Every year during Family Weekend, our partners vote on projects and initiatives that will make a tremendous impact on our campus.



Parents Association has supported the following:

- Students with food insecurities
- Seating in Ben Brown Plaza
- Leadership Samford Day, a retreat for Samford student leaders
- Campus-wide education for student response training and development
- Apologetics speaker for the Office of Spiritual Life
- Bereavement books for students grieving the death of a family member
- Bibles for students
- Drum set for worship services
- Food pantry digital improvements
- Family Weekend service project for hunger relief in Ecuador
- Tailgate tents for student organizations
- Samford Mission Team in the building of a home and church in Ecuador
- The newly-established Student Opportunity to Participate Fund

STUDENT OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE SCHOLARSHIP:

Samford Giving Day is a great opportunity for parents and families to come together in support of a special project during in this campus-wide campaign held in April each year. The Parents Association featured project for Samford Giving Day in 2025 and 2026 is the newly established Student Opportunity to Participate Scholarship. Samford parents are passionate about providing funding for students to have the opportunity to acquire knowledge and skills outside the traditional classroom setting through clubs, organizations, retreats, Step Sing, mission trips, and various other opportunities hosted by the division of Student Affairs. Students can apply for funding and receive awards for a variety of co-curricular learning experiences based on merit and need.



SAMFORD PARENTS SCHOLARSHIP:

This special fund provides a safety net to upperclassmen who encounter unforeseen circumstances that may cause a significant financial burden and interrupt a student's Samford education. Since 2016, the Parents Scholarship has provided support for 22 students in a time of crisis. Parents and friends of Samford are encouraged to give each year during the Parent Scholarship campaign. This endowed scholarship now exceeds 1.5 million thanks to the compassion and generosity of Samford parents.



There are numerous ways to support your student's experience at Samford University including scholarships, academic programs, Legacy League, Student Emergency Assistance Fund, athletics and the arts. For more information on each of these initiatives, visit

samford.edu/giving/where-to-give.



STATE AND REGIONAL PARENT CHAPTERS

When you join the Parents Association, you will begin receiving information about chapters closest to you. If you are interested in helping lead local events in your city or state, please contact parents@samford.edu.

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PARENT PRAYER GUIDE

We invite you to join Samford families around the world in praying for the university through the month. We are blessed by your prayers as we strive to exemplify and promote the Christian mission.

Samford University: 1 to follow Christ's example and to remain true to its mission.	Board of Trustees: 2 for wisdom and discernment as they make decisions.	President Beck Taylor: 3 for health, wisdom and spiritual encouragement.	Vice Presidents and Deans: 4 that they may be good stewards of time, talents and energy as they manage the affairs of the university.	Faculty: 5 that they teach, research and write with a passion for learning.	University Staff: 6 that they offer students encouragement in abundance and find strength in the challenges.	The Office of Spiritual Life: 7 that they plan, lead, and mentor with wisdom and sensitivity.
Small Groups: 8 that student facilitators lead with wisdom and that groups grow in Christ.	Campus Ministry Organizations: 9 that the leaders focus on Christian community and a commitment to global missions.	Area Churches: 10 that their ministries, worship and services enhance the spiritual life of Samford students.	Graduate Programs: 11 that students are equipped and the program grows.	Students: 12 that each grows in knowledge, faith and wisdom.	Student Leaders: 13 that their skills and leadership grow and glorify God.	Global Students: 14 that they find a home on our campus, thrive in this new culture and develop lasting friendships.
Family Life: 15 that the relationships develop and deepen as students transition into adulthood.	Fellow Parents: 16 that God will richly satisfy, renew and give wisdom to all parents.	Office of Student Affairs: 17 that the staff effectively promote community on campus in creative and healthy ways.	Campus Counseling Services: 18 that the counselors help students find peace and solutions to life's difficulties.	Samford Student Organizations: 19 that students find their passions and engage in ways that are honoring to God.	Residence Life: 20 that the staff will make wise decisions for the good of all students.	Athletic Teams: 21 that they represent the university and the Lord in their sports and are protected in their travel and participation.
The Samford Mission Trip: 22 for the team who will go and serve in Ecuador during Spring Break.	Samford's Global Commitment: 23 to have an international reach both education-ally and missionally.	Efforts to Deepen Diversity: 24 that Samford continue to foster community and be a safe and welcoming place for all.	Campus Facilities: 25 that all who live and work here would be good stewards of our facilities and that the Lord would provide for our needs.	School of the Arts Performing Ensembles: 26 that their talents and abilities glorify God and bring joy to audiences.	Media Outlets: 27 that productions and publications would communicate with integrity and honorably represent Samford.	Student Financial Needs: 28 that financial needs would be met and students would grow in stewardship and fiscal responsibility.
Samford Office of Admission: 29 for the counselors as they travel and encouragement as they connect students and families to Samford.	Community Engagement: 30 that Samford Gives Back and community cadres would provide meaningful opportunities for student service.	Samford Alumni: 31 for graduates to represent Samford with honor and to seek the eternal purpose of their profession.				



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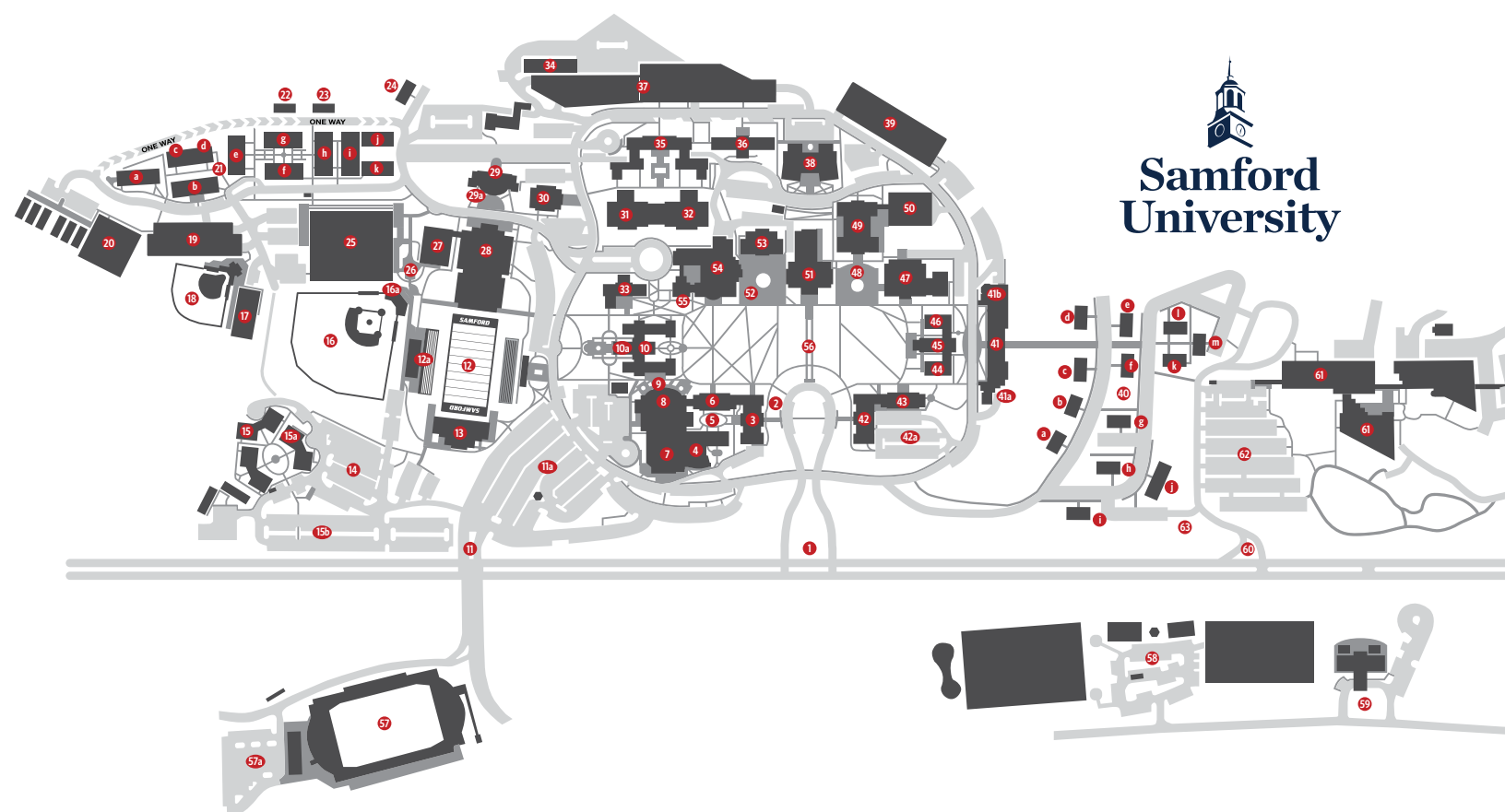
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| 1. Main Gate | e. Phi Mu | f. Chi Omega | 41. William Self Propst Hall |
| 2. Sherman Oak | g. Alpha Delta Pi | h. Zeta Tau Alpha | 41a. Conservatory |
| 3. Frank Park Samford Hall (Administration) | i. Tri Delta | j. Kappa Delta | 41b. Boyd E. Christenberry Planetarium |
| 4. Jane Hollock Brock Hall | k. Alpha Omicron Pi | | 42. Robert I. Ingalls Sr. Hall (Admission) |
| Jane Hollock Brock Recital Hall | 22. Shelburne Lane | | 42a. Ingalls Hall/Russell Hall Parking |
| 5. Hazel P. Boren Courtyard and Garden | 23. Air Force ROTC Detachment | | 43. Thomas D. Russell Hall |
| 6. John H. Buchanan Hall (Arts) | 24. Theta Alpha House | | 44. James Horton Chapman Hall |
| 7. Leslie S. Wright Fine Arts Center | 25. Pete Hanna Center (Athletics) | | 45. A. Hamilton Reid Chapel |
| 8. Bonnie Bolding Swearingen Hall | Thomas E. and Marla H. Corts Arena | | 46. Percy Pratt Burns Hall |
| Benjamin F. Harrison Theatre | 26. Bulldog Spirit Plaza | | 47. Elinor Messer Brooks and Marion Thomas |
| Bolding Studio | 27. Leo E. Bashinsky Field House | | Brooks Hall (Arts and Sciences) |
| Samford Art Gallery | 28. F. Page Seibert Hall | | 48. Martha F. and Albert P. Brewer Plaza |
| 9. Gertha Itasca Earwood Bolding Memorial Garden | Recreation Center | | 49. Memory Leake Robinson Hall (Law) |
| 10. Divinity Hall (Divinity) | 29. Dwight M. and Lucille S. Beeson Alumni Center | | 50. Lucille Stewart Beeson Law Library |
| 10a. Andrew Gerow Hodges Chapel | 29a. Beard Health and Wellness Center | | 51. Harwell G. Davis University Library |
| 11. West Gate Entrance | Samford Cares | | 52. Ben Brown Plaza |
| 11a. Lower Leslie S. Wright Fine Arts Center | University Health Services | | 53. Dwight M. Beeson Hall |
| Parking Lot | 30. Orlean Bullard Beeson Hall (Education) | | 54. Ralph W. Beeson University Center |
| 12. Pete Hanna Stadium | 31. Audrey Lattimore Gaston Residence Hall | | Dining Hall |
| Bobby Bowden Field | 32. Marvin L. Mann Residence Hall | | Samford Shop |
| 12a. Leo E. Bashinsky Press Tower | 33. John D. Pittman Hall | | The Hub (Information Center) |
| 13. Sullivan-Cooney Family Field House | 34. Art Lofts | | 55. Westmoreland Hall |
| 14. South Stadium Parking Lot | 35. Lena Vail Davis Residence Hall | | 56. Centennial Walk/University Quadrangle |
| 15. West Village | 36. Mamie Mell Smith Residence Hall | | 57. Track and Soccer Stadium |
| 15a. Barbara Drummond Thorne Hall | 37. North Parking Deck | | 57a. Track and Soccer Stadium Parking |
| 15b. West Village Parking | Operations and Planning | | 58. Intramural/Recreation Complex |
| 16. Joe Lee Griffin Baseball Field | 38. Cooney Hall (Business) | | 59. Academy of the Arts |
| 16a. Carl E. Miller Jr. Press Box | 39. Northeast Parking Deck | | 60. College of Health Sciences Gate Entrance |
| 17. J. T. Haywood Field House | 40. Beeson Woods Residence Halls | | 61. College of Health Sciences (Health |
| 18. Bulldog Softball Field | a. James Hall | b. Luther Hall | Professions, Nursing, Pharmacy, Public Health) |
| 19. West Parking Deck | c. Malcolm Hall | d. Wesley Hall | 62. College of Health Sciences Parking |
| 20. Pat M. Courington Tennis Center | e. Ralph Hall | f. Orlean Hall | 63. College of Health Sciences Main Campus |
| Darwin E. Hardison Tennis Courts | g. Dwight Hall | h. Lucille Hall | Access |
| 21. West Campus Residence Halls | i. Treetop Hall | j. Evergreen Hall | |
| a. Alpha Tau Omega | k. Rosa Hall | l. Ethel Hall | |
| b. Mountainview | m. Marvin Hall | | |
| c. Pi Kappa Phi | | | |
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