

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH ADMISSION

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SERVICE

In the School of Public Health, we prepare students with the skills and knowledge necessary to deliver exceptional care in a wide variety of settings. As a school, it is essential that we do more than educate professionals. We must put the great depth of knowledge and experience of our faculty, staff and students to work making the lives of people better, here at home and in communities around the world. This is why the College of Health Sciences has created the Center for Faith and Health.

The Center provides a critical link between our academic programs and the communities we serve. Within the Center, we have collected all of our outreach programs and mission work. It is a model for interdisciplinary collaboration that reflects the growing team orientation of modern health care practice. Learn more about the Center for Faith and Health at samford.edu/healthsciences/center-for-faith-and-health.aspx.



THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

enables you

TO IMPACT THE WORLD

In the School of Public Health, students pursue a variety of disciplines focused on preventing disease and promoting improved health among entire communities and populations. Majors within the School of Public Health are inherently interdisciplinary, with teams of professionals working together to solve some of society's most complex challenges. Areas of study include social work, nutrition and dietetics, foods and nutrition, and public health. We prepare you to pursue your calling as a health care advocate or researcher in the private or public sector, armed with the expertise and practical knowledge required to significantly impact our world.



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ABOUT

The health care industry is in a pivotal time. More than ever, entire professions are required to adapt as forces from all sides are changing the way we deliver health care in this country. Most professions in the health care industry focus on direct patient care, treating and caring for individuals. But in the School of Public Health, we focus on issues that affect the health of entire populations. If you find your calling here, you'll work to address some of the most difficult challenges to human health, from access to health care to violence and the return of infectious diseases.

The problems that affect health and well-being are complex in nature, and their resolution requires professionals to collaborate in an interdisciplinary manner. Consequently, School of Public Health students in every degree program work in collaboration with students in other departments and even other schools, learning to address the increasingly complex needs of the individuals and communities they serve.

In addition to our current programs, we will be adding new undergraduate and graduate degree options in the coming months and years. Future programs include global health, health administration and health informatics - just to name a few. To address the need for interdisciplinary education within the School of Public Health, we will also be offering numerous joint degrees.

DEPARTMENT OF NUTRITION & DIETETICS

Few topics relative to the health care industry generate more discussion, more argument or more passionate interest than nutrition and food. No other topic in health care so profoundly affects the health of the entire human population. The topics and issues relative to food and health vary greatly from country to country and even community to community.

Whether we are looking for more effective ways to feed starving people in famine-ridden countries or battling obesity and diabetes in developed nations, there are an infinite number of opportunities for people called to nutrition and dietetics to make a difference in the lives of individuals and entire populations.

For more than 80 years, we have been preparing students to pursue careers as Registered Dietitians for careers in settings such as hospitals, home health agencies, sports programs, food science and business. Many students also go on to graduate programs. Our graduates pursue any number of interesting paths, all motivated by a larger calling. And while our history is long, our best days are yet to come. If you feel called to a life in nutrition sciences — we are here to help you answer that call!

Degrees & Programs

- Foods & Nutrition (B.S.)
- Nutrition & Dietetics (B.S.)
- Dietetic Internship

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

The Department of Public Health educates students in a variety of multidisciplinary approaches to public health practice and research. In earning your degree, you will explore both quantitative and qualitative aspects of public health at all levels of analysis. The public health major will provide a broad and rigorous sequence of courses in

97% PASS RATE

by Nutrition and Dietetics students on the registered dietitian exam, compared with an 85% national average; and a 91% placement into dietetic internships, compared with a 50% national average

The nutrition program began in 1933.

90
years

MISSION & TRADITION:
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY HAS MORE THAN 90 YEARS OF HISTORY IN HEALTH EDUCATION.



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The Center for Faith & Health is home to all of our outreach programs, mission work and community initiatives; here we put our knowledge into practice to serve communities around the world.



A PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER

As part of Samford University, the College of Health Sciences is part of a dynamic, expanding institution. Samford offers undergraduate, graduate and professional degrees in 10 different schools.

The Department of Nutrition & Dietetics boasts six work stations in its state-of-the-art food labs.

My little brother has Crohn's disease. Growing up together, I saw how nutrition helped restore his quality of life and then enabled him to become a NCAA athlete. So, I went to college with purpose, knowing I would study nutrition. While at Samford, I had the opportunity to work with the strength and conditioning coach of the football team to create the team's first nutrition program. Getting to work with the players as a part of the staff while I was a student was an amazing experience. It convinced me to earn the advanced degrees I would need to answer my calling to sports nutrition. That is one of the best things about Samford. If you have a passion that meets a real need, you will find opportunities here to fulfill your dreams.

ASHLEY DELK '13 - BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NUTRITION & DIETETICS

THE
WORLD
IS BETTER
FOR IT

biostatistics, epidemiology, public health systems, behavior science and environmental health sciences.

The need for public health professionals is overwhelming and growing annually. As a graduate, whether you go on to begin your career or to continue your education, you'll be part of the new generation of public health professionals who are prepared to face the emerging challenges to human health from a population perspective. If you choose to enter the job market directly, there are countless opportunities in private and public organizations for masters-trained personnel in public health. These include statewide and regional health care agencies, community clinics focusing on preventive health, water and air quality management districts, biomedical companies, health-education institutions and non-governmental organizations.

The Master of Public Health is online, which allows flexibility to the working professional and students concurrently enrolled in other programs at Samford.

Degree

- Master of Public Health

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

The Samford University Master of Social Work program is a distinctively Christian learning community that prepares graduates for lives of service as social workers. We pursue this mission by emphasizing academic excellence, interdisciplinary collaboration and service to humanity.

In our department, you'll find many exciting learning opportunities, from courses taught by well-trained, articulate social work scholars and practitioners, to field placement opportunities in various fields of practice in local, national and international locations.

You can choose between concentrations in clinical social work or global community development, and you'll also have many opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration with the other professions represented in Samford's College of Health Sciences. We are passionate about preparing you to follow your calling to serve others, no matter what that calling might involve or where it might take you.

Degree

- Master of Social Work