



# SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

The Office of Admission welcomes your application for admission to Samford University and looks forward to assisting you during your college decision process. This packet contains instructions and materials necessary for application. Please complete the application form carefully and according to the directions provided.

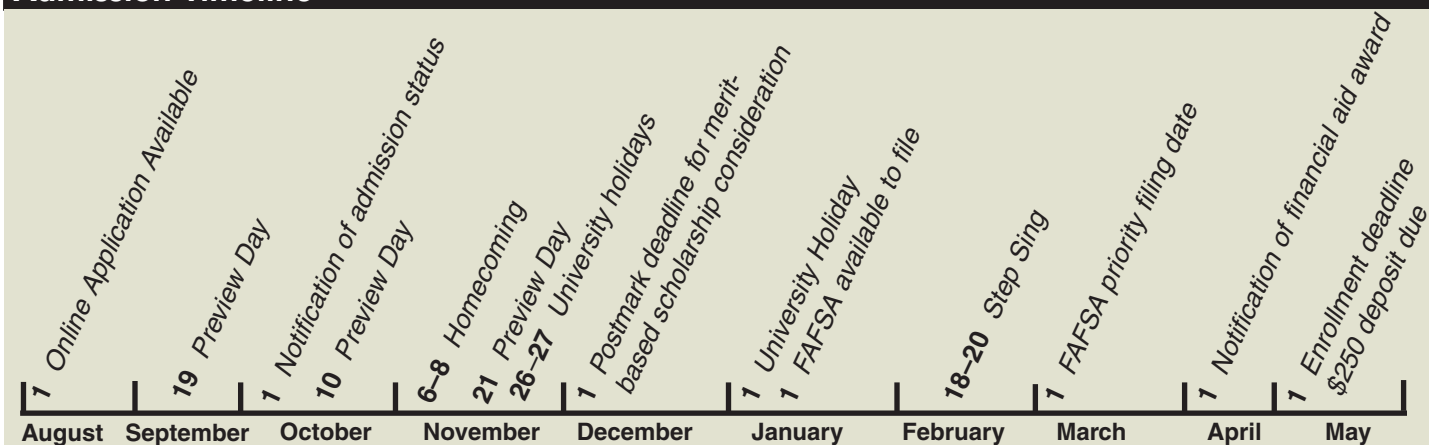
## Application Checklist

- 1) Complete the application
  - Application form
  - \$35 nonrefundable application fee
  - Leadership résumé
  - Personal essay
- 2) Ask the testing agency to send scores directly to Samford
  - Official ACT and/or SAT scores
- 3) Ask your high school to send materials directly to Samford
  - Completed school recommendation form
  - Official high school transcript
- 4) Submit the application
  - Direct all materials to:  
Office of Admission, Samford University, 800 Lakeshore Drive,  
Birmingham, AL 35229
  - Confirm that the testing agency has sent ACT and/or SAT scores
  - Confirm that your high school has sent all materials listed in number 3
- 5) Arrange a campus visit by calling 1-800-888-7218 or go to [samford.edu/admission/visit.html](http://samford.edu/admission/visit.html) (optional)

Samford University uses a monthly rolling admission process beginning October 1. If an e-mail address is provided, you will be notified via e-mail of items missing from your application file (application, personal essay, leadership résumé, list of senior classes, school recommendation, official high school transcript, official ACT and/or SAT scores, and application fee). Receipt of your completed application file also will be acknowledged via e-mail.

Upon completion, the Admission Committee will review the information. Notification will be made by mail by the first of the following month. All freshman candidates with applications postmarked by the December 1 deadline will be considered for merit-based scholarships. No additional form is necessary for merit-based aid.

## Admission Timeline



# SAMFORD UNIVERSITY APPLICATION FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION

Select One:

- Fall Term 20 \_\_\_\_\_
- Spring Term 20 \_\_\_\_\_
- Summer Term 20 \_\_\_\_\_

Select One:

- Freshman
- Transfer
- Less than 24 credit hours
- 24 credit hours or more

Please complete all pages and submit with required documents to:

Office of Admission  
Samford University  
800 Lakeshore Drive  
Birmingham, AL 35229

## Personal Information

Please print or type.

Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Gender\*  Male  Female Birth Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Marital Status\* \_\_\_\_\_  
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Are you Hispanic or Latino\*  Yes  No

What is your race group? (One or more entries are allowed.)  Asian  Black or African American

American Indian/Alaskan Native  Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander  White

Country of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

If you are not a U.S. citizen, please specify your status, including documentation \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Resident Number \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Street/Box Number

City County State Zip

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the names of relatives who have attended Samford University or Howard College:

Name	Relationship
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

\*Samford University complies with applicable laws prohibiting discrimination, including applicable provisions of and amendments to Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, Executive Order 11246, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, or veteran status in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or services.

## Family and Emergency Information

Father's Name Mr./Dr./Rev. \_\_\_\_\_ Living  Yes  No

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Street/Box Number

\_\_\_\_\_ City County State Zip

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name Mrs./Ms./Dr./Rev. \_\_\_\_\_ Living  Yes  No

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Street/Box Number

\_\_\_\_\_ City County State Zip

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

If parents are divorced/separated, with whom do you live? \_\_\_\_\_

Younger Sibling(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Year of High School Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Year of High School Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact if different from parents \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

## College Information

List the names and addresses of all colleges at which you have taken courses for credit. List the most recently attended college first.  
**Please have official transcripts from each institution sent to the Samford University Office of Admission.** Samford will **not** accept any transcripts issued to a student as official. Note: Failure to include a complete educational history will be cause for application dismissal.

College	City	State	Dates Attended	Degree	Enrolled Name
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

## Dual Enrollment Policy and Evaluation Information

College courses taken in a high school setting without external testing (e.g. AP, CLEP, IB) or fulfilling a high school requirement will be treated as dual enrollment credit. Beginning in the 2009–10 academic year, entering freshman may have limited dual enrollment courses considered for transfer credit. Additional college courses taught by a college professor on a college campus or during summer terms may also be considered for transfer credit.

Were any college courses taken in a high school setting without external texting (ex. AP, CLEP, IB) or fulfilling a high school requirement (dual enrollment)?  Yes  No If yes, please attach a list of those courses.

## High School Information

If you have attended more than one high school, please list first the most recent school attended. Official transcripts are required for freshman applicants and for transfer applicants with less than 24 semester hours or 36 quarter hours.

Home School  Yes  No

High School \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

High School Guidance Counselor \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (        ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please request for your official transcript to **be sent directly to Samford from your high school**; transcripts submitted in any other fashion **will not** be considered official.

**Please list your senior year classes.** \_\_\_\_\_

## Official Test Scores

Date(s)  ACT taken/will be taken \_\_\_\_\_  
and/or  
 SAT-I taken/will be taken \_\_\_\_\_

Please request for your official ACT or SAT-I score(s) to **be sent directly to Samford from the testing agency**; scores submitted in any other fashion **will not** be considered official. **Samford Codes: ACT 0016, SAT-I 1302**

If you are a transfer student with less than 24 semester hours or 36 quarter hours and graduated from high school less than five years ago, you are required to submit an official test score.

## Church Information

**If you are a church member or regularly attend church, please provide the following information:**

Denomination \_\_\_\_\_ Church Name \_\_\_\_\_

Minister's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Church Address \_\_\_\_\_

## Leadership Résumé

Please attach to your application a **comprehensive résumé of your leadership activities from grades 9–12**. Please organize your résumé by type of leadership/award (e.g., offices and positions held in school, church and community organizations, memberships, honors, awards, academic achievements and employment). Indicate specific titles of positions held and, where applicable, include brief descriptions of duties (hours per week, expectations, etc.). This information will assist the Office of Admission in reviewing your file for admission and scholarship purposes.

## Personal Essay

Please attach to your application a personal essay reflecting your values, experiences and goals. With these in mind, what role would Samford play in your future? This personal essay helps Samford become acquainted with you as an individual in ways different from courses, grades, test scores and other objective data. In addition, it provides a measure of your writing ability and critical-thinking skills. This personal essay will be used in conjunction with objective data when determining admission status. Your personal essay should have a minimum of 250 words.

## Intended Undergraduate Major Field of Study

Please indicate one primary choice of major/program by marking the appropriate box.

### Howard College of Arts and Sciences

- Asian Studies
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Classics
- Communication Studies
- Computer Science
- Engineering (3–2)
- Engineering Physics
- English
- English (Film Studies Concentration)
- Environmental Science
- French
- Geography
- German
- Greek
- History
- International Relations
- Journalism and Mass Communication (Advertising Concentration)
- Journalism and Mass Communication (Broadcast and Electronic Journalism Concentration)
- Journalism and Mass Communication (Print Journalism Concentration)
- Journalism and Mass Communication (Public Relations Concentration)
- Language and World Trade
- Latin
- Latin American Studies
- Marine Science
- Mathematics
- Philosophy
- Philosophy and Religion
- Physics (Bachelor of Arts)
- Physics (Bachelor of Science)
- Political Science
- Pre dentistry
- Pre-engineering
- Prelaw
- Premedicine
- Pre-optometry
- Preveterinary Medicine
- Psychology
- Public Administration
- Religion
- Religion (Congregational Studies Concentration)
- Sociology
- Spanish
- World Languages and Literature

**Undeclared**

### School of the Arts

- Art Department
- Art (Bachelor of Arts)
  - Art (Bachelor of Science)
  - Graphic Design (Bachelor of Arts)
  - Graphic Design (Bachelor of Science)
- Music Division
- Church Music
  - Instrumental Music Education
  - Instrumental Performance
  - Music (Bachelor of Arts)
  - Music (Bachelor of Science)
  - Organ Performance
  - Piano Performance
  - Piano Performance and Pedagogy
  - Theory/Composition
  - Vocal Performance
  - Vocal/Choral Music Education
- Theatre Department
- Musical Theatre (Bachelor of Fine Arts)
  - Theatre

### Brock School of Business

- Accounting\*
- Economics\*
- Entrepreneurship\*
- Finance\*
- Management\*
- Marketing\*

\*Concentrations in International Business and Social Entrepreneurship are available with any Brock School of Business major

### Orlean Bullard Beeson School of Education and Professional Studies

- Athletic Training (Nonteaching)
- Early Childhood/Elementary/Special Education/Collaborative Education
- English/Language Arts Education
- Exercise Science (Prephysical Therapy)
- Family Studies
- Family Studies (Child Development Education Concentration)
- Fitness and Health Promotion
- History/Social Science Education
- Interior Design
- Nutrition and Dietetics
- Physical Education
- Sports Administration
- Sports Medicine (Premedicine)

### Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing

- Nursing

### McWhorter School of Pharmacy

- Prepharmacy

## Additional Information

Have you ever been expelled or suspended or disciplined by any school, college or university for academic reasons, violation of a conduct code or honor code violations?  Yes  No

Have you ever been arrested, formally accused or convicted of a crime, or pleaded guilty of a crime other than a minor traffic violation for which a fine or forfeiture of \$25 or less was imposed?  Yes  No

If yes to any of the above, explain fully on a separate sheet.

Do you plan to serve as a full-time minister on a church staff or as a career missionary?  Yes  No

Are you applying to other colleges/universities?  Yes  No  Undecided

If yes, to which institutions are you applying?\* \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Where does Samford currently rank among the colleges/universities you are considering?\*  1st  2nd  3rd  Other

How did you first learn about Samford?\* \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate individuals who have encouraged your application to Samford:\*

Parent  Pastor  Guidance Counselor  Samford Alumni  Other \_\_\_\_\_

If I am admitted and pay an enrollment deposit to attend Samford University, I permit the release of my name and address to non-Samford agencies who work closely with the university (local churches, businesses, etc.)  Yes  No

Hometown Newspaper \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

*Please feel free to attach a list of friends who you believe would appreciate learning about Samford. Be sure to include their names, addresses, phone numbers and years of high school graduation.*

\*These questions will not affect your application to Samford University in any way. Though responding to these questions is optional, Samford greatly appreciates your contribution to the university's ongoing research.

## Signature

I certify that all information given in this application is complete and accurate. If I am accepted as a student and enroll, I pledge to uphold the Christian values and code of conduct that are the foundation of Samford University. I will conduct myself in a manner that will reflect positively upon myself, my peers and the university. I consent to the use of my name and photograph in publications of Samford University.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit with the \$35 nonrefundable application fee.  Check  Visa  MasterCard  Discover

Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Cardholder \_\_\_\_\_  
(as it appears on card)

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Code \_\_\_\_\_ Cardholder Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
(three- or four-digit code in signature panel)

Please evaluate the candidate in terms of the following characteristics. Check the single most appropriate box.  
 (In making these ratings, please compare this student with the entire class.)

	Below Average	Average	Good (above average)	Excellent (top 15% this year)	Outstanding (top 5% this year)	No Basis for Judgement
Academic Creativity						
Academic Self-discipline						
Academic Growth Potential						
Leadership						
Warmth of Personality						
Emotional Maturity						
Respect Accorded by Faculty						
Respect Accorded by Peers						

Additional Comments \_\_\_\_\_  
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An academic letter of recommendation also may be attached. If you would like to discuss this candidate further or refer other students to Samford, please contact the admission staff at 1-800-888-7218 or 205-726-3673 (205-SAMFORD).

**Please return this form and an official high school transcript to the Office of Admission, Samford University, 800 Lakeshore Drive, Birmingham, AL 35229.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_  
 School \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Office Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Samford University admits students of any race, color, sex, or national or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges and activities generally accorded or made available to all its students. In accordance with the Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Samford does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, age, disability, or national or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admission policies, employment policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs. Inquiries concerning compliance with these laws and regulations thereunder should be directed to the Vice President for Business Affairs, Samford University, 800 Lakeshore Drive, Birmingham, Alabama 35229.

# SAMFORD UNIVERSITY SCHOOL RECOMMENDATION

This section is to be completed by the applicant.

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**To the applicant:** This form should be sent to the high school counselor, professor, academic adviser or another appropriate school official at the institution that you currently are attending. If you are not currently enrolled at a high school, college or university, the form should be sent to the appropriate person, as indicated above, at the last school attended. Submission of this recommendation indicates the applicant's willingness to waive the right to future access to this form.

**To the person completing this form:** The above student has applied for admission to Samford University. Samford appreciates you providing the information requested below and assures you that it will be held in strict confidence. **Please return this recommendation and an official transcript to Office of Admission, Samford University, 800 Lakeshore Drive, Birmingham, AL 35229.**

This student's cumulative grade point average is \_\_\_\_\_ on a 4.0 scale.

How rigorous has this student's academic program been relative to the opportunities available within your school?

- Please check one:
- Most rigorous
  - Most rigorous in some areas, average or above average in others
  - Average
  - Below average

For high school students only:

Class Size \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable)  
Student Rank / Total Class

Of the applicant's class, approximately \_\_\_\_\_% plan to attend college; \_\_\_\_\_% a four-year college.

Samford University requests the following evaluation of the candidate's academic motivation and promise. If you would like to provide additional comments about the candidate's character, personality or other pertinent factors, please attach a separate page. Please include the student's full name and Social Security Number in all correspondence.

## Ratings

How would you compare the candidate to the candidate's entire class? (Check the single most appropriate box.)

**Below Average**
**Average**
**Good**  
(above average)
**Excellent**  
(top 10% this year)
**Outstanding**  
(one of the top few ever encountered)

Academic Achievement					
Character and Personal Qualities					
Overall					

(please see reverse)

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