

During the summer and Jan terms, housing is limited to students enrolled at Samford University during the term, or to students required to be in residence to participate in University-approved activities. During fall and spring semesters, housing is limited to full-time students or to special needs part-time students. On campus housing is not available to students over 24 years of age, without permission from the Vice President of Student Affairs.

Standards of conduct and expectations of resident students are outlined in this catalog, the housing agreement, and in more detail in the Student Handbook. Students and parents should become familiar with these guidelines and the University disciplinary procedure prior to moving into campus housing. Samford University's residence halls have been declared SMOKE-FREE environments. Smoking is not allowed in any part of the residence hall facility, including the students' rooms. Students may not keep pets in their room, other than small fish in tanks no larger than ten gallons.

Students are expected to show good stewardship of their rooms and furnishings, and to abide by University policies regarding their housing. A system of fees is established for damage to facilities and failure to follow standard procedures for room change. If imposed, these will be placed on the student's account. (See Residence Hall Special Fees and Fines in the Financial Information section of this catalog.)

Samford does not have an open-visitation policy. Guests of the opposite sex are not permitted in student rooms at any time except for specific hours on days that may be designated and approved by the Office of Residence Life. Students may have overnight guests with advance approval of the Residence Manager of their hall.

Community Standards Council (CSC)

The mission of the Community Standards Council (CSC) is to foster and maintain a peaceful and purposeful community within the residence halls. The goal includes educating students in responsibilities and opportunities for community living. The CSC will monitor rule infractions stipulated by the Residence Life Housing Agreement and the Student Handbook. The council consists of seven students.

Samford Information Television Channel

Television channel 36 is the Samford Information Channel. Information regarding the following can be found on this channel: campus events, career development, convocation schedule, emergency announcements, inclement weather announcements, weekly weather forecasts, pool and weight room hours, computer lab hours, and sporting events.

Student Affairs

The Student Affairs Division is comprised of several departments that serve students in a variety of ways. The staff consider themselves to be educators who complement the primary academic program of the University. Whereas the classroom

is the place of instruction for faculty, a residence hall, the Beeson University Center, or similar places are the classrooms of instruction for the student affairs educator. A goal of the staff is to provide quality services and learning opportunities that will assist the student in developing spiritually, intellectually, physically, emotionally, and socially.

Student Government Association

The mission of Samford University Student Government Association (SGA) is to serve, lead, and nurture the Samford University student body through cooperative efforts with faculty members, administrative officials, and community leaders, all while striving to enhance the learning community, to build community partnerships, and to advance the overall condition of the University community.

The Student Government Association is organized into four branches that are responsible for sponsoring the diversity of opportunities for involvement. Each branch is presided over by one of the executive officers. The executive branch is formed by the Student Executive Board and the Executive Advisory Board. The legislative branch is the Senate, which consists of senators and class officers. The senate is divided into committees that oversee the problems and concerns of students. The student activities branch is made up of a council and committees that plan and oversee all major campus activities such as homecoming, Step Sing, Spring Fling, and Speaker Series. The judicial branch is made up of a chief justice and nine other students justices, who help oversee the University values system.

SGA Events on Campus

Students will find a wide variety of events held on the Samford campus provided by the Student Government Association.

Family Weekend

This event is a family reunion held early in the fall semester. Students introduce their parents and relatives to their friends, faculty, and organizations, as well as enjoy quality family entertainment.

Homecoming

Homecoming is a celebration of Samford tradition with such events as spirit rallies, decorative displays, a football game, Homecoming Court elections and presentation, and the Homecoming Ball. The Office of Alumni Affairs and the Student Government Association jointly produce this event-filled activity.

Miss Samford Scholarship Pageant

Samford's pageant is an official Miss Alabama preliminary held for women enrolled at Samford. Women compete for scholarship awards and the opportunity to represent Samford University in the Miss Alabama Pageant. The pageant is planned, organized, and directed by students.

Samford Speakers Series

Founded to facilitate discussion to compliment student learning, Samford Speakers Series provides a forum to address recent, informed perspectives covering a wide range of significant issues. Topics include governmental policy initiatives, the role of religion in society, and community endeavors that promote responsible citizenship.

Spring Fling

This Student Government Association event allows students to manage spring fever through a weekend of fun-filled activities aimed at unifying Samford's campus through service and socialization.

Step Sing

A 52-year tradition, Samford student organizations participate in a music and choreography competition, planned, produced, and performed by students. Step Sing is "the" major Student Government Association event of the year.

