



**Assistant or Associate Professor of Computer Science
Department of Mathematics and Computer Science
(9-month appointment, tenure track)**

August 22, 2024

Samford University's Howard College of Arts and Sciences invites individuals interested in serving in a Christian university environment to apply for the position of Assistant or Associate Professor of Computer Science, beginning August 2025. This tenure-track, full-time faculty position is a 9-month appointment with a twenty-four (24) credit hour per year teaching load.

Qualified candidates will hold a Ph.D. in computer science, computer engineering or related field by the time of appointment. To be considered at the rank of Associate Professor, the candidate must demonstrate a strong record of high-quality publications in peer-reviewed journals and evidence of excellence in teaching and mentoring undergraduate students. Primary responsibilities for the position include: (1) high-quality and engaged teaching across the entire computer science curriculum; (2) maintaining a strong research program involving students; (3) serving the department, university, profession, and community; and (4) supporting Samford's Christian mission. In their application materials, candidates should demonstrate an aptitude for, commitment to, and in the case of candidates at the Associate Professor level, evidence of excellence in each of these items.

The Department of Mathematics and Computer Science has four full-time computer science faculty members and roughly 50 computer science majors. The department offers a major and minor in computer science and collaborates on a minor in bioinformatics and a major in game design and 3D animation. In addition, the department is developing concentrations in the areas of cybersecurity, software engineering, and computer engineering technology; candidates are encouraged to address how their skills, experiences, and interests can support these new concentrations.

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Review of applications will begin August 30, 2024, and applications will be accepted until October 15, 2024. To apply, please email the following items, all as PDF files, to FACAPP@samford.edu with the subject **ATTN: Computer Science Faculty**: (1) application letter; (2) curriculum vitae with names and contact information of three references; (3) description of teaching experience and interests; (4) description of research achievements and plans; (5) the Application for Faculty Position (download from https://www.samford.edu/departments/files/Human_Resources/application-for-faculty-employment.pdf); and (6) the Faculty Applicant Christian Mission Statement (download from <https://www.samford.edu/departments/files/academic-affairs/Faculty-Applicant-Christian-Mission-Statement.docx>).

Salary is dependent upon qualifications and experience. The successful candidate must pass a background check. Applicants must be authorized to work in the United States, as Samford will not sponsor employment visas for this position.

Questions may be addressed to the Chair of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science, Dr. Chad Awtrey (cawtre@samford.edu).

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