



Financial Management Association  
Samford University Chapter  
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**Chapter Officer highlighting the chapter** (please provide a photo):

**How is being part of the chapter at Samford University helping you achieve your career goals?**

Being part of our chapter of FMA is helping me to achieve my career goals by providing opportunities to connect with professionals in a range of fields

**What's the best resource FMA offers you?**

For me and my personal career aspirations to work as a corporate attorney, the financial modeling training available through Wall Street Prep is one of the best resources.

**What leadership skills have you developed as a chapter officer?**

Being in a position of leadership in our chapter has helped me to continue to develop my professional communication skills beyond a classroom setting. Through communicating to the other officers, our advisor, and external speakers, I am learning skills that will prepare me for my first job post-graduation.

**What leadership skill is most helpful in running a chapter?**

One of the most helpful leadership skills in running a chapter is utilizing time management strategies. On Sunday afternoons, I have made it part of my routine to sit down and make a list of all the deadlines I have for the upcoming week including classes, FMA, and other extra curriculars to be sure I schedule time for meeting these deadlines. If you allow yourself enough time to complete tasks, running the chapter should not pose too much of an issue.

**What advice do you have for future finance students?**

The biggest piece of advice I would have for future finance students is to take your first introductory class seriously. Take the time to learn the fundamental principles and concepts where you understand them beyond a test. I promise this will make your upper-level classes so much more enjoyable.

**What local chapter event are you most excited about this year?**

The local chapter event I am most excited about this year is our speaker session in partnership with Beta Alpha Psi. This event will be a great way for students in two separate fields that usually do not have much crossover to connect.

**What local chapter event has been your favorite so far?**

We hosted a few events this past year where speakers from different local banks came to campus. I found it very interesting to hear about the differences in how banks run behind the scenes even though their main purposes are the same to customers.

**Share your best advice for running a successful chapter.**

Stay organized and be invested. The first part speaks for itself and sounds simple, but it is so true. By keeping dates, deadlines, and events in order, it will make running the logistics behind the scenes so much easier. With being invested, I think this is crucial because if potential members see you excited about the group and upcoming events, that energy can translate to them becoming involved themselves, contributing to a successful chapter.

**Your chapter was recognized as a 2021-22 Superior Chapter Award recipient. How does this motivate your chapter moving forward?**

The recognition as a Superior Chapter is so exciting for everyone involved. This motivates us to imagine new creative ways to continue to grow our chapter and to expand our offerings of professional development opportunities.