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## **Application for Arts & Sciences Program for Independent Research Summer 2024**

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In an effort to promote undergraduate research in Arts and Sciences, a few Arts & Sciences Program for Independent Research (ASPIRE) scholarships will be offered to students for the summer of 2024. ASPIRE allows students and faculty to work together on a project that would be difficult to accomplish during the regular academic terms. All awards are for projects to be conducted while in residence at Samford\*. ASPIRE awards are for independent study without academic credit. Awards will be given on a competitive basis after a review by college leadership.

### *Criteria*

1. The research project is clearly described and will contribute to the discipline.
2. The student shows the ability to complete the research project successfully.
3. The faculty member demonstrates interest and expertise in the research area.
4. The student and the faculty member are committed to conducting the project in residence at Samford\*. **A minimum of six weeks** in residence at Samford is required; preference will be given to projects with longer residence times.
5. Unless there is exceptional merit, only one award will be made per academic department.

### *Deadline*

All materials are due by Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> and can be submitted [HERE](#); students and faculty will be notified as to their acceptance by March 29<sup>th</sup>.

### *Final Report*

The student must submit a final report describing the research experience to the Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences by no later than August 16, 2024, and should report all publications and presentations to the Associate Dean.

\*While the preference is for projects that will be completed in residence, others will be considered. Please indicate how the mentoring will be carried out if it is not possible for the project to be carried out in residence. !  
live on campus but simply close enough to have meetings in person.