



# Spring Arbor UNIVERSITY



grow deep roots







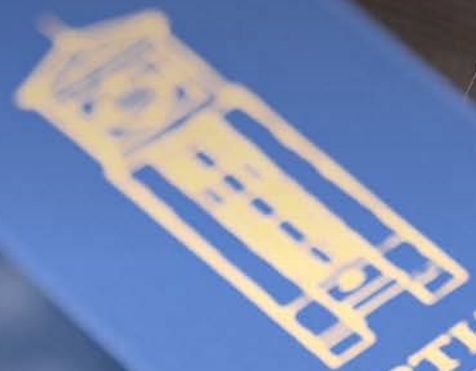


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Grow deep roots in Jesus Christ and our Christian community to thrive in a world of constant change.



# BEGIN YOUR



PARTING  
AT THE  
PLAZA

Spring  
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# JOURNEY

Your time at Spring Arbor University begins with a ribbon cutting ceremony at Parting at the Plaza on Move-In Day, where you'll get a chance to celebrate the start of a new chapter of your life. Then your journey comes full circle with the Cutting of the Ivy ceremony the evening before graduation day, where you get to reflect on all of your hard work and the memories you made during your time at SAU.



A group of young women are shown in profile, facing right, in a church setting. They are singing and praying with their hands raised. The woman in the foreground on the right has her eyes closed and mouth open. The woman in the middle is holding a coffee cup. The woman on the left is wearing a purple hoodie. The background is blurred, showing other people and warm lighting.

# NOT JUST A

“It’s a body of people who have intentionally chosen to come to a Christian campus to deepen their walk with Christ. Being in a place where we have a common goal has been incredible, and meeting people who also desire to serve the Lord in everything they do has been a huge blessing in building relationships.”

— BRIANNA SWEET, SPECIAL EDUCATION, CLASS OF 2024



A young man with dark hair, wearing a black jacket over a blue shirt, is cheering with his mouth open and his right arm raised high. He is in the foreground, slightly out of focus. In the background, other people are visible, including a woman with long brown hair on the left and another person on the right. The setting appears to be an indoor event, possibly a university gathering, with warm lighting.

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# GROW DEEP IN YOUR FAITH

“The fact that Chapel Band is a student-led group was a big draw for me to Spring Arbor. There’s something so cool about not only getting to worship with your peers in this community, but also having the opportunity to lead in that and help create a worshipful atmosphere.”

— LILLI KEEHN, CHRISTIAN MINISTRY MAJOR, CLASS OF 2023





**Our community is bound together by our shared faith in Christ.**

At Spring Arbor University, we are a Christ-centered community — our faith is at the core of everything we do. Twice a week, the student body takes time out of their day to gather together for worship and hear a message from a guest speaker in Chapel. Our speakers come from all over the country and beyond to share a new perspective on the Word of God through their life experiences.

**And Chapel is just the beginning of spiritual life at SAU.**

As a student, you can join one of the many student-led ministries on campus (or start your own!), attend spiritual life retreats and events throughout the year, and participate in Deeper, a late-night Chapel service where students get to share their faith journey with their peers.







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**“SAU has been a great place for me to solidify my beliefs and my faith, and has allowed me to grow in confidence through the community here. Everything that you learn here and everything you get to be a part of is propelling you toward living a life for Christ in a contemporary world.”**

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***Abby Fernihough***

STUDIO ART, CLASS OF 2024



Your experience at SAU will be as extraordinary as you are! Our students take every opportunity to make the most of their free time together — whether attending live performances by internationally recognized musicians, participating in tradition-rich SAU events, or enjoying an intramural game. Simply put, there's something for everyone!

One way to participate in the community at SAU is through extracurricular activities. There are many ways to meet new people and spend time together with friends. Enjoy traditions like Porchfest, Choptoberfest, and Arbor Games, going to athletic events, and being part of student organizations like Student Government Association (SGA) and SAU's Spiritual Life. While you're at SAU, you'll have plenty of opportunities to make the most of your college experience.

# LIVE YOUR BEST

ICE CREAM WITH THE PRESIDENT

NEW STUDENT RETREAT AT MICHINDOH



ARBOR NIGHTS







# LIFE AT SAU



Learn more about our most anticipated campus events at [arbor.edu/SAU-events](https://arbor.edu/SAU-events).







"I found a team at Spring Arbor that not only invested in me as an athlete, but also as a student and a human being. Being on the soccer team allows me to travel the country, build relationships with teammates, and ultimately play the game I love against top-level teams."

— BEN DYKSTRA, MARKETING MAJOR,  
CLASS OF 2023







# WE ARE COUGAR NATION

“Winning is always our goal,  
but never our purpose.”

RYAN COTTINGHAM  
HEAD MEN'S BASKETBALL COACH

## MEN'S

- baseball
- basketball
- bowling
- cross country
- golf
- soccer
- tennis
- track & field

## WOMEN'S

- basketball
- bowling
- cross country
- golf
- soccer
- softball
- tennis
- track & field
- volleyball

**CO-ED** competitive cheer • esports

To find out more about SAU Athletics, visit

***[saucougars.com](http://saucougars.com)***





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**“Playing soccer at SAU has changed the trajectory of my life. It’s given me a loving home where I have been able to gain a new family, learn how to glorify Christ on and off the field, and mature as a person as well as a soccer player.”**

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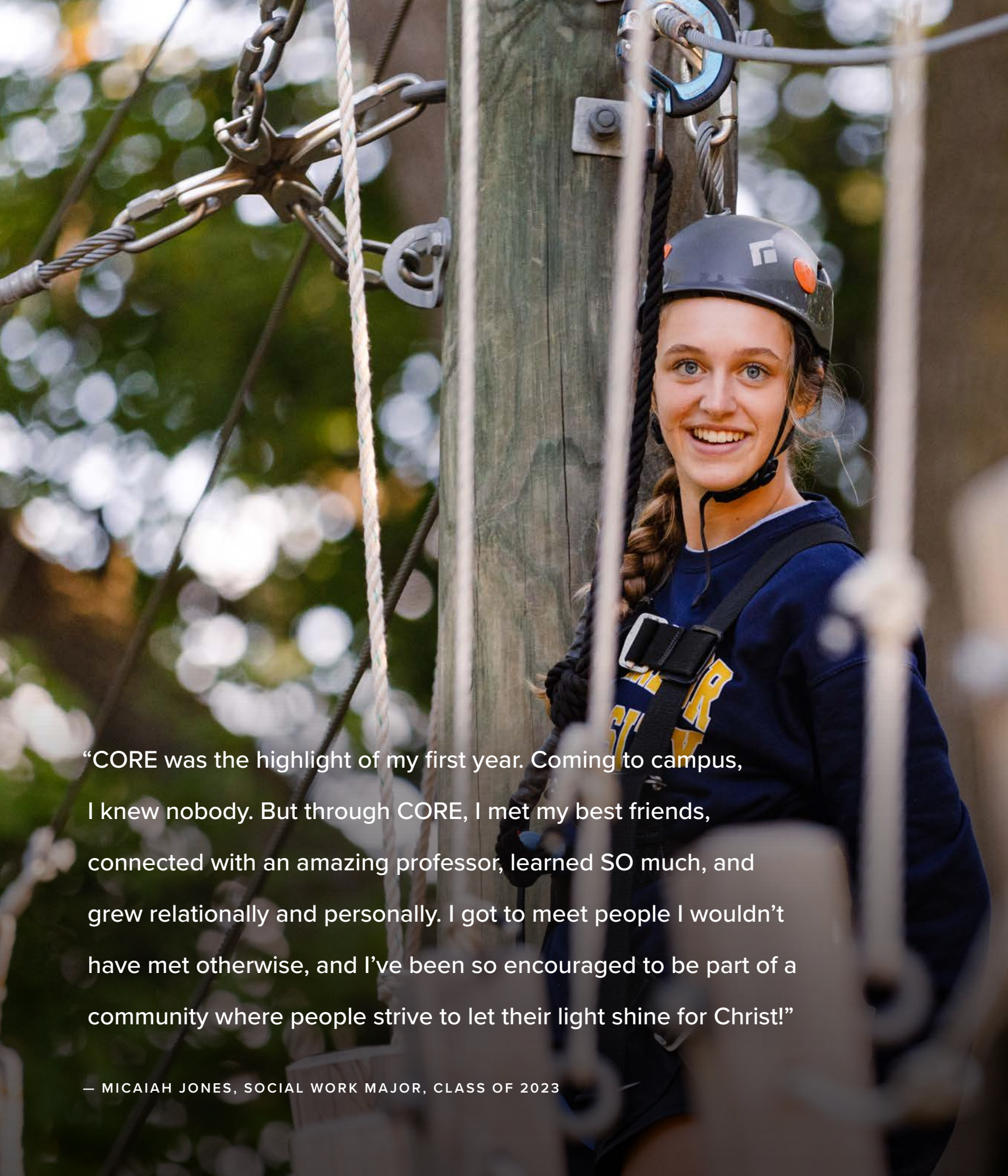
***Francis Kwashie***

FINANCE MAJOR, CLASS OF 2024









“CORE was the highlight of my first year. Coming to campus, I knew nobody. But through CORE, I met my best friends, connected with an amazing professor, learned SO much, and grew relationally and personally. I got to meet people I wouldn’t have met otherwise, and I’ve been so encouraged to be part of a community where people strive to let their light shine for Christ!”

— MICAIAH JONES, SOCIAL WORK MAJOR, CLASS OF 2023





# TAKING YOUR EDUCATION TO NEW HEIGHTS

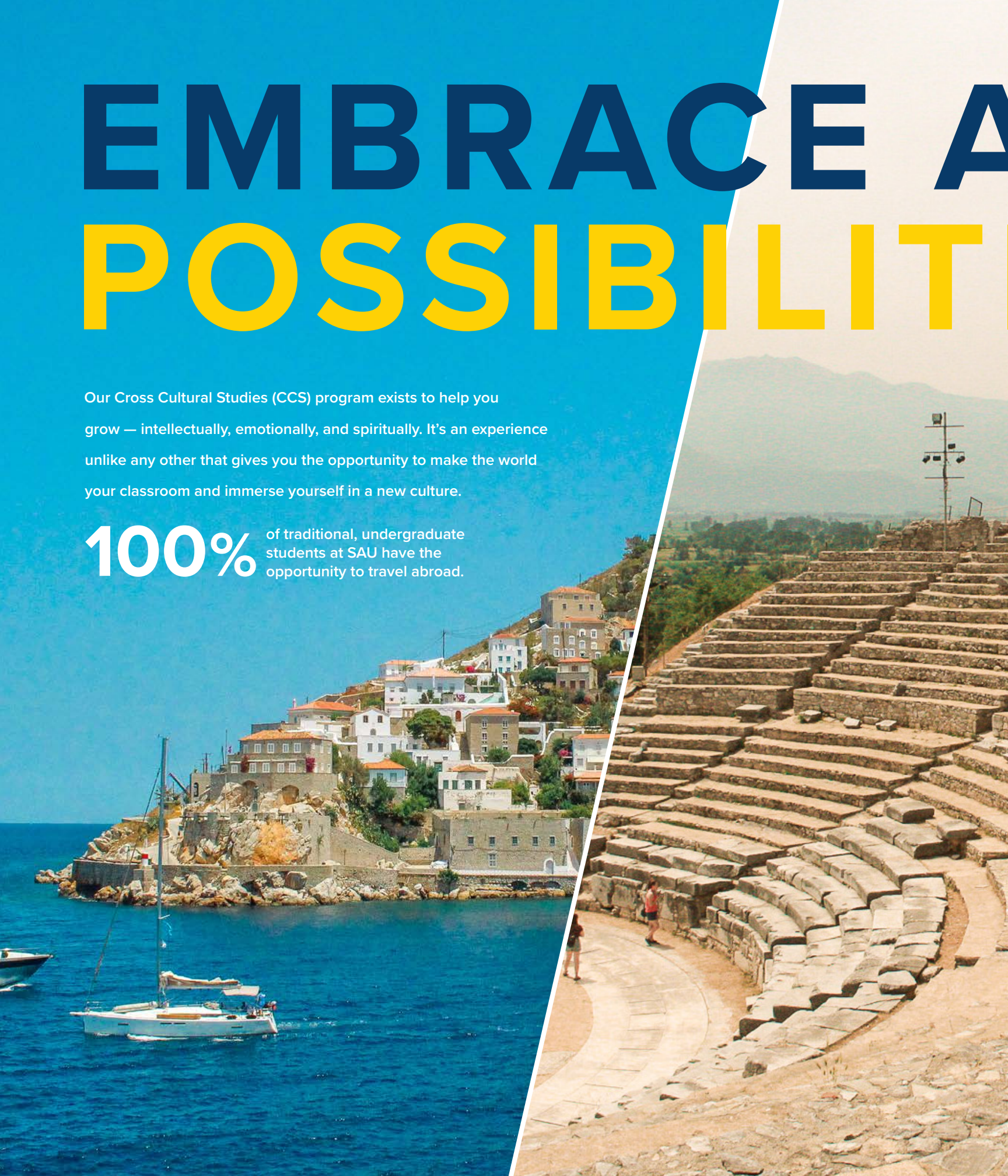
CORE is a series of courses that will guide your education at SAU. Your journey in CORE will lead you to community, out of your comfort zone, around the world, and to life after graduation. One of the first CORE adventures you'll experience is a weekend away at Spring Arbor University's own Camp Michindoh – but this is just the beginning. You'll make memories and friendships throughout your four-year journey to last a lifetime. It all begins with your first day on campus when you meet your first CORE community.



# EMBRACE A POSSIBILITY

Our Cross Cultural Studies (CCS) program exists to help you grow — intellectually, emotionally, and spiritually. It's an experience unlike any other that gives you the opportunity to make the world your classroom and immerse yourself in a new culture.

**100%** of traditional, undergraduate students at SAU have the opportunity to travel abroad.





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For more information about CCS,  
visit [arbor.edu/crosscultural](http://arbor.edu/crosscultural).





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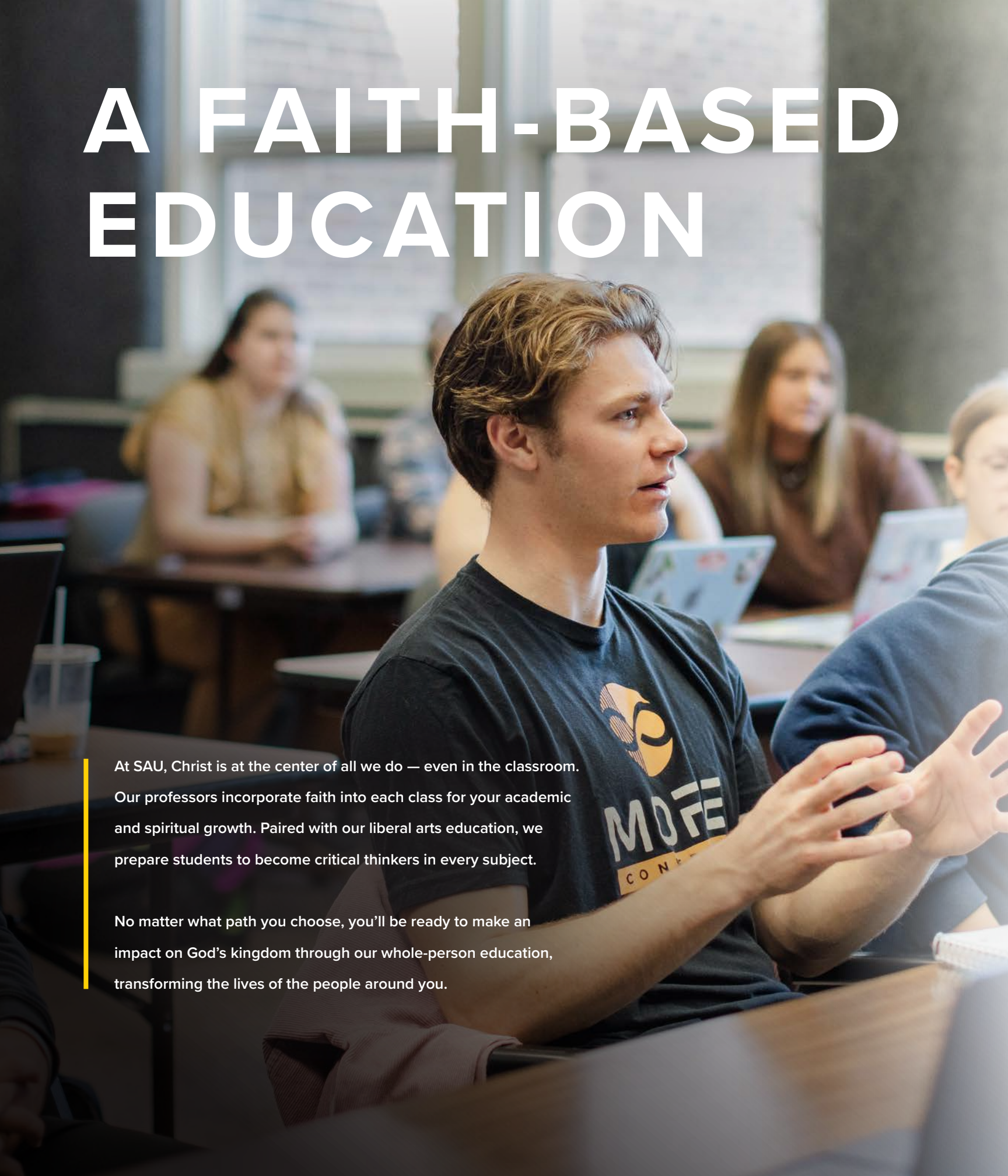


# COMMUNITY

At SAU, our residence halls are more than just a living space for our students; they're a place to build community and relationships with your floormates. There are three main residence halls our new students stay in — Gainey Hall or Lowell Hall for women, and Andrews Hall for men. Each with their own events and traditions, residence halls encourage relationship-building and contribute to our community-centered campus environment.



# A FAITH-BASED EDUCATION

A young man with light brown hair is seated in a classroom, gesturing with his hands as if speaking or explaining something. He is wearing a dark t-shirt with a logo that says "MOFE" and "CONF". In the background, other students are seated at desks, some looking towards the camera and others looking away. The setting appears to be a modern classroom with large windows.

At SAU, Christ is at the center of all we do — even in the classroom. Our professors incorporate faith into each class for your academic and spiritual growth. Paired with our liberal arts education, we prepare students to become critical thinkers in every subject.

No matter what path you choose, you'll be ready to make an impact on God's kingdom through our whole-person education, transforming the lives of the people around you.



# MAJORS

## GAINEY SCHOOL OF BUSINESS



Accounting  
Business Administration  
Data Analytics  
Finance  
Financial Planning  
International Business  
Marketing

## SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION, MEDIA, AND FINE ARTS



Broadcasting  
Commercial Music  
Communication Studies  
Digital Communication &  
Marketing  
Graphic Design  
Music  
Music Education K-12  
Music Ministry Leadership  
Professional Writing  
Studio Art  
Video & Film Production

## SCHOOL OF EDUCATION



Biology Secondary Education  
Chemistry Secondary Education  
Elementary Education  
English Secondary Education  
History Secondary Education  
Integrated Science  
Secondary Education  
Mathematics Secondary Education  
Music Education K-12  
Social Studies Education  
Special Education: Learning

## SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING



Computer & Information Science  
Cybersecurity  
Electrical Engineering  
Mathematics  
Mathematics Secondary Education  
Mechanical Engineering

## SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES



Biblical & Theological Studies  
Christian Ministry  
English  
English Secondary Education  
History  
History Secondary Education  
Philosophy  
Political Science  
Social Studies  
Social Studies Education

## SCHOOL OF NURSING, HEALTH, & SCIENCES



Biochemistry  
Biology  
Biology Secondary Education  
Chemistry  
Chemistry Secondary Education  
Health & Exercise Science  
Integrated Science  
Secondary Education  
Nursing  
Sports Management

## SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES



Criminal Justice  
Psychology  
Social Work



**For a full list of available  
majors and minors, visit  
[arbor.edu/programs](http://arbor.edu/programs).**

Contact your admissions representative for  
more information on individualized majors.



A woman with dark hair in a ponytail, wearing a black V-neck shirt and a necklace, is smiling and looking to her right. She is in a classroom setting with a green chalkboard in the background and other students blurred. The text 'FACULTY INVESTED IN WHO YOU ARE' is overlaid on the image, with 'YOU' in yellow.

# FACULTY INVESTED IN WHO **YOU** ARE

At SAU, our standard of educational excellence starts with intentional relationships. With smaller class sizes than most universities, students and faculty can have one-on-one interactions that facilitate personal, academic, and spiritual growth.





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“In my experience here at SAU, I have been able to create long-lasting relationships with the professors. They care about who I am as a person and not only want me to succeed academically, but outside of the classroom as well! These relationships will be something to cherish even past graduation.”

— BRITTYN NAPPER, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, CLASS OF 2023



Spring Arbor University is the perfect place to call home! Our main campus is located in the safe and quiet community of Spring Arbor, Michigan. Just 15 minutes east of campus is the vibrant, highly Instagrammable city of Jackson, filled with colorful larger-than-life murals, coffee shops, restaurants, and boutique stores.

For those looking to enjoy God's beautiful creation, only steps away from campus is access to the Falling Waters Trail, a 10.5 mile paved trail perfect for running, biking, and walking, which runs directly through Lime Lake, an all-sport lake perfect for fishing, swimming, and kayaking.

And for those looking for even more entertainment options, Jackson County is the crossroads of US-127 and I-94, providing quick and easy access to the larger cities of Lansing, Ann Arbor, and Battle Creek, all reachable in a 35-45 minute drive.

Learn more about the unique and wonderful things to do in Jackson County at [experiencejackson.com](https://experiencejackson.com).





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MORE TO EXPLORE





# AN EDUCATION YOU CAN AFFORD

**\$27k**

Our average financial aid package is over \$27,000 per year.

**15yr**

For the 15th year in a row, U.S. News and World Report's "America's Best Colleges" ranked SAU in the top tier of midwestern regional universities.

**TOP 50**

SAU ranks as one of the 50 Most Affordable Christian Colleges and Universities by Online Christian Colleges

**98%**

of SAU graduates report positive outcomes regarding employment and graduate school.









# COME SEE US FO

The best way to picture your future at SAU is by visiting. Schedule a visit or sign up for a visit event so you can sit in on a class, soak in the beauty of our campus, and see if this is the place you'd like to call home. If you enjoy your visit, you're more than welcome to stay awhile - like four years!



**Sign up for a personalized campus visit  
or visit event at [arbor.edu/visit!](https://arbor.edu/visit!)**





OR YOURSELF!








**HOW BRIGHT IS  
YOUR FUTURE?  
APPLY TODAY!**





Like what you see? We'd love for you to fill out our application — at no cost to you! After you finish your application, one of our extraordinary admissions reps will be ready to work with you one-on-one to see if Spring Arbor University is the best fit for you.

Ready to grow deep roots at SAU? Start your application today at ***arbor.edu/apply***







Spring Arbor University is a community of learners distinguished by our lifelong involvement in the study and application of the liberal arts, total commitment to Jesus Christ as the perspective for learning and critical participation in the contemporary world.



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