



SLU 301 2026 Meet the Team

Hannah Daniel

SLU Programs Completed as a Student: 101 (Orlando), 201, 301 (London, Oxford, Normandy, Paris), 401 (Israel & Jordan)

Years as Staff: SLU 101 San Antonio: 2 years (2017, 2019), SLU 101 Orlando Winter Week: 8 years (2018-2023, 2025-2026), SLU 201: 5 years (2017-2019, 2021-2022), SLU 301: 4 years (2023-2026)

Currently Doing: Hannah serves as Director of Government Relations for World Relief, a Christian humanitarian and refugee organization committed to addressing the world's greatest crises in partnership with the local church. Prior to her time at World Relief, she worked to advocate for public policies that protect life and uphold human dignity at the Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission and World Vision. She is originally from Tennessee, where she studied economics at Union University. She currently lives in Washington, D.C., and is a small group leader at her local church. As a student at SLU, Hannah discovered her passion for advocating on behalf of the most vulnerable. She deeply cares about seeing the Church engage culture and politics with the Gospel and seeing students find their own God-given dreams.

Candi Finch

SLU Programs Completed as a Student: SLU 101, 201, 301 (Israel)

Years as Staff: SLU 101: 1 year (2000), SLU 201: 4 years (2003 – 2006), SLU 301: 17 years (2008 – 2019, 2022 – 2026)

Currently Doing: Candi loves spending her life investing in students for the Kingdom! She serves in her local church in the next-gen ministries with high school girls, and she currently has the joy of working at Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary in Arlington, TN, serving as the Vice President of Student Services, Dean of Women, Associate Dean of the College, Director of Admissions, and Professor of Women's Studies in Theology. She graduated with her B.A. in Interpersonal and Organizational Communication from the University of South Florida (Go Bulls!), her Master of Divinity in Women's Studies from Southwestern Seminary, and her PhD in Systematic Theology and Church History from Southwestern Seminary. Her journey with the Lord has been an adventure—she has been on mission trips both stateside and internationally, worked on a church staff doing girls ministry, served as a seminary professor teaching classes in the US and overseas, and spent several summers working with teenagers both in the US and overseas. Several people invested in Candi's life when she was a new believer in high school, and the impact they had on her reminds her daily of the positive influence we can have on others for Christ. Her secret ambition in life is to compete on Survivor or the Amazing Race because she loves to travel and loves anything competitive! Her group won the 301 bus competition last year, and she plans on taking the title again this year!

Brady Hoffpauir

SLU Programs Completed as an Adult: SLU 101, 201, 301, 401 (Israel, Jordan)

Years as Staff: SLU 201: 1 year (2006); SLU 301: 9 years (2010-2011, 2013-2017, 2019, 2026)

Currently Doing: Brady works as a Senior Project Engineering Manager at Siemens Energy in Charlotte, NC, and is currently leading a team focused on developing the next generation of technologies for gas turbines. He is intentional about developing the leaders around him. He earned his Mechanical Engineering degree from McNeese State University in 1999 and completed his Master of Science in Engineering Management from the University of Central Florida in 2013. He enjoys teaching, photography, backpacking, and adventure. Brady and his wife Nikki of 19 years have two amazing kids, Mackenzie (15) and Tucker (13), as well as a dog, Scout. They look forward to the incredible life that God has for them.

Nikki Hoffpauir

SLU Programs Completed as a Student: SLU 101, 201, 301 (Israel)

Years as Staff: Full-time Staff Member with SLU

Currently Doing: Nikki is currently celebrating 28 years on staff with SLU! She started with SLU in 1998 as an intern and now serves as SLU's Vice President where she oversees operations and program logistics for many aspects of the ministry. Nikki earned her bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary social sciences from Florida State University in 2001 (best school in the ACC) and her Master's in Public Administration from George Washington University in 2004. In between, she took a year to serve with AmeriCorps - teaching in the DC public schools. Nikki is known around the office for her superhero capes, #redbusbestbus, and machete collection, and keeps herself entertained with her favorite hobbies: backpacking, camping, cooking, and playing with her two awesome kids, Mackenzie and Tucker. Nikki is married to her best friend, Brady Hoffpauir, and they are members of Carmel Baptist Church in Charlotte, NC.

Hallie Masters

SLU Programs Completed as a Student: 101 (Orlando), 201, 301, 401

Years as Staff: SLU 101 San Antonio: (2017), SLU 201: 4 years (2017-2019, 2022), SLU 301: 1 year (2026)

Currently Doing: Hallie is currently a fourth-year surgery resident at the University of South Alabama. Hallie is a Georgia native, graduated from the University of Georgia in 2018 and the Medical College of Georgia in 2023. She and her husband, Tye, live in Mobile, AL, and are always looking for opportunities to share their faith, freedom, and leadership skills learned at SLU with those who surround them. As a surgical resident, she practices SLU principles each day and shares her skills and knowledge with upcoming residents and medical students.

Tye Masters

SLU Programs Completed as a Student: 101 (San Antonio), 201, 301, 401

Years as Staff: SLU 101 San Antonio: 2 years (2018-2019), SLU 101 Winter Week: 3 years (2019, 2025-2026), SLU 201: 5 years (2017-2019, 2022, 2024), SLU 301: 3 years (2024-2026)

Currently Doing: Tye lives in Mobile, AL, with his wife Hallie, whom he met in his first year staffing SLU 201 in 2017. He works as a Product Marketing Manager for software companies. In this role he works remotely, but has the pleasure of travelling to speak at conferences and trade shows as well. He loves to volunteer for SLU events whenever he has a chance and is excited to return to SLU as a summer staff member this year! His experience at SLU, both as a student and as a staff member, has had such a significant impact on his personal and professional life and continues to impact how he operates each and every day.

Meiby Nodarse-Toribio

SLU Programs Completed as a Student: 101 (Orlando), 201, 301 (London, Oxford, Normandy, Paris)

Years as Staff: SLU 101 San Antonio: 2 years (2017-2018), SLU 101 Winter Week: 5 years (2018-2021, 2023), SLU 201: 6 years (2017-2019, 2021, 2023-2024), SLU 301: 1 year (2026)

Currently Doing: Meiby currently lives in Stuart, FL, where she works as a licensed clinical mental health counselor and marriage and family therapist for 4KIDS of South Florida, a Christian non-profit foster care agency. Meiby also manages the Training and Development Department that provides domestic and international trauma informed care training to foster and adoptive families as well as churches, schools, and other non-profits. Together with 4KIDS, she shares the vision that the church is the answer to the foster care crisis and is so honored that God allows her to work in a place where she can integrate her faith with ethical clinical practice. Meiby loves her husband and 20-month-old baby boy, Lucas. SLU has tremendously impacted the type of Christ follower, leader, and helper Meiby strives to be.

Tommy McBride

SLU Programs Completed as a Student: 101, 201, 301(Europe), 401 (Mediterranean Cruise)

Years as Staff: SLU 301: 14 years (2007-2010, 2013-2015, 2017-2019, 2022-2024, 2026)

Currently Doing: Tommy is a Reimbursement, Strategy, and Operations Director in the Pharmaceutical industry and owns a digital marketing and consulting firm assisting Christian film makers and non-profits. Tommy graduated from Mississippi College with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration - Accounting. While there, he served as Vice-President of the Accounting Society and was nominated to be a part of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." Tommy lives in Nashville, TN, with his wife Kelly and four children: Londyn, Elijah, Lola and Sam. They are also active members of Longhollow Baptist Church.

George Wall

SLU Programs Completed as a Student: 101 (Orlando) 201, 301 (London, Oxford, Normandy, Paris,) 401 (Israel and Jordan)

Years as Staff: SLU 101 San Antonio: 2 years (2021-2022), SLU 101 Orlando: 1 year (2022), SLU 101 Winter Week: 4 years (2023-2026), SLU 201: 5 years (2021-2025), SLU 301: 1 year (2026)

Currently Doing: George is a native of Americus, Georgia, and graduated from Mercer University with a degree in Finance. He currently works in startup sales, chasing the entrepreneurial dream that SLU ignited. George is pumped to be serving this summer because he knows firsthand the impact Student Leadership University can have on someone's life. From learning how to dream for God's glory in Orlando and D.C., to developing a deeper understanding of sacrifice and calling in Normandy, to walking where Jesus walked in Israel, George has been molded into who he is today through SLU's journey. Besides the practical leadership lessons, his favorite part of SLU is the opportunity to build meaningful, positive, and lasting relationships with other like-minded students and staff. George can't wait to meet all of you and is excited to watch how this week changes your life!

Kenneth Wilder

Years as Staff: SLU 101: 8 years (2005, 2015-2017, 2022-2025), SLU 201: 19 years (2005-2011, 2013 – 2016, 2018-2019, 2021-2026), SLU 301: 10 years (2012, 2016-2019, 2022-2026)

Currently Doing: Kenneth is the Director of Operations with Creegan Group in Orlando, Florida. He is also the Founder of Wilder Connection, a consulting firm specializing in organizational development, leadership, and strategic planning. A graduate of Charleston Southern University with a bachelor's degree in biology and a minor in psychology, Kenneth is passionate about helping people and organizations grow through intentional leadership, strong culture, and strategic execution. Whether coaching leaders, improving organizational performance, or serving real estate clients, his mission is to develop people, strengthen organization, and create lasting impact. Kenneth and his wife, Maisha, have three children: Kaiden, Micah, and Maverick. Guided by his faith and passion for adventure, he believes that the greatest investment we can make is in people.