How to Begin the Educational Diagnostician Program

1. Complete the application for Graduate Studies found at https://www.applytexas.org. You will have a major in Special Education (M.Ed.) with certification as Educational Diagnostician.

2. Complete your writing sample and arrange for letters of reference to be mailed to Graduate Studies, PO Box 2478, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas 77341-2478. See http://www.shsu.edu/~edu_lls/mastersspecialed.htm for instructions.

3. Arrange to take your GRE if needed. (The Educational Diagnostician Program does not require the GRE if your grade point average in your last 60 hours is 3.0 or higher.) Most graduate students who do take the GRE have a combined Verbal + Quantitative GRE score of 800 or better.

4. You should receive a letter of acceptance if you meet the required criteria on http://www.shsu.edu/~edu_lls/mastersspecialed.htm and submit your materials.

5. Consult with faculty in the Special Education Program about which classes to take. For the Spring 2011 Cy Fair/Tomball Cohort, it is SPD 537 on Wed. evening and SPD 568 online.

6. To register go to the SHSU homepage and use the pull-down menu in the upper right hand side for both Class Schedule and Registration. Follow the prompts to register. If you need assistance with registration, contact Ms. Carol Alexander, Graduate Secretary, at calexand@shsu.edu or 936.294.4045.

7. Open your computer account. Log-in to SamWeb from SHSU’s homepage. Enter your SamID, or your SSN and PIN into the “Alternate Login”. NOTE: Your PIN is communicated to you via U.S. mail. If you have not yet received your PIN, you may contact the Helpdesk at (936) 294-1950 to have it reset. Once you login, follow the instructions for “Computer Account Activation”. Be sure to set up your SAM Mail account since instructors use this to communicate with students.

8. If you are taking classes with a cohort, follow the schedule for your cohort. If you are not in a cohort, consult with your assigned faculty advisor. If you need a faculty advisor contact Carol Alexander, Graduate Secretary, at calexand@shsu.edu or 936.294.4045.

Deadlines for application are as follows: Summer 1 is May 15, Summer 2 is June 15, and Fall is August 1. E-mail us if you have questions.

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