why SHSU?

This is a university that thinks big but feels small. With a student population of over 18,000, SHSU prides itself with creating a close community. Current students and alumni alike attest to the warm, supportive environment found all over the SHSU campus. Faculty members are more than professors—they are mentors, advisors, informal tutors, and personal links to great career connections.

Sam Houston State University has something—and then some—for everyone. No matter where you look, you will find ways to have fun, make great friends, enjoy the arts, serve others, and challenge yourself.

An education from Sam Houston State University prepares graduates to be a vital part of the world. It gives them the theoretical and practical knowledge to understand and solve challenges. It equips them with the experience and confidence to become effective leaders. It develops in them a heart for service to their communities. It gives them the tools they need to have an impact—as new graduates and for the rest of their lives.

There are many ways to learn more about Sam Houston State University, but the best way is to come visit campus and experience it for yourself.

The Bachelor of General Studies degree at Sam Houston State University is designed for anyone who has already completed two years of college, but needs flexibility to complete their degree.

Most students in this program are non-traditional students who are already working and would like to advance in their career.
Complete Your Degree

A general studies degree can offer you a competitive edge in your current job by strengthening your critical thinking skills and giving you the tools needed to stand out to your employers. This degree is designed for transfer students and non-traditional students who need a degree tailored to fit their specific interests and career goals. The general studies degree is offered both in a traditional face-to-face classroom and completely online. Our online students find that the flexibility in course scheduling has given them the opportunity to accomplish their academic goals while maintaining their busy lifestyle.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Students may apply for a variety of scholarships by completing the ScholarX online application. Transfer scholarships are available for students who would like to continue their academic career at Sam Houston. SHSU provides a quality education at an affordable cost.

COURSEWORK

The Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) degree is an interdisciplinary degree that allows students to design a curriculum that meets individual goals by connecting three Sam Houston State University minors, a capstone general studies course, the Texas core curriculum, and appropriate supporting elective courses. During the senior year, BGS majors will complete the capstone course (UNIV 4301) in which the student will complete a project that requires the integration of knowledge and ideas from the three areas of study.

The BGS may now be earned as a fully online degree. If you choose to complete your degree online, please note that only a select number of minors are available completely online.

Advising for the BGS degree is available in the Student Advising and Mentoring Center, as well as The Woodlands Center.