I NEED A FLEXIBLE CLASS SCHEDULE

I WANT TO ADVANCE MY CAREER
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.

There are many ways to learn more about Sam Houston State University, but the best way is to experience it for yourself.
Advance your career with a bachelor's degree

Learn about 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.

Apply NOW!

It’s not too late!

Former/Returning Students:
If you are a former SHSU student who did not attend the University within the last year, please submit an Apply Texas Application for undergraduate admission, pay the required application fee, and send all official transcript(s) from all institutions attended since last attending SHSU.

Online Students:
Online undergraduate students apply to the university in the same way as other students. First you apply for admission through ApplyTexas.org, pay your application fee, and then be sure to send official transcripts and test scores to our admissions office.

Transfer Students:
Applicants pursuing a bachelor’s degree with more than 12 hours of college-level credit from a community college or other institution will also apply through ApplyTexas.org, pay the application fee, and submit all official transcripts.

Receive Scholarships

Students may apply for a variety of scholarships by completing the ScholarX online application found at shsu.edu/scholarships. 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.
Earn your Bachelor of General Studies

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.

Explore our Capstone Course

You will complete a variety of projects and written assignments designed to encourage self-analysis of career and intellectual interests in your chosen career field based on the three minors selected. This information will be used to develop a detailed project proposal and complete a final capstone project linking the three minor areas of study of your personalized BGS degree plan with career and intellectual interests. The final written project will consist of research, reviews, and analysis targeted towards a specified audience. A presentation of the project is required.

For more information: shsu.edu/see/generalstudies

REQUIREMENTS

- You must be a junior or senior in good standing with at least a 2.0 overall GPA to declare a BGS major.
- Prior to declaration, you must attend an information session and complete and submit an application.
- You must be a BGS major and have a minimum 2.0 overall GPA to register for UNIV 4301.