why SHSU?

This is a university that thinks big but feels small. With a student population of over 17,000, 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.
History Bachelor’s Degree

History is What You Make It

History is the foundation of almost all academic disciplines. It offers students the chance to develop critical thinking abilities through reading, writing, research, and analysis. Most History majors pursue careers in teaching, museum studies, and records management; the career possibilities are varied, though, with some working in medicine, law, governmental agencies, and business. Program graduates have become teachers, professors, lawyers, consultants, and museum directors, and others have pursued advanced degrees.

SCHOLARSHIPS

All History Department scholarships are arranged by faculty nomination, so students may not apply for them directly. However, students may apply for non-degree specific scholarships by filling out 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

Students wishing to pursue a degree in History have the choice of either a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or a Bachelor of Science (BS). The BA requires History coursework, a foreign language, and a minor. Teaching certification may also be attained with the BA degree.

Students have a variety of areas and topics of study from which to choose, including US History, Latin American History, European History, World History, Military History, African American History, and more.

INTERNSHIPS

Those interested in a museum career have the option of developing an individualized, cooperative internship between the Department of History and the Sam Houston Memorial Museum, located close to campus.

“History never looks like history when you are living through it.”
- John W. Gardner