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.

At Sam Houston State University, we pride ourselves on training great performers with the ability to sing, act, and dance, making our graduates true triple threats.

The BFA in Musical Theatre is designed to meet the specific needs of musical theatre performers in the industry through classes taught by talented instructors with years of experience.
Musical Theatre Bachelor’s Degree

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INTERNSHIPS

Our relationships with many of the Houston area theatres gives our students the opportunity to enjoy working in their discipline while attending school. Currently, we have internships with Theatre Under the Stars, Stages Repertory Theatre, The Classical Theatre Company, and Texas Repertory Theatre. Our students are able to audition for and secure these positions adding valuable credits to their resumes and experiencing hands on training in the business.

COURSEWORK

We recognize the importance the industry places on dance and acting; therefore, we have built strong dance and acting components into the degree plan for Musical Theatre majors. We emphasize ballet and offer courses in jazz, modern, and tap. Our students participate in acting, directing, design, speech, and auditioning classes, as well as Musical Theatre-specific classes such as History of the American Musical, Musical Theatre Workshop, Voice, and majors-only music courses.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Students may apply for Musical Theatre scholarships as well as non-degree specific scholarships by completing the ScholarX application. Departmental scholarship recipients are determined by faculty and staff based on abilities, scholarship, citizenship, grades, potential, and need. Transfer scholarships are also available for students who would like to continue their academic career at SHSU.