Degrees offered through the Department of Theatre & Musical Theatre:

- Musical Theatre with Dance Emphasis, BFA
- Musical Theatre with Music Emphasis, BFA
- Musical Theatre with Theatre Emphasis, BFA
- Theatre with Acting and Directing Emphasis, BFA
- Theatre with Design and Technology Emphasis, BFA
- Theatre with Teaching Certification, BFA
- Minor in Theatre
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.

We have built strong dance and acting components into the degree plan for musical theatre majors due to industry demand. 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 including majors-only music courses.

The musical theatre program at Sam Houston State University will prepare you for a career on stage. Our graduates have appeared in Broadway in The Light in the Piazza, Dirty Rotten Scoundrels, Legally Blonde, Wicked, Hairspray, Fosse, Billy Elliot, Chicago, and Grease; in national tours of Cats, Dreamgirls, Hair, The Drowsy Chaperone, Altar Boyz, Wicked, Oklahoma, and The Producers; and in regional houses like Papermill, The Alley, Theatre Under the Stars, Long Warf, Yale Rep, The Goodman, The Muny, Berkeley Rep, and Apollo Theatre.

Students must audition in order to enter the musical theatre program. Auditions are held in the fall for those wanting to begin the program in the spring and in the spring for those wanting to begin in the fall.

Minor: A minor is not required for this program.

Once accepted, students may apply for relevant scholarships by completing the Scholarships4Kats online application. Transfer scholarships are available for students who would like to continue their academic career at Sam Houston State University.

Our relationships with many of the Houston-area theatres gives our students the opportunity to enjoy working in their discipline while attending school. 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. Internships in arts administration and some areas of technical theatre may also be available.