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.

The new Department of Nursing at Sam Houston State University is on its way to becoming one of the most reputable and state-of-the-art programs in Texas.

The BSN offers you the chance to get in on the ground floor, with small classes and personal attention from professors excited about building a top-notch nursing program.
Nursing Bachelor’s Degree

Impact Lives

Graduates of SHSU’s Department of Nursing have a number of career options. Those wanting personal interaction with patients can pursue staff nursing, rural nursing, clinical nursing, or home health. Others may desire a career in management/administration or policy development. Teaching, health education, and research are additional career options.

Job outlook for registered nurses is forecasted to be excellent over the next few years, with much faster growth than the average for all occupations.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Nursing Program students may apply for applicable scholarships by following the specific instructions for each. Students may also apply for non-degree specific scholarships by filling out the ScholarX application. Transfer scholarships are available for students who would like to continue their academic career at Sam Houston.

ADMISSION

Admission to the Nursing Program at SHSU, an upper level program, requires:

- Application to SHSU (if not enrolled)
- Completion of prerequisites (see website for details)
- Application to the Nursing Program
- All official transcripts
- Overall GPA of 2.5 and a “C” or better in all prerequisite coursework
- Acceptable score on the TEAS V (Test of Essential Academic Skills)
- Two letters of recommendation
- Writing sample

Additionally, nursing students will be required to comply with immunization standards, be AHA CPR certified, have liability and healthcare insurance, complete a background screening, and take drug tests.

Students may be considered pre-nursing until completion of their prerequisites.