Beginning Freshmen

Are You an Beginning Freshman?

Students who have recently graduated or soon will graduate from high school are considered freshmen, even if a student has completed transferable college credit while in high school. If a student is not a recent high school graduate or received a GED but has completed less than 12 transferable credit hours, then that student is also considered a freshman student and should follow the requirements outlined for freshman applicants. If you have completed more than 12 transferable credit hours, please see admission instructions for transfer students.

Steps to Apply for Admission as a Freshman

Step 1: Complete the Online Application for SHSU

Complete an online application through ApplyTexas.org and pay the $45 non-refundable application fee at ApplyTexas. Alternatively, you may pay the application fee directly to SHSU after completing your application through ApplyTexas.org. SHSU will receive your application within 24 hours of submission and after that period of time, you may mail a check to the Undergraduate Admissions Office or pay the application fee to SHSU with a credit or debit card.

- Qualifying students may submit an application fee waiver request (PDF) to SHSU Office of Undergraduate Admissions.

Step 2: Submit Your Transcripts

Contact your high school to send an official transcript to SHSU.

- Mail an official high school transcript to: