MISSION STATEMENT

SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY
INSTITUTIONAL MISSION STATEMENT*

University Mission

Sam Houston State University is a multicultural institution whose mission is to provide excellence by continually improving quality education, scholarship, and service to its students and to appropriate regional, state, national, and international constituencies.

University Goals

- Promote students’ intellectual, social, ethical, and leadership growth.
- Recruit and retain qualified, dedicated faculty and support staff.
- Recruit and retain qualified, motivated students.
- Provide the necessary library and other facilities to support quality instruction, research, and public service.
- Provide an educational environment that encourages systematic inquiry and research.
- Promote and support diversity and provide for equitable opportunities for minorities.
- Offer a wide range of academic studies in preprofessional, baccalaureate, master’s, and doctoral programs.
- Collaborate with other universities, institutions, and constituencies.
- Provide instructional research and public service through distance learning and technology.

History

Sam Houston State University, located in Huntsville, Texas, serves one of the most diverse populations of any educational institution in the state. The university is committed to the development of its creative resources so that it can adapt to the changing educational needs of its constituency while maintaining the highest quality in the traditional curricula. The institution was created by the Texas Legislature in 1879 as Sam Houston Normal Institute to train teachers for the public schools of Texas. During the following four decades, instruction was offered in the natural sciences, agriculture, home economics, manual training, geography, sociology, and foreign languages. The baccalaureate degree was first awarded in 1919.

The next twenty years witnessed rapid and dramatic changes, including a name change to Sam Houston State Teachers College in 1923. Two years later, the college was admitted to membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) as an accredited institution of higher learning. The institution began to expand its programs, and a graduate degree was authorized in 1936, a development which expanded the curriculum from its sole emphasis on teacher training to emphasis on preparation in a variety of fields.

Following World War II, an increase in students and faculty as well as a wide range of faculty-research activities provided impetus for the emergence of a multi-purpose institution. By 1960, about 25 percent of the graduating seniors were receiving degrees in fields other than teaching. Degrees were offered in the social and communication
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sciences; the biological, physical, and soil sciences; business administration; the fine arts; the humanities; and education. A growing emphasis on research allowed faculty to make significant contributions in their fields beyond the classroom, and these activities were accompanied by an increasing diversity in the student body as more out-of-state and foreign students began seeking degrees at Sam Houston. In recognition of these developments, the institution’s name was changed by the Texas Legislature to Sam Houston State College in 1965, and in that year the Texas Legislature established as an integral part of the institution The Institute of Contemporary Corrections and the Behavioral Sciences.

During the following years, there was a rapid increase in the enrollment of students with diversified backgrounds, interests, and aspirations, which necessitated continuous examination of programs, faculty, and facilities. The number of graduate degrees conferred increased significantly in the late 1960s, and the Texas Legislature, recognizing the changes that had taken place during the course of the institution’s history, changed the name of the institution to Sam Houston State University in 1969.

In the decade of the 1970s, 1980s, and 1990s, the University continued to expand its offerings to keep pace with its dynamic environment by adding degree programs at all levels. These additions were accompanied by significant improvement in faculty credentials and growth in faculty research activities.

Currently Sam Houston State University, a member institution in The Texas State University System, is organized academically into five colleges: Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Criminal Justice, Education, and Humanities and Social Sciences. Students are offered an extensive range of bachelor’s and master’s degrees, as well as doctorates in selected areas. The faculty and the university are recognized regionally, nationally, and internationally.

*The Mission Statement for Sam Houston State University was approved, during the four-year cycle, by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, January 27, 2005.
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**Purpose.** The purpose of this catalog is to provide information about the graduate programs of Sam Houston State University to students, prospective students, faculty, and staff of the University. This catalog provides information about many aspects of graduate studies to include admission procedures, services available to students, program curricula, academic procedures and guidelines, and the graduate faculty of the University.

Although every effort has been made to make this catalog as complete and accurate as possible, changes may occur at any time in requirements, deadlines, fees, courses, etc., listed herein. The reader is encouraged to visit the University’s website at www.shsu.edu for changes, additions, and related information.

This catalog was prepared well in advance of its effective date; therefore, the course descriptions are not provided in the nature of a contractual obligation and may vary somewhat from actual course content because of advancements in the discipline, interests of individual professors, or decisions to change the scope of a course.
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December 14 FRIDAY. Residence halls close at 12:00 Noon.

December 15 SATURDAY. TENTATIVE. Commencement, Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum.

December 17 MONDAY. 9:00 a.m. Deadline for filing grades with the Registrar's Office. Fall Semester ends.

NOTE: Students may resign with a "W" grade from the 13th class day through the last class day, but prior to any final exams being taken or course completion.

SPRING SEMESTER 2008 (Approved: December 16, 2005)

Nov. 2007 Advance Registration begins—refer to the Schedule of Classes for details.
January 13 SUNDAY. Residence halls open for occupancy, 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
January 14 MONDAY. Registration for undergraduate and graduate students — refer to Schedule of Classes for details.
January 15 TUESDAY. Registration for undergraduate and graduate students — refer to the Schedule of Classes for details.
January 16 WEDNESDAY. Daytime on-campus classes begin. Late registration. Process class schedule changes. Refer to the Schedule of Classes for details and deadlines. Wednesday Night (WN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).

January 17 THURSDAY. Thursday Night (ThN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
January 18 FRIDAY. Friday Night (FN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
January 21 MONDAY. University Holiday-Martin Luther King day.
January 22 TUESDAY. Tuesday Night (TuN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
January 24 THURSDAY. Last day to register and to process schedule changes. Thursday Night (ThN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
January 28 MONDAY. Monday night (MN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus)
February 1 FRIDAY. Twelfth Class Day. Last day to drop without a "Q" and receive 100% refund. Degree Applications to be filed in Registrar’s Office by students graduating in May 2008.
February 8 FRIDAY. Last day for dropping half-semester courses without grade of F.
March 7 FRIDAY. Half-semester courses end. Last day for dropping Spring Semester courses without grade of F. Last day for resignations without receiving a mark of W. Degree applications to be filed in Registrar’s Office by students graduating in August 2008.
March 7 FRIDAY. Residence halls close at 6 p.m. for spring recess.
March 7 FRIDAY. Submit draft thesis/dissertation to Library for format and style review.
March 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY. Spring recess for students and faculty.
March 16 SUNDAY. Residence halls open at 2:00 p.m.
March 17 MONDAY. Classes resume at 8:00 a.m.
March 21 FRIDAY. Good Friday. Holiday for students and faculty.
April 4 FRIDAY. Last day to complete a public defense of the thesis/dissertation.
April 16 WEDNESDAY. Last day to submit route sheet and complete, defended and signed thesis/dissertation to the appropriate academic dean’s office.
April 18 FRIDAY. Last day to submit final thesis/dissertations (defended and signed) and route sheet to the Library.

April 25 FRIDAY. Last day to make final copies of thesis/dissertation and submit to the NGL for binding. Last day to submit route sheet to the Dean of Graduate Studies.

May 8 THURSDAY. Last class day. Last day to resign (See resignation note below).

May 9 FRIDAY. Final exam study day.

May 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 SATURDAY, SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY. Final examinations (includes Monday Night (MN), Tuesday Night (TuN), Wednesday Night (WN) and Thursday Night (ThN) final examinations).

May 16 FRIDAY. Residence halls close at 12:00 NOON.

May 17 SATURDAY. TENTATIVE. Commencement, Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum.

May 19 MONDAY. 9:00 a.m. Deadline for filing grades with the Registrar’s Office. Spring Semester ends.

NOTE: Students may resign with a “W” grade from the 13th class day through the last class day, but prior to any final exams being taken or course completion.

FIRST SUMMER SESSION 2008
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April 2008 Advance registration begins – refer to schedule of classes for details.

May 30 FRIDAY. Submit draft thesis/dissertation to Library for format and style review.

June 2 MONDAY. Residence halls open for occupancy, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Registration for undergraduate and graduate students – refer to Schedule of classes for details.

June 3 TUESDAY. First Class Day. Late registration. Process class schedule changes. Refer to the Schedule of Classes for details and deadlines. Evening classes begin.

June 4 WEDNESDAY. Last day to register and to process schedule changes.

June 6 FRIDAY. Classes meet.

June 10 TUESDAY. Last day for dropping half-session courses without grade of F.

June 13 FRIDAY. Classes meet.

June 20 FRIDAY. Last day to resign without receiving a mark of W for 10 week courses.

June 27 FRIDAY. Last day to complete a public defense of the thesis/dissertation.

June 30 MONDAY. Last Class Day. Last day for resignations (See resignation note below).

July 1 TUESDAY. Final examinations. Residence halls close at 10 p.m.

July 2 WEDNESDAY. 9:00 a.m. Deadline for filing grades with the Registrar’s Office.

July 4 FRIDAY. University Holiday. First Summer Session ends.

NOTE: Students may resign with a “W” grade from the 4th class day through the last class day, but prior to any final exams being taken or course completion.
SECOND SUMMER SESSION 2008
(Approved: December 16, 2005)

April 2008  Advance Registration begins – refer to Schedule of Classes for details.
July 7  Registration for undergraduate and graduate students – refer to Schedule of classes for details.
July 8  TUESDAY. First Class Day. Late Registration. Process class schedule changes. Refer to the Schedule of Classes for details and deadlines. Evening Classes begin.
July 9  WEDNESDAY. Last day to submit route sheet and complete, defended and signed thesis/dissertation to the appropriate academic dean’s office.
July 10  THURSDAY. Last day to drop without a “Q” and receive 100% refund.
July 11  FRIDAY. Classes meet. Fourth class day.
July 11  FRIDAY. Last day for dropping half session courses without grade of F.
July 11  FRIDAY. Last day to submit final thesis/dissertations (defended and signed) and route sheet to the Library.
July 17  THURSDAY. Half-session courses end. Last day for dropping Second Summer Session courses without grade of F. Last day to resign without receiving a mark of W.
July 18  FRIDAY. Classes meet.
August 1  FRIDAY. Last day to make final copies of thesis/dissertation and submit to the NGL for binding. Last day to submit route sheet to the Dean of Graduate Studies.
August 6  WEDNESDAY. Last Class Day. Last day for resignations (See resignation note below).
August 7  THURSDAY. Final examinations. Residence halls close at 12:00 Noon.
August 9  SATURDAY. Tentative. Commencement, Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum.
August 11  MONDAY. 9:00 a.m. Deadline for filing grades with the Registrar’s Office. Second Summer Sessions ends.

NOTE: Students may resign with a “W” grade from the 4th class day through the last class day, but prior to any final exams being taken or course completion.

FALL SEMESTER 2008
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April 2008  Advance Registration begins refer to Schedule of Classes for details.
August 21  THURSDAY. Residence halls open for occupancy, 11:00 a.m.5:00 p.m.
August 21, 22  THURSDAY, FRIDAY. Registration for undergraduate and graduate students refer to Schedule of Classes for details.
August 25  MONDAY. Daytime on-campus classes begin. Late Registration, process class schedule changes. Refer to the Schedule of Classes for details and deadlines. Monday Night (MN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
August 26  TUESDAY. Tuesday Night (TuN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
August 27  WEDNESDAY. Wednesday Night (WN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
August 28  THURSDAY. Thursday Night (ThN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
August 29  FRIDAY. Friday Night (FN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
August 30  SATURDAY. Saturday classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
September 1  MONDAY. Labor Day. Holiday for students and faculty.
September 2  TUESDAY. Last day to register and to process schedule changes.
September 10  WEDNESDAY. Twelfth Class Day. Last day to drop without a Q and receive 100% refund.
September 10  Degree applications to be filed in Registrar’s Office by students graduating in December 2008.
September 19  FRIDAY. Last day for dropping half-semester courses without grade of F.
October 8  WEDNESDAY. Half semester courses end. Last day to drop Fall Semester courses without grade of F. Last day to resign without receiving a mark of W.
October 10  FRIDAY. Submit draft thesis/dissertation to Library for format and style review.
November 7  FRIDAY. Last day to complete a public defense of the thesis/dissertation.
November 19  WEDNESDAY. Last day to submit route sheet and complete, defended and signed thesis/dissertation to the appropriate academic dean’s office.
November 21  FRIDAY. Last day for Resignations.
November 21  FRIDAY. Last day to submit final thesis/dissertations (defended and signed) and route sheet to the Library.
November 25  TUESDAY. Last day to make final copies of thesis/dissertation and submit to the NGL for binding. Last day to submit route sheet to the Dean of Graduate Studies.
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November 30  SUNDAY. Residence halls open. Time will be posted.
December 1  MONDAY. Classes resume at 8:00 a.m.
December 11  THURSDAY. Last Class Day. Last day for resignations (See Resignation Note Below).
December 12  FRIDAY. Study Day.
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December 19  FRIDAY. Residence halls close at 12:00 Noon.
December 20  SATURDAY. TENTATIVE. Commencement, Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum.
December 22  MONDAY. 9:00 a.m. Deadline for filing grades with the Registrar’s Office. Fall Semester ends.

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SPRING SEMESTER 2009
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November 2008  Advance Registration begins refer to Schedule of Classes for details.
January 08    THURSDAY. Residence halls open for occupancy, 11:00 a.m.5:00 p.m.
January 08    THURSDAY. Registration for undergraduate and graduate students refer to Schedule of Classes for details.
January 09    FRIDAY. Registration for undergraduate and graduate students refer to Schedule of Classes for details.
January 12    MONDAY. Daytime on-campus classes begin. Late Registration. Process class schedule changes. Refer to the Schedule of Classes for details and deadlines. Monday Night (MN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
January 13    TUESDAY. Tuesday night (TuN) classes begin.
January 14    WEDNESDAY. Wednesday Night (WN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
January 15    THURSDAY. Thursday Night (ThN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
January 16    FRIDAY. Friday Night (FN) classes begin (on-campus and off-campus).
January 17    SATURDAY. Saturday classes begin (on-campus and off-campus)
January 19    MONDAY. University Holiday – Martin Luther King Day.
January 20    THURSDAY. Last day to register and to process schedule changes.
January 28    WEDNESDAY. Twelfth Class Day. Last day to drop without a Q and receive 100% refund.
January 28    WEDNESDAY. Degree applications to be filed in Registrar’s Office by students graduating in May 2009.
February 4    WEDNESDAY. Last day for dropping half-semester courses without grade of F.
March 4       WEDNESDAY. Half semester courses end. Last day for dropping Spring Semester courses without grade of F. Last day for resignations without receiving a mark of W.
March 4       WEDNESDAY. Degree applications to be filed in Registrar’s Office by students graduating in August 2009. Submit draft thesis/dissertation to Library for format and style review.
March 6       FRIDAY. Residence halls close at 6 p.m. for spring recess.
March 6       FRIDAY. Submit draft thesis/dissertation to Library for format and style review.
March 9, 10, 11  MONDAY THROUGH SUNDAY. Spring recess for students and faculty.
March 12, 13, 14, 15
March 15    SUNDAY. Residence halls open at 2:00 p.m.
March 16    MONDAY. Classes resume at 8:00 a.m.
March 20    FRIDAY. Good Friday. Holiday for Students and Faculty.
April 3     FRIDAY. Last day to complete a public defense of the thesis/dissertation.
April 15    WEDNESDAY. Last day to submit route sheet and complete, defended and signed thesis/dissertation to the appropriate academic dean’s office.
April 17    FRIDAY. Last day to submit final thesis/dissertation (defended and signed) and route sheet to the Library.
April 24    FRIDAY. Last day to make all final copies of thesis/dissertation and submit to the NGL for binding. Last day to submit route sheet to the Dean of Graduate Studies.
May 7     THURSDAY. Last Class Day. Last day for resignations (See Resignation Note Below).
May 8       FRIDAY. Final Exam Study Day.
May 11, 12, 13, 14 MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY. Final examinations [includes Monday Night (MN), Tuesday Night (TuN), Wednesday Night (WN) and Thursday Night (THN) final examinations].
May 15       FRIDAY. Residence halls close at 12:00 Noon.
May 15       FRIDAY.  TENTATIVE. Commencement, Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum.
May 16       SATURDAY.  TENTATIVE. Commencement, Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum.
May 18       MONDAY. 9:00 a.m. Deadline for filing grades with the Registrar’s Office.

NOTE: Students may resign with a “W” grade from the 13th class day through the last class day, but prior to any final exams being taken or course completion.

FIRST SUMMER SESSION 2009
(Approved: February 19, 2007)

April 2009       Advance Registration begins refer to Schedule of Classes for details.
May 29       FRIDAY. Submit draft thesis/dissertation to Library for format and style review.
June 8       MONDAY. Residence halls open for occupancy, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Registration for undergraduate and graduate students refer to Schedule of Classes for details.
June 9       TUESDAY. First class day. Late Registration. Process class schedule changes. Refer to the Schedule of Classes for details and deadlines. Evening Classes Begin.
June 10       WEDNESDAY. Last day to register and to process schedule changes.
June 12       FRIDAY. Classes Meet.
June 12       FRIDAY. Fourth Class Day. Last day to drop without a “Q” and receive 100% refund for regular and 10 week courses.
June 16       TUESDAY. Last day for dropping halfsession courses without grade of F.
June 19       FRIDAY. Classes Meet.
June 19       FRIDAY. Half session courses end. Last day for dropping First Summer Session courses without grade of F. Last day to resign without receiving a mark of W.
June 26       FRIDAY. Last day to complete a public defense of the thesis/dissertation.
June 29       MONDAY. Last day to resign without receiving a mark of W for 10 week courses.
July 1       WEDNESDAY. Last day to submit complete, defended and signed thesis/dissertation to the appropriate academic dean’s office.
July 3       FRIDAY. Classes Meet
July 6       MONDAY. Last Class Day. Last day for resignations. (See Resignation Note Below).
July 7       TUESDAY. Final examinations. Residence halls close at 10 p.m.
July 8       WEDNESDAY. 9:00 a.m. Deadline for filing grades with the Registrar’s Office.
July 8       WEDNESDAY. Last day to complete a public defense of the thesis/dissertation. First Summer Session ends.

NOTE: Students may resign with a “W” grade from the 4th class day through the last class day, but prior to any final exams being taken or course completion.
SECOND SUMMER SESSION 2009
(Approved: February 19, 2007)

April 2009  Advance Registration begins refer to Schedule of Classes for details.
July 9    THURSDAY. Residence halls open for occupancy, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Registration for undergraduate and graduate students refer to Schedule of Classes for details.
July 10   FRIDAY. First class day. Late Registration. Process class schedule changes. Refer to the Schedule of Classes for details and deadlines. Evening Classes Begin.
July 10   FRIDAY. Last day to submit final thesis/dissertation (defended and signed) and route sheet to the Library.
July 13   MONDAY. Last day to register and to process schedule changes.
July 14   TUESDAY. Last day to drop without a Q and receive 100% refund.
July 17   FRIDAY. Classes Meet. Fourth Class Day.
July 17   FRIDAY. Last day for dropping half session courses without grade of F. Last day to make all final copies of thesis/dissertation and submit to the NGL for binding.
July 17   FRIDAY. Last day to make final copies of thesis/dissertation and submit to the NGL for binding. Last day to submit route sheet to the Dean of Graduate Studies.
July 21   TUESDAY. Half session courses end. Last day for dropping Second Summer Session courses without grade of F. Last day to resign without receiving a mark of W.
July 24   FRIDAY. Classes Meet.
July 28   TUESDAY. Deadline for submission of theses and dissertations to the appropriate academic dean’s office.
July 31   FRIDAY. Classes Meet.
August 6  THURSDAY. Last Class Day. Last day for resignations (See Resignation Note Below).
August 7  FRIDAY. Final examinations. Residence halls close at 12:00 Noon.
August 8  SATURDAY. TENTATIVE. Commencement, Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum
August 10 MONDAY. 9:00 a.m. Deadline for filing grades with the Registrar’s Office. Second Summer Session ends.

NOTE: Students may resign with a “W” grade from the 4th class day through the last class day, but prior to any final exams being taken or course completion.
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- M.Ed. Master of Education
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- M.S. Master of Science

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¹ Subject to action by the Board of Regents, the Texas State University System and/or the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

² In a joint program with the University of Houston Law School, students may concurrently seek a Doctor of Philosophy in Criminal Justice (Ph.D.) and a Doctor of Juris Prudence (J.D.).

NOTE: This listing of degree programs is correct as of May, 2007, and does not include those degree programs being phased out.

For the listing of undergraduate degree programs and requirements, the reader is referred to the 2006-2008 Undergraduate Catalog.
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Application Process

Consideration for admission to Graduate Studies at Sam Houston State University requires an applicant to:

- hold a baccalaureate degree from a college or university of recognized standing;
- show promise of ability to satisfactorily pursue advanced study and research; and
- have adequate preparation to enter graduate study in the chosen field.

Admission to graduate studies at Sam Houston State University and any of its sponsored programs is open to qualified individuals without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability, or age.

Required Admission Materials

Admission materials may vary by college and/or program. For the most up-to-date and program specific information, please visit www.shsu.edu/graduate.

- **Submit the Graduate Studies Application for Admission to the Office of Graduate Studies.** An application may be accessed online at www.shsu.edu/graduate. Applications should be submitted by the following dates: Fall – August 1; Spring – December 1; Summer I – May 15; Summer II – June 15; and at least 60 days prior to the start of the semester for international students. Some programs have earlier submission deadlines and require an additional program-specific application.

- **Submit Application Fee.** A nonrefundable, one-time application fee must accompany the application form and may be paid by check, money order, or credit card (Visa or MasterCard only). Credit card payments may be made online at www.shsu.edu/graduate/application/. Checks drawn on U.S. bank or U.S. money orders must be payable to Sam Houston State University. DO NOT MAIL CASH OR BANK DRAFTS.

- **Submit official transcripts of all college-level work, including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred.** Students applying to graduate school prior to completing their baccalaureate program should submit the most up-to-date transcript during the admission process. A final transcript MUST be submitted upon completing the baccalaureate program.

- **Submit official scores of the appropriate entrance exam required by the respective college and/or department.** The GRE is required for most graduate programs. Students seeking the MBA or the MS in Finance or Accounting should submit the GMAT.

- **Submit other program-specific admission materials.** Some programs require additional information such as letters of recommendation, essays, and documentation of experience.

ADMISSION EXAMINATIONS. The Graduate Record Examination (GRE), Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT), Miller Analogies Test (MAT) and Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) are given at various centers throughout the United States and in other countries. To determine the most convenient locations, prospective applicants should visit www.ets.org or write to Educational Testing Service, Rosedale Road, Princeton, New Jersey 08541. Information may also be obtained through the office of the appropriate academic dean or the Testing Center in Academic Building IV.
• **Graduate Record Examination (GRE).** This test is required for admission to most programs of graduate study at Sam Houston State University. Registration for the computer-based examination may be scheduled by calling 1-800-GRE-CALL or by visiting www.gre.org. Subject to action of Education Testing Service, the GRE may be offered on the University campus.

• **Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT).** This test is required for admission to graduate study in the College of Business Administration at Sam Houston State University. Registration for the test may be arranged by calling 1-800-GMAT-NOW (1-800-462-8669) or by visiting www.gmac.com.

• **Miller Analogies Test (MAT).** This test is accepted as an admission test by some programs of study at Sam Houston State University. The MAT is administered by the Counseling Center, and individuals may call for an appointment, (936) 294-1721. There is a fee for administration and scoring services.

• **Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).** The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) is required of non-native speakers of English. The TOEFL is administered several times per year, and there is a fee for administration and scoring services. For further information, contact the English Language Institute, Sam Houston State University, Box 2030, Huntsville, Texas 77341; TOEFL, P.O. Box 6155, Princeton, NJ 0845-6155; or visit www.toefl.org.

**International Students: Additional Application Requirements**

• Original evaluation of foreign educational credentials (except for College of Business Administration graduate programs)

• Translation of official transcripts if original is printed in a language other than English

• Proof of financial support (Please visit www.shsu.edu/~int_www/prospective/ for further details)

• Prospective international students must demonstrate the ability to speak, write, and understand the English language. Prospective students whose native language is not English must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). **All** applicants for admission from non-English-speaking countries must present a score of at least 79 (internet-based), 213 (computer-based), or 550 (paper-based) on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).

For additional admission requirements, international students should contact:

**Office of International Programs**
Sam Houston State University
Box 2150
Huntsville TX 77341-2150
(936) 294-3892
www.shsu.edu/oip

Sam Houston State University has an English as a Second Language Program for non-English-speaking international students. Information about this program may be obtained by contacting:

**English Language Institute**
Sam Houston State University
Box 2030
Huntsville, Texas 77341
(936) 294-1028
E-mail: www_eli@shsu.edu
Website: www.shsu.edu/~www_eli/
Admission Types

A student applying for admission for graduate studies at SHSU may be considered for six types of admission. Details of the possible admission types follow. The final admission decision rests with the respective academic dean.

REGULAR ADMISSION

Regular admission may be granted to a degree-seeking student who meets all of the University and program specific admission requirements. The minimum University requirements to be considered for regular admission follow. Meeting stated minimum admission requirements does not constitute automatic admission to a graduate program at Sam Houston State University. Any inquiries regarding program specific admission requirements should be directed to the graduate advisor (access advisors at www.shsu.edu/graduate/programs) or the dean of the appropriate college in which the department is housed.

- A minimum undergraduate GPA from the baccalaureate-granting institution of 2.5 (on a 4.0 point scale) or an advanced hours GPA of at least 2.8 from courses taken at the baccalaureate degree-granting institution. The minimum GPA may be waived for programs utilizing a sliding scale for admission consideration incorporating both the graduating undergraduate GPA and the admission test score.
- Submission of the appropriate admission test required for the graduate program.
- Fulfillment of program specific admission requirements as indicated by the department or college for the pursuit of graduate study.
- International students must submit an official TOEFL score of at least 79 on the internet-based exam, 213 on the computer-based exam, or 550 on the paper-based exam.

CONDITIONAL ADMISSION

Conditional admission may be granted to a degree-seeking student who has not yet submitted ALL of the required admission materials to allow an admission decision to be made but is being allowed to enroll in classes pending receipt of the missing material(s). Conditional admission is valid for ONLY ONE SEMESTER. A subsequent admission decision will be made upon receipt of the missing admission material. Conditional admission does NOT guarantee regular admission upon receipt of the missing material, regardless of the student’s performance in classes taken during the one semester of conditional admission. Some programs do not grant conditional admission. International students are not eligible for conditional admission. At the discretion of the appropriate academic dean, a conditionally admitted student may be limited to fewer than the normal maximum semester load of 12 graduate credit hours.

PROBATIONARY ADMISSION

Probationary admission may be granted, at the discretion of the appropriate academic dean, to a degree-seeking student who has submitted all of the required admission materials to allow for an admission decision to be made BUT does not qualify for regular admission. Probationary admission allows a student to enroll in courses to demonstrate his/her ability to do graduate work. A student may complete a maximum of 12 graduate semester credit hours with probationary admission. A student with probationary status may be limited to fewer than 12 graduate credit hours by the appropriate academic dean. To petition for regular admission a student must earn a grade of “B” or better in each course completed under probationary admission type. A program may set a higher standard. The final decision rests with the appropriate academic dean. A maximum of 12 credit hours completed in probationary status may be applied to a graduate
program, but the department concerned may choose not to accept some credit hours taken prior to regular admission. International students are not eligible for probationary admission. **Probationary admission does NOT guarantee regular admission upon completion of the requisite coursework.**

### PREPARATORY ADMISSION

Preparatory admission may be granted to a degree-seeking student who has NOT qualified for regular admission AND needs to complete one or more prerequisite (stem) courses. The student is being allowed to enroll in prerequisite (stem) courses. At the discretion of the appropriate academic dean, a student granted preparatory admission may be limited to a specified number of credit hours and to remain in good standing be subject to a minimum GPA requirement in the prerequisite (stem) courses. **Preparatory admission does NOT guarantee regular admission upon completion of the stem courses**, regardless of the student’s performance in the preparatory (stem) courses taken. International students are not eligible for Preparatory Admission.

### NON-DEGREE ADMISSION

Non-degree admission may be granted to a student who does not intend to pursue a graduate degree from SHSU but who wishes to take courses for professional advancement, licensure, certification, or self-education purposes, and who holds a baccalaureate degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution. An applicant for non-degree admission must submit the following documents to the Office of Graduate Studies: the general application for admission, an application fee, and an official copy of the transcript from the school which awarded the highest degree. A non-degree student who later applies for regular admission to seek a graduate degree may apply a maximum of 12 credit hours of coursework taken in non-degree status toward a graduate program at the discretion of the appropriate academic dean. International students are not eligible for non-degree admission.

### GRADUATE TRANSIENT ADMISSION

Transient admission may be granted to a student who is accepted in good standing at a regionally accredited graduate school and who wishes to enroll for one semester at Sam Houston State University. An applicant requesting this status must submit the following to the Office of Graduate Studies: the general application for admission, an application fee, and certification of graduate standing in a regionally accredited institution. Some departments may require additional information for transient admission; therefore, applicants should contact the appropriate academic department. A student admitted with this admission type who later wishes to seek a degree at Sam Houston State University must submit a formal application for admission. A maximum of 12 credit hours taken as a graduate transient may be applied to a graduate degree program at the discretion of the appropriate academic dean.

### Admission Classifications

A student admitted into a graduate or post-baccalaureate program at SHSU may be considered for three distinct classifications. Details of the possible classifications follow.

#### POST-BACCALAUREATE

Post-baccalaureate classification is assigned to a student possessing a baccalaureate degree who has not been regularly or conditionally admitted into a graduate program.
A student who is classified as a post-baccalaureate is typically:
• taking undergraduate classes to raise an undergraduate GPA,
• seeking certification but not seeking a degree,
• taking prerequisite courses for a degree program and does not yet meet the admission requirements for the degree program, or
• taking courses for self-edification.

**MASTER’S**

Master’s classification is assigned to a degree-seeking student possessing a baccalaureate degree or the equivalent and who has been regularly or conditionally admitted to an approved master’s degree program at SHSU. Master’s classification is also granted to a degree-seeking student admitted to a doctoral program who has not yet earned the required master’s degree or 30 hours toward the doctorate degree.

**DOCTORAL**

Doctoral classification is assigned to a degree-seeking student who has been regularly or conditionally admitted to an approved doctoral degree program at SHSU and who has completed a master’s degree (recognized as the equivalent of one year’s full-time work) toward the doctoral degree the student is seeking or at least 30 graduate hours of work toward the proposed doctorate degree.

**Subsequent Application**

Admission to graduate studies remains valid for one long semester only, unless the student, during this period, engages in active graduate work. A student must submit a new application requesting admission into a different degree program or if he/she does not attend during a fall or spring semester. One of two forms, the Graduate Studies Application for Reinstatement or the Graduate Studies Application for Admission, must be submitted. In either case, the application fee does not need to be paid a second time.

The Graduate Studies Application for Reinstatement is used if:
• the student wishes to continue in the same degree program, and
• the student’s absence from the program has been for less than three years.

The Graduate Studies Application for Admission is used if:
• the student wishes to change degree/major sought, degree-seeking status, or certification-seeking status, or
• the student’s absence from the program has been for three years or more.

A Graduate Studies Application for Reinstatement and a Graduate Studies Application for Admission may be obtained through the Graduate Studies home page at www.shsu.edu/graduate. For more information, please call 936-294-1971.

**Dual Enrollment**

An undergraduate student may be enrolled in graduate coursework for graduate credit if the student:
• is in the graduating semester; and
• has applied for graduation; and
• has submitted an application for graduate study for the semester following his/her graduation; and
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- meets the appropriate entrance examination requirements; and
- has at least a 3.0 GPA for the last three semesters of coursework.

The student must complete undergraduate work and obtain the bachelor’s degree during the first semester or summer session of dual enrollment.

Upon admission to graduate studies, an undergraduate student may enroll in a graduate course for graduate credit only with the written approval of the appropriate academic dean.

The combined undergraduate and graduate course load shall not exceed fifteen semester hours in a fall or spring semester or nine semester hours in a summer semester. Neither a graduate nor undergraduate course may simultaneously count toward a graduate and undergraduate degree.

Second Master’s Degree
(Refer to Academic Policy Statement 801215)

A student may seek a second master’s degree at Sam Houston State University, provided the field of concentration differs from the field of concentration for the first master’s degree.

Upon the written recommendation of the appropriate departmental chair(s) and academic dean, the following maximum number of hours may be applied to the second master’s degree:

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Personal Standards

The personal standards of conduct expected of students who enroll at Sam Houston State University are provided in the Student Guidelines. The University reserves the right to refuse acceptance to prospective or former students who have criminal records including conviction of a felony, offenses involving moral turpitude, or other serious offenses.

Each graduate student is responsible for becoming familiar with the rules and regulations pertaining to graduate study and the requirements for advanced degrees.

Contact information:
The website for Graduate Studies is www.shsu.edu/graduate/. Mailing address: Office of Graduate Studies, Box 2478, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX 77341-2478; telephone: (936) 294-1971; email: graduate@shsu.edu. Physical address: Office of Graduate Studies, Administration Bldg., Rm. 203, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX 77341.
Graduate Advising

Before the initial registration, the student should consult with the graduate advisor representing the field of his/her major interest. Academic advisement is encouraged prior to each registration. All students should confer with graduate advisors on a regular basis, monitor their own academic progress, and review the study plan on a continuous basis. A list of graduate advisors and e-mail addresses is available on the Graduate Studies webpage at www.shsu.edu/graduate/programs/.

Registration

Once accepted to Sam Houston State University, students may register for classes during the scheduled registration periods. Registration schedules may be found in the Schedule of Classes at www.shsu.edu/schedule/.

During scheduled periods of registration, students may register via the internet. Internet registration may be accessed by selecting the SamInfo link on SHSU’s homepage (www.shsu.edu) and then Registration. Students will need their Sam ID number and PIN (Personal Identification Number) in order to access the registration menu. For further information please contact the Office of the Registrar at (936) 294-1528.

Graduate Courses

A graduate course is an advanced course requiring critical analysis and study. Typically, courses with numbers of 500- or 600-level are master’s-level courses and 700-level or higher are doctoral-level courses. To provide a greater range of academic course offerings, some graduate programs allow students to take a limited number of approved 400-level courses for graduate credit. In order to receive graduate credit for an undergraduate-level course, the student must receive prior approval from the department chair and the dean of the college and complete additional requirements as outlined by the professor. Please see the specific degree programs within this catalog for more details on taking 400-level courses for graduate credit.

Course Load

Normal Load. The normal load for a full-time graduate student is nine to twelve hours per fall or spring semester and six hours in the summer. Students enrolled in master’s and doctoral degree programs should enroll in a minimum of nine graduate hours in both the fall and spring semesters and six hours in the summer to be considered a full-time graduate student.

Master’s degree students desiring to enroll in more than twelve graduate hours in any one semester must obtain approval from the dean of the college in which they are enrolled. Doctoral students desiring to enroll in more than nine graduate hours in any one semester must obtain approval from the dean of the college in which they are enrolled.

It is important to note that the University requirements for full-time status and requirements of various financial aid programs may differ. It is recommended that students consult with the University Student Financial Aid Office to determine how assistantships and fellowships may impact financial aid.
Course Load for Graduate Assistants. Graduate students employed by the University at least half-time as assistant instructors, research assistants, or teaching assistants should enroll in a minimum of six graduate hours per semester to be considered a full-time graduate student. The maximum course enrollment load for graduate assistants on one-half time employment is nine hours per fall or spring semester or six hours during the summer. Graduate assistants on less than a half-time assistantship may have the maximum course load authorization increased proportionately by the appropriate department/school chair. For more information on the employment of graduate assistants refer to Academic Policy Statement 890303 at www.shsu.edu/~vaf_www/aps/890303.html.

Change of Schedule (Adding and Dropping Courses)
To add or drop courses, visit the registration website through the University fast links. Enrollment periods are stated in the Schedule of Classes which can be found online by selecting Class Schedule on the University Fast Links from the homepage (www.shsu.edu). No schedule changes may be made after the deadline specified in the Academic Calendar.

After changing a schedule students are encouraged to verify the class schedule by following instructions found on the Registrar’s web page.

After the initial payment of tuition, those students who make schedule changes resulting in enrollment for additional semester credit hours are responsible for payment of additional tuition and fees. Additional costs incurred for classes added after established payment dates are due on the day they are added. Failure to meet these payment deadlines will result in the classes being dropped from the student’s schedule or resignation of the student from the University by the Business Office.

Off-Campus Courses
Students may register for off-campus courses during the regular registration periods as listed in the current Schedule of Classes. Courses taught by SHSU at a location away from the main campus carry residence credit. Off-campus procedures for resignations and schedule changes (adds or drops) are the same as for students attending classes on campus. See the current Schedule of Classes for a complete listing of courses and locations.

Sam Houston State University has approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to offer various degree programs at The University Center in The Woodlands, Texas. Courses completed as part of these programs carry residence credit.

Correspondence Courses
Correspondence courses are not offered at the graduate level, nor can any correspondence course taken at any level or at any institution count toward a graduate degree at Sam Houston State University.

Correct Addresses
It is necessary to have on file with the University a correct residency address. A student who changes an address after completing registration should immediately update their address by logging on to SamWeb and selecting Address Change under Student Records. The University assumes no obligation for failure of a student to receive communications.
International students must contact:

**Office of International Programs**
Sam Houston State University  
Box 2150  
Huntsville TX 77341-2150  
(936) 294-3892  
www.shsu.edu/oip

**Name Change**
Appropriate documentation substantiating a legal name change for a student must be submitted to the Registrar prior to the student’s next registration. Registration under a name different from that used in the student’s last enrollment cannot be accomplished without the above certification, which becomes a part of the student’s permanent file. All degrees, grade reports and transcripts are issued under the student’s legal name as recorded in the Registrar’s Office.

**International Students: Requirements for Registration**
Immediately upon arrival on campus, international students should make contact with the Office of International Programs to ensure that all admission and immigration papers are in order. Students must bring with them their I-20A/B, passport, visa and I-94 card. Visit or call:

**Office of International Programs**
Sam Houston State University  
Farrington, Room 116  
Box 2150  
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All international students are required to purchase the Group Hospitalization, Medical Evacuation, and Repatriation Insurance available to all eligible SHSU students or present proof of coverage by an equivalent policy. Proof of this insurance must be presented to designated University officials each semester before the registration process can be completed. Purchase of this insurance is coordinated through the University Health Center.
TUITION AND FEES

Residence Classification for Tuition Purposes

The Texas Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board establish the rules and regulations for determining residence classification. Texas residency for tuition purposes is generally obtained by residing and/or being gainfully employed in Texas for 12 consecutive months immediately prior to enrollment in any college or university, by being a dependent of a Texas resident (individual who is claimed as a dependent for federal income tax purposes by the individual’s parent or legal guardian at the time of registration and for the tax year preceding the year in which the individual registers), or by being classified as a Texas Resident for the first five of the six years immediately preceding registration (not living out of the state more than 12 months immediately prior to registration).

A nonresident student may qualify to pay in-state tuition by meeting the requirements of a tuition waiver. Current tuition waiver options include but are not limited to: 1) the student or his/her spouse or parent is a member of the U.S. Armed Forces and is stationed in Texas; 2) the student or his/her spouse or parent is employed at least half-time by an institution of higher education in Texas as a teacher or professor; 3) the student or his/her spouse or parent has a teaching or research assistantship at any Texas institution of higher education on at least a half-time basis; 4) the student holds a competitive scholarship awarded by the University of at least $1,000 for the academic year or summer; or 5) the student or student’s family has been transferred to Texas by a company in keeping with the state’s Economic Development and Diversification Program.

By state law, the student has the responsibility of registering under the proper residence classification. If a student has knowledge of an error in his/her residence classification for tuition purposes, it is the student’s responsibility to notify the Residence Classification Officer immediately. For more information concerning the rules and regulations for determining Texas residence classification, please contact the Residence Classification Officer, Sam Houston State University, Box 2418, Huntsville, Texas 77341-2418, or call (936) 294-3783 or 294-1828.
Tuition and Fees Schedule  
Fall 2007-Spring 2008

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Graduate Tuition: A graduate tuition differential of $50 per semester credit hour will be assessed for fiscal years 2007-08 and 2008-09.

Student Service Fee: The student service fee is $23 per semester credit hour for fiscal years 2007-08 and 2008-09 (not exceeding $207 per each fall and spring semester and $115 per summer session). The fee covers services at the University Health Center, Intramural Program, Student Life Support Programs, and Extramural Programs. The fee provides admission to athletic events at Sam Houston State University under the auspices of the Department of Athletics.

Student Center Fee: The student center fee is $60 per semester ($30 per summer session) for fiscal year 2007-08 and fiscal year 2008-09 and is used to fund Lowman Student Center programs and activities.

Medical Fee: A Medical Fee of $33 is charged per student for each fall and spring semester and $16.50 per student for a summer session in accordance with the provisions of V.T.C.A. Education Code, Section 54.5089. This fee is assessed and collected to update clinical services, to make additional medications available for pharmacy services, and to increase health education.

Computer Use Fee: The computer use fee is $15 per semester credit hour for fiscal years 2007-08 and 2008-09 and is issued for the training of students, faculty and staff, and for providing support services for operation, maintenance, and replacement of computer hardware and software.

Recreational Sports Fee: The recreational sports fee is $75 per each fall and spring semester ($37.50 per summer session) for fiscal years 2007-08 and 2008-09 It is used to purchase equipment and/or construct, operate, and maintain recreational sports facilities and programs.

International Education Fee: The international education fee is $1 per semester or summer session and will be used only to assist students participating in international student exchange or study abroad programs.

Library Fee: The library fee is $35 per each fall and spring semester and $17.50 per summer session for fiscal years 2007-08 and 2008-09. The Newton Gresham Library uses this fund to purchase books, electronic databases, and journal subscriptions.

Advising Center Fee: The Advising Center fee is $50 for each fall and spring semester and $25 for each summer term (session). The fee is used to fund the Student Advising and Mentoring Center (SAM Center).
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**Records Fee**: The records fee is $12 per each fall and spring semester ($6 per summer session) for fiscal years 2007-08 and 2008-09. It is used to provide official transcripts to enrolled students and eliminates the add/drop fee and late registration fee. The enrolled student may receive five official transcripts per semester and five official transcripts over the course of a year following a confirmed degree from SHSU.

**Matriculation Fee**: A matriculation fee of $15 is charged if a student resigns before the 1st class day of the semester or summer session.

**Miscellaneous Fees** (not included in the previously listed Tuition and Fees Schedules):

- **Audit Fee** (per course) $50
- **Distance Learning** (per course and in addition to tuition and fees) $303
  (Student Service, Student Center, and Recreational Sports fees are waived if only on-line courses are taken and the Distance Learning fee is charged).
- **Laboratory Course Fee** (per course) $8
- **Music Fee** for Individual Instruction (per course with suffix of “X”):
  - 1 semester credit hour $30
  - 2 semester credit hours $60
  - 3 semester credit hours $75
  - 4 semester credit hours $75
- **University Center Fee**: Classes provided at The University Center in The Woodlands will have an additional fee of $50 per credit hour for FY 2007-08 and $50 per credit hour for FY 2008-09.

**General Property Deposit.** Each student is required to make a General Property Deposit of $10 which will remain with the University through his/her career here except as noted below. All charges for property losses, damages, and breakages in libraries or laboratories must be settled promptly. However, any unpaid current charges will be deducted from the deposit before a refund is made.

**Refund of General Property Deposit.** The General Property Deposit, less charges, will be returned to the student at the end of his/her career as a student. However, any General Property Deposit which remains without call for refund for a period of four years from the date of last attendance at this university shall be forfeited. The deposit will then become a part of, and operative to, the permanent use and purpose of the University Student Deposit Fund.

**Payments**

The Texas Legislature has authorized collection of tuition and fees during a fall or spring semester by one of two methods: payment in full or in an installment plan (one-half payment of the tuition and fees at registration and separate one-quarter payments due prior to the sixth and eleventh class weeks). By state code, some fees can not be paid by installment and are due in the initial payment. Parking permits and late registration fees are examples of charges which must be paid in full and are not eligible for installment payment. There is a processing fee for administration of the installment payment plan. Failure to make timely installment payments will cause accrual of late charges. Installment payment plans are not available during the summer sessions; payment is due in full at registration.
Payments made for registration purposes may be made by cash, cashier’s check, personal check, money order, or credit card (VISA or MasterCard only). All checks and money orders are accepted subject to final payment. Students may access account balances online. For additional information, see www.shsu.edu/saminfo/financial-menu.html. To make credit card payments online, visit www.shsu.edu/saminfo/credit.cgi.

Payments may be mailed to the Cashier’s Office, Sam Houston State University, Box 2273, Huntsville, TX 77341-2273 or paid in person in the Cashier’s Office, Estill Building, Suite 103, 1903 University Avenue, Huntsville, TX 77341.

**Payment Deadlines**
To avoid loss of classes, students should refer to the payment deadlines listed in the online Schedule of Classes. Students who do not make a payment by the specified payment deadline will have schedules deleted; such students must then repeat the registration process for re-enrollment.

A student who fails to make full payment of tuition and fees, excluding that portion of the registration fee that may be temporarily deferred, but payable later in the scheduled payments as part of an installment payment agreement, and including any incidental fees by the due date, may be prohibited from registering for classes until payment is made. A student who fails to make full payment prior to the end of the semester may be denied credit for work completed that semester.

**Financial Responsibility**
Students are expected to meet financial obligations to the University within the designated time allowed. Payment deadlines are listed in the academic calendar and available through the Cashier’s Office. **Students will not be admitted to classes until their financial obligations are met.**

Failure to pay the amount owed in full, including appropriate penalty and late fee charges, prior to registration for a future semester or prior to the last class day for the current semester or summer session can result in any or all of the following sanctions: 1) withholding of future registration privileges; 2) withholding award of degree; and 3) withholding of an official transcript.

Students who pay fees with a returned check may suffer the above sanctions as well as those shown in the Returned Check Policy section of this catalog.

**Student Accounts.** Students may contact the Office of Student Accounts to discuss the status of their University financial records (e.g., payments made or owed, due dates for payments). For more information, call (936) 294-1089 or visit www.shsu.edu/saminfo/financial-menu.html.

Any financial aid, tuition waivers, grants or deferments will be used to reduce the amount owed by the student, with the remaining balance eligible for the installment payment plan. There is no installment payment plan during the summer sessions; payment in full is due at registration. The Texas Legislature has reserved the right to discontinue the installment payment plan.

**Collections for Nonpayment**
Nonpayment by the end of the semester may result in transfer of the student’s account to a contracted collection agency and assessment of a collection fee of at least 25 percent of the outstanding balance. The University may also choose to litigate an account on advice of University legal counsel. Should an account be litigated, the student
will be responsible for all litigation expenses including attorney’s fees and court costs. Accounts that are referred to a contracted collection agency may also be reported to credit bureaus.

**Returned Check Policy**
A returned check, written by the student or on behalf of the student by another party, is defined as one returned to the University rightfully unpaid due to no fault of the bank or the University. The University reserves the right to refuse personal checks of any student who previously has had checks returned.

Each returned check is subject to a $25 check processing fee. Students have 10 days from the date on which notice is sent from the Business Office in which to pay the returned check and the returned check processing fee or inform the Business Office of their intent. Thereafter, the student may be resigned from the University. It should not be assumed the University will resign the student. A student who discontinues going to class without officially resigning from school, will be subject to the grade of “F.”) Students who have been resigned are eligible for reinstatement upon redemption of such check or checks, plus the returned check processing fee and the payment of a reinstatement charge of $50. A student who fails to make payment prior to the first day of final exams may not receive credit for the work done that semester and will not be allowed to register for future semesters until the delinquent amount is paid. In addition, unpaid returned checks may be turned over to other agencies for prosecution and collection.

Students will be given the opportunity to be heard regarding any special circumstances. Such circumstances will be given full and fair consideration, and exceptions to the returned check policy may be granted by the Director of the Business Office or a delegated employee, based on the evidence presented.

**Tuition and Fees Refund Policy**
A student enrolled at Sam Houston State University may receive financial refund of tuition and fees as outlined in the following schedules.

Refunds and credits from one department will be applied to any other outstanding balances in other departments. Any remaining refund will be distributed per the student’s Bearkat OneCard preferences. The University may refund tuition and fees paid by a sponsor, donor or scholarship to the source rather than directly to the student who has withdrawn if the funds were made available to the University.

Refund policies were established by Senate Bill No. 604 of the 65th Legislature and adopted by the Board of Regents, The Texas State University System, in August of 1977 and by the applicable federal regulations dealing with first semester financial aid students.

**Dropping Courses**
A student who submits a request to drop one or more courses in any given semester or summer session but remains enrolled in at least one course may be eligible for refunds. The refund schedule for dropping courses follows.
Tuition and Fees

**Fall and Spring Semesters**

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**NOTE:** Class days are university class days, not the number of days an individual class meets. Class days are to be counted from the first class meeting of on-campus daytime courses as indicated in the Academic Calendar.

**Resignations/Withdrawals**

A student who officially withdraws from all courses at Sam Houston State University in a given semester or summer session may be eligible for a refund of tuition and the specified fees, based upon the courses in which the student is enrolled on the official date of withdrawal. Refunds are made in accordance with the following schedules.

**State Statutory Refund Schedule of Tuition and Fees**

**Fall and Spring Semesters Refund Schedule**

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**Summer Session Refund Schedule**

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Students who receive Title IV aid and resign on or before completing 60% of the semester will be required to repay the percentage of unearned financial aid according to the federal "Return to Title IV Aid" formula derived from the 1998 Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act. The percentage of aid to be repaid to Student Financial Aid programs is equal to the number of calendar days remaining in the semester divided by the number of calendar days in the semester.

Refunds are to be returned to lenders or program accounts in the following statutorily specified order provided the student has received funds from the account:

1. Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loan
2. Subsidized Federal Stafford Loan
3. Federal Perkins Loans
4. Federal PLUS Loans
5. Other federal, state, private or institutional sources of aid
6. The student

The previous schedule assumes that all fees have been paid in full. A different schedule applies to the installment payment plan participants — the primary difference in the schedule being the requirement for the University to compute the refund based on the assumption that the full amount of tuition and fees has been collected. Therefore, it is possible, and probable, that a student in the installment plan could owe more in tuition and fees than already collected by the University. These extra amounts, if any, would be due and payable before the student would be allowed to resign from the University.

**Student Financial Aid**

The Office of Financial Aid at Sam Houston State University is available to assist students in achieving educational goals even when personal or family finances are limited. While the student is primarily responsible for financing an education, the University recognizes its role in making a maximum effort to acquire additional funds for qualified students through a variety of aid programs.

Detailed information on all assistance programs, eligibility requirements, student budgets, priority dates, and the method of aid processing is available online at www.shsu.edu/fao/. Additionally, a student may request the information by inquiring in person at the Estill Bldg., Room 201, or by writing to the Office of Student Financial Aid, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville TX 77341-2328, or by phoning (936) 294-1724.

Specified financial aid programs which the University Financial Aid Office administers are as follows:

**Grants**
- Texas Public Educational Grant (TPEG)
- Texas Public Education Leverage Educational Assistance Partnership Grant (LEAP)

**Employment**
- Federal College Work Study Program
- Texas College Work Study Program

**Loans**
- Short-term Loans (STL)
- Emergency Tuition and Fees Loan (ETFL)
- Federal Perkins Loan
- Federal Stafford Student Loan Programs
- College Access Loan (CAL) - Only for Texas residents and students paying state tuition.

**Scholarships**
SHSU scholarship recipients are not selected by the Financial Aid Office (FAO). However, all scholarship awards, SHSU and/or outside donor awards, must be coordinated by the FAO, in order to assure compliance with State and Federal Regulations.

Various academic departments offer scholarships to students majoring in that particular discipline. Any student interested in a specific departmental scholarship may request further information from the chair of that department or refer to “Scholarship Information” online at www.shsu.edu/fao for specific details about scholarship criteria and deadlines.
Veterans Assistance Office
The veteran assistance staff in the Registrar’s Office can assist in the processing of claims for the Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB), Chapter 30 – Veteran Status, Chapter 31 – Vocational Rehabilitation and Chapter 1606 – Reservist. Students who were Texas residents at the time of their entry into active duty and who have exhausted their MGIB educational benefits should inquire about eligibility for benefits under the Texas Hazlewood Act.

Graduate Assistantships
Graduate programs offer a limited number of graduate assistantships. Full-time assistantships require a 20-hour per week workload. Students earning an assistantship receive a monthly stipend and other benefits, which may include qualifying for in-state tuition. For additional information about the availability of assistantships, please contact the appropriate graduate program coordinator. See Employment of Graduate Assistants, Academic Policy Statement 890303 at www.shsu.edu/~vaf_www/aps/890303.html.

Academic Common Market
Fifteen Southern states including Texas participate in the Academic Common Market, an interstate agreement for sharing uncommon academic programs. Residents of these states who are accepted for admission into selected out-of-state programs can enroll on an in-state tuition basis. There are two requirements:
1. Acceptance in a program to which your state has made arrangements to send its students;
2. Proof that the student is a legal resident of that state.

Additional information may be obtained at the Academic Common Market website at www.cep.unt.edu/ACM.html or from the Office of the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, Box 2087, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX 77341-2087; (936) 294-1006.
Degree Requirements and Academic Guidelines
Graduate programs are typically classified as either research or professional oriented programs. Research programs have a major research component. At the master’s level, the research component may be included in a series of courses, a research product, and/or a thesis. At the doctoral level, the research product is a dissertation. Professional programs at the master’s level may include an internship and/or a practicum in lieu of a research product.

Graduate studies tend to be more focused, provide greater depth of study within the chosen field, foster independent learning, and promote knowledge of the literature. All of the graduate programs at Sam Houston State University require an assessment of knowledge retention toward the end of the academic program. The assessment may be incorporated as a comprehensive exam, in written and/or oral format, and/or a comprehensive capstone course.

Regardless of the type of program, the academic expectations placed on graduate students far exceed those experienced at the undergraduate level. While pursuit of knowledge is the major goal of graduate studies, graduate students are expected to achieve and remain in **academic good standing**. At Sam Houston State University, a graduate student must maintain an overall grade point average of at least 3.0 on all graduate coursework attempted. Review “Scholastic Expectations” within this section for further details.

### Degree Requirements

#### Academic Procedures

**SUMMARY OF THE MAJOR STEPS REQUIRED BY GRADUATE STUDIES IN FULFILLING REQUIREMENTS FOR A GRADUATE DEGREE**

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<td>1. Become familiar with general regulations and appropriate degree section of Graduate Catalog</td>
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<td>2. Meet with graduate advisor to plan course of study</td>
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<td>3. Meet candidacy requirements</td>
<td>Per program requirements</td>
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<td>4. Conduct annual review with advisor</td>
<td>After each year in program</td>
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<td>5. If thesis or dissertation is required:</td>
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<td>a. Establish advisory committee</td>
<td>Per program requirements</td>
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<td>b. Submit thesis/dissertation proposal</td>
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<td>d. Defend final thesis/dissertation</td>
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<td>e. Submit thesis/dissertation to library for review</td>
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<td>6. Apply for degree</td>
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<td>7. Meet comprehensive requirements</td>
<td>During semester of anticipated graduation</td>
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**NOTES:** (1) Each student is responsible for contacting the appropriate graduate advisor for the specific program requirement deadlines. A student is required to complete graduate work within a six-year period, measured from the date of initial enrollment for graduate credit in a particular degree program.
Students must be enrolled in at least one course (one credit hour or more) in both the semester of graduation and the semester in which the comprehensive requirements are met. Completing a course for which a grade of IP was given in a previous semester does not constitute enrollment.

Degree Plan
A degree plan details the curriculum for the specific academic program and is developed for each graduate student. All courses on the approved degree plan must be completed with a satisfactory grade to meet the requirements for the degree. Changes in an approved degree plan may be made by petition to the graduate advisor and approved by the appropriate academic dean.

A student is required to complete graduate work within a six-year period, measured from the date of initial enrollment for graduate credit in a particular degree program. The period of time a student is on an approved leave of absence will be counted as time accumulated toward that six-year deadline for completion of the degree. Any extension of the six-year deadline must be approved in writing by the appropriate academic dean.

Comprehensive Examinations
All candidates for a graduate degree must pass integrative comprehensive examinations. The major department will establish whether the comprehensive examinations are written, oral, or a combination of the two. In lieu of comprehensive exams, some programs have been granted permission to use a comprehensive capstone course or portfolio submission.

The major department will organize a committee for the administration of the examinations. A grade of “high pass,” “pass,” or “fail” for each exam must be filed in the office of the appropriate academic dean. Should a student fail one or more examinations, a re-examination shall be permitted per departmental or college guidelines, as appropriate. A third examination may be permitted only with the approval of the appropriate academic dean and the department. Students should consult the major department for specific guidelines regarding comprehensive examinations. Students must be enrolled in the University the semester or summer in which the comprehensive exams are administered.

Enrollment in Thesis or Dissertation Courses
(Refer to Academic Policy Statement 930129)

A graduate student at Sam Houston State University writing a thesis or dissertation must enroll in the appropriate thesis or dissertation courses. Typically, a master’s student is required to take at least six hours of thesis courses. Depending on the specific program, a doctoral student is required to take a minimum of either nine or twelve hours of dissertation courses. Once a student enrolls in a thesis or dissertation course, the student must continuously enroll in such a course every fall, spring, and summer semester until the signed thesis/dissertation route sheet is received by the Registrar’s Office.

A student who is unable to work on the thesis or dissertation for a period of time may present to the appropriate academic dean a written request for a leave of absence of up to one year. The dean's approval of such a request must be in writing. A student granted a leave of absence may not be enrolled in any coursework during this period. A student on a leave of absence will lose access to University services and must submit an application for reinstatement to re-enter the program.
Master’s Thesis and Doctoral Dissertation

Thesis or Dissertation Committee. A thesis or dissertation committee will be formed prior to enrollment in the first thesis/dissertation course. The committee must be composed of a chair and at least two additional members, all of whom have appropriate graduate faculty status. Selection of the chair depends on student preference and faculty availability and expertise. After a faculty member agrees to serve as chair, the student will select the other committee members with guidance from the chair. The committee must then be approved by the chair of the major department and the appropriate academic dean. Any change in the composition of the thesis or dissertation committee will be approved in the same manner.

Prospectus. In consultation with the thesis or dissertation chair, the student will select a subject of investigation and determine the availability of the required sources, facilities, materials, and equipment for the research and the writing of the thesis or dissertation. The student will prepare a prospectus which will specify the topic, detail the purpose of the proposed investigation, describe the proposed method(s) of investigation, indicate the relationship of study to relevant research and findings of scholars in the student’s area of concentration, and provide a commentary on source materials and/or facilities available for the successful completion of the research.

The prospectus shall be submitted to the thesis or dissertation committee following the timelines outlined by the departmental or college policies. Upon committee approval the signed prospectus is submitted to the appropriate academic dean for final approval. Any subsequent changes in topic or the proposed method of investigation must be approved in writing by the committee and submitted for approval to the appropriate academic dean.

Preparation. To facilitate the preparation of the thesis or dissertation, the student should refer to the Directions on Form, Preparation, and Submission of The Final Copies of Master’s Theses and Doctoral Dissertations at www.shsu.edu/graduate/current.

Procedure. Candidates should be in regular contact with committee members throughout the thesis/dissertation process. Candidates should allow committee members ample time to review draft versions of the thesis/dissertation. The candidate should submit the completed thesis or dissertation to the thesis or dissertation committee at least two weeks prior to the scheduled defense. The following steps must be completed, most in the graduating semester. A list of semester specific dates may be accessed from www.shsu.edu/graduate/current.

1. The candidate shall submit at least one full draft chapter of the thesis/dissertation to the Library for format and style review at least ten weeks prior to graduation.
2. The chair of the committee or the graduate advisor establishes a time and location for administering a verbal defense of the thesis or dissertation. The defense must be held at least six weeks prior to graduation. Attendance at the defense is open to the entire university community.
4. Upon successful completion of the defense, the candidate should obtain signatures from the thesis/dissertation committee on the title page and abstract of the thesis/dissertation and signature of thesis/dissertation chair on the route sheet. No later than four and one-half weeks prior to the end of the anticipated semester of graduation, the candidate should submit the route sheet and complete, defended and signed thesis/dissertation to the appropriate academic dean’s office.
5. Upon receipt of approval of the academic dean, the original and the required number of acceptable copies of the thesis or dissertation are taken to the Newton Gresham Library by the candidate no later than four weeks prior to the end of the
anticipated semester of graduation. Reproduction of the thesis or dissertation and binding costs are the responsibility of the candidate. The original copy will remain in the library collection.

6. After receiving the Library's approval, the candidate should take the signed route sheet to the Office of Graduate Studies no later than three weeks prior to the end of the anticipated semester of graduation. The Office of Graduate Studies will forward the signed route sheet to the Office of the Registrar.

Graduation
Application for a Degree
Effective spring 2008, for Fall and Spring graduates, a formal application and payment of the degree/diploma fee must be made in the Registrar's Office on or before the 12th class day of the semester in which the degree is to be confirmed. Summer graduates will be required to file a formal application and pay the degree/diploma fee prior to the semester in which the degree is to be conferred. Specific dates can be found in the Academic Calendar. A student filing a degree application after the published deadline will be assessed a late fee. A student who is completing the last semester of coursework at an institution other than SHSU must provide the Registrar with an official transcript of this coursework no later than one day prior to the graduation date. An application for a degree and further details are available online at www.shsu.edu/saminfo/registrar-menu.html.

Academic Expectations and Guidelines

Grading System
Four grades are given in graduate courses at the University:

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The mark “IP” denotes “in progress” and is given in thesis and other courses which cannot be completed within one semester. The mark “CR” denotes “credit” and is given in one-hour workshops and may be given on transferred courses. The mark “WP” denotes “withdrew passing” and the mark “WF” denotes “withdrew failing.” Effective spring 2008 marks of “WP” and “WF” will no longer be awarded and resignations will be identified with a mark of “W.” The mark “X” denotes an incomplete course. If the student meets the prescribed requirements of the course before the end of the next academic semester after the “X” is given, the student will receive the grade earned; otherwise, the mark “X” will be automatically changed to an “F.” The mark of “Q” will be given to students who drop courses from the thirteenth class day, for a semester, or from the fifth class day, for a summer session, until the last day for dropping courses without grade of “F” as stated in the Academic Calendar. Courses with the mark of “Q” will not be counted as courses attempted and will not be included in determining grade point averages.

A graduate student who elects to drop all courses, i.e., to resign from the University, must notify the Registrar’s Office and process a Resignation Request. (See Resignations)
Academic Honesty
The Graduate Faculty of Sam Houston State University expects students to conduct academic work with integrity and honesty. Acts of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated and can result in the failure of a course and dismissal from the University.

Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating on a test, plagiarism, collusion (the unauthorized collaboration with another person in preparing work offered for credit), the abuse of resource materials, and misrepresentation of credentials or accomplishments.

The University’s policy on academic honesty and appeal procedures can be found in the manual entitled Student Guidelines, distributed by Division of Student Services.

Scholastic Expectations
A minimum grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) is required in all coursework taken for graduate credit. All grades earned in courses taken for graduate credit will be utilized in computing the grade point average. A grade earned at another institution may not be used to remove a grade deficiency earned in residence at Sam Houston State University. Semester hours of credit earned at another institution shall be recorded as received but not utilized in computing the student’s Sam Houston State University overall grade point average. Only those transferred courses from accredited institutions in which a grade of A or B was earned and which are accepted toward an official degree program may be applied toward a degree (see Transferred Credit).

Academic Probation and Suspension
In order to achieve and remain in academic good standing at Sam Houston State University, a graduate student must maintain an overall grade point average of at least 3.0 on all graduate coursework attempted.

A 3.0 overall grade point average is the absolute minimum required for graduation. A graduate student who falls below a 3.0 overall grade point average at the close of any semester or summer school during which one or more semester hours are attempted will be placed on probation. Summer school (two sessions) is considered to be a unit equivalent to a semester. If an enrolled student on probation fails to achieve a minimum 3.0 overall grade point average at the close of the next semester or summer school following the starting of the probation, the student will be suspended.

A committee of the department or college graduate faculty will review the graduate status for any student earning two grades of “C” in any combination of graduate courses. The committee will consider the advisability of the student’s continued enrollment in the graduate program. A student who earns three grades of “C” or one grade of “F” will be terminated from graduate studies. A student who earns a third grade of “C” or a grade of “F” during the semester or summer of the anticipated graduation will be terminated from graduate studies and will not be eligible to graduate. The appropriate academic dean may place on probation, retain on probation or suspend any student deficient in grade points without regard to the regulations previously stated. Any appeal for a review of the termination of graduate status should be directed in writing to the appropriate academic dean.

Resignations
To resign (officially withdraw) from the University, a student must notify the Registrar’s Office and process a Resignation Request. The Resignation Request must be in writing and becomes effective on the date received by the Registrar’s Office. The effective date of the Resignation Request, as received by the Registrar’s Office, is the date
used for determining any refund as authorized in the State Refund Policy (see Tuition and Fees Refund Policy). The student is responsible for clearing all debts owed to the University. A student who wishes to drop all courses must officially resign. A student who fails to officially resign from the University will receive the grade of “F” in each enrolled course.

A student who resigns after the first nine weeks of a regular semester or after the first two weeks of a summer session receive a mark of “WP” (withdrew passing) or “WF” (withdrew failing) for each course for which he/she is enrolled. A student who resigns from the University while enrolled in a course whose duration is less than a normal term will receive a mark of “WP” or “WF” if the resignation occurs after one-half of that course time has been completed. The mark of “WP” or “WF” is the responsibility of the student’s instructor(s). Effective spring 2008 marks of “WP” and “WF” will no longer be awarded and resignations will be identified with a mark of “W.”

Transcripts
Students are allowed five free transcripts per semester while enrolled at SHSU. Students who graduate will be extended the five free transcripts for one year following the posting of a degree. The fee for transcripts is included in the Records Fee.

Transcripts may be ordered online through SamWeb with MasterCard or Visa payment, or the Transcript Request Form may be mailed to the Registrar’s Office accompanied by the individual’s signature and a check made payable to Sam Houston State University. The Transcript Request Form can be obtained at http://www.shsu.edu/saminfo/registrar-menu.html.

Transcripts will not be released to anyone who has a financial indebtedness to the University.

Transfer of Credit
In accordance with Academic Policy Statement 801007, graduate courses completed at other accredited colleges and universities may be applied as transfer credit toward a graduate degree at Sam Houston State University at the discretion of each graduate program and the college in which it is housed. Transfer credit is not automatically conferred. Only courses with an earned grade of “B” or better may be used as transfer credit.

The maximum number of hours that may be transferred into a graduate degree program are as follows:
6 hours of transfer credit toward a degree of 30 or fewer hours;
9 hours of transfer credit toward a degree of 31 to 36 hours;
12 hours of transfer credit toward a degree of 37 to 48 hours; or
15 hours of transfer credit toward a degree of 47 or more hours.

Students are encouraged to contact the appropriate graduate advisor for information concerning transfer credit allowed for a specific degree.

University Academic Policy Manual and Student Guidelines
Sam Houston State University’s Academic Policy Manual and Student Guidelines provide specific information pertaining to the educational mission of the University and student conduct. Copies of these publications may be viewed at the Reference Desk of the Newton Gresham Library and online at www.shsu.edu/students.
Support Services
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Academic Support Services

Computer Services
The University has developed a high-speed fiber optic network connecting all major campus buildings including residence halls. Attached to this network are servers for administrative functions, academic computing, and research computing. This network is also connected to the Internet, providing all students access to Internet mail, Web servers, and many more valuable network resources.

From the University web site, students can activate and begin using SHSU computer accounts upon acceptance to the University. To ensure prompt communications, the University will send official statements and documents via the students’ e-mail addresses. These accounts will remain available to students after graduation, allowing continuity for job searches and alumni interactions.

Client computers supported are PC and Macintosh workstations. Computer labs are operated by the Department of Computer Services and workstations are available 24 hours a day during the week, with extensive weekend hours. Software for campus computers is provided on all University computers connected to the campus network (SAMnet).

Wireless access for SHSU students is currently available at locations throughout campus. Students can reach the Internet while studying in the library, eating in the LSC, or sitting outside in the mall area. Current details are available online: www.shsu.edu/~ucs_www/wireless.

Students are encouraged to apply for part-time employment with Computer Services. Opportunities exist to participate in building and maintaining the computing infrastructure at the University. The Computer Services department employs more than 100 students as lab assistants, telephone operators, night time system operators, web designers, programmers, helpdesk assistants, and software/hardware technicians. These students gain valuable experience for the future and provide an essential part of the operations of the department and University. For more information visit: www.shsu.edu/~ucs_www/staff/grads.html.

SHSU’s Computer Services website is www.shsu.edu/~ucs_www/. Questions regarding SHSU’s computer resources may be addressed to helpdesk@shsu.edu.

Institutional Research and Assessment
The Office of Institutional Research and Assessment conducts research and analyses to support administrative decision-making and develops management information systems to provide information necessary for assessment of education and support programs at Sam Houston State University. The office maintains a library of reference materials on strategic planning and institutional research, designs research methodology to achieve specific institutional goals, and coordinates university-wide institutional research activities for strategic and tactical plans.

Reconciling the potential conflict between traditional collegiate values and accountability methods, the Office of Institutional Research and Assessment monitors institutional effectiveness activities, determines appropriate types of assessment, and helps ensure that assessment results are used in program improvement.
Library, Newton Gresham
The Newton Gresham Library contains more than 1.3 million books, bound periodicals, and government documents in a variety of formats including multimedia, microforms, microfiche, phonograph records, videotape, and newspapers. The library subscribes to over 2,200 periodicals, an increasing number of which are available electronically. As a depository for selected federal and state government publications in a separate collection of over 230,000 print and non-print documents, the library also serves the citizens of five adjacent counties. The Library’s Thomason Room houses over 12,000 rare books and other materials on Texas, the Southwest, Mark Twain, Gertrude Stein, the Civil War, Library Science, Criminal Justice, and other topics. Other groups of materials housed in the Newton Gresham Library include paperbacks for recreational reading, current periodical issues, new books, and a children’s literature collection. A multimedia lab, music listening room, study carrels, small lounge area furnished with vending machines, and copy center with a public fax machine are provided for the convenience of students and faculty. Library holdings information may be electronically accessed through an online catalog from hundreds of library and campus computer workstations, as well as remotely via the Internet.

The campus network may be used to search electronic periodicals or other databases for citations and information. The library maintains licenses for databases such as ERIC, Sociological Abstracts, PsycINFO, CJ Abstracts, NCJRS, Lexis-Nexis Academic Universe, and Biological Abstracts and ScienceDirect. OCLC’s FirstSearch makes available to SHSU students such databases as WorldCat, AGRICOLA, PAIS, and Business and Management Practices. TexShare, the statewide electronic resource-sharing program, provides access to a variety of electronic databases and thousands of full-text journal articles. A complete list of the electronic databases and electronic journals can be viewed at www.shsu.edu/~lib_www/resources/datab.html. These resources are available from home, campus offices and computer labs. Access to online catalogs of libraries throughout the United States, including nearby university libraries such as the University of Houston, Texas A&M University and The University of Texas is available via the Internet. Books, articles, documents, and other items which are not available locally may be requested through the OCLC interlibrary loan system, a database of over 35 million bibliographic records to the world’s literature.

Sixteen librarians, twenty-six support staff, and a number of student assistants provide reference, interlibrary loan, circulation, acquisitions, and other library services to the faculty, staff and students of the University, as well as to visiting scholars and off-campus users. The University Archives, located on the fourth floor of the Library preserves the history of the campus, as well as a collection of faculty monographic publications. A multimedia lab and classroom, staffed by Computer Services, is available during regular library hours. The seventy networked workstations in this multimedia area may be used to access the periodical and information databases, as well as the library’s multimedia (CD-ROM) collection of over 500 CD-ROMs. This multimedia collection is listed in the online catalog and is available to all library users. To assist library users in utilizing library material and services, over fifty printed guides and bibliographies have been developed by library faculty and staff. They are available in print format in the reference area, and are accessible electronically from the library’s home page. The home page also provides access to information on the library’s services for off-campus and distance education students (www.shsu.edu/~lib_www/).

Reading Center
The Reading Center was created to assist students, faculty, and staff with professional and academic endeavors. The primary goal of the instructors is to empower all students with effective reading strategies and the confidence to excel in their expository...
reading. To this end, the Reading Center tutors provide students with one-on-one and small group reading instruction. To facilitate faculty members, instructors can make reading strategy presentations in the classroom. One-session workshops on various reading strategies will be offered throughout the school year.

In addition to serving undergraduates to develop reading strategies and/or prepare for the THEA, the SHSU Reading Center can also be used by those whose first language is not English to prepare for the TOEFL. Also, students preparing for post-baccalaureate educational endeavors can use computer-assisted tutorials for the reading/verbal sections of the: GRE, GMAT, LSAT, PCAT, or MCAT.

The Reading Center is an entity of the Language, Literacy, and Special Populations Department in the College of Education. The staff includes a full-time Reading Specialist and graduate assistants who are trained as reading tutors. For assistance, visit the Farrington Building, Office 109, or contact the Reading Center by telephone at (936) 294-3114 or FAX (936) 294-3560. Web: www.shsu.edu/~rdg_www/

Research and Special Programs
The mission of the Office of Research and Special Programs (ORSP) is to support the teaching, research and scholarly activities of the faculty. The office provides support to faculty and staff in preparing and submitting, to external entities, proposals for grants and contracts. ORSP assists the Research Council in overseeing the Research Enhancement Program. This program provides internal research support to strengthen faculty efforts to obtain external grants and professional development support to promote scholarly activities to further intellectual progress in the individual faculty member’s discipline. Support for research and scholarly activities which may involve undergraduate and graduate students is considered a vital part of the success of the University’s mission. ORSP protects the interests of the University by ensuring compliance with the rules and regulations set forth by federal and state governments, The Texas State University System (TSUS), the University, and granting agencies. ORSP assists the University’s compliance committees that address the regulations and policies dealing with financial conflicts of interest and the use of humans and animals in research and hazardous materials.

Texas Research Institute for Environmental Studies
The Texas Research Institute for Environmental Studies (TRIES) serves as a research and educational facility for faculty and students at Sam Houston State University. The Institute hosts the University’s visualization laboratory as well as a full service analytical laboratory. Each laboratory contains state-of-the-art equipment to meet the demands of research and education at the University.

The visualization laboratory is focused on the development of virtual reality simulations, distributed processing, computer modeling and custom software development. The laboratory possesses multiple geographic information system (GIS) software packages that enhance the quality of research being conducted by faculty and graduate students. GIS can be applied to research that addresses issues relating to business, criminal justice, environment and anything containing a spatial component. The laboratory also possesses software used by Hollywood studios for the production of special effects in movies, which provides students hand-on experience with industry standard software.

The analytical laboratory at TRIES is a full-service laboratory capable of conducting research requiring organic, inorganic and biological analyses. The laboratory possesses multiple instruments to assist researchers in all venues of analytical analyses and serves as a resource for research as well as instruction.
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Student Advising and Mentoring Center (SAM Center)
Located in Academic Building IV (south of the Lee Drain Building, corner of Avenue I and Bowers Blvd.), the Student Advising and Mentoring Center (SAM Center) at Sam Houston State University offers academic counseling and enrichment services to students. The Student Advising and Mentoring Center is a resource dedicated to helping students adjust to academic life at Sam Houston State University. Services available include career testing, aid with time management and/or study skills.

The SAM Center also offers a GRE/GMAT review for graduate students and prospective graduate students to aid them in their pursuit of full graduate status.

The Center can be contacted by email at SAMCenter@shsu.edu or by telephone (936) 294-4444.

Academic Advisement
Students are encouraged to be advised each semester to progress properly towards their chosen degrees. Each academic department has experienced advisors who can assist graduate students in determining the appropriate courses to take.

Students are urged to review the academic calendar which provides the dates for advance registration. Students should schedule their advisement session with an advisor at an early date to ensure that the advisement procedures occur prior to advance registration.

Questions relating to Academic Advisement can be directed to either the department of the graduate’s choice or to the Director of the Student Advising and Mentoring Center, located in Academic Building IV. Telephone: (936) 294-4444 and e-mail: SAMCenter@shsu.edu.

Testing Center
Located in Academic Building IV, Room 102 (south of the Lee Drain Building, corner of Avenue I and Bowers Blvd.), the Testing Center at Sam Houston State University provides test site opportunities for students to utilize through a variety of state and/or national standardized college entrance, vocational, guidance, state-mandated, and/or placement exams. Mailing address: Testing Center, Sam Houston State University, Box 2240, Huntsville, TX 77341-2240; telephone (936) 294-1025; web address: www.shsu.edu/~tst_www/.

This section addresses some of the testing choices a student may utilize for counseling purposes, program entrance, and/or receiving college credit. SHSU accepts a maximum of thirty (30) hours of undergraduate course work credit through a combination of national standardized exams and/or locally designed departmental exams (except when transferred from another college or university).

College Level Examination Program (CLEP). Sam Houston State University is an open national testing center for the College Level Examination Program (CLEP). Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Testing Center at (936) 294-1025 or by visiting the CLEP website at www.collegeboard.com/clep.

The DANTES Subject Standardized Tests (DSST) Program. The DSST Program is a credit-by-examination testing service used by colleges and universities to enable students to earn college credit in subjects they have learned outside the traditional college classroom. Sam Houston State University is a testing site for DSST exams. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Testing Center at (936) 294-1025 or by visiting the Thomson Prometric website at www.getcollegecredit.com.
Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT). This test is required for admission to graduate study in the College of Business Administration at Sam Houston State University. Registration for this test may be arranged by calling 1-800-GMAT-NOW or by visiting the GMAT website at www.gmac.com. For additional information about the GMAT, please contact the College of Business Administration’s Coordinator of Graduate Studies at Box 2056, Huntsville, TX 77341-2056; phone: (936) 294-1239; FAX: (936) 294-3612; e-mail: busgrad@shsu.edu. The College of Business Administration’s web address is coba.shsu.edu.

Graduate Record Examination (GRE). This test is required for admission to most programs of graduate study at Sam Houston State University. Registration for the computer-based examination may be scheduled by calling 1-800-GRE-CALL or by visiting the GRE website at www.gre.org. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Testing Center at (936) 294-1025.

Law School Admissions Test (LSAT). This exam is required for admission to law school. The exam is given at SHSU three times per year with all registration handled through the testing company. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Testing Center at (936) 294-1025 or from the Law School Admission Council’s website at www.LSAC.org.

Miller Analogies Test (MAT). The Miller Analogies Test is a test often accepted and/or required for graduate school admission and is administered in the Testing Center. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Testing Center at (936) 294-1025 or by visiting the MAT website at www.milleranalogies.com.

Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Education (TCLEOSE) Tests. Prospective police officers and/or jailers may take tests that are required by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Education for certification by the State of Texas. An Endorsement of Eligibility form, signed by the instructor of the course or academy, must be provided by the student before the test(s) may be administered. This test is administered by the Testing Center and individuals may schedule an appointment or obtain additional information by calling (936) 294-1025.

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). The TOEFL is required of non-native speakers of English. The TOEFL is administered several times per year, and there is a fee for administration and scoring services. The test is available in paper-based, computer-based, or internet based formats. For more information refer to the appropriate edition of the TOEFL Information Bulletin or visit their website at www.toefl.org. For further information, contact the English Language Institute, Box 2030, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas 77341; telephone: (936) 294-1028; website: www.shsu.edu/~www_eli/.

Writing Center
The Writing Center was created to help individuals become better writers and develop more confidence in their writing abilities. To this end, the Writing Center tutors provide one-on-one and small group writing instruction. The Sam Houston Writing Center helps all University students, staff, and faculty.

Graduate students may seek assistance for any type of writing needs ranging from M.A. theses, and Ph.D. dissertations to lab reports, case studies, research papers, as well as resumes, scholarship and job application letters. Writing Center tutors do not merely correct a student’s writing, but rather help students learn prewriting, revising, and editing skills. The Writing Center also provides distance tutoring for graduate students enrolled in off-campus or internet classes.
The Writing Center’s staff includes full-time members of the English faculty, and graduate and undergraduate students from a variety of majors who are trained as writing tutors. Tutors have received training in working with non-native English speakers. Contact the Writing Center: telephone (936) 294-3680, fax (936) 294-3560, email wctr@shsu.edu, website www.shsu.edu/wctr.

Student Support Services

Athletics
The Department of Athletics at Sam Houston State University is committed to the concept that intercollegiate athletics is an integral part of the University’s educational enterprise. Athletics encompasses nine women’s sports and seven men’s sports competing at the NCAA Division I level. The women’s sports include: basketball, golf, softball, tennis, cross country, indoor track, outdoor track, soccer and volleyball. The men’s sports include: baseball, basketball, football, golf, cross country, indoor track, and outdoor track.

Sam Houston State University is one of 12 schools competing in the Southland Conference. The current membership, with offices located in Frisco, TX, consists of: Central Arkansas University, Lamar University, McNeese State University, Northwestern State University, Nicholls State University, Sam Houston State University, Southeastern Louisiana University, Stephen F. Austin State University, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, University of Texas at Arlington, University of Texas at San Antonio and Texas State University-San Marcos.

The Bearkat teams enjoy excellent facilities, including Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum (basketball and volleyball), Bowers Stadium (football), the York Track and Field Events Center (track and field), Don Sanders Stadium (baseball), Bearkat Softball Complex (softball), and the McAdams Tennis Center (women’s tennis). Admission to all home athletic events is one of the activities covered by the Student Service Fee paid by Sam Houston State University students upon enrollment, and all students are encouraged to attend as many athletic events as they wish. SHSU athletic fans enjoy the excitement of collegiate athletics surrounded by the enthusiastic school spirit that adds to the fun and friendly competition with counterparts in the Southland Conference. Visit the Department of Athletics website at www.gobearkats.com.

Bearkat OneCard Services
The Bearkat OneCard is the official ID card of Sam Houston State University and signifies a student’s status as an active member of the Sam Houston State University community. The OneCard is an innovative, all-in-one student ID and has been designed to be an efficient, multi-purpose card which provides students easy access to university facilities and services. The card can also double as a debit card connected to the OneAccount, a fully functional FDIC-insured FREE checking account. As a MasterCard Debit Card, NOT A CREDIT CARD, the Bearkat OneCard can be used for purchases at million of merchants around the world.

An active Bearkat OneCard is used for SHSU Library Card, parking garage access (OneAccount), applying Financial Aid, managing financial aid and other refund preferences, access to the Health and Kinesiology Center and Raven’s Nest Golf Course, debit card for the Bearkat OneAccount, Bearkat Express access, meal plan access, and residence hall parameter access.

The Bearkat OneCard serves as the vehicle by which a student chooses the manner financial disbursements from the university are received. Preferences may be set
when activating the Bearkat OneCard on-line. Students have the option of (1) sending disbursements to the OneAccount, which is the fastest delivery method; (2) sending disbursements directly to a third party bank of choice through ACH processing (federal banking procedures require two to three business days for processing); and (3) utilizing a paper check, which is mailed from Connecticut, and can take up to 7 to 10 business days for mailing.

To obtain your Bearkat OneCard you must:

- have your photo taken in the Bearkat OneCard Office. It is mandatory to present a government issued ID at the time that the photo is taken,
- have a valid address on file with Sam Houston State University, and
- be registered for classes.

When these steps have been completed, your Bearkat OneCard will be mailed to your address of record. Upon receipt, the OneCard must be activated at www.BearkatOne.com for on campus usage. At the time of activation a student can choose to activate the optional, free FDIC-insured, no minimum balance checking account. This debit/checking account has been carefully designated with the needs of students in mind.

The Bearkat OneCard Services staff provides assistance in taking ID photos, activating cards, configuring options, and providing information related to refund disbursements to students. For more information, please call (936) 294-2273 or visit www.shsu.edu/onecard.

**Career Services**

The Career Services staff assists students and graduates of Sam Houston State University in their search for employment ideally suited to their interests, skills, academic preparation and personal aspirations.

Numerous programs and services are offered which provide opportunities for students of all majors to learn about careers and to meet with employers. Specific services include: on-campus interviews, resume referrals to employers, web-based registration and resume service, job vacancy announcements and listings, practice interviews and individual career advising. Resume writing, interviewing skills, and the process of searching for a job are taught through regularly scheduled workshops as well as by individual appointment. The Career Services office sponsors special events such as Teacher Job Fairs (fall and spring semesters), the Career Expo, and the Summer Job and Camp Fair. SHSU Career Services also participates in area career fairs, such as the Texas Job Fair held each spring in Houston, Texas.

The Dow Career Resource Library contains many resources to assist students in learning about careers and in finding internships, summer jobs, and professional employment. Printed materials such as employer information for new college graduates, information and applications from area school districts, job market information and applications for federal and state governmental positions, and materials on summer camps and internships are available. Numerous video tapes and books also provide information on job searching skills and specific employers. Internet (job search) access is also available through designated computers in the Career Services Library.

The Career Services staff also provides many free materials such as career magazines, brochures, literature from employers, and handouts on career-related topics. Career Services is located at the corner of Avenue J and Bearkat Boulevard, and is open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Further information may be obtained by calling (936) 294-1713 or by visiting www.shsu.edu/careerservices/.
Continuing Education

Continuing Education offers non-credit courses for personal and professional development. Courses include mediation, introduction to various computer software, art, stress reduction, country and western dance, ballroom dance, yoga, cake decorating, and much more. For more information, telephone (936) 294-3701 or visit the website at www.shsu.edu/continuinged.

Counseling Center

Counseling Services

Professional counseling services are available to students in the Counseling Center, North Annex of the Lee Drain Building. Individual or group counseling is available for personal, educational, or vocational concerns. Students can receive help in choosing a major, stress management, study skills, and test anxiety. They can work on a range of personal concerns including alcohol abuse, eating disorders, or physical or sexual abuse. Services are also available for international students who may seek support in adjusting to life at an American university. Students are encouraged to utilize any of these free, confidential services. To make an appointment, stop by or call (936) 294-1720. The Counseling Center is open Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Visit the Counseling Center website at www.shsu.edu/counsel.

Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD)

SSD is located in the Counseling Center and provides accommodations counseling and adaptive technology for students with disabilities. Students seeking academic accommodations need to provide appropriate documentation verifying their disability. Please see Service and Documentation Guidelines Brochure for documentation requirements and procedures for receiving accommodations. Adaptive technology available includes Closed Circuit Television (CCTV), computer work stations with large print and speech output capabilities, and FM amplifying devices. Students may also request registration assistance by calling the Registrar’s Office (936) 294-1040 or may request admissions information by calling the Office of Undergraduate Admissions (936) 294-1828.

Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD)

TDD locations are as follows with corresponding telephone numbers:

- Dean of Students’ Office: (936) 294-3785
- Counseling Center and Services for Students with Disabilities: (936) 294-3786
- University Police: (936) 294-3787
- Office of Undergraduate Admissions: (936) 294-3788
- Registrar’s Office: (936) 294-3789

Dean of Students’ Office

Through leadership, program, and policy development, the Dean of Students’ Office contributes to the overall intellectual, social, and personal development of the students. The Dean of Students’ Office represents student needs to the University administration, faculty, and departments and also transmits needs of these groups to the students. This office assists students who have questions about any phase of campus life. In an effort to promote individual group development of students, the office co-sponsors educational programs and leadership development workshops.

The professional staff is responsible for the administration of a number of policies and procedures found in Student Guidelines, the student handbook. These include student conduct and judicial processes, and certain provisions of the Family Rights and Privacy Act.
In addition, the office is responsible for Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges; the Freshman Leadership Program; Orange Keys Program; Faculty/Student Mentor Program (FLASH); Faculty/Staff Recognition Program; University Parking Appeals; Alpha Lambda Delta, a freshman Honor society; advising the Parents’ Association; advising Student Government Association and the Assessment Program within the Student Services Division.

The Dean of Students’ Office is located in the Lowman Student Center Suite #215, telephone (936) 294-1785. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday and other times by appointment. Website: www.shsu.edu/deanofstudents/.

General Conduct and Campus Regulations
It is expected that all Sam Houston State University students are on campus for serious educational pursuits and that they will conduct themselves so as to preserve an appropriate atmosphere of learning. It is also expected that all students who enroll at Sam Houston State University agree to assume the responsibilities of citizenship in the campus community. While enrolled, students are subject to University authority, which includes the prerogative of dismissing those whose conduct is not within the aims and policies of the University. Students are responsible for abiding by all published University rules and regulations as printed in this catalog, in the student handbook, Student Guidelines, and in other official University publications. Failure to read these publications will not excuse the student from the requirements and regulations described therein. In addition, students should be familiar with House Bill 141 of the 61st Legislature on Disruptive Activities and Senate Bill 24 of the 70th Legislature on Hazing, extracts of which can be found in Student Guidelines.

Student Government Association
The Student Government Association exists for the sole purpose of serving the student community. It is the political voice and liaison for the student body. The University recognizes the need and worthwhile contribution of student input in all facets of the University decision-making processes. The Student Government Association has long been active in this regard and has worked for the betterment of student life and academic quality. The student body participates in the development and management of a well-rounded program of student activities by electing the Student Government Association officers and Student Senators. Each college within the University elects its representatives, the number being determined by the percentage of students majoring in the academic departments within the academic college.

Open meetings are conducted each Tuesday night. Students are encouraged to participate in their student government. Copies of the Student Government Association constitution and other information may be obtained from the Student Government Association Office, which is located in the Lowman Student Center Suite #326. Please call (936) 294-1938 for additional information.

Health Center
The Student Health Center, located at the corner of Avenue J and Bearkat Boulevard, provides comprehensive routine health services and education to all currently enrolled students. The Health Center is open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Patients may schedule appointments in person, or by phone up to one day in advance. The Health Center is equipped with an in-house pharmacy and laboratory providing convenient and affordable access to routine healthcare services.
The cost of office visits are covered by the Medical Service Fee paid at the time of registration. Modest fees are charged for laboratory tests, prescription drugs and certain procedures. These charges are due when services are rendered. However, most of these charges are at discount rates that are well below market value.

In addition to medical treatment, the Health Center offers health education, prevention programs, and general health information. Students with questions about any health issue are encouraged to contact the Health Center.

In the case of medical emergencies, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) should be called (911). Persons experiencing a serious or potentially life threatening medical condition should seek medical attention at Huntsville Memorial Hospital.

Information regarding student health insurance is available through the Health Center. The student policy is required for international students unless clear proof of equivalent insurance coverage is provided and is recommended for all other students. Please visit the Health Center’s website at www.shsu.edu/healthcenter or call (936) 294-1805 for more information.

Human Resources
The Human Resources Department provides services in the areas of: employee benefits, employee relations, staffing, records, staff wage and salary administration, equal employment opportunity/affirmative action, civil rights compliance, risk management, and employee development/training. It is University policy that all human resources functions be conducted in a fair and equitable manner without discrimination toward any protected class under state and federal civil rights laws and regulations.

The Human Resources Department is located in the Estill Building, Room 334. The office is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The telephone number is (936) 294-1070. For current staff job openings, call the Job Information Line at (936) 294-1067. Job openings for faculty and staff positions can be accessed on the Human Resources website: www.shsu.edu/~hrd_www/employment.

Student Employment
Information about student job opportunities and applications for student employment may be obtained from Career Services located at the corner of Avenue J and Bearkat Boulevard. Career Services is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The telephone number is (936) 294-1713.

International Programs, Office of
The Office of International Programs (OIP) promotes, fosters, encourages, and coordinates international activities at Sam Houston State University. Such activities include the recruitment and retention of international students, the administration of study abroad programs for SHSU faculty and students, and assistance to international visitors to the campus. The Office also publishes a newsletter informing students and faculty of grant opportunities, deadlines, and events of special interest.

OIP is active in the recruitment of international students to the University. Its staff handles visa procedures for all international students. The Office serves as a primary contact for international students when they first apply and continues to serve in that capacity throughout their stay at the University.
Sam Houston State University offers opportunities for study in exchange programs around the world. Its own faculty members have led programs in recent years in countries such as Italy, France, Russia, England, Mexico, China, Spain, and Poland. In addition, the University is a member of the Texas Consortium for Study Abroad, which has an agreement with the American Institute for Foreign Study (AIFS). Students at the University can participate in any study abroad program organized by AIFS.

Visit or call the Office of International Programs in Farrington Bldg., Room 116; telephone (936) 294-3892. Information is available at the website www.shsu.edu/oip. Mail address: International Programs, Sam Houston State University, Farrington Building 116, Box 2150, Huntsville, TX 77341-2150.

Maintaining F-1 Student Visa Status
-U.S. Government Requirements for All F-1 Students-
IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO FOLLOW THESE REQUIREMENTS OR FACE POSSIBLE REMOVAL FROM THE UNITED STATES.

Maintain a valid passport at all times, unless exempt from passport requirements. Your passport should be valid for at least 6 months into the future.

Only attend the school listed on your current and stamped I-20. To attend another school, you must transfer to that school (obtain approval on a new I-20) or receive a concurrent enrollment letter from an International Student Advisor.

Complete an I-20 transfer whenever you change schools. An I-20 transfer (not the same as transferring academic credit) must be completed within 30 days of the beginning of classes of the first semester at the new school. An I-20 transfer is not complete until an International Student Advisor from the International Office processes your new I-20 through the USCIS Database.

Be a full-time student each long semester. You must complete (not just register for) a full course load each long semester. To maintain your F-1 student visa status, undergraduate students must complete at least 12 hours and graduate students must complete at least 9 hours each long semester. Note: Some degree programs may require more hours for academic reasons. Check with your department. You are not required by USCIS to enroll in classes during the summer session, unless summer is your first semester in the U.S. If you need to drop below full-time hours, make an appointment to see an International Student Advisor BEFORE taking any action.

Apply for an extension of your I-20 thirty days before the expiration date. The extension can only be applied for at the Office of International Programs within the 30-day period before the expiration date.

Obtain a new I-20 whenever you make a change in degree levels or majors. This includes changing levels at the same school or a new one (e.g., bachelor’s to master’s degree) or beginning a new degree at the same level (e.g., master’s degree to a 2nd master’s).

Never work off-campus unless you have current authorization from an International Student Advisor and the USCIS. You must either have an employment authorization stamp from our office on page 4 of your I-20 or an employment authorization card from the INS. All off-campus employment has a beginning and ending date. Renewals must be done before resuming work. If you work even one day before or after your authorization, you are in danger of being removed from the U.S. On-campus work does not require specific authorization, but you must maintain your full-time student status to be
authorized. On-campus work is limited to 20 hours or less per week during the fall and spring and may be full-time during the summer if you do not take summer classes.

Obtain a travel endorsement on the back of your I-20 before leaving the U.S. This will be needed if you want to reenter the U.S.

Willful failure to maintain health insurance at the required level will be considered a violation of status.

A student may apply for Optional Practical Training up to 90 days prior to graduation. (Contact the Office of International Programs to schedule an appointment and to obtain instruction.)

Maintain a current address with the Office of International Programs and the USCIS at all times while you are on the I-20 of SHSU. Therefore, update your address with the Office of International Programs every time you change addresses.

**USCIS: Change of Address (08-28-02)**

Any alien [nonimmigrant international] in the U.S. is required to report his or her address to the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) within ten (10) days of the change of address. You may report your change of address to the Office of International Programs. The office will make the change in the government’s online database, as well as in the SHSU database.

**Lowman Student Center**

The Lowman Student Center (LSC), conveniently located at the center of campus, offers several dining options and a variety of meeting facilities and services. The University Bookstore is located on the second floor, along with the Art Gallery and Information Center. The LSC also houses the Kat Klub Entertainment Center, a spacious ballroom, theater, and fifteen conference rooms. The LSC provides wireless computer access, as well as computer work stations on the first and second floors. An ATM and copy machine are located on the first floor. Students may consider joining one of the many organizations that meet in the Lowman Student Center. By getting involved and connected, students gain the opportunity to meet other students with similar interests, make new friends, gain valuable leadership experiences, and make better grades.

For additional information, contact the Lowman Student Center staff at (936)294-1759 or visit our website at www.shsu.edu/lsc.

**Office of the Vice President for Student Services**

The Office of the Vice President for Student Services provides administrative leadership, supervision, and coordination for the Division of Student Services. The division includes the following departments: Bearkat OneCard Services; Counseling and SSD Services, which includes disabled student services; Dean of Students’ Office; Health Center; Lowman Student Center; Student Activities; Recreational Sports and Activities; and Students’ Legal and Mediation Services. Visit the website at www.shsu.edu/~slo_stdss/.

**Public Safety Services**

**University Police**

University Police Officers are licensed peace officers as defined under the laws of the State of Texas and thereby have the authority as peace officers. Their primary jurisdiction, under H.B. 391, includes all counties in which property is owned, leased, rented, or otherwise under the control of Sam Houston State University.
The University Police Officers subscribe to the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics, a portion of which reads, “As a law enforcement officer, my fundamental duty is to serve mankind; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the Constitutional rights of all citizens to liberty, equality, and justice.” In this endeavor, the University Police earnestly solicit the support of the faculty, staff and students. Many officers are students thus providing a balance within Public Safety Services from a student’s perspective.

In addition to University regulations, all the general and criminal laws of the State and the United States are declared to be in full force and effect within the properties of Sam Houston State University. All persons are responsible for compliance with these laws.

All thefts, vehicle accidents, or other offenses that occur on campus should be reported immediately to the University Police. The University Police Building is located at 2424 Sam Houston Avenue (Sam South Complex) — Telephone Number (936) 294-1794. Police Officers are on duty 24 hours every day. The Business Office hours are 7:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday. Visit the website at www.shsu.edu/~upd_www/.

Campus Safety
Sam Houston State University offers a variety of services to promote a safe campus environment. The campus is equipped with emergency call boxes stationed at strategic locations throughout the campus to include parking lots, walkways, and residence halls. Additionally, the University Police provide staff to escort students not wishing to walk alone at night to and from campus buildings and parking lots. Students wishing to learn more about personal safety and self defense may take advantage of programs offered by the University Police Department. For more information call (936) 294-1794.

Parking Permits
Students, full or part-time, who operate or expect to operate a motor vehicle, motor cycle, or motor assisted cycle on University property, regularly or occasionally, are REQUIRED to register the vehicle with the Department of Public Safety Services and obtain a parking decal assigning a designated color area for parking. The University reserves the right to require proof of ownership of the vehicle being registered. Parking and Traffic Regulations and Information governing the operation of motor vehicles is issued with each parking permit and is available in administrative offices. Failure to read the regulations is not an excuse for failure to comply with the regulations.

Recreational Sports and Activities
The Department of Recreational Sports offers broad-based recreational programming in the areas of Intramural Sports, Open Recreation, Aquatics, Club Sports, Outdoor Recreation, Wellness, and Special Events. Facilities managed by the Department of Recreational Sports include the Health and Kinesiology Center; which houses four basketball courts, a 1/8-mile indoor running track, ten racquetball courts, a new state of the art 10,000 sq./ft. weight room, eight outdoor tennis courts, two outdoor sand volleyball courts, the Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum, an outdoor heated swimming pool, and three multi-purpose fields. In addition, the department is responsible for the Pritchett Field Complex which includes two multi-purpose fields and an outdoor running track.

The Intramural Program offers a variety of team, dual, and individual sports. Leagues are offered that are both competitive as well as recreational in three divisions — men’s, women’s and co-recreational. The Informal Recreational Program is designed to offer opportunities in self-directed recreational pursuits. Informal “free play” is an ideal
alternative for those not interested in team affiliation. The Outdoor Recreation Program offers an extensive outdoor recreation rental program (tents, canoes, etc.) and trip program (backpacking the Big Bend or skiing in Colorado are examples). The Outdoor Program also began construction of the New “Bearkat Ranch” a 345 acre camp that will be a hub for fun and recreation. The camp plans include a meeting house, primitive and cabin camping, softball and soccer fields, boat launches and a crystal lake. The Club Sports program accommodates individuals who have an interest in competitive sports such as soccer, volleyball, and rugby. Clubs are comprised of both competitive and non-competitive sections for each activity. The Wellness Program offers a wide variety of interactive programs promoting a positive personal lifestyle. The department also offers special events such as sports trivia bowl competition, Midnight Mayhem, Finals Relief, and Raven Run. Numerous employment opportunities for students who are interested in part-time work are available. Over 300 student positions are filled annually in the areas of Intramural Officiating, Facility Supervision, Aquatics, Wellness, Outdoor Recreation and Special Events.

The informal relationships which are established through involvement in sport and recreational activities are an integral part of a student’s life. The Department of Recreational Sports invites students to become active participants in one or more of the various forms of activities available. For more information stop by the administrative offices located in the Health and Kinesiology building, room 162 or call (936) 294-1985 or visit the Recreational Sports website at www.shsu.edu/~rca_www/.

Residence Life
Residence Halls
The University operates over thirty residence halls, small houses, and apartment complexes, including a small house (capacity 30 residents) for juniors, seniors, graduates, and nontraditional students (24 years of age or older) and one honors house. A brochure which includes complete details of the housing program at Sam Houston, including information regarding specific residence halls, applicable rates, and policies, is available upon request from the Department of Residence Life, Box 2416, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas 77341. Additional information may be obtained by calling the Department of Residence Life at (936) 294-1812.

A student is required to be enrolled in the University each semester, including summer, in order to reside in university housing.

A housing application/contract form is available online from www.shsu.edu/reslife for those students who have been accepted to the University. A room deposit of $200 is required with the application for housing. Assignments are made on a space-available basis according to the date of deposit. Prior to the beginning of a semester, the student will be mailed information regarding the appropriate arrival and check-in hours, as well as other information. The contract will be in effect and must be adhered to for the academic year.

Should you become unable to fulfill your reservation, refunds may be made under certain conditions. Please refer to the terms and conditions of the contract for specific details regarding refunds which are determined by the dates cancellations are received.

Payment for housing may be made in full at registration, or in three installments. The balance of rent or one-half of the balance is due during academic registration. Additional installments are due prior to the sixth and eleventh class weeks. Rent for summer terms is due in full at academic registration, and a late fee of $10 is charged on all payments received after established deadlines.
University residence halls are closed during the holidays of Thanksgiving and winter break, and during spring break.

**Sam Houston State University Bearkat Village I and II Apartments.** The University maintains two-bedroom, fully furnished apartments located on Bowers Blvd. across from Bowers Stadium, for upperclassmen. All residents must be enrolled in the University while residing in the apartments.

**Food Services**
The Department of Residence Life currently provides four meal plans. Payment for meal plans may be made in full at registration or in three installments. The installments are one-half at registration and the balance in two equal payments prior to the sixth and eleventh class week, respectively. Also available is the Bearkat Express plan which may be opened upon payment of an initial deposit with meal charges deducted as usage occurs. Money deposited into Bearkat Express account is nonrefundable.

All students are encouraged to take advantage of meal plans. Meal service begins the day the residence halls open and continues through final examinations. ARAMARK manages the campus food service and offers Café Belvin plus several other campus dining facilities.

Rates and detailed information may be obtained from the Department of Residence Life, Box 2416, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas 77341, or by calling (936) 294-1812. See our website at www.shsu.edu/reslife/diningandmeal/indexmeal.html.

**Summer Housing and Food Services**
Summer accommodations vary from year to year because of renovation and maintenance schedules. Rooms in large residence halls and small houses for single students usually are open for summer school students. Assignments are made according to date of deposit.

The Bearkat Express plan is also available during summer sessions. Additional information concerning the summer food plan may be obtained from the Department of Residence Life.

**Safety Office**
The University Safety Office is responsible for administering safety programs designed to assure a safe and healthful campus environment for all students, faculty, and staff. These programs include fire, health, and occupational safety, as well as safety audits and investigations of any unsafe conditions or safety hazards reported within the campus community. Any person noting a safety hazard on the University campus is urged to report the condition to the Safety Coordinator as soon as possible, telephone (936) 294-1921. The Safety Office is located in the Sam South Complex, Building B, 2424 Sam Houston Avenue.

**Sam Houston Memorial Museum**
The Sam Houston Memorial Museum, established in 1936 as a Texas centennial project, is an integral part of Sam Houston State University and is dedicated to preserving the memory of General Sam Houston (1793-1863). A soldier, statesman and politician, the only man to serve as governor of two states and president of an independent republic, Sam Houston led the fight for Texas' independence and then served Texas as President, U.S. Senator, and Governor. Located on fifteen acres, the museum complex preserves three fully furnished original Houston buildings — Woodland Home, Steamboat House, and Law Office — as well as a kitchen, blacksmith shop and other exhibit
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structures. The Memorial Museum Building houses the major collection of Houston memorabilia and exhibits. The Katy & E. Don Walker, Sr. Education Center is named for a distinguished alumnus of Sam Houston State University and his wife, and provides auditorium, classroom and meeting spaces, as well as a gallery for traveling exhibits and ‘Wigwam Neosho’ — the museum store and gift shop. The museum offers many educational opportunities for Sam Houston State University students. These include semester-length internships, part-time student employment, tours, and research and writing programs using archives, manuscripts and artifacts.

The Sam Houston Memorial Museum is accredited by the American Association of Museums. Accreditation certifies that a museum operates according to standards set forth by the museum profession, manages its collections responsibly and provides quality services of museum visitors.

The museum complex is located at the corner of Sam Houston Avenue and 19th Street, and can be reached by calling (936) 294-1832; or by visiting the website at www.samhouston.memorial.museum.

Sam Houston Press & Copy Center
Sam Houston Press & Copy Center is the University’s in-house printing and copying facility. It provides year-round service for students, faculty, and staff of Sam Houston State University. All types of copying, binding, fax services, and printing services are offered to students and student organizations.

Sam Houston Press & Copy Center is located on the first floor of the Thomason Building. The facility is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. For information or to arrange an appointment for placing an order, call (936) 294-1856.

Student Activities
The Department of Student Activities provides leadership and advisement to Program Council, approximately 230 student organizations, Orange Pride Dance Team, cheerleaders, mascots, fraternities, sororities, multicultural and international student services and volunteer services. The department, located in the Lowman Student Center, offers quality programs and services that embrace a student development philosophy and provides an environment conducive to learning through involvement in co-curricular activities. Campus leadership training programs for student groups, University-wide student programs, and the University’s master calendar of activities are included in the department’s responsibilities.

Multicultural and International Student Services
The Office of Multicultural and International Student Services is committed to providing students with a variety of cross cultural experiences. The office assists all facets of the University in matters dealing with diversity, international and cultural issues. Students, faculty and staff who participate in the programs offered have the opportunity to experience mentoring, retention and leadership development programs enhanced by cultural understanding. The Office of Multicultural and International Student Services contributes to the University’s diverse nature by providing information relative to the ethnic and international population and provides a means to encourage and support the ethnic and international student body in meeting their particular needs and concerns.

Program Council
Many opportunities for personal involvement and professional experience, on a volunteer basis, are available to students through Program Council, which is the student programming board that creates and sponsors many entertainment events and activi-
ties on campus. Program Council receives a portion of Student Services fees to provide campus films, concerts, lectures, cultural events, comedians and many more opportunities for fun, recreation and relaxation. Membership is open to any student interested in the opportunity to develop leadership skills, participate in presenting campus programs and meet other students with similar interests. Distinguished speakers, top quality performing artists and cultural events provide co-curricular and informal education experiences in an effort to make free-time activities a cooperative factor in education.

**Student Organizations**

A variety of student organizations provide University students with an opportunity to become involved in campus life. Information regarding University-recognized organizations is available from the Department of Student Activities in the Lowman Student Center. University recognition is renewed each fall and spring semester; therefore, the listings are subject to change.

**Student Services**

The role of the Division of Student Services is to complement the total educational mission of the University by providing opportunities for students to develop and grow in an academic environment. This is accomplished by offering quality programs and emphasizes that holistic approach in co-curriculum involvement. Studies indicate that learning occurs in an environment conducive to social, recreational, educational, and intellectual interaction. A variety of student service programs are designed to foster such interaction with students, faculty, staff, and the University community. The goal of the division is to contribute to the learning experiences of SHSU students, helping them to become educated, enlightened, and empowered in ways that they can achieve and contribute as productive citizens in their college, community, and country.

**Students’ Legal and Mediation Services**

The Students’ Legal Services office is located in the Counseling Center (North Annex of the Lee Drain Building). The Student’s Legal Advisor has scheduled hours that allow students with various schedules to easily obtain an appointment by calling (936) 294-1717. Brochures concerning specific legal issues are also available for registered students.

The advisor often helps students with legal problems by guiding them through self-help procedures and providing written materials concerning their legal issues. By guiding the student through the procedures required in administrative and judicial proceedings, it is anticipated that the student will be able to effectively deal with these problems currently and in the future. However, when the problem is of such a nature that legal representation is immediately needed, referral to several practicing attorneys in that area of law is made.

All matters between the Students’ Legal Advisor and the student are confidential. Some areas of student concern are landlord/tenant issues, consumer protection, insurance, crime, family law, traffic tickets, automobile accidents, and employee rights.

**University Advancement**

The University Advancement Division is responsible for enhancing the visibility and image of Sam Houston State University. The primary goal is to attract significant private support and, in the process, create a growing awareness of the University’s quality by prospective students and their parents. The division seeks to achieve its goal through a range of comprehensive activities that will build strengthened relationships between the University and its various publics and to present a compelling case for involvement with and support of SHSU.
The Sam Houston Memorial Museum development, alumni relations, public relations, marketing, and advancement services comprise the advancement division. In discharging its responsibilities, the division conducts the following programs: publications, alumni affairs, media and public relations, web-based communications, marketing, annual giving, major gifts, planned gifts, and donor relations.

The University must increasingly rely on gifts from its alumni, friends, and parents to bridge the gap between what tuition, fees, and state support provide and what is necessary to fund first-rate programs. To this end, the University has launched its first ever capital campaign, with a goal of $50 million.

For additional information about supporting the University through an annual, capital, or planned gift, please contact the division at (936) 294-3625 or Box 2537, Huntsville, TX 77341-2537. Donors wishing to make a gift with a credit card can go online at www.shsu.edu/uadv01wp/home.php.

Alumni Association
The Office of Alumni Relations is a vibrant and growing part of the University Advancement Division and provides the support and direction for the Alumni Association. The alumni program is an important part of an integrated advancement effort to inform and engage graduates and former students with the University.

The Alumni Association exists to support and promote the University, and it represents the interests of over 70,000 alumni. The Association’s programs and activities are developed and planned in consultation with an alumni board of directors. The Association sponsors distinguished alumni and alumni service awards programs, homecoming, tailgate parties, a SHSU Alumni Association credit card, area alumni gatherings, newsletters, scholarships, student programs, merchandising, and the official class ring program.

Membership is open to all graduates, former students and friends of Sam Houston State University. For additional information, please call (936) 294-1841 or visit the Alumni Association on the web at http://alumni.shsu.edu.

Public Relations
The Office of Public Relations is a significant component of the University Advancement Division, fostering communications and understanding between the university and a range of internal and external constituencies, including students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends. As the primary conduit for information with media outlets throughout the state and nation, the Office produces and distributes news releases and articles, highlighting the quality of the University’s faculty, students, projects, and programs. The office maintains a comprehensive list of faculty and staff experts, participates in the ProfNet media query service and, in doing so, is able to provide valuable assistance to local and national media on a broad range of timely topics and news events.

The Public Relations Office also maintains a strong presence on the Web, which includes news releases, a campus calendar, a listing of campus experts, historical information on the University and General Sam Houston, and the electronic newsletter Today@Sam. For more information, please call (936) 294-1836 or visit Public Relations on the Web at www.shsu.edu/today@sam.

University Hotel
The University Hotel and the George J. Beto Conference Center are conveniently located on the North East corner of campus at Bearkat Boulevard and Bobby K. Marks
Drive. The University Hotel offers meeting space, dining accommodations, exercise equipment, and 89 comfortably furnished guest rooms. SSD accessible rooms are available upon request. Children 18 years of age and under stay free with parents in the same room. All rooms have two double beds. For additional information or to make reservations, please call (936) 291-2151, (800) 747-8466, or fax (936) 294-1683. Website: www.shsuhotel.org
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Additional Information on Graduate Programs

For additional information about the graduate programs, please contact the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at: Box 2209, Huntsville, TX 77341-2209 or by telephone (936) 294-1401, or FAX (936) 294-1598, or email coas@shsu.edu. The College of Arts and Sciences’ internet address is www.shsu.edu/coas.
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL SCIENCES

The Department of Agricultural and Industrial Sciences consists of two major programs of study, Agricultural Sciences and Industrial Technology. Specific requirements for each degree offered are outlined under the respective program headings. For more information on the Department of Agricultural and Industrial Sciences, please visit www.shsu.edu/agr or contact the graduate coordinator, Dr. Stanley Kelley, sfkelley@shsu.edu.

Requirements for Admission

MS and MA Programs
Students seeking admission to the graduate program in Agriculture or Industrial Technology must:
1. Submit a Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the application fee to Graduate Studies.
2. Submit official transcripts of all college-level work, including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred.
3. Submit GRE scores.
4. Submit two letters of recommendation from faculty in the undergraduate major field of study.
5. Complete an undergraduate degree in agriculture, industrial technology, technology or related field from an accredited four-year institution. (Applicants without an acceptable background in agriculture or technology must complete 12 hours of undergraduate stem work earning a minimum GPA of 3.0)

A holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis.

AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES PROGRAM

Master of Science in Agriculture

The graduate program in agricultural sciences is designed to further the professional competence of those individuals engaged in production agriculture, careers in agricultural and related agencies, businesses and industries, and/or agricultural education and extension.

The Agricultural Sciences program maintains four locations with working laboratories. The Agriculture Center is home to the Indoor Arena, Meat Science Lab, Soils Lab, Horse Husbandry Lab, and a greenhouse. Nearby is the Horticulture Center with two greenhouses, and a classroom. The Ag Mechanization and Technology Center provides excellent advanced teaching and research opportunities in the areas of power and machinery, electrification, geomatics, soil and water conservation, irrigation, drainage, landscaping, and wood/metal construction and fabrication. The 1600-acre Gibbs Ranch is home to purebred and crossbred beef cattle herds and a meat goat flock, along with additional plant, soil and animal resources used for instruction and research purposes.

Agricultural Sciences Option: 37 Semester Hours
This degree is designed to be a broad-based degree including thirty-seven hours of coursework. Fifteen hours from agribusiness, agricultural education, agricultural mech-
anization, animal science, horticulture, and/or agronomy are required. In addition, the curriculum includes a course in research methodology, graduate seminar and a course in agricultural statistics. An additional fifteen semester hours are designated as electives and can be taken in agriculture or from a related field. The degree is designed to provide comprehensive knowledge and capabilities in several fields of agriculture.

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Five courses can be selected from the following areas:

- Agribusiness (500-level)
- Agricultural Education (500-level)
- Agricultural Mechanization (500-level)
- Animal Science (500-level)
- Horticultural/Crop Sciences (500-level)

For a total of: 15 SCH

Electives (may be 400- [6 hours], 500- or 600-level) 15 SCH

Non-thesis and thesis options are available. The non-thesis option includes the thirty-seven hours listed above followed by a written comprehensive capstone exam. The thesis option must have prior approval by the chair of the thesis committee and includes an oral comprehensive exam and thesis defense. Six of the fifteen elective hours are used for research and thesis preparation. Once enrolled in a thesis class, a student must be continually enrolled until graduation.

**MBA Program with a Specialization in Agribusiness**

The Master of Business Administration with a specialization in Agribusiness program requires a core of twenty-one graduate semester hours and fifteen hours of graduate electives. The specialization in agribusiness option allows students to obtain a masters degree in business, but specialize in agribusiness. This specialization requires that 12 of the 15 hours in electives be in agribusiness. Specific courses will be taken in agricultural management, finance, marketing, government policy, and quantitative methods. The combination of business and agriculture courses create an innovative degree for a candidate interested in pursuing a career in agricultural business. This program is administered by the College of Business Administration, but electives in agribusiness are administered by the Department of Agricultural and Industrial Sciences. For more information on the program, contact Dr. Roger Hanagriff, rhanagriff@shsu.edu.

For application forms or further information, contact:
Coordinator of Graduate Studies
College of Business Administration
Sam Houston State University
Huntsville, TX 77341-2056
Telephone: (936) 294-1246
www.shsu.edu/~coba/

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AGR 489 Animal Reproduction
AGR 491 Advanced Horse Production and Management
AGR 494 Animal Feeds and Feeding
AGR 495 Animal Breeding and Genetics
AGR 497 Integrated Pest Management

A maximum of six hours of 400-level courses may be taken toward the completion of the master’s degree. Course requirements in 400-level courses will be appropriately modified for graduate credit.

AGRICULTURE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS


AGR 533 Advanced Rural Utilities. Selection and use of electrical equipment as related to efficiency and economy in agricultural production, processing and storage of feeds, forage crops and grain in connection with livestock enterprises.

AGR 535 Advanced Principles of Livestock Management. Survey of current knowledge and concepts of beef production with emphasis on the stocker/feedlot segment. Includes feeding, management, marketing and disease control of stocker and feedlot cattle.

AGR 536 Contemporary Issues in Agricultural Business. Analysis and discussion of current issues in agricultural business with appropriate principles and theories. Issues may include marketing, management, finance, policy, international, legal and ethical topics. Student participation is expected via reports throughout the semester or term reports.

AGR 560 Agricultural Policy. Advanced analysis of government policies and programs important to agriculture. Topics include: the policy making process and leaders, interest groups, organization and functions of federal and state agencies,
policies relevant to production agriculture and natural resources, rural development, consumer and food safety, international marketing and food distribution.

**AGR 562 Principles of Crop Protection.**
Diagnosis, epidemiology, and control of plant pests. Causative and limiting factors are stressed. Designed for prospective or practicing teachers and technicians in the agro-chemical industry or in federal or state plant pest control agencies.

**AGR 564 Agricultural Internship.**
A directed study utilizing industry to develop an understanding of agricultural production and management principles.

**AGR 570 Food and Fiber Crops.**
A study of traditional plant breeding techniques and an overview of contemporary crop improvement methods. The physiology, adaptation, classification, taxonomy, and utilization of major crop species used for production of food and fiber are covered. Genetic and environmental influences on crop quality are discussed.

**AGR 575 Statistical Methods in Agriculture.**
Applications of statistical methods for making meaningful interpretations of qualitative and quantitative data from experiments in agriculture. Instruction includes sampling and randomization, correlation and regression, analysis of variance and testing of hypotheses of means and variances, and design of experiments in agriculture.

**AGR 582 Nutritional and Physiological Inter-Relationships.**
Physiological functions of various body processes in domestic animals with emphasis on the metabolic relationships among minerals, vitamins, amino acids, fats, carbohydrates, enzymes, hormones and non-nutritive feed additives and the effect of nutritional antagonists.

**AGR 586 Capital Management in Agricultural Business.**
This course provides an in-depth understanding of capital marketing, capital budgeting, financial planning, and appraisal principles important in the field of agribusiness.

**AGR 598 Economics of Agricultural Production.**
Agricultural production principles applied to the use of resources; cost analyses of production enterprises; linear programming of enterprises for maximizing returns; elements of depreciation schedules; evaluation for income tax purposes.

**AGR 614 Graduate Seminar.**
This course is designed to provide students a forum for presentation of their graduate project and to provide an opportunity for faculty to present seminars relative to contemporary issues in agriculture. The project is an agreement between student and his/her committee. Course cannot be repeated.

**AGR 635 Techniques and Interpretation of Research.**
A course designed to develop the competencies needed to interpret and utilize agricultural research. Topics will include: the philosophy of the scientific method, formats for agricultural research data, interpretation of data, and application of information to specific situations.

**AGR 698, 699 Thesis.**
In addition to the preliminary study of the techniques of research, these courses involve completion of a bibliography, organization of material, selection of a suitable problem, a digest of related literature, selection of appropriate procedures, formulation of a plan of investigating and reporting, collection and organization of data, and the writing of the thesis.
AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

AED 564  Advanced Problems in Vocational Education.
A directed individual investigation of advanced problems in Career and Technology Education.

AED 576  Personal Leadership and Organizational Dynamics.
Concepts and practices in planning and presenting materials to agricultural groups. Includes leadership skills, concepts of community development, and dynamics of technological change.

CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

CAT 564  Advanced Problems in Vocational Education.
This course is designed to provide students with an interest in education, the opportunity to gain specialized experience and investigation of advanced problems in Career and Technology Education. Prerequisite: Departmental Approval. May be repeated or taken concurrently to a maximum of 6 hours.

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

Master of Arts in Industrial Technology

The graduate program in Technology is designed to provide advanced training for professional and managerial positions in the teaching profession and occupations related to industry.

The authorized degree program is a Master of Arts degree with an emphasis in Industrial Technology. For admission requirements, refer to those listed under the Department of Agricultural Sciences.

Master of Arts in Industrial Technology: 37 Semester Hours
This degree is designed to provide advanced training for professional and managerial positions in industry. A student selecting this plan must complete 37 hours in Industrial Technology/Education and graduate seminar, or may, with the approval of the academic advisor, complete 24 hours in Industrial Technology and 12 hours in a supporting field.

All 400-level courses (except IT 490) will be offered for graduate credit upon the consent of the student’s academic advisor. A maximum of six hours of 400-level courses may be taken toward the completion of the master’s degree. Course requirements in 400-level courses will be appropriately modified for graduate credit.

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The student may complete a six-hour thesis, IT 698 and IT 699, as part of the Industrial Technology requirement.

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

**IT 568** History And Philosophy Of Industrial Education.  
This course is designed to provide the opportunities for in-depth study of the historical background of the industrial education movement.

**IT 590** Directed Studies.  
This course is designed to provide students with the opportunity to gain specialized experience in one or more of the following areas: Internship, Laboratory Procedures, Individualized Study, Innovative Curriculum, Workshops, Specialized Training Schools, Seminar. In the internship and laboratory procedures segment, the student will gain organization and management techniques through observation and participation in conducting classroom activities and associated laboratory experience. The student may gain experience in a maximum of two areas of competency. In the individualized studies segment, the student will select a problem and work under the direction of a major professor. 1-6 hours, may be repeated or taken concurrently for a maximum of six hours. (Area of study to be indicated on transcript.)

**IT 631** Plant Layout And Materials Handling.  
A study of the methods in planning and control of production; operation analysis; routing; scheduling and dispatching; production charts and boards; inventory control; accumulation of material requirements; and use of critical path techniques used in industry.

**IT 634** Materials Test Technology.  
A study of internal stresses and deformation of bodies resulting from the action of external forces; concepts and techniques of testing tensile, compression, shear, transverse, hardness and the elasticity on various materials and fasteners.

**IT 635** Principles And Techniques Of Research In Industrial Education.  
A study of the basic principles of research and the techniques of application as related to Industrial Education.

**IT 698, 699** Thesis.  
In addition to the preliminary study of the techniques of research, these course involve completion of a bibliography, organization of material, selection of a suitable problem, a digest of related literature, selection of appropriate procedures, formulation of a plan of investigating and reporting, collection and organization of data, and the writing of the thesis.

INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

**IE 531** Graduate Human Relations For Vocational-Technical Industrial Teachers.  
This course is designed to meet the needs of the competent tradesman in understanding and working with students. Parallel course to IE 431.

**IE 565** Methods And Media In Vocational-Technical Education.  
Success in most professional areas is dependent in part on the ability of an individual to communicate effectively with others. An inventory of media used in communications will be made. Various means and equipment for aiding the communication of ideas will be studied and evaluated.

**IE 579** Instructional/Production Analysis.  
This course is a study of the inventory and analysis procedure by which the essential elements of an occupation or production scheduling activ-
ity are identified and listed for instruction or production purposes. The analysis determines the instructional or production format necessary for a smooth and orderly process from the simple to the complex order of tasks, operation and jobs required in the industrial environment.

IE 582 Vocational Student Identification And Follow-Up.
Techniques for identifying students for vocational training; sources and means of job placement for co-operative part-time students and graduates of vocational programs; and methods of making student follow-up studies are included.

IE 586 Teaching Aids In Industrial Education.
This course is designed to aid teachers of industrial subjects in the design and construction of teaching aids. The study of multi-media is an integral and important phase of this course.

IE 591 Laboratory Organization And Management.
This course is designed for graduates who are going to teach Industrial Education or manage equipment and supplies in industry. It is to prepare students to successfully manage laboratory activities, organize laboratories in accordance with contemporary concepts, and to control materials/supplies within their laboratories. Parallel course to IE 491.
DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Biology, the study of living things, is an exciting and dynamic field that offers many areas of focus. Graduate studies in the biological sciences provide opportunities to study viruses, bacteria, protists, fungi, plants, and animals and to investigate the biochemical, physiological, anatomical, behavioral, or ecological processes that make each organism unique. Specific areas of faculty research interests include parasitology, systematics of insects and plants, vegetation mapping, animal, plant and bacterial physiology, cellular signal transduction, genetics of longevity, micro and macro evolution, vertebrate reproduction, animal mating systems, entomology, behavioral ecology, and ecology of aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems.

The Department of Biological Sciences is located in the Lee Drain Building, which houses facilities including teaching and research laboratories, the Warner Herbarium, Sam Houston State Vertebrate Museum, Texas Bird Sound Library, an animal rearing facility, greenhouse, scanning electron microscope, and modern molecular biology research equipment. The Department also operates the Center for Biological Field Studies, a 250-acre field station within five miles of campus that is dedicated to research and teaching.

The Department of Biological Sciences offers MA and MS degrees in Biology and is a contributing partner to the interdisciplinary MS degree in Forensic Science along with the College of Criminal Justice and Department of Chemistry. The MS degree in Biology allows for specialization in one of several areas of Biology and is designed for those students planning to pursue careers in research or environmental biology with governmental agencies and industry. The MS degree in Biology is also appropriate for students planning to continue their training in Ph.D. programs at other institutions or in professional schools. The MS degree in Forensic Science is a degree that prepares the student to work for or consult with various agencies in the criminal justice system.

The MA degree in Biology is primarily designed for secondary education teachers who wish to increase their competency in the field of biology. This degree is not recommended for students who plan to pursue doctoral studies. Students pursuing the Master of Education degree may specialize in Biology as a teaching field.

Admission Requirements
Students seeking admission to the graduate program in the Biological Sciences must submit the Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the one-time application fee to the Office of Graduate Studies, official transcripts of all college-level work (including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred), and official GRE scores. Two letters of recommendation from faculty in the undergraduate major field of study at the student’s undergraduate degree-granting institution are required with the application for admission.

To be granted regular admission to the graduate program, applicants must have an undergraduate degree in biology or a related field. Applicants having an undergraduate degree in a discipline other than biology must successfully complete the equivalent of an undergraduate minor in the biological sciences before being considered for regular admission. Regular admission to the graduate program is also based on a combination of GRE scores and undergraduate GPA. For a final admissions decision, GRE scores and undergraduate GPA do not constitute the primary criteria to end consideration of an applicant. A holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis. More detailed information on competitive GRE scores and undergraduate GPA can be found on the department’s website at: www.shsu.edu/~bio_www/.
Master of Arts, 38 Semester Hours with a Minor, 32 Semester Hours without a Minor. This degree program is well suited for many training objectives, but it is most often recommended for secondary teachers who wish to prepare in two fields. A student may opt to include a minor. This plan requires 32 semester hours (38 with a minor field) of graduate credit. No more than two 400-level courses in the major field and one 400-level course in the minor field may be applied toward the degree. If opting for the MA with a minor, 26 hours are taken in Biology, including BIO 520, and 12 semester hours of graduate credit are required in a minor field that logically supports the major. Completion of a literature-based review paper is required.

Master of Science, 32 Semester Hours with Thesis. This degree program is designed for those students who select all of their courses from those offered in the Biology program unless otherwise authorized by the Graduate Advisor and the faculty research advisor. No more than two 400-level courses in the major field and one 400-level course in the minor field may be applied toward the degree. Students with this degree are prepared for positions as professional biologists in the public or private sector, teaching at the college level or to begin doctoral programs in the biological sciences. This is a research-oriented degree requiring a thesis. This plan requires 32 semester hours of graduate credit, at least 26 of which must be in courses numbered 500 or above. Six hours of thesis (3 hours each of BIO 698 and BIO 699) and BIO 520 (2 hours) are counted toward this 32-hour degree program.

Master of Science, 38 Semester Hours with a Minor and a Thesis. Students with this degree are prepared for positions as professional biologists in the public or private sector, teaching at the college level or to begin doctoral programs in the biological sciences. This is a research-oriented degree requiring a thesis. This plan requires 38 semester hours of graduate credit. No more than two 400-level courses in the major field and one 400-level course in the minor field may be applied toward the degree. Included in the 38 hours are BIO 520 (2 hours), BIO 698 and BIO 699 (6 hours of thesis), 18 hours of Biology courses and a minor of 12 hours in a field that supports the major. The minor must be approved by the minor-granting program.

Master of Education in Secondary Education. This degree plan is designed primarily for the secondary teacher. All such degrees originate in the College of Education in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction and require the completion of a minimum of 36 hours of graduate credit, 30 of which must be in courses numbered 500 or above. Twelve to 24 hours of professional education coursework are required (12 hours minimum for minor and 6 hours minimum for a second minor). A comprehensive examination is required. Students may elect from 12 to 24 semester hours in biology in this 36-semester-hour program. A thesis is not required. Course requirements are adjusted to meet individual student needs by the M.Ed. program and the Graduate Advisor for Biology.

Other Scholarly Requirements

In order to receive the MA or MS degree, all graduate students are required to pass a comprehensive examination based on their coursework and general biological concepts. The nature of this examination, which may be written and/or oral, will be determined by the faculty. Students must be enrolled the semester they take the comprehensive examination. For MA degrees, a literature-based review paper is prepared in consultation with the student’s faculty advisor. Students must defend the literature-based review before the student’s advisory committee, and present it to the faculty in seminar format. For MS degrees, students complete a thesis research project under supervision of the student’s thesis advisor, and present the thesis to the faculty in seminar format. The thesis must also be defended before the student’s thesis committee. Once enrolled in BIO 699, a student must be continually enrolled until graduation.
Graduate Student Support
Competitive teaching and research assistantships are available to graduate students in Biology through the Department of Biological Sciences and individual faculty members, respectively. University scholarships are also available. The department also offers competitive research grants to support research activities and travel to scientific meetings. For details and application materials, contact the Graduate Committee Chair, Department of Biological Sciences, Box 2116, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX 77341-2116; (936) 294-1540; email: bio_www@shsu.edu. Details are also available on the Department’s website at: www.shsu.edu/~bio_www/.

Senior Courses Open to Graduate Students

BIO 430 Vertebrate Natural History (Credit 3)
BIO 431 General Entomology (Credit 3)
BIO 432 Environmental Toxicology (Credit 3)
BIO 433 Aquatic Biology (Credit 3)
BIO 435 Immunology (Credit 3)
BIO 437 Microbial Ecology (Credit 3)
BIO 446 Parasitology (Credit 4)
BIO 449 Cytology (Credit 4)
BIO 460 Philosophy of Biology (Credit 3)
BIO 461 Introductory Evolutionary Biology (Credit 3)
BIO 470 Animal Behavior (Credit 3)
BIO 471 Invertebrate Zoology (Credit 3)
BIO 474 Biostatistics (Credit 3)
BIO 480 Molecular Biology (Credit 3)
BIO 493 Endocrinology (Credit 3)

A maximum of six hours of 400-level courses may be taken toward the completion of the master’s degree. Course requirements in 400-level courses will be appropriately modified for graduate credit.

Master of Science in Forensic Science. This interdisciplinary degree is designed to produce graduate level forensic scientists. Formal graduate coursework comes from the Departments of Chemistry, Biological Sciences and the College of Criminal Justice. Summer practicum and internships provide experiences in the collection, preservation, analysis and presentation of forensic evidence. The Master of Science in Forensic Science program requires completion of 42 graduate semester hours and can be completed in two years. Coursework focuses on the collection, preservation, analysis, and presentation of forensic evidence. Graduates of this scientist-practitioner program will be prepared to consult with various agencies within the criminal justice system. In order to receive a MS degree in Forensic Science, all graduate students are required to pass a comprehensive examination. This unique program is the first of its kind in Texas and one of only a handful of such programs in North America.

The competitive admissions process is based on a holistic approach taking all of the required materials into consideration. The desired profile includes an average GRE score of at least 1100 and an undergraduate GPA of at least 3.0. Applicants with unique qualifications who do not meet all of the foregoing qualifications may be accepted into the program on probationary status at the discretion of the admissions committee and appropriate academic dean. The program will encourage diversity related to gender and ethnicity.
The Program of Study**

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- BIO 534 Electron Microscopy
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- CJ 560 Forensic Analysis of Pattern Evidence
- CJ 561 Principles of Quality Assurance
- CJ 562 Seminar in Forensic Science
- CJ 670 Internship

After consultation with appropriate advisors, students will establish a focus in Biological Sciences, Chemistry or Criminal Justice with an additional 9 hours of coursework in that area including:
- BIO, CHM or CJ Elective
- BIO, CHM or CJ 698 Graduate Research/Thesis/Thesis Practicum
- BIO, CHM or CJ 699 Thesis

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BIOLOGY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

BIO 520 Professional Aspects of Science.
An essential course on scientific professionalism for the beginning M.S. student. This course provides students with an introduction to the professional and ethical responsibilities of scientists. Students will also discuss philosophical and controversial issues in academia and science, as well as political issues that may influence the process and practice of science. Most importantly, this course encourages and helps students to develop skills needed for presenting their research to fellow scientists through the processes of publishing, giving conference presentations, writing grant proposals, and becoming active in the scientific community. Required of all graduate students in Biology. Prerequisite: graduate standing. Credit 2.

BIO 530 Forensic Entomology.
The methods and materials necessary for use of insects as forensic evidence in legal investigation will be discussed. Laboratory included. Prerequisites: introductory entomology and graduate standing. Credit 3.

BIO 531 Classification and Natural History of Plants.
Classification and natural history of major groups of nonvascular and vascular plants are presented. Emphasis is on morphological recognition, ecological and physiological differences, and economic importance of major taxa. Laboratory included. Prerequisites: introductory botany and graduate standing. Credit 3.

BIO534 Electron Microscopy.
This course is designed to teach students the methods of preparing specimens for electron microscope analysis and to use the electron microscope as a tool to conduct research. Students will become competent in using the electron microscope for visual analysis or chemical elemental analysis. Prerequisites: 12 hours advanced biology. Credit 3.
BIO 548 Comparative Animal Physiology.  
A study of the physiological adaptive mechanisms and the comparison of adaptive strategies across vertebrate taxa. Emphasis will be directed toward homeostatic mechanisms of water, energy and electrolyte balance, and metabolism. A two-hour laboratory to emphasize investigative skills employing modern laboratory techniques is included. Independent original research project required. Prerequisites: organic chemistry, general physiology, or instructor’s consent. Credit 4.

BIO 562 Advanced Plant Physiology.  
Further studies of the life processes of plants at the molecular, cellular and organismal levels with focus on current research and recent advances in this field. A scholarly paper on a selected physiological topic is required. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisite: 12 hours advanced biology. Credit 3.

BIO 564 Cell Structure and Physiology.  
A study of signal transduction pathways in the cell. For the laboratory portion of the course, students will conduct independent investigations of cells defective in signal transduction and prepare a scientific paper of the results. Prerequisites: cell biology and organic chemistry. Credit 3.

*BIO 568 Advanced Invertebrate Zoology.  
Invertebrates are the dominant form of life on earth, comprising greater than 75% of all described species. Students will be briefly introduced to the phylum/class level characteristics of the major groups of invertebrate animals. The majority of the course will deal with the evolutionary history and phylogeny of invertebrates, invertebrate ecology, and the myriad solutions invertebrates have evolved to deal with the common problems of reproduction, feeding, osmoregulation, respiration, locomotion and developmental patterns. Prerequisites: 12 hours advanced biology, invertebrate zoology recommended. Credit 3.

BIO 571 Evolution.  
This course is concerned with modern concepts of the evolution of organisms. Extended reading and classroom discussion supplement the lecture treatment. Three one-hour lectures a week are scheduled. Prerequisite: introductory genetics. Credit 3.

BIO 575 Bacterial Physiology.  
A study of bacterial metabolism that will include fermentation, anaerobic respiration, bacterial photosynthesis and nitrogen fixation. This course will also discuss how bacteria sense their environment and adjust their metabolism accordingly. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisites: microbiology, genetics, and organic chemistry II or general physiology. Credit 3.

BIO 578 Virology.  
A study of viruses that infect plants, animals, and bacteria. Areas considered include chemical and structural properties of viruses, virus-host relations, and infection and growth phenomena, including interference and regulation. Also included are the roles of viruses as agents of disease and malignancy, and as gene vectors in natural settings, but also as tools in biotechnology and gene therapy. Three hours of lecture per week. Prerequisites: microbiology, genetics, and organic chemistry. Credit 3.

BIO 580 Advanced Ecology.  
An advanced theoretical and practical study of biotic and abiotic ecosystem interactions encompassing the physiology of individuals, growth of populations including social and species interactions within populations, analysis of population composition and change, the distribution of communities, and the functioning of ecosystems. Independent study of a selected ecological
topic required. Prerequisites: general chemistry I and II, general ecology. Credit 3.

**BIO 581 Ecological Computer Modeling.**
An introduction to the development and application of computer models in ecology and population biology. Principles of modeling, programming concepts, specific model dynamics, and prepackaged computer models will be explored. Two hours of lecture and two hours of laboratory per week. Prerequisite: general ecology. Credit 3.

**BIO 582 Ichthyology.**
Taxonomy, distribution, natural history and economic importance of fishes with emphasis on Texas forms. Field work will include techniques for determining populations, growth studies, food habits and propagation. Two-hour laboratory plus field work. Prerequisites: introductory biology plus 12 hours advanced biology. Credit 3.

**BIO 583 Herpetology.**
An introduction to the biology of amphibians and reptiles and one of the most important evolutionary events in natural history: the rise and diversification of terrestrial vertebrates. A comprehensive introduction will address the taxonomy, systematics, evolution, anatomy, physiology, ecology, distribution, and natural history of these unique vertebrates. Upon completion of this course, students will understand and appreciate why amphibians and reptiles serve as excellent biological models in research, and will become familiar with the major research questions and programs in herpetology. A laboratory and field component will introduce students to a variety of sampling and collecting techniques. Common museum practices for specimen preservation and documentation will also be addressed. Although regional species will receive the most emphasis, this course will address the biology of all amphibians and reptiles. Two-hour laboratory plus field work. Prerequisites: introductory biology plus 12 hours advanced biology. Credit 3.

**BIO 584 Ornithology.**
The classification evolution, anatomy, physiology, ecology, behavior and conservation of birds are studied in this course. Laboratories include general anatomy, taxonomy, identification and field techniques used in the study of behavior and migration. Laboratories may include independent research projects related to topics discussed in this course. Two-hour laboratory plus field work. Prerequisites: introductory biology plus 12 hours advanced biology. Credit 3.

**BIO 585 Mammalogy.**
The taxonomy, systematics, anatomy, ecology, distribution, and life history of mammals are studied in this course. Laboratories include general taxonomy, identification, and field techniques. Two-hour laboratory plus field work. Prerequisites: introductory biology plus 12 hours advanced biology. Credit 3.

**BIO 590 Limnology.**
Limnological techniques are stressed with special emphasis on physiochemical conditions of freshwater environments and their effects on aquatic life. Plankton analysis, a study of bottom fauna, lake and stream mapping and evaluation of aquatic productivity are included. Two-hour laboratory plus field work. Prerequisites: 8 hours college chemistry plus 12 hours advanced biology. Credit 3.

**BIO 591 Advanced Genetics.**
This is an advanced study of the principles of heredity and the nature and function of the gene. Emphasis will be on molecular genetics with special attention to recent advances in DNA technologies. Laboratory studies in-
clude completion of a mini-research project and preparation of a scientific paper. Two-hour laboratory. Prerequisite: introductory genetics with grade of C or better and organic chemistry. Credit 3.

**BIO 595  Special Graduate Topics in Biology.**
This course is designed to provide an avenue for selected graduate students to engage in independent studies. Registration is on an individual basis but is limited to students in residence. A topic of study is selected and approved by the Biology faculty. Prerequisites: graduate standing in Biology and consent of department chair. Credit 3.

**BIO 596  Reproductive Physiology.**
Physiological control of animal reproduction is the subject of this course. Current literature relating to this subject is critically examined and evaluated. An individual research problem is undertaken by the student. Two-hour laboratory. Prerequisites: introductory courses in physiology and organic chemistry. Credit 3.

**BIO 698, 699  Thesis.** Credit 3.
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

The graduate program in Chemistry is designed to train chemists for careers in business, industry or academics. This degree is also appropriate for those students planning to continue their training in Ph.D. programs at other institutions.

Admission Requirements

Students seeking admission to the Master of Science program in Chemistry must submit the Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the one-time application fee to the Office of Graduate Studies, official transcripts of all college-level work (including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred), official GRE scores, and three letters of recommendation. The Chemistry Department requirements are as follow:

1. A major or minor in Chemistry or commensurate industrial experience,
2. A GPA of at least 2.5 in undergraduate Chemistry courses,
3. Submit acceptable scores on the Graduate Record Exam.

For a final admissions decision, a holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis.

The Department of Chemistry offers classes in a wide variety of chemical subjects including analytical, forensic, inorganic, organic, and physical chemistry, toxicology and biochemistry.

Degree Requirements

Master of Science, 30 Semester Hours without Minor and with Thesis

24 graduate semester hours of Chemistry
6 semester hours of research and thesis

Master of Science, 30 Semester Hours with Minor and Thesis

12 graduate semester hours of Chemistry
6 semester hours of research and thesis
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Master of Science, 36 Semester Hours with Minor, Non-Thesis

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12-24 semester hours of graduate credit in Chemistry
12-24 semester hours of professional education courses

Other information

Advisory Committee: For students completing a thesis, a thesis research project will begin in the second semester of graduate work. The student and the thesis director, with approval from the chair, will select two additional faculty members to serve as the thesis committee. Once enrolled in a thesis class, a student must be continually enrolled until graduation.

Period of Study: Students taking 9 semester hours of coursework each long semester and 3 semester hours each summer session will be expected to finish their graduate program within two years. A minimum of three long semesters and two summer sessions is required.

Comprehensive exam and oral thesis defense: All graduate students are required to pass a comprehensive exam based on their coursework. The nature of this exam, which may be written and/or oral, will be determined by the faculty in consultation with the student’s thesis director. MS students will be tested on three of five areas (Analytical Chemistry, Physical Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Inorganic Chemistry, and Biochemistry). Students must be enrolled the semester that they take comprehensive examinations. An oral presentation of the thesis to the faculty in a seminar format is required, and the thesis must be defended before the student’s thesis committee.

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- CJ 562 Seminar in Forensic Science
- CJ 670 Internship

After consultation with appropriate advisors, students will establish a focus in Biological Sciences, Chemistry or Criminal Justice with an additional 9 hours of coursework in that area including:
- BIO, CHM or CJ Elective
- BIO, CHM or CJ 698 Graduate Research/Thesis/Thesis Practicum
- BIO, CHM or CJ 699 Thesis

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Senior Courses Open to Graduate Students
- CHM 440 Instrumental Analytical Chemistry (Credit 4)
- CHM 442 Air Quality (Credit 4)
- CHM 443 Structural Spectroscopic Methods (Credit 4)
- CHM 448 Physical Chemistry I (Credit 4)
- CHM 467 Advanced Inorganic Chemistry (Credit 3)
- CHM 449 Physical Chemistry II (Credit 4)

A maximum of six hours of 400-level courses may be taken toward the completion of the master’s degree. Course requirements in 400-level courses will be appropriately modified for graduate credit.

CHEMISTRY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

CHM 503 Independent Study in Chemistry.
This course is intended to provide an avenue for selected graduate students to engage in independent studies. Registration is on an individual basis and is restricted to students in residence. Prerequisite: approval of department chair. Credit 1-3.

CHM 510 Chemical Literature and Seminar.
Students will participate in the departmental seminar program. This participation will require the preparation and presentation of current research material in a format acceptable to the American Chemical Society. Credit 1.

CHM 561 Physical Organic Chemistry.
This course consists of a study of the effect of structure upon reactivity of organic compounds. The qualitative and quantitative relationship of structure to acidity and basicity in organic chemistry is developed. In addition, reactive intermediates (carbocations, carbanions and free radicals)
as well as concerted reactions are studied. Prerequisite: CHM 239/219. Credit 3.

**CHM 562 Organic Reaction Mechanisms.**
Current models for mechanisms of organic reactions are discussed and applied. The mechanisms and applications of synthetically important reactions are also surveyed. Literature searching for less often utilized but historically important transformations are integral to the course. The methods of determining reaction mechanisms are surveyed along with applications to individual reactions. Prerequisite: CHM 239/219. Credit 3.

**CHM 568 Analytical Spectroscopy.**
Theory and application of selected areas of spectroscopy commonly used in qualitative and quantitative analysis are covered. Topics include atomic and molecular spectroscopy, mass spectrometry, laser analytical methods, fluorescence, phosphorescence, and chemiluminescence and their application to environmental, atmospheric, forensic, and bioanalytical problems. Prerequisite: CHM 440. Credit 3.

**CHM 572 Advanced Biochemistry I.**
The chemical structure and the biological functions and controls of proteins are reviewed. Proteins to be considered include enzymes, transport proteins and structural proteins. Protein biosynthesis and recombinant DNA technology are also discussed. Credit 3.

**CHM 574 Chemistry of Coordination Compounds.**
The chemistry of compounds containing metal ions is discussed. Emphasis is placed on the complexes of transition metals. The electronic configurations of these ions in various bonding environments are considered in interpreting their chemical and physical properties. Prerequisites: CHM 467 and 448. Credit 3.

**CHM 581 Advanced Physical Chemistry: Thermodynamics.**
Principles are stressed including the three laws of thermodynamics, thermochemistry and statistical thermodynamics. Applications of the principles to gases, solution, mixtures, solids and interfaces are given. Prerequisites: CHM 448. Credit 3.

**CHM 585 Selected Topics in Advanced Chemistry.**
This course is adaptable to the needs and interests of the individual graduate student majoring in Chemistry. Modern developments in specific subdivisions of the field of chemistry are considered. It may be repeated for credit, provided the repetition is not in the same subdivisional field. The subdivisional fields offered are: analytical, biochemistry, environmental, inorganic, organic, and physical chemistry. Prerequisite: Graduate standing in Chemistry. Credit 3.

**CHM 698 Graduate Research in Chemistry.** Credit 3.

**CHM 699 Thesis.** Credit 3.
DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

The graduate program in Computer Science prepares students for professional employment or further study at the doctoral level. Computer Science may be selected as the major for the Master of Science degree. Computer Science may also be selected as a minor for MS and MA degrees in related areas.

The Computer Science program’s curriculum utilizes state-of-the-art software, software development methodologies, project management techniques, and hardware. Emphasis is placed on preparing students for an environment where change is the norm.

Research areas include software engineering, networking, programming languages, language translators, artificial intelligence, database, parallel processing, real time systems, digital forensics, security, data mining and the application of theory to practical problems in industry. The quality of Computer Science graduates is widely recognized by industry. Graduates are employed within the state of Texas, the United States, and many foreign countries.

The Digital Forensics curriculum prepares students for service in a variety of public and commercial arenas as digital forensics or network security professionals. In particular, graduates from the Digital Forensics program will be able to effectively plan, establish and administer security and information assurance systems in commercial settings and in law enforcement. The Digital Forensics program utilizes state of the art facilities through the Sam Houston State University Center of Excellence in Digital Forensics, a federally funded training and research facility. These facilities include a Network Security Lab, accommodating training in data and network security as well as cyber security intrusion detection, prevention and tracing, and a Data Recovery Lab that will provide training in the identification, recovery, and preservation of data for legal purposes.

Both programs reflect a diverse student body with applicants from Texas, the United States, and a host of foreign countries. SHSU Computer Science graduates have been employed by IBM, Microsoft, Dell, HP, Texas Instruments, and internet and communication companies. Many graduates also find positions in energy related fields. Firms employing SHSU graduates include major oil, transportation/distribution, and waste disposal companies.

Additional information concerning the Department of Computer Science and its graduate program offerings can be found at www.shsu.edu/~csc_www. For further information concerning the digital forensics program and continuing education opportunities visit df.shsu.edu.

Admission Requirements

Students seeking admission to the graduate program in Computer Science must submit the Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the one-time application fee to the Office of Graduate Studies, and official transcripts of all college-level work (including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred). In addition the following are required:

- An acceptable GRE score.
- Undergraduate GPA: The graduate admissions requirements indicate a minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.5. Admission preference is given to those applicants with undergraduate GPA’s in excess of 3.0.
• An academic background in a technical area, or appropriate technical work experience.
• At least two letters of recommendation that address qualifications for graduate study.
• International students must submit scores on the TOEFL.

A holistic review of each student's application file will be completed upon a competitive basis.

A. COMPUTER SCIENCE
Graduate study in Computer Science is accessible both to students who have completed undergraduate Computer Science majors or minors and to those with baccalaureate degrees in related fields with the equivalent of a Computer Science minor in formal coursework or professional experience. As a minimum, candidates are expected to present a background comparable to that provided in CS 164, 165, 334, 362, 431, 482, MTH 299, and MTH 379 as described in the undergraduate catalog of Sam Houston State University. Applicants with less preparation will be required to complete additional stem work as part of the graduate program. This requirement covers the stem work courses that are taken at Sam Houston State University as well.

Degree Plans
There is a thesis and non-thesis option available for a Master of Science degree in Computer Science. The graduate advisor will review each applicant's background and assist in developing individual study plans including any required stem work. The selection of a minor and the choice of electives must be approved by the Computer Science Department Chair to ensure the student's plan is a properly balanced program.

Master of Science, 36 hours without thesis and 39 hours with thesis.
Common Requirements:
1. A 15-hour core consisting of CS 531, 536, 564, 566, and 574
2. An oral examination over core courses
3. Six semester hours of approved Computer Science courses
4. One of the following:
   A. CS 561 (a practicum project, and oral presentation of the project)
   B. CS 698 and CS 699 (research and thesis)

Additional Requirements:
The degree program may include a 12-semester hour minor in a field approved by the Chair of the Computer Science Department, or 12 additional semester hours of approved Computer Science courses. The 12-semester hour minor in an approved field may only be chosen if the student's plan of study provides for a minimum of 48 semester hours (total graduate and undergraduate) in Computer Science or the student has extensive professional experience in Computer Science.

Other Scholarly Requirements
A committee advisor is assigned to each student who has registered for either CS 561 (the programming practicum) or CS 698 (thesis). Committee appointments are made by the Chair of the Computer Science Department based upon recommendation from the Computer Science Graduate Advisor. The advisory committee consists of graduate faculty from the Computer Science Department and possibly one from the minor area, if applicable. The oral comprehensive examination, required by the University of all Master's degree candidates, as well as the CS 561 project presentation or the CS 698
thesis defense, will be administered by this committee. Students must be enrolled the semester in which they take comprehensive examinations. Once enrolled in CS 561 or CS 568, a student must be continuously enrolled until graduation.

B. DIGITAL FORENSICS
Graduate study in Digital Forensics is accessible both to students who have completed undergraduate Computer Science or Criminal Justice majors or minors and to those with baccalaureate degrees in technical fields with the equivalent of a Computer Science or Criminal Justice minor in formal coursework or professional experience. Applicants who do not possess the appropriate academic, technical or experiential backgrounds may be required to take stem work courses to ensure a minimum standard of technical competence. Stem work decisions are made on an individual basis by the department chair.

Degree Plan
The Master of Science in Digital Forensics Program has a total of 36 semester credit hours. This hours total is derived from a need to provide appropriate coursework in two areas, Criminal Justice and Digital Forensics.

Criminal Justice (6 hours)
- CJ 532 Perspectives in Criminology (3 hours)
- CJ 634 Basic Research Methods and Planning Resources (3 hours)

Digital Forensics (21 hours)
- DF 531 Principle and Policy in Information Assurance (3 hours)
- DF 534 Digital Security (3 hours)
- DF 561 Network Security (3 hours)
- DF 583 Digital Forensics Investigation (3 hours)
- DF 584 Software Forensic Evidence Management (3 hours)
- DF 630 Cyber Law (3 hours)
- DF 661 Cyber Warfare and Terrorism (3 hours)

Additional Requirements (9 hours)
- DF 637 Directed Management and Development Projects (3 hours)
- DF 670 Internship (3 hours)
- DF/CJ Elective (3 hours)

Other Scholarly Requirements
A committee advisor is assigned to each student who has registered for either DF 637 (Directed Management and/or Development Project) or DF 670 (Internship). Committee appointments are made by the Chair of the Computer Science Department based upon recommendation from the Computer Science Graduate Advisor. The advisory committee consists of graduate faculty from the Computer Science Department. Supervision of the Directed Management and Development Project, as well as the presentation of project findings will be administered by this committee. Students must remain continuously enrolled until graduation.

C. INFORMATION ASSURANCE AND SECURITY*
Graduate study in Information Assurance and Security is accessible both to students who have completed undergraduate Computer Science or Management Information Science majors or minors and to those with baccalaureate degrees in technical fields with the equivalent of a Computer Science or Management Information Science minor in formal coursework or professional experience. Applicants who do not possess the appropriate academic, technical or experiential backgrounds may be required to take
stem work courses to ensure a minimum standard of technical competence. Stem work
decisions are made on an individual basis by the department chair.

* Subject to action by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Degree Plan
The Master of Science in Information Assurance and Security program has a total of 36
semester credit hours drawn from Digital Forensics and Computer Science coursework
and consists of 30 hours of prescribed coursework and 6 hours of elective coursework.

Prescribed Coursework (30 hours)

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Other Scholarly Requirements
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(Directed Management and/or Development Project) or DF 670 (Internship). Committee
appointments are made by the Chair of the Computer Science Department based upon
recommendation from the Computer Science Graduate Advisor. The advisory commit-
tee consists of graduate faculty from the Computer Science Department. Supervision
of the Directed Management and Development Project, as well as the presentation of
project findings will be administered by this committee. Students must remain continu-
ously enrolled in the Directed Management and Development Project until its comple-
tion and the completion of all required coursework.

Senior Courses Open to Graduate Students
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A maximum of six hours of 400-level courses may be taken toward the completion of
the master’s degree. Course requirements in 400-level courses will be appropriately
modified for graduate credit.
CS 531 Operating Systems.
A comprehensive study of computer operating systems. Topics include: computer architecture, concurrent processes, multi-threaded systems, scheduling, memory management, I/O management, file systems, networking and the client/server model, distributed systems, and computer security. Prerequisites: CS 362 and 431. Credit 3.

CS 532 Parallel Computing.
This course is a study of large-scale parallel processing systems. The central themes are theoretical models, machine architecture, computer algorithms, and programming languages that model, support, describe and implement parallel processing. Prerequisite: CS 584. Credit 3.

CS 533 Microcomputer Interfacing.
This course emphasizes real-time and fault-tolerant computing systems. Topics include interrupt processing, real-time programming and scheduling, fault-tolerant architectures and systems, and robotic programming. Extensive programming will be done. Prerequisite: CS 333. Credit 3.

CS 534 Operating System Security.*
This course will provide the rationale and necessity for a full range of security concepts and techniques and how to apply them to multiple operating systems. The course will cover methodologies for the design of operating system security and forensic techniques for operating systems. Also covered will be the identification of best practices in the administration, testing and security for operating systems. Prerequisites: DF 531 or CS 531. Credit 3.

CS 536 Software Engineering.
This course emphasizes strategies, techniques, and methodologies that deal with the complexity in developing large-scale information systems. Methods for Software engineering methodologies, conventional as well as object-oriented, are discussed. Software measurement and management are discussed. Formal mechanisms for system specification, software development, and project management are introduced. Prerequisite: CS 437. Credit 3.

CS 537 Database Security.*
Database security has an immense impact on the design of today's electronic information systems. This course will provide an overview of database security concepts and techniques and discuss new directions of database security in the context of a connected commercial world. This course provides the information needed to develop, deploy and maintain a secure database solution. It exposes the pitfalls of database design, their means of identification and the methods of exploiting vulnerabilities. Prerequisites CS 334, DF 531 or departmental approval. Credit 3.

CS 538 Computer Graphics.
A study of modern Computer Graphics programming techniques. Topics include: representations, transformations, and analysis of 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional objects; techniques for hidden surface/edge removal, illumination and shading, volume rendering, animation, and image data compression; and practical experience in graphics software libraries and applications. Prerequisite: CS438. Credit 3.

CS 544 Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery.
An introduction into Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery. Topics include discussion of variety of mining techniques. Mining of complex data such as multimedia database, text database, and world-wide-web will be introduced. The applications and trends in data mining will also be discussed. Prerequisite: CS566. Credit 3.
CS 560 **Special Topics.**
Topics and courses are selected to suit individual needs of students. The course may be repeated for additional credit. Prerequisite: Consent of graduate advisor. Credit 3.

CS 561 **Programming Practicum.**
The practicum provides the student an opportunity to develop their programming and analytical skills by applying concepts and techniques learned in organized classes to real world projects under the supervision of faculty and/or supervisory Computer professionals. Prerequisite: Eighteen hours of Computer Science graduate level coursework. Student must register for this course every semester the practicum is in progress but only three hours of practicum will apply to the student’s degree plan. Credit 3.

CS 562 **Computer Architecture and Organization.**
An introduction into Computer Architecture and Organization. Topics include computer evolution and performance issues, the computer systems including system buses, internal and external memory, input/output, and operating system support, CPU issues including computer arithmetic, instruction sets, addressing modes, RISC and superscalar organization, control unit issues, microprogramming, and parallel organization. Prerequisites: CS 333 and CS 431. Credit 3.

CS 563 **Networks and Data Communications.**
An introduction to the basic techniques for interconnecting computers and peripherals for decentralized Computer. Network components, digital communications, interconnection architectures, communications protocols for geographic and local area networks and interprocess communications are covered. Prerequisite: CS 463. Credit 3.

CS 564 **Programming Languages.**
A comprehensive study of computer programming languages. Topics include: language design principles, formal grammars, procedural operating environment, language standardization, and language support for parallel and distributed programming. Language paradigms to be discussed will include procedural programming, logical programming, functional programming, and object-oriented programming. Prerequisite: CS 482. Credit 3.

CS 566 **Database Systems.**
A survey of contemporary topics in database systems. Topics include: relational database theory, database design issues, cryptography, security integrity issues, data recovery, concurrency problems, optimization, distributed database systems, the client/server model, object-oriented databases, stenography, data compression, data warehouse, data mining, logic/knowledge based systems, and other related topics. Prerequisite: CS 334. Credit 3.

CS 568 **Cryptography and Steganography.**
This course is designed to cover the theoretical and practical aspects of cryptography and steganography including specification, design, and programming. Topics include digital signatures, symmetric and asymmetric (public key) algorithms, hash functions, cryptographic algorithms, cost to break algorithms including key safety, Diffie-Hellmann, RSA, key stores, Secure Socket Layers, Virtual Private Networks (VPN), Certificate Authorities, and important cryptanalysis and steganalysis strategies. Prerequisites DF 561 or departmental approval. Credit 3.

CS 572 **Artificial Intelligence.**
A survey of topics in artificial intelligence. Topics include: history of AI, knowledge representation, knowledge acquisition, search techniques, control strategies, and AI languages. Applications include natural language processing, neural nets, and expert systems. Prerequisite: CS 362. Credit 3.
CS 573 **Neural Networks.**
An introduction into Neural Networks. Topics include discussion of variety of standard neural networks, with architecture, training algorithm, and applications; and development of neural network expert systems. Prerequisite: CS 362. Credit 3.

CS 574 **Data Structures.**
A number of important concepts and algorithms, with emphasis on correctness and efficiency, are reviewed. The advanced treatment of sorting, searching, hashing, and dynamic storage management is provided. Advanced data structures, such as advanced tree structures, graphs, and networks, are introduced. Applications to distributed file structures, database management systems, internet/intranetworks are covered. Prerequisite: CS 362. Credit 3.

CS 583 **Educational Multimedia.**
This course explores the uses of multimedia in the classroom and extends the teachers skill base in the development of appropriate multimedia examples to support and enhance the middle school and high school curricula. Throughout the course students will gain experience in still and motion digital editing, audio and animation production. This course may not be counted toward the M.S. in Computer Science, Information Assurance and Security or Digital Forensics. Prerequisite: Graduate standing. Credit 3.

CS 585 **Critical Analysis of Instructional Software.**
This course examines the instructional and educational value of commercially available software for the pre-k through 12th grade. The course builds upon a foundation of instructional theory to identify appropriate characteristics of instructional software and explores the effectiveness of instructional software in the classroom. This course may not be counted toward the M.S. in Computer Science, Information Assurance and Security or Digital Forensics. Prerequisites: CS 583. Credit 3.

CS 587 **Designing Instructional Materials for the Web.**
This course examines the development of web sites for instructional purposes. The course looks at the systematic design of instruction, a process that examines the development of appropriate course goals, the identification of measurable objectives that meet those goals and intelligent approaches to assessing student performance. This design approach is then applied to the development of web-based materials, providing opportunities for skills acquisition in a variety of multimedia applications and their incorporation into a web site. The course culminates in the development of a geometry web site for use in schools. This course may not be counted toward the M.S. in Computer Science, Information Assurance and Security or Digital Forensics. Prerequisites: CS 585. Credit 3.

CS 589 **Development of Technology Infrastructure in School.**
This course examines the funding, design and implementation processes required to establish and realize a coherent technology acquisition and management strategy. This course may not be counted toward the M.S. in Computer Science, Information Assurance and Security or Digital Forensics. Prerequisites: Graduate standing. Credit 3.

CS 593 **Modeling Theory.**
This course is a study of the use of analytical models as aids in the formulation and resolution of system alternatives. Emphasis is on problem definition, formulation and resolution using appropriate mathematical methodologies and analysis software packages. Prerequisites: MTH 379 and CS 477. Credit: 3.

CS 661 **Network Security II.**
This course extends the practical skills and basic concepts provided in Network Security I to provide experience and skills in intrusion detection,
management and prevention alongside the theoretical and conceptual basis for secure communication and perimeter defense in depth. The course explores the capabilities and limitations of 'best practices' approaches to network security together with significant case studies to provide the commercial an industrial context for the network security professional. Prerequisites: DF 561. Credit 3.

CS 694 Numerical Analysis.
Topics include solutions of equations, approximation and interpolation, numerical differentiation and integration, the fast Fourier transform, and numerical simulation. Also listed as MTH 694. Prerequisite: MTH/CS 394. Credit 3.

CS 698, 699 Thesis. Credit 3 hours for each course.

DIGITAL FORENSICS COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

DF 531 Principle and Policy In Information Assurance.
An investigation into the development of security planning and policy formation, risk management, security education, training and awareness programs. This course examines physical and electronic approaches to data protection and derives appropriate assessment strategies for determining the assurance quality of target systems. Credit 3.

DF 534 Digital Security.
This course introduces the student to basic security needs. The course will include, but not be limited to examination of individual vs. government privacy issues, federal encryption standards, the different layers of security currently available, cryptography, and strategies for evaluation and selection of security methods. Credit 3.

DF 535 Malware.
This course will study the motivations of malicious code (such as computer viruses, Trojan horses, spyware and adware) developers and the common weaknesses exploited by such code. Forensic techniques for protection and recovery from such malicious code will be examined in detail. Prerequisites CS 534. Credit 3.

DF 561 Network Security I.
The rationale and necessity for securing computer systems and data networks, as well as methodologies for the design of security system, establishing security protocols and the identification of best practices in the administration, testing and response protocols for secure communications systems. Credit 3.

DF 583 Digital Forensics Investigation.
This course explores tools for the recovery of information on hardware or hidden within other formats. Topics also include cryptographic analysis, password recovery, the bypassing of specific target operating systems, and obtaining data from a digital device that has been destroyed. Credit 3.

DF 584 Software Forensic Evidence Management.
Analysis of investigative techniques and tools in the detection, investigation and analysis of digital crimes. This course examines the nature of cyberevidence and the tracking and identification of cybercriminals. Credit 3.

DF 589 Disaster Recovery.
This course will focus on the discipline of Information Security and its associated areas of Contingency operations. It will provide the student with skills and knowledge concerning managerial issues associated with planning for and reacting to events, incidents, disasters, and crises. Prerequisites: DF 531. Credit 3.
**DF 630  Cyber Law.**
Focus will be on how the law impacts digital security in diverse ways. Discussion will emphasize the concept of criminal intent, the digital victim and address jurisdictional issues and provide an overview of legal terms and issues with which the security manager must address. Prerequisites: CJ 593, DF 583. Credit 3.

**DF 637  Directed Management and Development Project.**
This course will provide the rationale and necessity for a full range of security concepts and techniques and how to apply them to multiple operating systems. The course will cover methodologies for the design of operating system security and forensic techniques for operating systems. Also covered will be the identification of best practices in the administration, testing and security for operating systems. Prerequisites 24 hours graduate coursework. Credit 3. Continuous enrollment in DF 637 is required until graduation.

**DF 661  Cyber Warfare and Terrorism.**
This course will focus on philosophies, tactics, and targets of cyber terrorist organizations. The course includes discussion of emerging cyber war trends and the roles of the private sector and U.S. Government in responding to, mitigating and preventing electronic offensive actions. Prerequisite: DF 561. Credit 3.
DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY AND GEOLOGY

GEOGRAPHY PROGRAM

The graduate program in Geography is designed for those students seeking the M.Ed. degree. It serves as a minor teaching field on the Master of Education degree.

Areas of Concentration for the Comprehensive Examination:
- Regional Geography
- Systematic Geography

Degree Plans

Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction (Elementary Education). This degree plan is designed primarily for the elementary teacher. All such degrees originate in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction. Students pursuing this plan should either hold elementary teacher certification or complete it prior to being awarded the degree. The degree plan requires the completion of a minimum of thirty-six hours of graduate credit, thirty hours of which must be in courses numbered 500 or above.

The major consists of eighteen to twenty-four semester hours in Education which are approved in conference with the elementary graduate advisor.

The minor consists of twelve to eighteen semester hours in an approved subject in which the student has at least eighteen undergraduate hours.

A comprehensive examination covering coursework in Education and the minor field must be taken and passed prior to graduation. Students should be enrolled the semester in which they take comprehensive examinations.

Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction (Secondary Education). This degree plan is designed primarily for the secondary teacher. All such degrees originate in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction and require the completion of a minimum of thirty-six hours of graduate credit, thirty of which must be in courses numbered 500 or above. Twelve to twenty-four hours of professional education coursework are required (twelve hours minimum for minor and 6 hours minimum for a second minor). A comprehensive examination is required. Students should be enrolled the semester in which they take comprehensive examinations.

Senior Courses Open to Graduate Students

GEO 433  Field Studies (Credit 3)
GEO 437* Urban Geography
GEO 439* Population Geography
GEO434/444  Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (Credit 3)
GEO 435  Applied Geographic Information Systems (Credit 3)
GEO 442  Geomorphology (Credit 4)
GEO 461  Conservation of Natural Resources (Credit 3)
GEO 464  Studies in Geography (Credit 3)
GEO 471  Texas (Credit 3)
GEO 475  Readings in Geography (Credits 1-3)

A maximum of six hours of 400-level courses may be taken toward the completion of the master’s degree. Course requirements in 400-level courses will be appropriately modified for graduate credit.
Graduate Courses

GEOGRAPHY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

GEO 575 Selected Problems in Geography.
This course is designed for individual students who wish intensive supervision in their research or study of special topics in the field of Geography. Credit 1-3.

GEOLOGY PROGRAM

The graduate program in Geology is designed for those students seeking the M.Ed. degree. It serves as a minor teaching field on the Master of Education degree.

Degree Plans

Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction (Elementary Education). This degree plan is designed primarily for the elementary teacher. All such degrees originate in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction. Students pursuing this plan should either hold elementary teacher certification or complete it prior to being awarded the degree. The degree plan requires the completion of a minimum of thirty-six hours of graduate credit, thirty hours of which must be in courses numbered 500 or above.

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Senior Courses Open to Graduate Students

GEL 431 Geology of North America (Credit 3)
GEL 432 Economic Geology (Credit 3)
GEL 437 Plate Tectonics (Credit 3)
GEL 440 Stratigraphy and Sedimentation (Credit 4)
GEL 442 Structural Geology (Credit 4)
GEL 446 Hydrogeology (Credit 4)
GEL 460, 461 Field Geology (Credit 3)
GEL 495 Special Topics in Geology (Credit 3)

A maximum of six hours of 400-level courses may be taken toward the completion of the master's degree. Course requirements in 400-level courses will be appropriately modified for graduate credit.
GEOLOGY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

GEL 595 Special Graduate Topics In Geology.
Individual study in special areas of geology. Topic content to be selected and agreed upon by the students and member of the geology faculty. Credit 1-3.
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

MATHEMATICS PROGRAM

Graduate degree plans in Mathematics can be designed to prepare students for careers in industry, business, or education, or for further study in mathematics. Both the Master of Arts and Master of Science degrees in Mathematics are available. Students pursuing the Master of Education degree may specialize in Mathematics as a teaching field.

Included in each degree program is a core of courses selected to provide the background necessary for further study in an area of specialization. Before nine semester hours of graduate Mathematics have been completed, each student meets with the appropriate graduate advisor to review his/her academic progress and career plans, and to receive counseling concerning the direction of the remaining coursework. Based on this meeting, a Graduate Study Plan is filed on the student’s behalf with the department and college offices.

Admission Requirements

Students seeking admission to the graduate program in Mathematics must submit the Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the one-time application fee to the Office of Graduate Studies, official transcripts of all college-level work (including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred), and official GRE scores. Two letters of recommendation from the Mathematics or Statistics faculty at the student’s undergraduate degree-granting institution are required with the application for admission. A 3.0 overall undergraduate GPA is recommended for admission into the Mathematics program. For a final admissions decision, GRE scores do not constitute the sole criterion for consideration of the applicant, nor do GRE scores and undergraduate GPA constitute the primary criteria to end consideration of an applicant. Based on review of a student’s undergraduate transcript, the Department of Mathematics and Statistics may require completion of undergraduate stem courses as a condition for admission.

A permanent faculty advisory committee is assigned to each student after admission to candidacy. Committee appointments are made by the graduate advisor in consultation with the department chair. Committee appointments may be changed if a revision of the Graduate Study Plan indicates that such a modification is needed. In programs that include the writing of a thesis, the advisory committee also serves as the thesis committee.

Other Scholarly Requirements

An oral examination is administered by the advisory committee for each Master of Arts and Master of Science degree candidate. [NOTE: The oral examination must be scheduled with the Graduate Advisor at least three weeks in advance. Request forms are available in the department office.] Comprehensive examinations for the Master of Education are administered by the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, but they include questions prepared and evaluated by members of the Mathematics faculty. Students must be enrolled the semester in which they take comprehensive examinations.

Requirements specified in the degree programs that follow are subject to minor modification by the department. Also, to ensure a balanced program, all electives must
be approved by the department chair or an authorized representative of the graduate Mathematics faculty.

Degree Plans

Master of Arts, 36 Semester Hours, Non-Thesis.
These programs are designed for persons who will specialize in Mathematics teaching at the pre-university or two-year college level.
Common Requirements:
2. An oral examination over core courses.
3. 9 semester hours elective work in approved courses offered for graduate credit in Mathematics.
4. A 3-semester-hour directed reading and research course in Mathematics. This course must include a written report on the research.

Additional Requirements:
The degree program includes a 12 semester hour minor in a discipline that could serve as a second teaching field, or 12 additional semester hours of approved graduate coursework, either all in Mathematics or Statistics, or 6 hours in each of two fields from the following list: Mathematics, Computer Science, Statistics, and Secondary Education.

Master of Science, 36 Semester Hours, Thesis or Non-Thesis.
Common Requirements:
1. Core courses: MTH 561, 668, 673, and 694.
2. One of the following:
   A. A thesis of 6 semester hours and 6 additional hours of approved courses offered for graduate credit in Mathematics.
   B. 9 semester hours of approved courses offered for graduate credit in Mathematics and a 3-semester-hour directed reading and research course. This course must include an oral presentation of the research results to the department, and a written report on the research.
3. An oral examination over core courses (and the thesis, where applicable).

Additional Requirements:
The degree program includes a 12-semester-hour minor in an approved field, or 12 semester hours of additional study in approved courses offered for graduate credit in Mathematics.

Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction (Elementary Education). This program is designed to provide additional study in a teaching field for the professional elementary/middle school teacher and is initiated by the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the College of Education. Students with middle school certification with a 24-semester hour undergraduate specialization in Mathematics may elect 12-18 graduate semester hours in Mathematics in this 36-semester hour program. Mathematics 583, 584, and 585 or approved substitutes are required.

Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction (Secondary Education). This program is designed to provide additional study for a person with secondary certification in mathematics and is initiated by the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the College of Education. Students may elect from 12-24 semester hours in Mathematics on this 36-semester-hour program. Course requirements are adjusted to meet individual student needs. A core of three courses chosen from Mathematics 586, 587, 588, and 589 is required, and Mathematics electives must be approved by the gradu-
ate advisor. The Mathematics component of the (written) comprehensive examination is based upon the content of the required Mathematics core.

Senior Courses Open to Graduate Students

Courses open to students pursuing Master of Arts and Master of Education programs:
- MTH 466 Elementary Analysis (Credit 3)
- MTH 467 The Evolution of Mathematics (Credit 3)
- MTH 477 Algebraic Structures (Credit 3)

Courses open to students pursuing Master of Science programs:
- MTH 466 Elementary Analysis (Credit 3)
- MTH 477 Algebraic Structures (Credit 3)

A maximum of six hours of 400-level courses may be taken toward the completion of the master’s degree. Course requirements in 400-level courses will be appropriately modified for graduate credit.

### MATHEMATICS COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

- **MTH 560 Special Topics.**
  Topics and courses are selected to suit individual needs of students. Methods of independent study and research are stressed. The course may be repeated for additional credit. Prerequisite: Consent of program coordinator. Credit 3.

- **MTH 561 Theory and Applications of Probability.**
  Topics include probability axioms and properties, conditional probability, random variables, probability distributions, moment generating functions, laws of large numbers, and the Central Limit Theorem. Also listed as STA 561. Prerequisite: STA 472 (or equivalent) or consent of the instructor. Credit 3.

- **MTH 570 Fourier Analysis and Applications.**
  This course is a study of applied harmonic analysis. Topics include Fourier analysis, wavelet analysis, and applications of these topics. Prerequisite: MTH 466 or MTH 588 or the consent of the instructor. Credit 3.

- **MTH 583 Seminar in Geometry and Measurement for Elementary Teachers.**
  This course will include a study of congruency, similarity, transformations, coordinate geometry, and measurement. It is specifically designed for elementary school teachers with a mathematics specialization who wish to obtain the master’s degree in elementary education with a minor in mathematics. Prerequisites: Elementary school mathematics certification and MTH 383 or equivalent. Credit 3.

- **MTH 584 Seminar in Mathematical Systems for Elementary Teachers.**
  This course will include a study of the development of the systems of natural numbers, the integers, the rational numbers, and the real numbers. It is specifically designed for middle school teachers with a mathematics specialization who wish to obtain the master’s degree in education with a minor in mathematics. Prerequisites: Middle school mathematics certification including MTH 384 or equivalent. Credit 3.

- **MTH 585 Mathematics Seminar for Junior High School Teachers.**
  This course includes applications of number theory in arithmetic, algebra, geometry, and other mathematical areas at a level appropriate for middle school teachers. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor. Credit 3.

- **MTH 586 Seminar in Algebra for Teachers.**
  This course consists of a survey of several abstract algebraic systems including groups, rings, integral domains, and fields. Prerequisite: Certifica-
tion in secondary school mathematics including MTH 364 or equivalent. Credit 3.

**MTH 587 Seminar in Geometry for Teachers.**
This course is a study of topics in geometry including constructions and transformations. Prerequisite: Certification in secondary school mathematics including MTH 363 or equivalent. Credit 3.

**MTH 588 Seminar in Analysis for Teachers.**
This course includes topics from set theory, functions, real sequences, limits, continuity, differentiation and integration. Prerequisite: Certification in secondary school mathematics including MTH 143 or equivalent. Credit 3.

**MTH 589 Seminar in Probability and Statistics for Teachers.**
This course includes topics from probability theory, distribution functions, descriptive statistics, and inferential statistics. Prerequisite: Certification in secondary school mathematics including MTH 379 or equivalent. Credit 3.

**MTH 595 Digital Image Processing.**
The emphasis of this course is on the analysis of digital image processing algorithms used for solving problems in areas such as image enhancement and restoration, image registration, pattern recognition, and image segmentation. Prerequisite: MTH 377 and programming experience. Credit: 3 hours

**MTH 596 Optimization.**
The emphasis of this course is on modern algorithms and computational methods needed for solving optimization problems. Applications to current industrial problems will be given, and the theory of operations research will be developed. Prerequisite: MTH 377 and MTH 244, or consent of instructor. Credit: 3 hours

**MTH 597 Discrete Mathematics.**
Discrete structures are emphasized in this course, which includes a study of combinatorics, graph theory, and number theory. The applications of these structures in computers and communications will be highlighted. Prerequisites: MTH 477 or MTH 586 or equivalent. Credit: 3 hours

**MTH 632 Introduction to Topology.**
This course is a rigorous introduction to point set topology. Topics include continuity, connectedness, compactness, metrization theorems, separation theorems, and the Tychonoff theorem. Prerequisites: MTH 364 or equivalent. Credit: 3 hours

**MTH 668 Numerical Linear Algebra.**
This course is a study of vector spaces and matrices. Topics include solving linear systems, least square methods, eigenvalue and eigenvector theory, and applications of these topics. Prerequisite: MTH 377 or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

**MTH 673 Applied Analysis.**
This course studies properties of normed spaces and functions defined on normed spaces. Special emphasis is placed on Euclidean n-space. Topics include limits, continuity, differentiation, and integration. Prerequisite: MTH 466 or MTH 588 or consent of the instructor. Credit 3.

**MTH 677 Abstract Algebra.**
Algebraic structure is emphasized in this course, which includes a study of groups, rings, fields, and their applications in coding theory and cryptography. Prerequisite: MTH 477 or MTH 586 or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

**MTH 679 Functions of a Complex Variable.**
Included in this course are studies of the complex number system, analytic functions, integration theory and the calculus of residues. Additional topics of special interest to the class may be included. Prerequisite: MTH 244 or consent of instructor. Credit 3.
MTH 694 **Scientific Computation.**
Topics include solutions of equations, approximation and interpolation, numerical differentiation and integration, the fast Fourier transform, and numerical simulation. Also listed as CS 694. Prerequisites: MTH 244 and some programming experience, or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

MTH 698, 699 **Research and Thesis.** Credit 3.

**STATISTICS PROGRAM**

The educational objectives of the Master of Science degree in Statistics are threefold: to provide professionally competent statisticians equipped to accept responsibilities in business, industry and public service positions, to provide the academic foundation needed to pursue the study of statistics at the doctoral level, and to provide opportunity for study of statistics at the graduate level by students whose primary area of specialization is a field in which applications of statistics are appropriate. (Such areas include social sciences, education, criminal justice and the physical sciences.)

**Admission Requirements**

Students seeking admission to the graduate program in Statistics must submit the Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the one-time application fee to the Office of Graduate Studies, official transcripts of all college-level work (including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred), and official GRE scores. Two letters of recommendation from the Mathematics or Statistics faculty at the student’s undergraduate degree-granting institution are required with the application for admission. A 3.0 overall undergraduate GPA is recommended for admission into the Mathematics program. For a final admissions decision, GRE scores do not constitute the sole criterion for consideration of the applicant, nor do GRE scores and undergraduate GPA constitute the primary criteria to end consideration of an applicant. Based on review of a student’s undergraduate transcript, the Department of Mathematics and Statistics may require completion of undergraduate stem courses as a condition for admission.

**Other Scholarly Requirements**

An oral examination is administered by the advisory committee for each Master of Science degree candidate. [NOTE: The oral examination must be scheduled with the Graduate Advisor at least three weeks in advance. Request forms are available in the department office.] Students must be enrolled the semester in which they take comprehensive examinations.

Requirements specified in the degree programs that follow are subject to minor modification by the department. Also, to ensure a balanced program, all electives must be approved by the department chair or an authorized representative of the graduate Statistics faculty.

**Degree Plans**

**Master of Science Degree, 37 Semester Hours, Thesis or Non-thesis.**

Prerequisites: STA 471, 472.

Required Core: STA 511, 533, 561, 562, 564, 568, MTH 668.

Electives: (Four courses chosen from STA 560, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, MTH 570, 673, 694, CS 593).
Research/Thesis. STA 698:699 or 3 semester hour Practicum (STA 560) and an additional 3 semester hour graduate statistics elective. The Practicum must include an oral presentation of the results to the department, and a written report on the results.

Graduate Minor in Statistics. Three specific plans are available for the graduate minor in Statistics with each plan requiring a minimum of 12 semester hours of statistics.

Mathematical Statistics Minor Program. The required courses are STA 533, 561, 562, and 564 with STA 560 strongly recommended as well.

M.A. in Mathematics Program. The required coursework is STA 471, 472 or STA 561, 562, and two additional courses selected from STA 533, 560, 566, 567, 568, 569, and 570.

Statistical Methods Minor Program. This minor is particularly appropriate for graduate students in the social or natural sciences, education and criminal justice. The required courses are STA 533, 568, and 2 additional courses selected from STA 560, 566, 567, 569, and 570.

STATISTICS COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

STA 511 Software for Statistical Sciences. Topics include MINITAB, SAS, Maple and Scientific Workplace (or equivalents). This one-hour course is available for graduate students in all disciplines. Prerequisites: STA 380 (or equivalent), graduate standing and consent of instructor. Credit 1.

STA 533 Design and Analysis of Experiments. Topics include the design, analysis and interpretation of results from standard experimental design models including the completely randomized design, the randomized complete block, the incomplete block, factorial models, Latin squares, Greco-Latin squares, screening designs, fractional factorials, and general fixed, mixed and random effects ANOVA models. Prerequisites: STA 472 (or equivalent). Credit 3.

STA 560 Special Topics in Statistics. Topics and courses are selected to suit individual student needs. Methods of independent study and research are stressed. Such topics as stochastic processes, Markov chain models, game theory, remote sensing, statistical decision theory, time series analysis and pattern recognition may be included. Also listed as MTH 560. Prerequisites: Consent of instructor. Credit 3.

STA 561 Theory and Applications of Probability. Topics include probability axioms and properties, conditional probability, random variables, probability distributions, moment generating functions, laws of large numbers and the Central Limit Theorem. Also listed as MTH 561. Prerequisites: STA 472 (or equivalent) or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

STA 562 Theory and Applications of Statistics. Topics include point estimation, hypothesis testing, interval estimation, non-parametric statistics, regression, correlation, analysis of variance, robustness and model fitting. Prerequisites: STA 561 (or equivalent). Credit 3.

STA 564 Applied Multivariate Statistical Analysis. Topics include the multivariate normal distribution, inferences about a mean vector, comparisons of several multivariate means, principal components analysis, clustering, discriminant and classification analysis. Prerequisites: STA 472 and MTH 668, or consent of instructor. Credit 3.
STA 565  **Linear Statistical Models.**
Topics include the statistical properties of quadratic forms, the full-rank general linear statistical model, the less-than-full-rank model, the linear model structure of regression models, ANOVA models, ANCOVA models, the general characteristics of the fixed, mixed and random effects models and model diagnostics considerations. Prerequisites: STA 472 or STA 562 (or equivalents). Credit 3.

STA 566  **Sampling Methods.**
Topics include the theory and applications of standard methods for performing scientific-based sampling. Among these are simple random sampling, cluster sampling, stratified random sampling, systematic sampling, probability proportional to size (pps) sampling, sampling from finite populations and ratio regression estimation. Prerequisite: STA 472, STA 562, or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

STA 567  **Reliability Analysis and Quality Control.**
Topics include measures of failure, reliability functions, failure models, life testing and censoring, system reliability, parameter estimation and testing, control charting, acceptance sampling plans, software reliability and process control. Prerequisites: STA 472, STA 562, or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

STA 568  **Regression Modeling and Analysis.**
Topics include model estimation and testing, simple and multiple regression models, residual analysis, variables selection, polynomial regression, multicollinearity, ridge regression, logistic regression and real data analysis and applications. Prerequisites: STA 472, STA 562, or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

STA 569  **Statistical Computing and Consulting.**
This course consists of a detailed study of the SAS package including SAS/BASICS, SAS/STAT, SAS/GRAPH and SAS/IML with emphasis on applying these tools in a consulting environment. Techniques and principles important in working with representatives of user disciplines are included. Prerequisites: STA 380 and graduate standing. Credit 3.

STA 570  **Nonparametric Statistics.**
Topics include order statistics, contingency analysis, rank tests (Wilcoxin signed-rank test, Mann-Whitney U test and others), distribution-free tests of location and scale, Kendall’s tau and related areas. Prerequisites: STA 472, STA 562, or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

STA 698  **Research and Thesis.**
This course includes a study of research methods in statistics, identification of an appropriate thesis problem and the preparatory work leading to a plan for its solution. Study must be supervised by a member of the graduate statistics faculty. Prerequisite: STA 562. Credit 3.

STA 699  **Research and Thesis.**
This course continues the thesis research and concludes with a carefully written solution of the thesis problem and a satisfactory oral presentation of the results. Study must be supervised by a member of the graduate statistics faculty. Prerequisite: STA 698. Credit 3.

STA 765  **Statistical Methods for Decision Making.**
Topics covered are oriented toward statistical methods supporting the decision environment. Topics include estimation, hypothesis testing, statistical modeling and decision methods. Prerequisite: 3 credit hour of graduate-level, introductory probability and statistics or the equivalent. Credit 3.
SCHOOL OF MUSIC

The School of Music offers the Master of Music degree with areas of emphasis/tracks in Performance, Conducting, and Theory/Composition.

Admission Requirements

Students seeking admission to the graduate program in music must submit the Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the one-time application fee to the Office of Graduate Studies, official transcripts of all college-level work (including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred), and official GRE scores. In addition, the following are required:

1. Students must submit all required School of Music application materials, including three letters of recommendation. The School of Music application materials are available from the School of Music.
2. Students seeking admission as Performance or Conducting majors must pass an entrance audition administered by the appropriate faculty member or group of faculty members in the area of study. Students seeking admission in Theory/Composition must complete an admission interview with the appropriate faculty member or group of faculty members in the area of study.
3. A submission of scores from the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) is required (including scores for the Graduate Music Diagnostic Exam – see below). For a final admissions decision, GRE scores do not constitute the sole criterion for consideration of the applicant, nor do GRE scores constitute the primary criterion to end consideration of an applicant. The applicant’s test scores will be compared with those of other applicants from similar socioeconomic backgrounds to the extent that those backgrounds can be properly determined and identified by the School of Music’s admissions process.
4. Transcripts from all previous college level academic work are required and should be submitted to the Office of Graduate Studies. A bachelor’s degree in music or a demonstrated equivalent level of accomplishment is required. Students not possessing a bachelor’s degree in music which is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music will be evaluated through the Graduate Music Diagnostic Exam.
5. A final admissions decision is based upon an aggregate evaluation of all application components. No specific weight is assigned to any one factor.

General Degree Requirements

1. All students pursuing graduate degree programs must take and satisfy the Graduate Music Diagnostic Exam. Included in this exam are questions in music history, music theory, and aural skills. The purpose of the Graduate Music Diagnostic Exam is to evaluate each student’s general musical knowledge, identify deficiencies, and determine the potential for successful academic completion of the desired graduate music degree program.
2. Leveling coursework (if necessary) will be determined by the Graduate Advisor on the basis of the Graduate Music Diagnostic Exam.
3. Graduate Ensemble enrollment is required each semester in which a full load is carried and/or a student is in residence.
4. The Master of Music degree program requires a minimum of 30 hours beyond the undergraduate degree. A thesis is required for the emphases in Theory/Composition. Once enrolled in a thesis class, a student must be continually enrolled until graduation.
5. The emphasis in Performance is offered in piano, voice, and all orchestral instruments, including saxophone and euphonium.
6. Students specializing in vocal performance within Performance emphasis must be proficient in Italian, German, and French diction.
7. Students in the Theory/Composition emphasis must be able to demonstrate piano competence.
8. The emphasis in Conducting is available with concentrations in Choral, Orchestral, and Wind emphases.
9. Successful completion of a comprehensive oral examination is required for graduation. This exam is administered by a committee of three Music faculty. Oral examination committees are appointed by the Graduate Advisor in consultation with the student. Students must be enrolled the semester in which they take comprehensive examinations.

Specific Track Requirements

Performance Track, 30 hours
MUS 530 – Analytical Techniques (3 hrs.)
MUS 698 – Research Techniques (3 hrs.)
Additional course from either Music History, Music Theory, or Music Education (3 hrs.)
MUS 681X – Recital I (3 hrs.)
MUS 682X – Recital II (3 hrs.)
MUS 501X – Applied Music (4 hours)
MUS 588X – Applied Literature (3-6 hours)
MUS 598X – Applied Pedagogy (3 hours)
ENS 512 – Graduate Ensemble (2 hours)
Electives – from Music History, Music Theory, Music Education, or other approved course (0-3 hours)

Conducting Track, 30 hours
MUS 530 – Analytical Techniques (3 hrs.)
MUS 698 – Research Techniques (3 hrs.)
Additional course from either Music History, Music Theory, or Music Education (3 hrs.)
MUS 681X – Recital I (3 hrs.)
MUS 682X – Recital II (3 hrs.)
CND 501X – Applied Conducting (4 hours)
MUS 588X – Applied Literature (3-6 hours)
MUS 598X – Applied Pedagogy (3 hours)
ENS 512 – Graduate Ensemble (2 hrs.)
Electives – in Music History, Music Theory, or Music Education (0-3 hrs.)

Theory/Composition Track, 30 hours
(Students in the Theory/Composition track must choose either a Theory emphasis or Composition emphasis.)
MUS 530 – Analytical Techniques (3 hrs.)
MUS 698 – Research Techniques (3 hrs.)
MUS 563 – Pedagogy of Theory (3 hrs.)
MUS 567 – Score Reading (3 hrs.)
CMP 501X – Applied Composition (2 hrs.)
One additional 3 hr. graduate course in Music History (3 hrs.)
Electives - Music courses other than Theory/Composition (4 hrs.)
Additional Courses depending on emphasis – see below (9 hrs.)

Additional Courses for Theory emphasis:
Two additional 3 hr. graduate courses in Music Theory (6 hrs.)
MUS 699 – Thesis (3 hrs.)
Additional Courses for Composition emphasis:
Six (6) additional hours of CMP 501X
MUS 681X – Graduate Recital (3 hrs.)

Up to 9 hrs. of upper division (400-level) undergraduate courses may be taken to satisfy graduate degree requirements if similar courses were not completed in undergraduate studies. These courses include:

- MUS 464 Seminar in Composition
- MUS 474 Twentieth-Century Musical Styles
- MUS 465 Counterpoint and Analysis

**GRADUATE MUSIC COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**APPLIED MUSIC INSTRUCTION**

- BSN 501X Bassoon
- EUP 501X Euphonium
- PNO 501X Piano
- TUB 501X Tuba
- CEL 501X Cello
- FLU 501X Flute
- SAX 501X Saxophone
- VLA 501X Viola
- CND 510X Conducting
- HRN 501X Horn
- STB 501X String Bass
- VLN 501X Violin
- CLR 501X Clarinet
- OBO 501X Oboe
- TRB 501X Trombone
- VOI 501X Voice
- CMP 501X Composition
- PER 501X Percussion
- TRP 501X Trumpet

**Applied Music Fees.** Students enrolled in Applied Music Instruction are required to pay fees related to the number of credit hours enrolled at the time of registration.

**OTHER MUSIC COURSES**

- **ENS 512 Graduate Ensemble.**
  Participation in a musical ensemble at the graduate level. Credit 1.

- **MUS 530 Analytical Techniques.**
  Advanced techniques in the analysis of music from all historical periods. Emphasis is placed on the ability to distinguish various stylistic idioms and to verbalize about the harmonic, rhythmic, melodic, and structural details of music. Credit 3.

- **MUS 563 Pedagogy of Theory.**
  A general review of undergraduate theory, with an emphasis on the methods of presenting material to secondary students, and also to freshman and sophomore classes. Comparative analysis of textbooks commonly used in these areas is emphasized. Credit 3.

- **MUS 567 Score Reading.**
  The course emphasizes specialized aural development, functional keyboard facility, and proficiency in reading orchestral, band, and choral scores. Credit 3.

- **MUS 568 Seminar in Special Problems.**
  Advanced and specialized work in Music Education, orchestration, composition, theoretical research, and instrumental and choral technology is emphasized. Prerequisites: Approval of the Graduate Advisor. Credit 3.

- **MUS 582 Symphonic Literature.**
  A systematic survey of literature for the symphony orchestra from its establishment to the present, with emphasis on standard works as they exemplify changing stylistic trends. Credit 3.

- **MUS 588X Applied Literature.**
  Advanced study of literature for the various applied music areas. Individual research projects and class performance. (Two enrollments allowed, 3 hrs. each).

- **MUS 598X Applied Pedagogy.**
  Advanced study in the pedagogy for the various applied areas. Credit 3.
MUS 681X  Recital I.
A one hour solo performance reflecting high standards of artistic achievement and involving both research and applied study requisite to its success. The first of two recitals for performance and conducting specializations. Credit 3.

MUS 682X  Recital II.
A one hour solo performance reflecting high standards of artistic achievement and involving both research and applied study requisite to its success. The second of two recitals for performance and conducting specializations. Credit 3.

MUS 698  Research Techniques.
Emphasizes efficient use of standard library materials and bibliographic sources, and the development of effective writing skills. Credit 3.

DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE AND DANCE

DANCE PROGRAM

Master of Fine Arts

This degree is structured to meet two objectives: (1) to offer advanced preparation of the dance artist by providing intensive studio training, choreographic and performance opportunities and (2) to provide the developing artist with a philosophical, theoretical, and research orientation to dance as an art form.

Admission Requirements

Students seeking admission to the Master of Fine Arts program offered by the Dance Program must submit the Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the one-time application fee to the Office of Graduate Studies, official transcripts of all college-level work (including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred), and official GRE scores. Dance Program admissions requirements are as follows:

1. A bachelor’s degree in Dance, or a demonstrated equivalent level of achievement.
2. A minimum GPA of 3.0 in undergraduate Dance courses.
3. Submission of a videotaped portfolio of choreographed works for evaluation by the graduate review committee.
4. Submission of official GRE scores.
5. Demonstrate through audition (to be undertaken no more than one year prior to the commencement of study) quality performance and understanding which is acceptable to the graduate review committee.
6. A final admissions decision is based upon an aggregate evaluation of all application components. No specific weight is assigned to any one factor.

Specific Requirements

MFA Graduate Committee. A Master of Fine Arts Graduate Committee in Dance is composed of three members of the Dance graduate faculty and is selected by the student before the end of the second year of study. This selection will be done in consultation and with the approval of the graduate advisor.

Transfer Credit. Up to 6 hours of graduate credit may be transferred toward the Master of Fine Arts degree in Dance. However, the MFA Graduate Committee reserves the right to refuse graduate credit from another institution or from Sam Houston State University for any courses not done specifically under the direction of the Dance MFA Graduate Committee.

Period of Study Required. The Master of Fine Arts degree requires a minimum of 60 semester credit hours. A minimum GPA of 3.0 must be maintained. The MFA candidate is expected to maintain continuous physical training in ballet and modern technique classes during the time he/she is enrolled. Requirements of the degree must be completed within six years of the beginning of study.
Minimum MFA Course Requirements

- 36 hours core curriculum in Dance
- 6 hours thesis
- 9 hours electives in Dance
- 9 hours electives in related fields
- 60 hours total

All candidates must achieve advanced placement in dance technique classes to be recommended for the Master of Fine Arts degree in Dance. No more than six hours of graduate credit in dance technique may be earned in less than the advanced placement level.

Other Scholarly Requirements

A thesis is required of all MFA candidates. The thesis will be a formal concert of the student's works, accompanied by a supporting paper. The works will consist of either the student’s performance, creative work, or reconstructed repertory. The graduate committee must approve the proposed content and extent of the thesis prior to the presentation of the thesis performance. The written paper must comply with the specifications for the written thesis, which are available through the Office of the Dean, College of Arts and Sciences. A record of the performance, either in film, videotape, or notated form, must be included as part of the candidate's accompanying paper.

The student must also pass an oral examination testing general knowledge of dance concepts, philosophy, and traditions as they relate to his/her thesis work. The oral examination will be conducted by the candidate’s graduate committee and selected members of the faculty of the Department of Theatre and Dance and the dean’s representative. Students must be enrolled during the semester in which they take oral examinations. After all coursework has been satisfactorily completed, the oral examination has been passed and the thesis performance and supporting paper have been approved by the graduate committee, the candidate is recommended for the Master of Fine Arts degree in Dance. The candidate must supply a record of the thesis, which will be permanently retained by the University.

Senior Courses Open to Graduate Students

- DNC 472 Dance Criticism and Analysis (Credit 3)
- DNC 474 Dance Pedagogy (Credit 3)
- DNC 476 Choreography III (Credit 3)
- DNC 492 Seminar in Dance (Credit 3)
- DNC 493 Independent Study (Credit 3)

A maximum of six hours of 400-level courses may be taken toward the completion of the master’s degree. Course requirements in 400-level courses will be appropriately modified for graduate credit.

DANCE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

**DNC 533 The Development of Advanced Skills in Dance.**

This course includes theoretical concepts and laboratory experiences in modern dance and ballet. Course may be repeated for credit. Credit 3.

**DNC 560 Seminar in Dance Production.**

An opportunity to produce all aspects of a dance concert from pre-production planning to post-production meetings. Costume design and construction, lighting design and board operation, sound recording and board operation, publicity, fund raising, box office, house management, video operation and editing, are experienced in actual production settings. Credit 3.
DNC 571 Theory of Dance.
An examination is made of the component elements of dance as an art form. Credit 3.

DNC 573 Advanced Laban Movement Analysis.
This course provides an overview of Laban Movement Analysis at the graduate level. It emphasizes the areas of Body, Effort, Shape, Space and the components necessary to understand and support non verbal communication. The course focuses on psychophysical connectivity to facilitate efficiency and expressivity in movement. The material will be introduced through observation, improvisation, exploration, composition, readings, group discussions, and movement assignments as both a methodology and an observation/description of the structural and qualitative aspects of human movement. A brief history/application of LMA is included in the curriculum. Prerequisites: PHY 135 and BIO 245 or their equivalents. Credit 3.

DNC 574 Advanced Laban Movement Analysis II.
This theory based movement course employs a codified means for examining human movement at the advanced graduate level. The material exemplified by the course supplies a detailed means for describing, analyzing, criticizing, and eventually prescribing movement. It can be applied to dance technique, choreography, performance, research, criticism, and other areas related to human movement. Prerequisite: DNC 573. Credit 3.

DNC 576 Contemporary Dance Composition.
This course includes the analysis of various components of design and development of basic dance studies into more extended dance works. Credit 3.

DNC 577 Independent Studies.
This course is adaptable to the needs and interests of the individual student. Students with specific interests are provided the opportunity to investigate and make application in theoretical, creative or field experience approaches to their area of concentration. May be repeated provided the repetition is in a different area of study. Prerequisites: Permission of Dance Program Coordinator. Credit 3.

DNC 578 Advanced Composition in Contemporary Dance.
The purpose of this course is to extend understanding of dance as an art and a craft, and to improve ability to choreograph an extended dance work. Prerequisite: DNC 576 or permission of instructor. Credit 3.

DNC 585 Research Methods in Dance.
Research methods specific to dance theory, choreography, and performance are introduced. Standard and electronic information resources, methods of investigation, and various means of organizing a review of literature are examined. Written and organizational skills are evaluated. Competencies and deficiencies in oral presentations are reviewed, recorded, and assessed. The course culminates with the development, refinement, and oral presentation of a written thesis proposal in dance. Prerequisite: graduate standing or permission of the instructor. Credit 3.

DNC 698 Thesis.
This phase of the thesis development involves the selection and design of a suitable performance and/or creative project with the completion of review of related literature and research work necessary. The thesis committee must approve a pilot showing of the work-in-progress. Credit 3.

DNC 699 Thesis.
The exhibition of the thesis will consist of a formal thesis concert of the student's performance and/or creative work accompanied by a supporting paper. The written paper must comply with the specifications of the written thesis, which are available in the Office of the Dean of the College of Arts.
and Sciences. The student must also pass an oral examination, testing general knowledge of dance concepts and traditions that relate to his/her thesis work. (The student must be registered in DNC 699 the semester in which he/she receives the M.F.A. degree.) Credit 3.

THEATRE PROGRAM

Senior Courses Open to Graduate Students
THR 430 Scene Design (Credit 3)
THR 461 Stage Lighting (Credit 3)
THR 463 Dramatic Theory and Criticism (Credit 3)
THR 466 Play Directing (Credit 3)
THR 467 Play Directing (Credit 3)
THR 471 The American Musical Theatre (Credit 3)
THR 492 Undergraduate Seminar in Theatre (Credit 3)

A maximum of six hours of 400-level courses may be taken toward the completion of the master’s degree. Course requirements in 400-level courses will be appropriately modified for graduate credit.

THEATRE COURSE DESCRIPTION

THR 560 Graduate Seminar in Theatre.
Directed individual assignments in all areas of theatre. Special permission of the department chair. May be repeated for credit. Credit 3.
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愿景声明

萨姆休斯顿州立大学商学院希望成为美国最好的地区商学院之一。它致力于培养有能力、自信和道德的毕业生，为社会和商业界的终身贡献做好准备。

使命声明

商学院的使命是通过传统和独特的商业课程为本科生提供卓越的教育。商学院为学生提供了在全球环境中实现成功商业生涯所需的技能，成为有道德有责任感的公民，为高级研究做好准备，并进行终身学习。通过不断改进的课程、优秀的教学、技术的利用和学术成就，学院对学生的需要做出反应，并为它的受众提供服务。
This mission is accomplished with talented, diverse, and dedicated faculty, staff, and administrators working together with business, educational, government and community leaders.

Degree Programs

The College of Business Administration offers a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree and a Master of Science (MS) degree in Finance. Both degrees are comprised of thirty-six (36) graduate credit hours (except for the Five-year Accounting programs for each, which are thirty (30) graduate credit hours) and are open to students with a baccalaureate degree from any academic discipline. Prerequisite courses are required for those students without the necessary academic foundation for graduate business courses. The prerequisite courses are listed in the “stem requirements for non-business graduates” section for this college. Please refer to the Master of Business Administration program or the Master of Science in Finance program for a detailed listing of the specific degree requirements. Also, see website www.shsu.edu/mba. Students interested in pursuing the Five-year program in Accounting as part of either the MBA or MS should refer to the detailed listing of degree requirements that follow. Please refer to the online catalog for the most current requirements.

Admission Requirements

Students must submit to the Office of Graduate Studies an application, official transcript(s) of all previous college work, and a Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) score. Applicants with a baccalaureate degree from a recognized, accredited university in the United States who satisfy at least one of the following graduate admission formulas shall be admitted unconditionally into SHSU’s graduate programs:

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200 \times (\text{overall GPA}) + (\text{GMAT score}) & \geq 1100 \\
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Applicants who meet all other qualifications but whose combined score using the formulas above is less than 1100 but greater than 950 (or less than 1150 but greater than 1000 on advanced hours) will be invited to submit additional supporting information to be considered for admission by the College of Business Administration Graduate Admission Committee. The deadlines for submission of supplemental materials are:

- November 15 for spring semester admission
- April 15 for summer admission
- July 15 for fall admission

Contact the graduate advisor for a list of additional materials that may be required.

The grade point average (GPA) is based on a four-point scale and only courses from the baccalaureate degree granting institution are used for determining graduate admission. Students who are not in good standing at another college or university are not eligible for admission into either the MBA program or the MS in Finance program.

International students or students whose native language is not English must submit a GMAT score of at least 450 and a TOEFL score of at least 550 on the paper based exam, 213 on the computer based exam, or 79 on the internet-based exam. International students must submit all required admission materials at least sixty (60) days prior to the start of the admitting semester. All immigration requirements must also be satisfied prior to admission.
Stem Requirements for Non-Business Graduates

Students seeking either the MBA or MS in Finance who do not hold a baccalaureate business degree must complete the following course requirements as prerequisites to graduate business courses. Baccalaureate degrees from foreign universities not accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International) will be treated as non-business degrees. The graduate stem courses (530s) do not apply to the 36-hour graduate credit hour requirement of the MBA degree or the Master of Science in Finance degree.

1. ACC 5301 Analysis of Accounting Information 3 SCH
2. BAN 5302 Quantitative Tools for Business 3 SCH
3. ECO 5303 Economic Principles and Policy 3 SCH
4. FIN 5304 Business Finance Environment 3 SCH
5. GBA 281 Business Legal Environment 3 SCH
6. MGT 380 Organization Theory and Human Behavior 3 SCH
7. MIS 388 Management Information Systems 3 SCH
8. MKT 371 Principles of Marketing 3 SCH

1 The combination of ACC 231 and ACC 232 can be substituted for ACC 530.
2 The combination of BAN 232 and MGT 475 can be substituted for BAN 530.
3 The combination of ECO 233 and ECO 234 can be substituted for ECO 530.
4 The combination of FIN 334 and FIN 367 can be substituted for FIN 530.

Master of Business Administration

The Master of Business Administration program at Sam Houston State University is designed to develop candidates for positions of leadership in modern organizations or to prepare students to successfully pursue doctoral studies in business. Managerial procedures and practices are continually changing. Therefore, the program emphasizes the integration and synthesis of various disciplines to develop a student's ability to function in a dynamic environment and make sound administrative decisions that maximize the value and contributions of an organization. The MBA program is suited for qualified students from any academic discipline. The program provides the candidate with a basic managerial background through the core requirements while providing individualized adaptation through elective courses.

The Master of Business Administration degree may be earned in one year by those full-time students who have completed a Bachelor of Business Administration degree. For a student with a baccalaureate degree in a discipline other than business, a minimum of two years will probably be required. For the non-business graduate the first year of study will involve taking prerequisite courses in preparation for the graduate courses. Part-time students who have completed a Bachelor of Business Administration degree typically complete the program in two years.

The MBA degree program requires a core of twenty-four graduate semester hours and twelve hours of elective graduate business courses. The selection of elective courses allows a student to design his/her program to meet special interests or needs. The College of Business Administration offers graduate elective courses in Accounting, Economics, Finance, General Business Administration, Management, Management Information Systems, and Marketing. Individual readings/research courses can also be established to further facilitate special student interests.
## MBA Program

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* MGT 567 is a capstone course that satisfies the comprehensive exam requirement. A grade of "B" or better is required for graduation.

With the approval of the Graduate Coordinator, students may elect to complete a minimum of 30 semester graduate hours plus a thesis of 6 semester hours.

## MBA at The University Center

The College of Business Administration offers, on a rotational pattern, a selection of graduate courses at The University Center, located in The Woodlands, Texas. The 300-, 400-, and 500- level stem courses are also available at The University Center. It is possible to complete the thirty-six hours of graduate work in a two-year period, however, a three-year period is a more likely time frame needed to complete the graduate coursework requirements of the MBA at The University Center. Consult with the graduate coordinator for a list of courses scheduled for The University Center.

## Concentrations

Students in the MBA program have the option of using their electives to earn a concentration. With the successful completion of twelve graduate credit hours in a specific academic field a student may claim a concentration. Students seeking the MBA degree may use their electives in a combination of supporting academic areas in lieu of a concentration. Concentrations are available in accounting, agri-business, economics, finance, human resource management, management, management information systems, and marketing. **Graduate stem courses (530s) do not count toward the twelve graduate hours needed for a concentration.** Consult with the graduate coordinator for any changes to the list of available concentrations.

## MBA in Agri-Business

In a cooperative effort with the Department of Agricultural Sciences, students may earn an MBA with a concentration in agri-business. Students seeking the MBA with the concentration in agri-business must earn a minimum of 24 graduate credit hours from courses offered by the College of Business Administration, to include the MBA core,
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and twelve graduate credit hours in agriculture courses. To earn the concentration in agri-business, the four (4) graduate electives in the MBA program must be used to take courses from the group of AGR 536, AGR 560, AGR 583, AGR 586, and AGR 598. With approval from the graduate coordinators of the MBA program and agri-business program, a maximum of two 400-level agriculture courses may be used in lieu of two of the 500-level agriculture courses. A description of the graduate agriculture courses and a list of acceptable 400-level agriculture courses can be found in the Department of Agricultural and Industrial Sciences section of this catalog. Consult with the graduate coordinator for any changes to the list of 400- and 500-level agriculture courses.

The MBA and Five-Year Accounting Program

The College of Business Administration offers an MBA program that allows graduate students to obtain an MBA with an accounting concentration while qualifying to take the CPA exam. This program is designed to prepare students for entrance into the public accounting profession while obtaining a generalized graduate business management education. The coursework in this program is a combination of graduate accounting, finance, economics, management, marketing, business communications, and statistics. The program requires students to complete their BBA degree in accounting at SHSU and then begin, no later than in the next long semester following graduation, a one-year, thirty-hour MBA program. To gain admission into this program the student must (1) possess an undergraduate SHSU GPA of at least 3.0, (2) possess a GPA of at least 3.0 on all 300- and 400-level undergraduate accounting coursework, (3) take ACC 436 and ACC 484 in their BBA program, and (4) meet all other requirements for admission as a graduate student to the MBA program. The course requirements of this program are:

**MBA Five-Year Accounting Program**

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* May not be ACC 564: visit with the graduate coordinator for a list of acceptable electives.
** MGT 567 is a capstone course that satisfies the comprehensive exam requirement. A grade of “B” or better is required for graduation.

Executive MBA in Banking and Financial Institutions

The Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) in Banking and Financial Institutions program at Sam Houston State University is designed to develop and enhance a candidate’s skills that are necessary for a position of leadership in a financial institution or regulatory agency. The program emphasizes the integration and synthesis of various disciplines to develop a student’s ability to function and make sound admin-
istrative decisions in a dynamic financial institution environment. The EMBA program is suited for qualified students from any academic discipline who have experience in the financial institutions field.

The EMBA is a two-year cohort program with a new cohort beginning each fall semester. It is an on-line program with an annual two-week residency requirement prior to the start of each fall semester. During the residency period, students receive foundational instruction for the six courses to be completed during the upcoming academic year. Up to six hours of coursework may be transferred into the EMBA program from the Southern Methodist University Graduate School of Banking and the Graduate School of Banking at Louisiana State University.

**Executive MBA in Banking and Financial Institutions Program**

- Accounting 564 Accounting for Management 3 SCH
- Business Analysis 568 Techniques of Statistical Analysis 3 SCH
- Economics 571 Seminar in Managerial Economics 3 SCH
- Finance 532 Seminar in Commercial Banking 3 SCH
- Finance 537 Problems in Administrative Finance 3 SCH
- Finance 533 Financial Statement Analysis 3 SCH
- Finance 538 Selected Topics in Money, Capital, and Security Markets* 3 SCH
- Finance 534 Seminar in Commercial Lending 3 SCH
- General Business Administration 587 Research Writing in Business 3 SCH
- Management 568 Services Management and Marketing 3 SCH
- Management 562 Project Management 3 SCH
- Marketing 570 Marketing Seminar 3 SCH
- Total 36 SCH

* FIN 538 is a capstone course that satisfies the comprehensive exam requirement. A grade of “B” or better is required for graduation.

**Master of Science in Finance**

The Master of Science in Finance program at Sam Houston State University is designed to develop candidates for leadership positions in corporate finance, financial services firms, and to successfully pursue doctoral studies. The program provides students with a strong background in the fundamentals of finance through a core of twenty-four hours of required courses, three semester credit hours of finance electives, and nine semester credit hours of graduate elective courses (with the approval of the graduate coordinator, six semester hours may come from support areas outside of the College of Business).
MS in Finance Program

Finance 531 Introduction to Institutions, Investments, and Managerial Finance* 3 SCH
Finance 536 Seminar in Business Finance** 3 SCH
Finance 537 Problems in Administrative Finance 3 SCH
Finance 539 International Finance 3 SCH
Finance 569 Seminar in Investments 3 SCH
Business Analysis 568 Techniques in Statistical Analysis 3 SCH
General Business Administration 587 Research Writing in Business 3 SCH
Accounting 533 Financial Statement Analysis 3 SCH
Graduate Finance Electives 3 SCH
Graduate Business Electives 3 SCH
Support Graduate Electives*** 6 SCH
Total 36 SCH

* This course is replaced by a graduate finance elective for students with a baccalaureate degree in finance.
** This course must be taken after all other required finance courses are taken and satisfies the comprehensive exam requirement.
***Any non-business courses must be approved by the MS in Finance advisor.

The MS in Finance and Five-Year Accounting Program

The College of Business Administration offers an MS in Finance program that will allow graduate students to obtain an MS in Finance with an Accounting Concentration while qualifying to take the CPA exam. This program is designed to prepare students to enter the public accounting profession while obtaining the necessary background to serve as corporate financial officers and directors of accounting and finance organizational operations. The coursework in this program is a combination of graduate accounting, finance, and business communications courses. The program requires students to complete their BBA degree in accounting at SHSU and then begin, no later than in the next long semester following graduation, a one-year, thirty-hour MS in Finance program. To gain admission into this program the student must (1) possess an undergraduate SHSU GPA of at least 3.0, (2) possess a GPA of at least 3.0 on all 300- and 400-level undergraduate accounting coursework, (3) take ACC 436 and ACC 484 in their BBA program, and (4) meet all other requirements for admission as a graduate student to the MBA program. The course requirements of this program are:
MS in Finance Five-Year Accounting Program

Accounting 582 Information Systems Audit and Assurance 3 SCH
Accounting 580 Advanced Topics in Financial Reporting 3 SCH
Accounting 581 Advanced Auditing Theory and Practice 3 SCH
Accounting Elective* 3 SCH
Finance 531 Introduction to Institutions, Investments, and Managerial Finance 3 SCH
Finance 536 Seminar in Business Finance** 3 SCH
Finance 537 Problems in Administrative Finance 3 SCH
Finance 539 International Finance 3 SCH
Finance 569 Seminar in Investments 3 SCH
General Business Administration 587 Research Writing in Business 3 SCH
Total 30 SCH

* Visit with the graduate coordinator for a list of acceptable electives.
** FIN 536 satisfies the comprehensive exam requirement. A grade of "B" or better is required for graduation.

Senior Courses Open to Graduate Students
To provide students with more flexibility in tailoring the MBA and the MS in Finance to their needs, a maximum of two 400-level undergraduate courses may be used as electives. Extra assignments/projects will be added to the course to elevate the course to graduate level work. Only the 400-level courses listed below may be used. To receive graduate credit for any of the below listed 400-level courses, the student must get approval from the graduate coordinator and the course professor prior to enrolling in the course.

Accounting
ACC 468 Governmental and Nonprofit Accounting
ACC 461 Fraud Examination

Economics
ECO 463 Monetary Economics
ECO 465 Introduction to Business Forecasting and Econometrics
ECO 468 Economic Development
ECO 480 International Economics
ECO 490 Environmental Economics

Finance
FIN 439 Seminar in Financial Derivatives
FIN 465 Entrepreneurial and Small Firm Finance
FIN 487 Security Analysis and Portfolio Management

General Business Administration
GBA 461 Design and Presentation of Business Projects
GBA 464 Entrepreneurship
GBA 465 International Business Law
GBA 471 Intercultural Business Communication
Management
MGT 471 International Management
MGT 472 Compensation
MGT 477 Supply Chain Management
MGT 479 Human Resource Development
MGT 481 Quality Management

Management Information Systems
MIS 431 Electronic Commerce Implementation
MIS 438 Advances in Information Systems

Marketing
MKT 471 International Marketing
MKT 477 Supply Chain Management

Additional Information on the MBA and MS in Finance Programs
For additional information about the MBA and/or MS in Finance please contact the College of Business Administration’s Coordinator of Graduate Studies at: Box 2056, Huntsville, TX 77341-2056 or by phone (936) 294-1239 or FAX (936) 294-3612, or email busgrad@shsu.edu. For additional information about the EMBA in Banking and Financial Institutions please contact Dr. James Bexley at: Box 2056, Huntsville, TX 77341-2056 or by phone (936) 294-3764 or FAX (936) 294-1523, or email jbbexley@shsu.edu. The College of Business Administration’s internet address is coba.shsu.edu.

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ACCOUNTING COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

ACC 530 Analysis of Accounting Information.
An introduction to the accounting principles, concepts, procedures and techniques underlying financial and managerial accounting and reporting. Emphasis on business and economic information generated in the accounting process and a study of their behavior for planning and control decisions.
This course does not apply to the 36-hour graduate credit hour requirement of the MBA degree program or the MS in Finance degree.

**ACC 533 Financial Statement Analysis.**
An overview of the pertinent theoretics and various applications relevant to the analysis of financial statements by applying both finance and accounting principles. Readings and case studies applied to provide a contemporary prospective. Prerequisites: ACC 366 or ACC 535, graduate standing, and admission to the MS in Accounting Program.

**ACC 535 Financial Reporting and Business Decisions.**
This course involves the study and examination of financial reporting from the point of view of management, creditors, and investors. The course specifically addresses how financing, investing, and operating decisions affect financial statements. The course also covers how creditors and investors use financial statements to assess the results of managers’ decisions and the effect of alternative accounting methods on the quality of financial reporting. The course emphasizes the effect of internal accounting decisions on external financing and business decision making. The course is designed for non-Accounting majors.

**ACC 564 Accounting for Management.**
This course provides an examination and application of the concepts useful to management in the analysis of accounting data for the purposes of costing and income determination, decision making and control. The course typically includes readings, cases and discussion of planning and budgeting, activity based costing, target costing, performance measurement, quality and environmental cost management. This course is designed for non-accounting majors. Prerequisites: ACC 231 and 232 or ACC 530.

**ACC 568 Governmental and Not-for-Profit Accounting.**
This course provides an overview of financial accounting and reporting for governmental and not-for-profit entities. Governmental accounting coverage comprises fund accounting, budgeting and control, revenue recognition in governmental funds, accounting for business-type and fiduciary activities, fund-level and government-wide financial reporting, and governmental auditing. Accounting for private not-for-profit organizations (including charitable organizations, colleges and universities, and health-care entities) covers special issues such as accounting for contributions, classifications of net assets, and industry specific reporting. Prerequisites: ACC 436, graduate standing and admission to the MS in Accounting program.

**ACC 569 Managerial Accounting Applications.**
Study and examination of managerial accounting applications that address contemporary managerial issues and problems. Topics include activity based costing, target costing, quality costs, environmental costing, capacity costing, theory of constraints, costing for lean production, and other areas. Cases and exercises are used to provide professional practice and experience in the development and use of management accounting information for decision making and the role of the management accountant as part of the management decision making team. Prerequisites: ACC 369 and ACC 435, graduate standing, and admission to the MS in Accounting Program.

**ACC 575 Readings in Accounting.**
Directed study in special topics in accounting. Prerequisite: Approval of Department Chair and Graduate Coordinator.

**ACC 580 Advanced Topics in Financial Reporting.**
Financial accounting concepts, researching financial accounting standards, current pronouncements and application of principles to practical problems are studied. Emphasis is given to contemporary accounting literature re-
lated to current financial reporting problems. This course is designed to enhance research skills, analytical thinking skills, and written and oral communication skills. Prerequisite: ACC 436, graduate standing, and admission to the MS in Accounting Program.

**ACC 581 Advanced Auditing Theory and Practice.**

This course examines the theoretical and application issues of contemporary auditing as identified in the literature and by recent professional pronouncements. Topics include internal control, control risk, legal liability of auditors, audit failure, audit risk, auditor responsibility for detection of fraud, and the evolving nature of the auditing profession in compliance with new audit standards. Case studies and exercises are used to address these and other topics of importance to professional auditing practice. Prerequisite: ACC 481, ACC 582, graduate standing, and admission to the MS in Accounting Program.

**ACC 582 Information Systems Audit and Assurance.**

This course provides the linkage between auditing concepts and professional standards and their application to information system principles, processing, and control. Professional practice and experience in the use of the computer as an audit tool is introduced through the use of Generalized Audit Software. This course provides students with an understanding and hands-on familiarity with skills necessary to assess controls over computerized information systems and to accomplish computer assisted auditing procedures to render an opinion regarding the integrity of financial information produced by those systems. Knowledge of these concepts will help prepare the student to practice in a technologically enhanced auditing environment. Prerequisites: ACC 381, ACC 481, graduate standing, and admission to the MS in Accounting Program.

*ACC 584 Corporate and Pass-Through Entity Taxation.*

A study of the Internal Revenue Code and related tax literature associated with corporate and pass through entity taxation. Students will learn the concepts of forming, operating and liquidating C Corporations, S Corporations, LLCs and Partnerships. Federal tax returns are prepared for C Corporations, S Corporations and Partnerships. Tax research is emphasized and integrated into each of the above areas. Students will obtain proficiency in the use of various internet and paper based tax services and in the examination of related contemporary accounting literature. Prerequisites: ACC 383 or approval of the instructor, graduate standing and admission to the MS in Accounting program.

*ACC 586 Professional Ethics and Responsibility.*

This course provides prospective accounting professionals an ability to apply philosophic moral theory to particular issues pertaining to the accounting profession. The course includes the examination of contemporary accounting literature related to ethical standards, ethical reasoning, integrity, objectivity, independence, and other core values. Emphasis is placed on dealing with controversial issues and examining the legal and professional responsibilities of public accountants. Topics also included are the examination of the state and AICPA Code of Professional Conduct and other governing authorities pronouncements, such as SEC, IRS, and similar such bodies. Case studies and exercises with professional responsibility and ethical considerations in “real life” situations are interspersed throughout the curriculum. Prerequisites: graduate standing and admission to the MS in Accounting program.

**ACC 587 Estate Planning, Trusts, and Nonprofits.**

Concepts of estate planning to enable tax minimized transmittal of property from one generation to the next generation or beyond. Topics to include:
lifetime gifts, successive life estates, use of trusts, estate tax technical issues, tax research, formation and use of family partnerships, corporations, LLCs, and other business forms in conjunction with estate planning. Understanding of charitable entities/devices and their opportunities in estate planning. Exposure to other not for profit tax entities and their return problems. Understanding and preparation of federal tax forms 709, 706, 1041, and other related forms, including Texas related forms as applicable. Understanding of community property concepts related to estate planning issues. Understanding of property issues as related to estate planning issues. Understanding and proper use of trust devices and potential tax impact (both estate and income taxation). Prerequisites: ACC 383 and ACC 584, or approval of instructor.

**ACC 595 ERP Business Process Integration.**
This course utilizes the SAP R/3 information system paradigm as a model for examination and development of integrated business process solutions. The course examines the conceptual background, rationale, methods, and procedures commonly employed by businesses in developing and configuring integrated business systems. The course provides practice and training through cases and hands-on experience using SAP R/3 by requiring students to configure business process solutions through integration of financial, controlling, production, materials management, sales and distribution, manufacturing, and other ERP process modules. Prerequisites: Thirty-six hours of business related courses of which twelve must be at the graduate level, completion of the MBA core courses and ACC 564 or ACC 569, or permission of the instructor.

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**BUSINESS ANALYSIS COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**BAN 530 Quantitative Tools for Business.**
An introduction to a variety of quantitative tools used in the business sector. Topics include descriptive statistics, normal distribution, central limit theorem, estimation and hypothesis testing, linear programming, forecasting, inventory management, productivity, competitiveness and strategy, aggregate planning, and facilities layout. This course does not apply to the 36-hour graduate credit hour requirement of the MBA degree program or the MS in Finance degree.

**BAN 568 Techniques of Statistical Analysis.**
An integration of the concepts and application of statistical and quantitative techniques currently used in business decision making. Readings in the current literature related to statistical inference, ANOVA, correlation, simple linear regression, multiple regression, questionnaire construction and analysis will be covered.

**BAN 575 Readings in Business Analysis.**
A directed individual intensive research study in a contemporary topic area of business analysis. Prerequisite: Approval of Department Chair and Graduate Coordinator.

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**ECONOMICS COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**ECO 530 Economics Principles and Policy.**
An intensive study of microeconomic and macroeconomic concepts; the price system and how it functions under various market structures including perfect competition, pure monopoly, and imperfect market structures; resource markets; national income measurement and determination; inflation and unemployment; money and banking; economic stabilization; inter-
national policy. This course does not apply to the 36-hour graduate credit hour requirement of the MBA degree program or the Master of Science in Finance degree.

ECO 560 Economic Analysis of Strategy.  
A study of game theoretical tools and their application of important real-world economic phenomena. Topics include: the organization of industry, labor and work-place economics, international trade policies, government and voting strategies, the role of legal institutions in the economy, and bargaining and bidding strategies.

ECO 570 Economic Theory.  
An integration of micro and macro economic theory with special emphasis on how various economic policy choices may impact the operation of business firms and the national economy. The course requires students to find micro and macroeconomic issues of current interest, gather related quantitative data, and review recent research that apply/test the theories covered in this course.

ECO 571 Seminar in Managerial Economics.  
Application of the techniques of optimization theory to problems in business and economics, with special emphasis on decision-making under conditions of risk and uncertainty. Participants apply recent developments in economic analysis to current business problems such as demand and cost estimation, modeling, and forecasting.

ECO 575 Directed Readings and Research in Economics.  
A directed individual intensive research study dealing with a selected contemporary economic issue. Prerequisite: Approval of Department Chair and Graduate Coordinator.

ECO 579 Seminar in Labor Economics.  
Labor economics focuses on short-run and long-run aspects of supply and demand of labor, including theory and empirical analysis of the behavior of participants in the labor force. Readings in current labor economics literature and appropriate research topics will be covered, including the history of labor organizations. Frequent topics include the microeconomic effects of marriage, fertility, and mobility on labor supply, as well as the macroeconomic effects of unemployment on inflation..

FINANCE COURSE DESCRIPIONS

FIN 530 Business Finance Environment.  
An examination of the socioeconomic role the financial sector plays in the business environment. In addition to an introduction to the three financial sector components (institutions and markets, investments, and corporate finance), students are introduced to financial principles and techniques. This course does not apply to the required MBA curriculum. This course is primarily designed for students with non-business undergraduate degrees and does not apply to the 36-hour graduate credit hour requirement of the MBA degree program or the MS in Finance degree.

FIN 531 Introduction to Institutions, Investments, and Managerial Finance.  
An examination of financial management in today’s interdependent and integrated global environment. The framework, tools, and concepts of financial institutions, investments, and managerial finance will be emphasized. Topics include managerial and cost accounting applications as well as the use of current techniques for financial analysis, capital allocation, and capital structure. The course uses research writing, case analysis, and presentations to apply the literature to managerial situations. Prerequisites: Graduate standing, FIN 367 or equivalent.
FIN 532 Seminar in Commercial Banking.
A seminar in the current developments within commercial banking and an examination of the specific aspects of the banking industry. The course will utilize both student research and case studies that emphasize managerial application of the literature reviewed.

FIN 533 Financial Statement Analysis.
An overview of the pertinent theoretics and various applications relevant to the analysis of financial statements by applying both finance and accounting principles. Emphasis is placed on readings in current literature in the finance and accounting fields. Case studies are used to provide practice and experience in a contemporary business environment. Prerequisites: ACC 366 or ACC 535.

FIN 534 Seminar in Commercial Lending.
This is a seminar course with an in-depth coverage of the current lending and regulatory issues and techniques appropriate for management of commercial lending activities in modern financial institutions. Research, readings, and case studies are employed to provide students the opportunity to apply the literature in the dynamic financial institutions industry.

FIN 536 Seminar in Business Finance.
Theory and practice of assembling, investing, and managing capital. Major topics include estimating a firm’s cost of funds, basic and advanced capital budgeting techniques including payback period, NPV, IRR, and MIRR, capital structure analysis, dividend policy and practice, risk management and portfolio diversification. Cases, current developments and readings in business finance will be used as appropriate. Prerequisite: FIN 537, FIN 539, and FIN 569.

FIN 537 Problems in Administrative Finance.
Extensive coverage of financial concepts and techniques. Major topics include time value of money, risk, asset valuation including fixed income securities and stock, financial markets, term structure of interest rates, evaluation of financial performance through financial statement analysis, and asset management. Cases and readings in business finance will be used as appropriate.

FIN 538 Selected Topics in Money, Capital, and Security Markets.
An in-depth topical exploration of various aspects of money, capital, and security markets. Topics are explored via analysis of current events and case studies, through examination of the intricacies of financial innovation and adaptation, and via individual research projects.

FIN 539 International Finance.
Applies theories of managerial and international finance to the problems of financial management in a global business environment. Topics include investment analysis, financing choices, identification, measurement and management of foreign exchange risks, trade financing, and financial control of international operations.

FIN 569 Seminar in Investments.
A study of financial securities, their valuation techniques and the markets in which they are traded. Provides an overview of portfolio theory and the analytical tools of portfolio management, as well as the relationship between risk and return. Includes a survey of current research in investments.

FIN 575 Readings in Finance.
This course is designed for the directed study of individual students who wish intensive supervision in some vital aspect of Finance. Prerequisites: GBA 587, FIN 530 and approval of Department Chair and Graduate Coordinator.
GENERAL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

GBA 562 Managerial Law.
This course prepares managers to be cognizant of the legal implications of their decisions regardless of their specific area of responsibility. The course focuses on researching legal issues and developing strategies from the standpoint of management - from supervisory level to Board of Directors. Emphasis is placed on research strategies that executives can use to generate pragmatic legal strategies to minimize legal expenses and legal liabilities. The research strategies are oriented toward sources that can quickly be analyzed and implemented rather than traditional legal research for law firms. Assignments result in real world business research memos.

GBA 564 Entrepreneurship: Theory & Practice.
An intensive examination of the theories of entrepreneurship, innovation, and intellectual entrepreneurship. Students will research the major steps of starting a business including developing their own Personal Entrepreneurship Plan. Course emphasizes converting intellectual capital into financial capital. Topics for extensive research include self-assessment, opportunity screening, developing a marketing system, growth strategies, and financial strategies.

GBA 575 Readings in Business Administration.
This course is designed for the directed study of individual students who wish intensive supervision in some vital aspect of Business Administration. Prerequisite: GBA 587 and Approval of Department Chair and Graduate Coordinator.

GBA 587 Research Writing in Business.
This course is designed to expand students’ understanding of management and corporate communications and enhance managerial writing and speaking skills. Research projects and case studies prepare students to conduct business research and to report results.

MANAGEMENT COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

MGT 530 Foundations of Strategic Management.
This course is an introduction to the fundamentals of both Management and Strategic Management. Topics include the management functions of planning, organizing, leading, motivating, and controlling as well as SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) analysis, strategy assessment and implementation, and strategy evaluation and control. This course does not apply to the 36-hour graduate credit hour requirement of the MBA degree program or the MS in Finance degree.

MGT 560 Seminar in Operations Management.
The operations management function in a business enterprise has always been central to the activities of the organization. Achieving world-class competitiveness in either the manufacturing or service sectors demands that modern managers understand how to apply the fundamentals of operations management. Knowledge of these fundamentals will be developed through a combination of literature research and application in either case studies or actual consulting with local organizations.

MGT 561 Management of Innovation and Technology.
A study of current topics in the management of creativity, innovation, technology, and quality assurance. Guest speakers and experiential exercises will be utilized in addition to lectures, student presentations, and class discussion of topics. The major project in the course will be the development of a technology forecast in a particular technology area through the use of the literature and contact with researchers and leaders in the selected field.
MGT 562 Project Management. This course focuses on the planning, implementation, and control of projects. Coverage will include project scope and definition, time and cost management, conflict resolution and team processes, resource allocation, scheduling and lifecycle management. The appropriate intellectual foundation will be established so that students can work individually and in teams to solve project related problems.

MGT 566 Seminar in Team Leadership. A systematic review, critique and application of findings of the behavioral sciences to the understanding, prediction and management of individual and group behavior in business organizations.

MGT 567 Seminar in Strategic Management and Policy. This capstone course is concerned with advanced principles and methods used in the strategic management of organizations. Thus, the primary focus is the evaluation of external environmental factors and internal organizational strengths and weaknesses for formulating strategies for organizations. Readings, simulation, and the case method are used to further develop the student’s executive knowledge, skills and abilities for future independent learning and success. Prerequisites: ACC 564, BAN 568, FIN 537, GBA 587, and MKT 570.

MGT 568 Services Management and Marketing. This course examines the unique challenges of managing and marketing services. A review of the literature covering service theory and practical experience in designing and maintaining quality services are the foci of the course. Prerequisite: MKT 570.

MGT 571 Leading Organizational Change and Development. This course focuses on advanced theoretical concepts and applications in the areas of leadership, organizational development, and change management. Of particular importance are the concepts of organizational culture and leading organizational change initiatives. The application of specific tools for conducting organizational change initiatives will be explored.

MGT 573 Social Responsibility of Business. An in-depth study of the many dimensions of social responsibility in business which include the intellectual foundations supporting the economic, moral, and sociopolitical institutions of democratic capitalism. Case studies will be used to familiarize students with the literature in social responsibility, and students will be required to perform independent analyses of current events to understand the reasoning behind decisions on social responsibility in the workplace. A basic background in business disciplines is required. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

MGT 574 Seminar in Human Resource Management. This cornerstone human resource management seminar presents relevant background literature, fundamental principles, technical tools, and case studies to develop the student's proficiency for future independent learning and research in the following areas of personnel: employee recruitment and selection, human resource development, labor relations, wage and salary administration, and employee services.

MGT 575 Readings in Management. This course is designed for directed study of individual students who wish intensive study in some specific area of Management. Prerequisite: Approval of Department Chair and Graduate Coordinator.

MGT 595 ERP Business Process Integration. This course utilizes the SAP R/3 information system paradigm as a model for examination and development of integrated business process solutions. The course examines the conceptual background, rationale, methods, and
procedures commonly employed by businesses in developing and configuring integrated business systems. The course provides practice and training through cases and hands-on experience using SAP R/3 by requiring students to configure business process solutions through integration of financial, controlling, production, materials management, sales and distribution, manufacturing, and other ERP process modules. Prerequisites: Thirty-six hours of business related courses of which twelve must be at the graduate level, completion of the MBA core courses and ACC 564 or ACC 569, or permission of the instructor.

MGT 765 Organization Theory in Education.
The course focuses on the design and management of successful educational organizations. Different approaches to organization theory will be applied to the education context. Current management literature that contributes insights into effective strategic and operational decision making in educational organizations will be reviewed and applied to public schools.

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

MIS 575 Readings in Management Information Systems.
This course is designed for directed study of individual students who wish intensive study in some specific area of Management Information Systems. Prerequisite: Approval of Department Chair and Graduate Coordinator.

MIS 579 Managing Business Systems Projects.
The course examines the management of business system development and modification projects. It emphasizes the factors for effective communication and integration with users and user systems. It encourages interpersonal skill development with clients, users, team members, and others associated with development, operation and maintenance of the system. Adherence to methodological life cycle analysis and construction techniques are taught in the context of the creation of business-oriented systems. Students work individually and in teams to solve business problems.

MIS 588 Seminar in Management Information Systems.
An in-depth study of business information systems. This course covers computer hardware, software, procedures, systems, and human resources and explores their integration and application in business. Topics include: end-user, computing and development, networking, and data collection and communication. The course content will be adaptive to stay current. The course content will be adaptive to stay current with individual research agendas.

MIS 590 Business Applications of DBMS.
Database management systems are at the heart of modern business information systems. They facilitate the sharing of data across the organization, and therefore support the notion that data is a corporate resource. Data management, which focuses on data collection, storage, and retrieval, thus constitutes a core activity for any organization. Students with appropriate backgrounds can work individually in specific areas of interest.

MIS 595 ERP Business Process Integration.
This course utilizes the SAP R/3 information system paradigm as a model for examination and development of integrated business process solutions. The course examines the conceptual background, rationale, methods, and procedures commonly employed by businesses in developing and configuring integrated business systems. The course provides practice and training through cases and hands-on experience using SAP R/3 by requiring students to configure business process solutions through integration of
financial, controlling, production, materials management, sales and distribution, manufacturing, and other ERP process modules. Prerequisites: Thirty-six hours of business related courses of which twelve must be at the graduate level, completion of the MBA core courses and ACC 564 or ACC 569, or permission of the instructor.

MARKETING COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

MKT 568 Services Management and Marketing. This course examines the unique challenges of managing and marketing services. A review of the literature covering service theory and practical experience in designing and maintaining quality services are the foci of the course. Prerequisite: MKT 570

MKT 570 Marketing Seminar. This course focuses on formulating and implementing marketing management strategies and policies with special emphasis on the influence of marketing institutions, market structures, target market, segmentation, and the ability to manage marketing mix variables in a dynamic global environment. The course includes marketing decision making tools and the management of the elements of the marketing plan.

MKT 571 Marketing Research. This course uses a project-based approach to learning which includes the planning, collection, and analysis of data relevant to marketing decision-making and the communication of the results of this analysis to management. Prerequisites: BAN 568.

MKT 572 Marketing Problems. The course requires analysis of marketing problems related to marketing strategy and programs. Students engage in independent research into the business context and develop familiarity with leading edge marketing theory and practice to creatively solve problems.

MKT 575 Readings in Marketing. This course is designed for directed study of individual students who wish intensive study in some specific area of Marketing. Prerequisite: Approval of Department Chair and Graduate Coordinator.

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* In a joint program with the University of Houston Law School, students may concurrently seek a Doctor of Philosophy in Criminal Justice (Ph.D.) and a Doctor of Juris Prudence (J.D.).

Degree Programs

The College of Criminal Justice offers a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Criminal Justice, a Master of Arts degree in Criminal Justice and Criminology, a Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management, a Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice, a Master of Science degree in Forensic Science and a Master of Science in Security Studies. The Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Arts programs are designed primarily to prepare graduate students to conduct research in the various areas of criminological theory, crime control, correctional and police administration, and social rehabilitation. These programs are based on a multidisciplinary study of the behavioral sciences as they apply to these specialized areas.

The Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management is designed to serve the needs of the experienced professional in criminal justice. Course content is aimed at developing and enhancing managerial skills. This program is offered in an intensive semester time frame. To be considered for admission, the applicant to the Master of Science program must be currently employed in a criminal justice occupation in a management position or aspiring to become employed in a management position, with a minimum of two years experience.

The Master of Science in Criminal Justice is available to students with or without previous employment experience in criminal justice. Course content is aimed at providing a base of knowledge and skills necessary to administer criminal justice-related programs.

Graduate Catalog 07-09
Courses are typically offered in residence at The University Center in The Woodlands and via distance education.

The deadline for submitting applications to the Master of Arts program, the Master of Science in Criminal Justice programs, and the Doctor of Philosophy program is February 1 for the fall semester and September 1 for the spring semester. The deadline for submitting applications to the Master of Science in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management program is May 1 for the fall semester.

The Master of Science in Forensic Science is a non-thesis degree program which includes a support sequence in biological sciences, chemistry and criminal justice. Additional coursework in a more specialized area of forensic science is provided as well. The deadline for submitting applications to the Master of Science in Forensic Science program is February 1 for the fall semester only. Though applicants are considered after the deadline, priority is given to those applicants who have submitted their applications on time.

The Master of Science in Security Studies is a new degree program offered by only a few universities. Students will be required to complete 36 graduate semester hours that can be finished in approximately two years. Students have the option of completing a thesis or an internship that includes a directed management project on an assigned topic in collaboration with the participating internship agency. The deadline for submitting applications to the Master of Science in Security Studies is February 1 for the fall semester and September 1 for the spring semester.

Graduate students in the College of Criminal Justice are expected to maintain a minimum 3.0 grade point average. Two grades of “C” are grounds for dismissal from the program. All students, regardless of program degree, must declare a major with the graduate office by completing a declaration of official major form.

The Doctor of Philosophy in Criminal Justice

The degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Criminal Justice is designed to produce students of crime and justice who possess (1) a deep and extensive awareness of the body of knowledge in the field of criminal justice and, (2) the intellectual and methodological skills necessary for the continuing process of discovery and understanding of crime and justice related issues. The graduate should be capable of integrative and analytical thinking, competent at transmitting knowledge, able to engage in various accepted modes of research, and should possess skills in problem-solving.

To accomplish this, the College of Criminal Justice has a faculty of diverse scholars committed to the study of crime and justice issues. The curriculum includes courses that provide theoretical and applied knowledge of the phenomena of crime and criminal justice. In addition to the demonstration of excellence in the classroom, students are expected to engage in research in accordance with personal specialized interests beyond specified courses.

Through the combined efforts of faculty and students, the Doctor of Philosophy program in Criminal Justice produces students capable of making contributions to criminal justice through the academic and applied components of the discipline. The curriculum is designed to ensure that graduates are well equipped to participate in criminological positions emphasizing research, theory, and administration.
Admission Considerations

1. A master’s degree in Criminal Justice or an allied field.
2. Test scores from the Graduate Record Examination.
3. Official undergraduate and graduate transcripts for all academic work. Grades must show evidence of the ability to do doctoral level work.
4. Three letters of recommendation, preferably from faculty who are sufficiently acquainted with the student to comment on potential for success in the doctoral program.
5. An original essay as described in the follow-up doctoral application form.
6. Foreign students are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) unless they have completed a degree in the United States. A minimum score of 550 (paper-based), 213 (computer-based), or 79 (internet-based) is required.
7. A current resume or vita.

A holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis.

Requirements for Completing the Ph.D. Program

The following guidelines are offered to demonstrate the nature of the doctoral program and should not be misconstrued as representing the formal requirements for a Ph.D.

1. Students should consult with the Graduate Program Advisor to design a course of study beyond the master’s degree that will provide an in-depth knowledge in the areas of research and statistics, criminological theory, criminal justice administration and legal issues in criminal justice.
2. Students must register full-time, a minimum of 9 credit hours per semester, on campus for at least two consecutive long semesters. Transfer credit of up to a maximum of nine hours of post-master’s coursework may be allowed toward electives, at the discretion of the appropriate Dean.
3. Students must maintain a 3.0 grade point average in all courses.
4. Students must pass comprehensive examinations.
5. Students must complete and defend a doctoral dissertation, which is the product of original scholarly research and is of such quality as to represent a meaningful contribution to knowledge in the field of criminal justice.
6. Students who enter with a master’s degree have six years to complete the doctoral degree from the first semester they register.

The Doctoral Curriculum

Master’s Degree Completed

The Doctoral degree requires 58 hours of 500-, 600-, and 700-level coursework. Students must choose a plan of study from three areas of concentration: Criminological Theory, Law and Judicial Process, or Criminal Justice Administration. Four courses must be completed in the concentration area. Two courses must be completed in each of the optional areas (waiver areas) not attempted to demonstrate competency in these areas. A grade of A or B is required of all concentration area courses. Additionally, a GPA of 3.5 must be maintained in the concentration area.
Total Credits Required:
- Research and Statistics: 10 SCH
- Concentration: 12 SCH
- Waiver Areas: 12 SCH
- Electives (600/700-level): 12 SCH
- Dissertation: 12 SCH

Total Hours: 58 SCH

Possible Stem Work Required

Substantive Courses
- CJ 530 Critical Analysis of Justice Administration
- CJ 532 Perspectives in Criminology

Research Fundamentals
- CJ 592 Survey of Research Methods
- CJ 685 Statistics for Criminal Justice Research
- CJ 615 Criminal Justice Statistics Lab

Research and Statistics Requirements
- CJ 742 Advanced Statistics I
- CJ 787 Research Design
- CJ 793 Computer Based Data Analysis

Criminological Theory
For a waiver, students must complete
- CJ 737 Criminological Theory
- CJ 760 Advanced Seminar in Criminological Theory

For a concentration area, students must complete:
- CJ 737 Criminological Theory
- CJ 760 Advanced Seminar in Criminological Theory

And additionally at least two courses selected from:
- CJ 563 The Juvenile Offender
- CJ 660 Seminar in Deviant Behavior
- CJ 661 Social Policy
- CJ 672 Seminar in Criminology and Corrections
- CJ 739 Distribution and Correlates of Crime

Criminal Justice Administration
For a waiver, students must complete
- CJ 730 Seminar in Organizational Theory

And additionally at least one course selected from:
- CJ 633 Seminar in Organization and Administration
- CJ 734 Seminar in American Policing
- CJ 736 Seminar in American Corrections
- CJ 738 Seminar in American Courts

For a concentration area, students must complete:
- CJ 730 Seminar in Organizational Theory
And additionally at least one course selected from:
CJ 633 Seminar in Organization and Administration
CJ 734 Seminar in American Policing
CJ 736 Seminar in American Corrections
CJ 738 Seminar in American Courts

And additionally at least two more courses selected from:
CJ 633 Seminar in Organization and Administration
CJ 639 Police in Society
CJ 665 Community Relations and the Administration of Justice
CJ 687 The Ethics of Criminal Justice
CJ 734 Seminar in American Policing
CJ 736 Seminar in American Corrections
CJ 738 Seminar in American Courts

Law and Judicial Process
For a waiver, students must complete:
CJ 593 Legal Aspects of the Criminal Justice System
CJ 780 Seminar on the Legal Aspects of the Criminal Justice System

For a concentration area, students must complete:
CJ 593 Legal Aspects of the Criminal Justice System
CJ 780 Seminar on the Legal Aspects of the Criminal Justice System

And additionally at least two courses selected from:
CJ 533 Seminar in Law
CJ 534 Courts as Organizations
CJ 696 Legal Aspects of Criminal Justice Management
CJ 738 Seminar in American Courts

Doctoral Comprehensive Examination

The purpose of the doctoral comprehensive examination is two-fold. The primary purpose is to ensure that each student has gained a satisfactory understanding of the core areas of the curriculum. The secondary purpose is to provide the student and faculty an opportunity to identify areas of deficiency and to establish for the student a program of study to remedy those deficiencies.

Students become eligible to take comprehensive examinations during the long semester following the completion of all "required substantive courses" included in the doctoral curriculum. Formal application to take the exams must be made in writing to the Graduate Programs Office at least 60 calendar days prior to the scheduled examination. Formal approval will depend upon the completion of all required substantive coursework, the maintenance of at least a 3.0 GPA for all doctoral courses that have been completed, and certification that the student has conferred with his/her faculty mentor regarding preparedness to take the examination.

Admission to Candidacy

Admission to candidacy is granted upon successful completion of all coursework and passing of the written comprehensive examinations.
Dissertation

A doctoral dissertation must be the product of original scholarly research and must be of such quality as to represent a meaningful contribution to knowledge in the field of criminal justice. It is expected that much time and effort will be devoted to the dissertation phase of the doctoral program.

Advisement

Academic Advisement
The Graduate Program Advisor and the appropriate Dean conduct academic advisement. At least a month before the end of each semester, graduate students should contact the college’s graduate office for advisement for the next term. All readings courses, special projects, internships, practicums, and workshops for students must be coordinated by the Graduate Program Advisor and appropriate Dean. Students are encouraged to consider the makeup of the comprehensive examinations before they develop a plan of study to ensure they will have a base of knowledge in the primary areas of the curriculum by the time they finish the coursework. Doctoral students are authorized to enroll in courses at the 500- through the 800-levels. If it is necessary for a student to do stem work in order to meet the prerequisites for graduate courses, those credit hours will be in addition to the classroom hours required for the doctoral degree. The normal course load during the fall or spring semester is 9 hours. During a summer session, the maximum permissible load is 6 hours.

The Master of Arts Degree Program
Major in Criminal Justice and Criminology

The Master of Arts degree is designed to prepare graduate students to conduct research and actively participate in the development of knowledge in the areas of criminological theory, crime control, and correctional and police administration. The curriculum is broad enough to satisfy these various interests. Students who are planning careers in law enforcement, corrections or rehabilitation, or who wish a deeper understanding of crime and the criminal justice system should confer with the Graduate Program Advisor to develop a combination of elective courses which will support their particular career interests.

Admission Considerations

Admission to the Master of Arts program is based on the Admissions Committee’s assessment of the applicant’s scores on the Graduate Record Examination, the undergraduate academic record, and letters of recommendation from undergraduate professors. In some instances a personal interview will also be requested. Admission considerations include the following: (1) that the applicant has, or will soon have, an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution in an allied field; (2) official transcripts of all academic work previously undertaken; (3) test scores from the Graduate Record Examination; (4) at least two letters of recommendation from undergraduate professors; (5) an essay, and (6) foreign students are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language. A minimum score of 550 (paper-based), 213 (computer-based), or 79 (internet-based) is required.

A holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis.
The deadline for submitting applications to the Master of Arts program is February 1 for the fall semester and September 1 for the spring semester. The Master of Arts degree in Criminal Justice and Criminology is a 37-hour degree which includes a thesis. No minor is required.

Required Substantive Courses: 9 hours
- CJ 530 Critical Analysis of Justice Administration
- CJ 532 Perspectives in Criminology
- CJ 593 Legal Aspects of the Criminal Justice System

Required Support Sequence: 7 hours
- CJ 592 Survey of Research Methods
- CJ 685 Statistics for Criminal Justice Research
- CJ 615 Criminal Justice Statistics Lab

Electives: Fifteen (15) hours of graduate coursework at the 500-, 600-, or 700-level. Thesis: Six (6) hours (CJ 698, CJ 699)

The Master of Science Degree Program
Major in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management
Intensive Weekend Program

The Master of Science program with a major in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management is designed for persons in mid-management positions in criminal justice agencies, or for those who have a reasonable expectation of being promoted to such a position. It serves practitioners whose jobs and family commitments prevent them from returning to campus as full-time students. The Master of Science program restructures classroom hours allowing the fully-employed person to earn a Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management in two years. On-campus classroom attendance requires about seven weekends each spring and fall semester and during the combined summer sessions. Roughly 36 days are spent in class each year along with extensive home study. A student in full-time attendance earns six credit hours in each of the fall and spring semesters and combined summer sessions, totaling 18 credit hours per year.

Master of Science in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management students are admitted only in the fall semester. The deadline for submitting applications to the Master of Science program is May 1.

Admission Considerations

Admission considerations include the following: (1) an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution in an allied field; (2) official transcripts of all academic work previously undertaken; (3) test scores from the Graduate Record Examination; (4) a reference letter from the applicant's employer indicating awareness of the time commitment involved over the next two-year period, and willingness to enable the employee to keep his/her weekend commitments; and (5) current employment in a criminal justice occupation with a minimum of two years experience. Foreign students are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). A minimum score of 550 (paper-based), 213 (computer-based), or 79 (internet-based) is required.

A holistic review of each student's application file will be completed on a competitive basis.
The Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice Leadership is a 36-hour degree. No thesis is required, but the student must complete a capstone course (CJ 688) with a grade of B or better to satisfy the University's comprehensive examination requirement.

Recommended M.S. Schedule
(Criminal Justice Leadership and Management)

Year One
Fall
CJ 530 Critical Analysis of Justice Administration
CJ 633 Seminar in Organization and Administration

Spring
CJ 634 Research Methods and Quantitative Analysis in Criminal Justice
CJ 663 Psychology in Criminal Justice Leadership

Summer
CJ 632 Resource Development in the Organizational Context
CJ 665 Community Theory and the Administration of Justice

Year Two
Fall
CJ 635 Seminar in Leadership and Management
CJ 696 Legal Aspects of Criminal Justice Management

Spring
CJ 636 Computer /Technology Applications for Criminal Justice
CJ 692 Program Evaluation for Criminal Justice

Summer
CJ 694 Special Topics (currently CJ 687-may change as deemed necessary)
CJ 688 Emergent Issues in Criminal Justice Leadership

Other elective special readings courses may be substituted with the approval from the appropriate Dean.

The Master of Science Degree Program
Major in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management
Intensive Distance Education Program

The Master of Science program with a major in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management is designed for persons in mid-management positions in criminal justice agencies, or for those who have a reasonable expectation of being promoted to such a position. It serves practitioners whose jobs and family commitments prevent them from returning to campus as full-time students. The Master of Science program is offered in a comprehensive distance education format. The distance education or on-line form of instruction requires a significant commitment on the part of the student who must be self-motivated, self-directed, and focused on their educational goals. On-campus classroom attendance is generally not required, however, courses are typically identified in the Weekend Intensive offering. A student in full-time attendance can earn up to six credit hours in each of the fall and spring semesters and combined summer sessions, totaling 18 credit hours per year.
Master of Science in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management students are admitted only in the fall semester. The deadline for submitting applications to the Master of Science program is May 1.

**Admission Considerations**

Admission considerations include the following: (1) an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution in an allied field; (2) official transcripts of all academic work previously undertaken; (3) test scores from the Graduate Record Examination; (4) at least two letters of recommendation from undergraduate professors referencing the applicant’s ability to perform graduate work; (5) an essay; (6) excellent computer and typing skills and access to computer faculties with high speed connections; and (7) foreign students are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). A minimum score of 550 (paper-based), 213 (computer-based), or 79 (internet-based) is required.

A holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis.

The Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management is a 36-hour degree. No thesis is required, but the student must complete a capstone course (CJ 688) with a grade of B or better to satisfy the University's comprehensive examination requirement.

Recommended course sequencing follows the MS Weekend Intensive—see previous section.

**The Master of Science Degree Program Major in Criminal Justice**

The Master of Science program in Criminal Justice is designed primarily for persons who aspire to management positions in the field of criminal justice. It is designed for nontraditional students who have full-time jobs. This degree is typically available at The University Center in The Woodlands. Courses are sequenced so that students can complete the degree in two years. The degree prepares students to work in various areas of criminal justice administration including, but not limited to, organizational management and social policy. The deadline for fall admission is February 1 and the deadline for spring admissions is September 1. Admissions are considered after the deadlines, but priority is given to those applicants who complete the admissions process on time.

**Admission Considerations**

Admission considerations include: (1) an undergraduate degree from an accredited academic institution in an allied field; (2) official transcripts of all academic work previously undertaken; (3) test scores from the Graduate Record Examination; (4) at least two letters of recommendation from undergraduate professors referencing the applicant’s ability to perform graduate work; and (5) an essay. International students are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). A minimum score of 550 (paper-based), 213 (computer-based), or 79 (internet-based) is required.

A holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis.
There is no thesis requirement, but the student must complete a capstone course (CJ 688) with a grade of B or better to satisfy the University’s comprehensive exam requirement. Students should seek advisement from the Graduate Programs office in planning a course of study. The Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice is a 36-hour degree.

**Required Substantive Courses: 21 hours**
- CJ 530 Critical Analysis of Justice Administration
- CJ 692 Program Evaluation in Criminal Justice
- CJ 633 Seminar in Organization and Administration
- CJ 634 Research Methods and Quantitative Analysis in Criminal Justice
- CJ 636 Computer /Technology Applications for Criminal Justice
- CJ 665 Community Theory and the Administration of Justice
- CJ 688 Emergent Issues in Criminal Justice Leadership

**Electives: 15 hours**
Five elective courses will be chosen around a coherent theme based on the student’s area of interest with the guidance of the appropriate Dean. The Graduate Office will provide students with a list of suggested electives for a particular area.

**Master of Science in Forensic Science**

The Master of Science in Forensic Science program requires the completion of 44 graduate semester hours of core and forensic science coursework that can be completed in two years. The program is designed to provide students with the necessary knowledge, skills and abilities essential to forensic science. This unique and interdisciplinary program was the first of its kind in Texas. Graduate level topics include crime scene investigation, pattern evidence, controlled substances, trace evidence, microscopic analysis, forensic biology, law/science interface, ethics and quality assurance. These core topics are complemented with advanced coursework and laboratory instruction. The program maintains strong ties with accredited forensic laboratories in both the private and public sectors. Students are required to complete an internship in a forensic laboratory, complete an independent research project and demonstrate good oral and written skills that will prepare them for future success in both the laboratory and in the courtroom.

**Admission Considerations**

Admission considerations include: (1) a bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution in chemistry or biology; or a bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution in a forensic or natural science with the equivalent of a minor in either chemistry or biology; (2) test scores from the Graduate Record Examination; (3) three letters of recommendation, at least two from academic sources; and (4) official transcripts of all academic work previously undertaken. Applicants should have completed instrumental analysis and molecular biology at the undergraduate level. However, exceptional students who have not taken these courses may be allowed to take these stem courses during their first year.

A holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis.
The Program of Study

Required courses:
CHM 585 Instrumental Forensic Analysis
BIO 595 Forensic Analysis of Biological Evidence
CHM 585 Drug Chemistry/Toxicology
CJ 560 Forensic Analysis of Pattern Evidence
CHM 585 Trace Evidence and Microscopic Analysis
CJ 531 Techniques for Crime Scene Investigation
CJ 537 Law and Forensic Science
CJ 561 Principles of Quality Assurance in Forensic Science
CJ 675 Forensic Science Proseminar
CJ 670 Internship
CJ 685 Statistics for Criminal Justice Research
CJ 694 Forensic Science Capstone Course
CJ 562 Seminar in Forensic Science

After consultation with appropriate advisors, students will establish a focus in either forensic biology or chemistry. Completion of additional coursework may include but is not limited to the following electives:
BIO 530 Forensic Entomology
BIO 534 Electron Microscopy
BIO 564 Cell Structure and Physiology
BIO 591 Advanced Genetics
CHM 568 Analytical Spectroscopy
CHM 572 Advanced Biochemistry I
CJ 694 Forensic Anthropology

Note: Curriculum may be adapted to meet the Forensic Science Education Programs Accreditation Commission (FEPAC) of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS).

Master of Science in Security Studies

The Master of Science in Security Studies is a unique program that provides a comprehensive security management program to individuals wanting to advance their knowledge, skills and qualifications within the dynamic field of security. This specialized degree program will produce professionals who are best qualified to meet the unique demands of the criminal justice system and homeland security. The broad educational objective of the program is to graduate managers and leaders, individuals who will possess expertise in both theoretical and experiential dimensions of security management.

The Program of Study

Year One
Fall
CJ 530 Critical Analysis of Justice Administration
CJ 532 Perspectives in Criminology

Spring
CJ 536 Legal Aspects of Private Security
CJ 538 Security and Management
Summer
   CJ 694 Special Topics in Criminal Justice
   CJ 693 Special Readings in Criminal Justice

Year Two
Fall
   CJ 687 Ethics of Criminal Justice
   CJ 539 Global Terrorism

Spring
   CJ 634 Research Methods & Quantitative Analysis
   CJ 535 Security and the Future

Summer
   CJ 698 Thesis Practicum
   CJ 699 Thesis
Or
   CJ 670 Internship
   CJ 637 Directed Management Project

Admission considerations include: (1) an undergraduate degree from an accredited academic institution in an allied field; (2) official transcripts of all academic work previously undertaken; (3) test scores from the Graduate Record Examination; (4) at least three letters of recommendation from undergraduate professors referencing the applicant’s ability to perform graduate work; and (5) an essay. International students are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). A minimum score of 550 (paper-based), 213 (computer-based), or 79 (internet-based) is required.

A holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis.

For application forms or further information, write or call:
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Email inquiries may be made through the College of Criminal Justice’s internet address: www.cjcenter.org.

George J. Beto Chair of Criminal Justice

In 1979, Houston Endowment Inc. established a fund for the George J. Beto Chair of Criminal Justice, the first endowed chair in criminal justice in the nation. Houston Endowment Inc. is a philanthropic trust established by the late Jesse H. and Mary Gibbs Jones to benefit educational, cultural and religious organizations. The award provides for the support of an annual lecture series of distinguished professors and professionals. The late Dr. George J. Beto, former Director of the Texas Department of Corrections and an internationally recognized authority on criminology and corrections, was designated by the Board of Regents, The Texas State University System, as a Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Criminal Justice at the University. In 1991, the
Criminal Justice Center was renamed the George J. Beto Criminal Justice Center by action of the Board of Regents, The Texas State University System.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

• 500-599 — first year graduate courses open to master’s and/or doctoral students
• 600-699 — second year graduate courses open to master’s and/or doctoral students
• 700-799 — third year graduate courses open to doctoral students and approved master’s students
• 800-899 — fourth year graduate courses open to doctoral students only

CJ 530 Critical Analysis of Justice Administration.
An analysis of the criminal justice system in the United States; role of justice agencies as part of societal response to crime; the knowledge base of criminal justice; issues, problems, trends.

CJ 531 Techniques for Crime Scene Investigation.
Course provides advanced study in the application of new techniques in crime scene investigation. The concept of physical evidence and quality assurance procedures in forensic analysis will be included.

CJ 532 Perspectives in Criminology.
Survey of the field of criminology emphasizing perspectives regarding the making of law, breaking of law and societal reactions to the breaking of law.

CJ 534 Courts as Organizations.
Critical evaluation of the dispensing of justice in America, using the systems theory approach, as well as current court policy.

Course will focus on meeting the changing demands of security in a global environment. Discussion emphasizing the understanding of how to design, implement, and integrate the security function in an every-changing world and the impact of major economic, demographic, and technological trends on developing strategies for security innovation and growth.

CJ 536 Legal Aspects and Private Security.
Focus will be on how the law impacts security in many diverse ways. Discussion will emphasize the concept of criminal intent; early criminal law and the emergence of law enforcement and private security; the legal difference between public policing and private security; and an overview of legal terms and issues with which the security manager must address.

CJ 537 Law and Forensic Sciences.
Focus will be on how the law impacts forensic science.

CJ 538 Security and Management.
Focus is on managing the security organization and its human resources; discussion and on results-oriented security management, the basic foundations of security, the importance of technology, and specialized security applications will be addressed.

CJ 539 Global Terrorism.
Course will focus on philosophies, tactics, and targets of terrorist groups; discussion of emerging terrorism trends and the roles of the private sector and U.S. Government in responding to and preventing terrorism. Students will also gain insight on how terrorism influences U.S. Foreign Policy.

CJ 560 Forensic Analysis of Pattern Evidence.
Course will introduce the concepts, theories and principles used in forensic analysis of material and pattern evidence. Recent developments in the techniques applied in forensic or material and pattern evidence will be discussed.
CJ 561 Principles of Quality Assurance in Forensic Science. Course will introduce the concepts and procedures associated with quality assurance.

CJ 562 Seminar in Forensic Science. Course will focus on the various subdisciplines in the forensic sciences. Recent developments and changes in these subdisciplines will be discussed.

CJ 563 The Juvenile Offender. Theoretical perspectives regarding the creation of childhood as a social construct and the etiology of juvenile offending. Particular attention is paid to the role of family, peers and school.

CJ 572 Community Based Corrections. Techniques and procedures utilized in the supervision of adult and juvenile probationers and parolees, and other residents of community-based corrections facilities. Preparation of social history, pre-hearing, and pre-sentence investigation reports. Emphasis on practical problems confronting the probation and parole and other community-based corrections officer.

CJ 592 Survey of Research Methods. The theory and application of social science research techniques and designs, with a focus on the interpretation and use of research findings. Students who have not completed an introductory course in research methods within the past five years must take CJ 478 as a prerequisite.

CJ 593 Legal Aspects of the Criminal Justice System. Aspects of law which are relevant to and essential for a better understanding of the criminal justice system and its related processes.

CJ 594 Legal Research. Methods and techniques of research in the legal system. Designed to prepare students to locate, interpret and disseminate relevant statutory and case law as well as scholarly legal works.

CJ 615 Criminal Justice Statistics Lab. One hour (one semester credit hour) computer lab which must be taken in conjunction with CJ 685 (Statistics for Criminal Justice Research).

CJ 632 Resource Development in the Organizational Context**. Critical issues and strategic questions regarding managing human resources in criminal justice agencies. Policy areas discussed are: (1) employee influence; (2) human resource flow; (3) reward systems; and (4) work systems. Human resource management as a coherent, proactive management model.

CJ 633 Seminar in Organization and Administration. The study of bureaucracy and complex organizations with strong emphasis on the concepts and practices of the organization and management of public agencies in the United States. Special consideration is given to the various philosophies, typologies, and models of administrative systems in criminal justice.

CJ 634 Research Methods and Quantitative Analysis in Criminal Justice**. Methods and techniques of research and research design; conducting and assessing research in the criminal justice agency management environment; translation of research findings to policy; informational resources readily available to the agency manager. Designed to prepare students to gather decision-relevant information.

CJ 635 Seminar in Leadership and Management. Problems and alternative solutions in criminal justice management. The case study method and current readings provide an admixture of practical and educational experiences intended to foster and disseminate new ideas for management strategies, especially as this is impacted by leadership styles, human resources, and the environment.
CJ 636  **Computer/Technology Applications for Criminal Justice**.  
Techniques of data processing with emphasis upon utilization and application to criminal justice information management. Prerequisite: CJ 634.

CJ 637  **Directed Management and Development Projects.**  
This course is designed to provide the student with an opportunity to demonstrate under faculty supervision the ability to engage in a problem solving management project as a demonstration of skill in administration techniques.

CJ 639  **Police in Society.**  
An examination of the evolution of police in modern society with a special emphasis given to the role of the police play in contemporary society. Current research examining the function of the police will be examined.

CJ 660  **Seminar in Deviant Behavior.**  
Analysis of behavior which violates expectations that are shared and recognized as legitimate. Special attention is focused on societal reactions to such behavior.

CJ 661  **Social Policy.**  
Evaluation of the legal, social, economic, philosophic, and controversial issues of governmental programs, administered by federal, state, local units of government, and the client systems served.

CJ 662  **Foundations of Substance Abuse Counseling.**  
An introduction to counseling persons involved in substance abuse; basic concepts in treatment and rehabilitation; professional practices; assessment and treatment planning; treatment modalities; laboratory work and field study. (Course being deleted effective fall 2006)

CJ 663  **Leadership Psychology in Criminal Justice Management.**  
This course examines the important psychological processes that are involved in dealing with others. The manner in which an individual’s thoughts, feelings, and behaviors are influenced by others, especially in a criminal justice leadership environment, is the focal point.

CJ 664  **Seminar in Substance Abuse Counseling.**  
The focus of this course will be on substantive issues related to substance abuse treatment. Primarily there will be an exploration of individual counseling strategies and techniques. (Course being deleted effective fall 2006)

CJ 665  **Community Theory and the Administration of Justice.**  
This course examines the nature of criminal justice organizations as components of the political, social and economic inter-organizational networks that comprise communities. Topics such as the intersection of criminal justice, mental health, juvenile justice and educational systems are examined. The impact of criminal victimization and attributes of communities that foster crime are examined in detail. The processes that motivate and implement change in community based organizations are also addressed.

CJ 668  **Seminar on Drugs, Society and Policy Issues.**  
This course will focus on issues and problems surrounding the problem of illicit drugs in society. Particular emphasis will be placed on policy related issues.

CJ 670  **Internship in Criminal Justice.**  
A minimum of three months in an approved criminal justice setting. Designed to provide the graduate student with an opportunity to synthesize theory and practice. Prerequisite: consent of the Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs, College of Criminal Justice. Credit to be arranged.

CJ 672  **Seminar in Criminology and Corrections.**  
Theory and problems in Criminology and Corrections. One or more term papers evidencing qualities of scholarship will be required.
CJ 675  **Forensic Science Proseminar.**
This course will be an introductory course and must be taken by all forensic science majors their first semester.

CJ 676  **Seminar in Teaching.**
This class prepares graduate criminal justice students for a career in academia. Course provides preparation in the classroom and participation in their own professional development. Mock student teaching exercises for critique are utilized.

CJ 685  **Statistics for Criminal Justice Research.**
Review of descriptive and graphical techniques; probability and sampling theory; the normal curve and statistical inference; Central Limit Theorem; Chi-square, T and F distributions; analysis of variance and linear regression.

CJ 687  **The Ethics of Criminal Justice.**
Ethics and moral philosophy in criminal justice including the role of natural law, constitutional law, code of ethics and philosophical principles. Strong emphasis will be put on examining the role of justice in a free society and the practical implications of justice to practitioners of police, courts and corrections.

*CJ 688  **Emergent Issues in Criminal Justice Leadership.**
This serves as a capstone course for the Master of Science in Criminal Justice Leadership program, providing an opportunity for the integration of information offered in the program and its relationship to emergent issues. Addresses the effect of emergent perspectives in organization theory on public administration in general, and more specifically upon criminal justice management and leadership. Examines the impact of emergent technology upon criminal justice operations. Studies the integration of organization theory, principles of public administration, and community expectations of criminal justice leaders.

CJ 692  **Program Evaluation for Criminal Justice Management**.
Principles and techniques of program evaluation including models and case studies.

CJ 693  **Special Readings in Criminal Justice.**
Designed to give the graduate student academic flexibility. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisites: consent of the Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs of the College and of the instructor directing the readings.

CJ 694  **Special Topics in Criminal Justice.**
This course is needed to offer master’s level students the option of registering for a multi-topic course. The student can take the course under various special topics being offered.

CJ 696  **Legal Aspects of Criminal Justice Management.**
An overview of the legal issues commonly facing managers in criminal justice agencies. Particular emphasis is placed on public employment law including the hiring, promoting, disciplining and discharging of employees, fair employment practices, and agency and administrator civil liability. Both state and federal statutory and case law are examined.

CJ 698  **Thesis Practicum.**
Overview of research strategies; principles of research writing; and procedures for initiating, executing and completing a Thesis. Preparation and approval of a Prospectus. (Preliminary planning for the Thesis should begin during the first semester of graduate work; the student should enroll in CJ 698 after he/she has completed 12 semester hours of graduate work.)

CJ 699  **Thesis.**
The completion and defense of the Thesis. (The student must be registered in 699 the semester in which he/she receives his/her master’s degree.)
CJ 730  **Seminar in Organization Theory.**
An examination of organizational thought with application to criminal justice. Analysis of the developmental state of organizational theory, including historical derivations and the implications of various theoretical bases for organizational functioning.

CJ 733  **Proseminar in Criminal Justice Issues.**
The course is designed to give doctoral students a current, thorough, and comprehensive review of the criminal justice system — focusing on how the system functions in theory and practice, current future needs and trends. Students are required to submit extensive critiques and to participate in panel discussions.

CJ 734  **Seminar in American Policing.**
The course includes the philosophy and role of American policing, politics of policing, managing police organizations, police-community relations, police operational and administrative practices, police research, police executive development, emergent issues and problems in policing.

CJ 736  **Seminar in American Corrections.**
In-depth examination of the various issues and problems in corrections as they relate to administration and management. A variety of problems is explored, including the philosophical justification for prisons, personnel management, sentencing and its implications, community-based corrections, rehabilitation, judicial intervention, and correctional reform.

CJ 737  **Criminological Theory.**
Overview of the major paradigms focusing on the causes of crime and deviant behavior with special attention given to the social, political and intellectual milieu within which each perspective arose. The course will include a discussion of criminological theories from a philosophy of science perspective focusing upon such issues as theory construction, theoretical integration and the formal evaluation of theory.

CJ 738  **Seminar in American Courts.**
Role and structure of prosecution, public defense, and the courts in the United States jurisprudence with emphasis upon criminal law, and problems in the administration of justice.

CJ 739  **Distribution and Correlates of Crime.**
Survey of research on the scope and nature of criminal activity and factors correlated with criminal behavior. Attention specifically on four general categories: race/ethnicity, gender, age and class. Examines the issues of etiology, victimology, differential police enforcement, sentencing and correctional practices.

CJ 742  **Advanced Statistics I.**
Introduction to multivariate statistical techniques including multiple regression, logistic regression, discriminate analysis, multivariate analysis of variance, canonical correlation, factor analysis, cluster analysis and multidimensional scaling. Four (4) credit hours. (Prerequisite: CJ 685 or equivalent in past years).

CJ 760  **Advanced Seminar in Criminological Theory.**
Extensive studies in areas of classical and/or current criminological theory. A basic knowledge of criminology is assumed. Emphasis is on analytical, critical evaluation, and the advancement of theory.

CJ 770  **Specialized Readings.**
Directed readings designed to give the student flexibility in developing an area of specialization. Prerequisites: Enrollment requires prior permission of the appropriate Dean and the supervising faculty which is given only when necessary to meet specific needs of the student and the College. A student can take only two CJ 770 courses.
CJ 771  **Special Topics in Criminal Justice.**  
This course is needed to offer doctoral level students the option of registering for a multi-topic course. The student can take the course under various special topics being offered.

CJ 773  **Research Practicum.**  
Supervised training including special applications in information acquisition, storage, retrieval, analysis, and display in criminal justice.

CJ 780  **Seminar on the Legal Aspects of the Criminal Justice System.**  
Advanced seminar concerned with aspects of law which are relevant to and essential for a better understanding of the criminal justice system and its related processes.

CJ 787  **Research Design.**  
Advanced study of scientific inquiry with an emphasis on the practical aspects of research design and implementation. Topics include the philosophy of science; the relationship of sampling theory to statistical theory; studies in causation; non-experimental research; data systems and modern data processing techniques. Prerequisites: CJ 592 and consent of instructor.

CJ 789  **Advanced Statistics II.**  
Survey of reliability analysis, loglinear, and logit loglinear analysis, nonlinear, weighted and two stage least-squares regression, probit analysis, survival analysis and Cox regression. (Prerequisite: CJ 742).

CJ 793  **Computer Based Data Analysis.**  
The course is intended to develop proficiency in data analysis using computerized statistical programs such as SPSS. Statistical theory and research design issues are combined with hands-on computer experience. The course emphasizes data management, multivariate statistics and diagnostics.

CJ 794  **Focused Topics in Research.**  
Survey methods and techniques for achieving interpretable results in social research. Includes experimental, quasi-experimental and unobtrusive measures. Prerequisite: CJ 488 or equivalent.

CJ 896-899  **Dissertation.**

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Mission Statement

Through exemplary instruction, research and public service, the College of Education provides students with opportunities to develop knowledge, skills, strategies, and experiences which allow them to serve in diverse roles and function productively in society.
Additional Information on Graduate Programs

For additional information about the graduate programs, please contact the College of Education’s Coordinator of Graduate Studies at: Box 2119, Huntsville TX 77341-2119, or by telephone (936) 294-1105, or FAX (936) 294-3334, or email edu_mxd@shsu.edu. The College of Education’s website is www.shsu.edu/~edu-www/.
DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

The graduate programs in Curriculum and Instruction are designed to accomplish the following basic purposes: to improve and extend the professional competence of early childhood, middle, and secondary teachers; to prepare teachers for special positions in the schools; and to prepare students for doctoral work in university graduate programs. Students seeking a Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction will receive an individually designed plan that best suits their interest and needs. Individualized degree plans may also be designed for persons interested in a master’s degree but not holding nor seeking teacher certification.

Students seeking a Master of Arts in Curriculum and Instruction will take thesis hours while completing the thesis at the end of the master’s degree. The thesis hours will replace hours within the degree electives. The remainder of the program will be individualized.

Students seeking original certification may also pursue a Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction. For students seeking teacher certification as part of the master’s degree, the core will be the 24-hour certification requirement.

A comprehensive examination covering coursework in the major and minor field must be passed prior to graduation in all graduate degrees in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction. Students must be enrolled during the semester in which they take their comprehensive exam.

Admission Requirements

Student applications for admission to the graduate programs in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction are assessed holistically by a faculty committee on multiple criteria. To be considered, students should submit:

1. An undergraduate degree from an accredited academic institution
2. An acceptable undergraduate grade point average
3. An acceptable score on the Verbal and Quantitative sections of the Graduate Record Examination
4. Score on the GRE writing section
5. A letter of recommendation referencing the applicant’s potential as a teacher leader

Students who have not yet completed their admission file (i.e. have not taken the GRE) may be approved for enrollment for one semester by the academic advisor. Students who do not meet the requirements for regular admission may be granted probationary admission for enrollment in coursework for one semester.

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For students who have teacher certification, an advisor in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction will assist the student in developing an individual plan consistent with the student’s interests and needs.

This plan offers the following options that can be tailored to fit the student’s needs. The student will design a program with the 12 core hours and the remaining 24 hours taken from a combination of additional Curriculum and Instruction courses and/or courses se-
lected from another area(s) of interest. The minor hours may be taken in education or any teaching or interest field. Individual plans would have the following possible options:

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- CI 570 Research in Teaching 3 SCH
- CI 584 Curriculum Trends for Classroom Teachers 3 SCH
- CI 583 Integrating Current Technologies in Teaching 3 SCH
- CI 585 Issues in Education

Teaching Field/C & I Electives 12-24 SCH
- SED533 Roles and Responsibilities of the Professional Educator 3 SCH
- SED560 Methods of Instruction in Secondary Schools 3 SCH
- CI 587 Workshop in Education 3 SCH
- CI 590 Classroom Management 3 SCH
- EED 591 Problems in Teaching Elementary Mathematics 3 SCH
- EED 592 Problems in Teaching Elementary Science 3 SCH
- EED 596 Problems in Teaching Social Studies 3 SCH
- CI 593 Assessment of Learning 3 SCH
- CI 597 Human Growth and Development 3 SCH

Total Hours 36 SCH

Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction

Students who are seeking initial certification as a part of a masters program will also be able to create an individualized plan. This plan has a required 24-hr core of certification courses. The 12 hour minor may be taken in education or any teaching or interest field. Individual plans would have the following possible options:

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Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction

Core Coursework 24 SCH
- SED 533 Roles and Responsibilities of the Professional Educator 3 SCH
- SED 560 Methods of Instruction in Secondary Schools 3 SCH
- CI 593 Assessment of Learning 3 SCH
- CI 590 Classroom Management 3 SCH
- CI 597 Human Growth and Development 3 SCH
- RDG 534, 535, or 536 Workshop in Reading (EC-4, 4-8, 8-12) 3 SCH
- EED/SED 598 Internship in Secondary Teaching 3 SCH
- EED/SED 599 Internship in Secondary Teaching 3 SCH
Master of Arts (Thesis Option) This degree plan is designed for individuals who wish to write a thesis as part of the requirements for a masters in Curriculum and Instruction. The thesis courses will be taken in lieu of two elective courses in the M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction degree plan. A comprehensive examination is required during the final semester of coursework. Students must be enrolled during the semester the comprehensive examination is taken.

Master of Arts in Curriculum and Instruction

Core Coursework 12 SCH
- CI 570 Research in Teaching 3 SCH
- CI 584 Curricular Trends for Classroom Teachers 3 SCH
- CI 585 Issues in Education 3 SCH
- CI 593 Assessment of Learning 3 SCH

Teaching Field/ C & I Electives 12-24 SCH
- SED 533 Roles and Responsibilities of the Professional Educator 3 SCH
- SED 560 Methods of Instruction in Secondary Schools 3 SCH
- CI 587 Workshop in Education 3 SCH
- CI 590 Classroom Management 3 SCH
- EED 591 Problems in Teaching Elementary Mathematics 3 SCH
- EED 592 Problems in Teaching Elementary Science 3 SCH
- EED 596 Problems in Teaching Social Studies 3 SCH
- CI 593 Assessment of Learning 3 SCH
- CI 597 Human Growth and Development 3 SCH

Total Hours 36 SCH
The Program, consisting of 36 semester credit hours, includes courses from two colleges and three different departments. The program consists of four courses from Curriculum and Instruction, four courses from Computer Science, and four courses from Educational Leadership.

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**Master of Education in Instructional Technology**

**Core Coursework**
- CI 563 The Role of the Technology Liaison 3 SCH
- CI 567 Readings and Trends in Instructional Technology 3 SCH
- CI 569 Practicum for Technology Facilitation 3 SCH
- CI 587 Workshop in Education 3 SCH

**Computer Science**
- CS 583 Educational Multimedia 3 SCH
- CS 585 Critical Analysis of Instructional Software 3 SCH
- CS 587 Designing Instructional Materials for the Web 3 SCH
- CS 589 Development of Technology Infrastructure in School 3 SCH

**Educational Leadership**
- ASE 532 Administration and Organization of Public Schools 3 SCH
- ASE 578 Curriculum Planning 3 SCH
- ASE 668 Instructional Leadership I 3 SCH
- ASE 586 Special Populations and Special Programs 3 SCH

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**ELEMENTARY EDUCATION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**EED 510 Workshop in Elementary Education.**
This course is designed to research current topics in elementary schools. Students will interact with advanced content related the topic. One semester hour is offered and the course may be repeated for a maximum of three times. Credit 3.

**EED 591 Problems in Teaching Elementary Mathematics.**
Study is made of recent trends in elementary mathematics programs and instructional approaches. Application of research findings to improving the teaching and learning of mathematics is emphasized.

**EED 592 Problems in Teaching Elementary Science.**
Study is made of recent trends in elementary science programs and instructional approaches. Application of research findings to improving the teaching and learning of science is emphasized.

**EED 596 Problems in Teaching Social Studies.**
Study is made of recent trends in elementary social studies programs and instructional approaches. Application of research findings to improving the teaching and learning of social studies is emphasized.

**EED 598 Internship in Elementary Teaching.**
This course is designed for the student who possesses a baccalaureate degree from an accredited university, has met all requirements for admission to the teacher education program, and is eligible for an internship as defined by the Texas Education Agency guidelines.

**EED 599 Internship in Elementary Teaching.**
This course is designed for the student who possesses a baccalaureate degree from an accredited university, has met all requirements for admis-
sion to the teacher education program, and is eligible for an internship as defined by the Texas Education Agency guidelines.

**EED 790 Assessment of Mathematics Learning.**
This course will be one of four education classes used in the doctoral program in mathematics education. Topics will include classroom assessment, standardized tests, and assessment instruments for research in mathematics education.

**EED 793 Research in Mathematics Education.**
This course will be one of four education classes used in the doctoral program in mathematics education. Topics will include selecting a research topic, research instruments, research statistics, and writing the paper.

**EED 795 Current Issues in Math Education.**
This course will be one of four education classes used in the doctoral program in mathematics education. Topics will include curriculum, textbooks, standards, accountability, parental involvement, legal issues, ethics, and testing.

**EED 796 Theories of Learning Mathematics.**
This course will be one of four education classes used in the doctoral program in mathematics education. Topics will include theories of learning mathematics, information processing, cognitive theories, and constructivist theories.

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**CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**CI 570 Research in Teaching.**
This course is designed for classroom teachers of all subject and grade levels. The focus of this course is to prepare teachers to read published research critically, to integrate those findings with personal experience in order to make reflective instructional decision and to participate in pedagogical research, theory-building, and elementary statistics. (Taught Fall Semester)

**CI 583 Integrating Current Technologies in Teaching.**
Laboratory experiences are provided for graduate students in integrating technology into the curriculum. This course is recommended for both Education and non-Education majors.

**CI 584 Curriculum Trends for Classroom Teachers.**
Development of the public school curriculum and significant factors which help to determine the curriculum construction are studied. Opportunity to select and organize appropriate learning experiences for the different levels is offered.

**CI 585 Current Issues in Education.**
Analysis of opposing or varying viewpoints on educational issues of current concern is the main focus of the course. Examination of research literature, current data, experts in the various fields, and utilization of current technology in the examination of contemporary topics will be completed. Pre-Requisite CI 570 (Taught Spring Semester).

**CI 587 Workshop in Education.**
The topic(s) included will vary with academic program and semester offered.

**CI 590 Advanced Methods in Classroom Management and Discipline.**
This course is designed for K-12 teachers of all subject areas. Increased proficiency in classroom management skills is the primary objective of the course. Teachers will be provided with an understanding of the factors influencing individual and group behavior in school settings; methods of diagnosing school and classroom factors that may be eliciting the problem; and the options available for influencing student behaviors.
CI 593  Assessment of Learning.
The focus of this course is research in current literature on strategies for the analysis of student work designed to improve instruction and student success. Students will develop skills in the use of a wide range of assessment strategies.

CI 597  Human Growth and Development Across the Lifespan.
This course is designed to relate theory and research to present concerns and problems of teachers through the study of physiological psychological and social interrelationships. Advanced content in brain research as it affects learning and impacts instruction will be emphasized.

CI 563  The Role of the Technology Liaison.
This course is designed to assist the technology liaison in learning how to facilitate classroom teachers throughout the instructional process, supported by technology. Attention is given to the foundation of social, ethical, legal, and human issues of technology use in PK-12. Prerequisite: CI 597 or concurrent enrollment.

CI 567  Readings and Trends in Technology Education.
This course acquaints students with the critical writings and ideas of prominent practitioners, researchers, and theorists in instructional technology with a focus on understanding the trends and issues pertinent to a scholarly study of integrating technology into instruction. Students will read and provide reflections regarding the best instructional technology strategies evident in the literature and in practice in PK-12 schools. Prerequisite: CI 563.

CI 569  Practicum for Technology Facilitation.
This course provides a field-based practicum in a school setting. Examination is made of the duties and responsibilities of the technology facilitator on a daily basis. Prerequisite: CI 567, CS 583, CS 585, CS 587, and CS 589.

CI 587  Workshop in Education.
This course is designed to explore the relation of brain development in school-age children and methods for enhancing this development through the use of technology. Students will have the opportunity to design instructional aids, which seamlessly implement developmentally appropriate technology in the classroom.

SECONDARY EDUCATION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

SED 533  The Professional Educator’s Role.
This course is designed to assist teachers in understanding the structure, organization, and management of public schools. This will include school history, law, diversity, and special populations.

SED 560  Advanced Techniques and Methods of Instruction.
This course is designed to research current literature to determine “best practices” related to classroom instruction. Students will develop instructional plans that incorporate the best practices which have been identified.

SED 598  Internship in Secondary Teaching.
This course is designed for the student who possesses a baccalaureate degree from an accredited university, has met all requirements for admission to the teacher education program, and is eligible for an internship as defined by the Texas Education Agency guidelines.

SED 599  Internship in Secondary Teaching.
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SED 790  **Assessment of Mathematics Learning.**
This course will be one of four education classes used in the doctoral program in mathematics education. Topics will include classroom assessment, standardized tests, and assessment instruments for research in mathematics education.

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DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND COUNSELING

Students seeking admission to the graduate programs in Educational Leadership and Counseling must meet the basic requirements of Graduate Studies specified in the Admission section of this catalog. Please contact the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling for additional requirements: Box 2119, Huntsville, Texas 77341 or by phone (936) 294-1147 or edu_elc@shsu.edu. Course Prerequisites, listed at the end of this section, are strictly observed.

Master of Education in Administration. This degree plan is designed specifically for the student who wishes to work toward a Principal certificate. It requires completion of thirty-six hours of graduate credit. The program must comply with existing standards for professional certification. A comprehensive examination will be taken upon the completion of or during the final semester of coursework. The degree plan originates in the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling.

Master of Education in Administration (with Principal Certification)

Core Coursework (taken first, in sequence) 6 SCH
ASE 532 Administration & Organization of Public Schools 3 SCH
ASE 668 Instructional Leadership I 3 SCH

Core Coursework (taken in any sequence, except as noted) 24 SCH
ASE 578 Curriculum Planning 3 SCH
ASE 586 Special Populations and Special Programs 3 SCH
ASE 563 School Support Services 3 SCH
ASE 572 Federal, State and Local School Law 3 SCH
ASE 579 Methods of Research 3 SCH
ASE 671 Role of the Principal in School Administration 3 SCH
ASE 694 Instructional Leadership II 3 SCH
ASE662\(^\text{1}\) Practicum in School Administration (Principalship) 3 SCH

Electives 6 SCH
ASE 587\(^\text{1}\) Administrative Workshop 3 SCH
\(^*\)ASE 630\(^\text{1}\) Public Information and Community Resources 3 SCH
ASE 660 Psychology of Learning 3 SCH
ASE 664 School Finance 3 SCH
ASE 690\(^\text{2}\) School Plant 3 SCH
\(^*\)ASE 695\(^\text{1}\) Human Resource Management 3 SCH
ASE 696 Appraisal and Development of Educational Personnel 3 SCH
ASE 675 Women in Educational Leadership 3 SCH
ASE 697 Current Issues for School Administrators 3 SCH
ASE 610/510 Workshop in Educational Leadership 3 SCH

Total 36 SCH

\(^*\) Superintendent Certification Only, Departmental Approval Required

Master of Education in Instructional Leadership. This degree plan is designed specifically for the student who wishes to work in a curriculum/instruction leadership position. It requires completion of thirty-six hours of graduate credit. A comprehen-
sive examination will be taken upon the completion of or during the final semester of coursework. The degree plan originates in the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling.

Master of Education in Instructional Leadership

Core Coursework (taken first, in sequence) 6 SCH
ASE 532 Administration and Organization of Public Schools 3 SCH
ASE 668 Instructional Leadership I 3 SCH

Core Coursework (taken in any sequence) 3 SCH
ASE 578 Curriculum Planning
ASE 586 Special Populations and Special Programs
ASE 694 Instructional Leadership II
ASE 660 Psychology of Learning
ASE 579 Methods of Research
ASE 672 Practicum in Instructional Leadership

Area of Concentration / Teaching Field 12 SCH

Total 36 SCH

Master of Arts in Instructional Leadership

This degree is designed specifically for the student who wishes to work in a curriculum/instructional leadership setting in schools, agencies, businesses, or organizations with an emphasis in research. Individuals participating in this degree program will write a thesis as part of the requirements for graduation. This degree requires completion of thirty hours of graduate credit. A comprehensive examination will be taken upon the completion of or during the final semester of coursework. The degree plan originates in the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling.

Master of Arts in Instructional Leadership

Core Coursework 24 SCH (or 21 SCH)
ASE 578 Curriculum Planning 3 SCH
ASE 579 Methods of Research 3 SCH
**ASE 586 Special Populations and Special Programs OR Cognate 3 SCH
ASE 660 Psychology of Learning 3 SCH
ASE 668 Instructional Leadership I 3 SCH
ASE 672 Practicum in Supervision 3 SCH
ASE 694 Instructional Leadership II 3 SCH
ASE 687 Field Studies in Education (Masters Thesis) 3 SCH

Cognate Area 6 SCH (or 9 SCH)
**(3 hour cognate may be substituted for ASE 586 above)

Total 30 SCH

Course Prerequisites for M.Ed. in Administration or Instructional Leadership

1 Prerequisite: ASE 694, 671
2 Prerequisite: ASE 664, 671
3 Prerequisite: ASE All coursework required for this program
## ADMINISTRATION AND SUPERVISION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

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<td>ASE 532</td>
<td>Administration and Organization of Public Schools.</td>
<td>This introductory course deals with the basic activities of educational management, theories and concepts, organization, and governance of the public schools. It is the initial course in the program(s).</td>
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<td>ASE 563</td>
<td>School Support Services.</td>
<td>Study is made of the management of school services for which the chief administrator of an educational unit is responsible. Topics considered include attendance accounting, financial accounting, property accounting, and general administrative details. Prerequisite: ASE 532 and ASE 668.</td>
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<td>ASE 572</td>
<td>Federal, State, and Local School Law.</td>
<td>The course provides a study of the legal basis of school control; the relation of the federal government to public education, the state as the fundamental legal unit in organization and administration of a state system of schools; the district as the unit of local school control; and legal duties and responsibilities of the state and local boards of education. Prerequisite: ASE 532 and ASE 668.</td>
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<td>Curriculum Planning.</td>
<td>This course provides a study of the various factors which influence curriculum change; the role and responsibilities of different personnel and agencies in curriculum planning; procedures in implementing curriculum change; and current programs in public school curriculum K-12. Prerequisite: ASE 532 and ASE 668.</td>
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<td>ASE 579</td>
<td>Methods of Research.</td>
<td>Study is made of types and methods of educational research, the collecting, analyzing and sharing of data with the public. The student is expected to complete a research project or field study utilizing appropriate methods of educational research.</td>
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<td>ASE 586</td>
<td>Special Populations and Special Programs.</td>
<td>Study is made of special programs offered in public schools including special and compensatory education, bilingual and ESL education, adult and continuing education, and vocational and technical education. Prerequisite: ASE 532 and ASE 668.</td>
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<td>The topic(s) included will vary with academic program and semester offered. Note: Maximum of six hours of coursework allowed in a student’s program.</td>
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<td>ASE 610</td>
<td>Workshop in Educational Leadership.</td>
<td>This course deals with current topics in educational leadership. The topics selected for the workshop will be based on needs identified through collaborative endeavors with schools, service centers, professional organizations and governmental agencies. The course may be repeated for a maximum of three hours. NOTE: Maximum of three hours workshop coursework allowed in a student’s program.</td>
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<td>ASE 630</td>
<td>Public Information and Community Relations.</td>
<td>This is a study of systems for the development of school-community relations and an understanding of the school's purposes, functions, achievements and needs to the patrons. Prerequisite: Twelve hours of Principalship core coursework.</td>
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ASE 660 Psychology of Learning.
Study is made of the principles of psychology as they apply to learning and teaching. Pertinent research is studied in an attempt to find ways to make instruction more effective. Prerequisite: ASE 532 and ASE 668.

ASE 662 Practicum in School Administration (Principalship).
This laboratory course is designed to provide intensive study and field experience in problems relating to a specific job at the elementary, middle or senior high school level. Prerequisites: Completion of core hours required for masters coursework.

ASE 664 School Finance.
This course deals with basic concepts of public finance; problems in local, state, and federal support of education; state financial systems, with emphasis on Texas; local taxation; budgeting; financing capital items; and fiscal management. Prerequisite: Twelve hours of Principalship core coursework.

ASE 668 Instructional Leadership I.
The course focuses on leadership for the improvement of instruction and includes current research on school and teaching effectiveness. Prerequisite: ASE 532 or concurrent enrollment.

ASE 671 Role of The Principal in School Administration.
This course is designed for school administrators and supervisors. Consideration is given to organization, program curriculum, plant supervision, and evaluation for the principal functioning at the elementary, middle or senior high school level. Prerequisite: ASE 532 and ASE 668.

ASE 672 Practicum in Supervision.
This course provides a field practicum for students seeking a position as an instructional supervisor. It is designed to provide intensive study of the field of instructional leadership. Prerequisite: Final semester of masters work.

ASE 673 Practicum in School Administration (Superintendency).
The course provides a study of the duties and responsibilities of the school administrator as related to public relations, personnel administration, instructional leadership, financial management and school plant planning. Prerequisite: Final semester of certification work.

ASE 675 Women in Educational Leadership.
This course addresses issues and challenges of particular interest to women in educational leadership positions. It is designed to encourage prospective women administrators by enhancing leadership, interpersonal and motivational skills.

ASE 687 Field Studies in Educational Administration.
This course will provide post-master’s students an opportunity to engage in a detailed field study under the direction of graduate faculty. The topic and area of study must be approved by the supervising faculty member. Prerequisite: Approval of the supervising professor.

ASE 690 The School Plant.
The course is designed for school superintendents, business managers, and other school personnel whose responsibilities include school plant planning and management. Topics considered include how to use and maintain present school plants, keeping the school board and community informed as to building needs, selecting architects, and financing construction, and the developing educational specifications. Prerequisite: Twelve hours of Principalship core coursework.

ASE 694 Instructional Leadership II.
This course is designed to certify individuals as having completed Instructional Leadership Development. Emphasis is also placed on the improvement of instruction through research findings and demonstration of instructional improvement in various curricular offerings. Prerequisite: ASE 532 and ASE 668.
ASE 695  Human Resource Management.
Study is made of the administrator’s role in recruiting and retaining adequate staff. Such topics as recruitment, salary policy, tenure, leaves, contractual obligations, and academic freedom are considered. Prerequisite: Twelve hours of Principalship core coursework.

ASE 696  Appraisal and Development of Educational Personnel.
This course is designed to prepare individuals to assess the effectiveness of instruction. Emphasis is also placed on evaluation techniques, conferencing with teachers and development of professional growth plans. Prerequisite: ASE 668 and ASE 694.

ASE 697  Current Issues for School Administrators.
This course will provide practicing and prospective school administrators an opportunity to become current with state and national education issues. These issues will include school finance, school law, special programs, leadership and management, instructional issues, evaluation of programs and personnel, and changing policies at the state and national level. Prerequisite: Approval of instructor.
Master of Education in Counseling. This degree plan is designed specifically for the student who wishes to work toward certification in School Counseling. It requires completion of forty-eight hours of graduate credit and may meet academic requirements for Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC). The program must comply with existing standards for professional certification. All students must take the comprehensive examination and usually take the exam during the final semester of coursework. Students must be enrolled in the university when taking the comprehensive examination. The degree plan originates in the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling.

Master of Education in Counseling  
School Counselor

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* LPC/community counseling students must take CNE 593.
** An additional elective may be substituted for CNE 510 and CNE 512.
Master of Arts in Counseling Education. This degree is designed for individuals who wish to write a thesis as part of the requirements for the degree. A comprehensive examination will be taken during the final semester of coursework. Students must be enrolled during the semester the comprehensive examination is taken.

Master of Arts in Counseling Education
Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC)

Required Courses
- CNE 511 Counseling Program Orientation 1 SCH
- CNE 564 Theories of Counseling 3 SCH
- CNE 663 Assessment in Guidance & Counseling 3 SCH
- CNE 585 Pre-Practicum Techniques of Counseling 3 SCH
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- CNE 579 Methods of Research 3 SCH
- CNE 534 Effective Human Behavior 3 SCH
- CNE 674 Practicum in Group Counseling 3 SCH
- CNE 570 Career Counseling Across the Lifespan 3 SCH
- **CNE 512 Workshop: Ethical & Professional Issues in Counseling 1 SCH
- **CNE 510 Workshop: Elective (Psychopharmacology or Advanced Appraisal Techniques) 1 SCH
- CNE 593 Community Counseling 3 SCH
- CNE 676 Supervised Practice in Counseling 3 SCH
- CNE 592 Cross Cultural Issues in Counseling 3 SCH
- CNE 632 Theories of Marriage & Family Therapy 3 SCH
- CNE 686 Field Practicum I 3 SCH
- CNE 698 Thesis I 3 SCH
- CNE 699 Thesis II 3 SCH

** An elective may be substituted for CNE 510 and CNE 512.

Master of Arts in Counseling. This degree plan is designed for students seeking licensure as a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) and/or a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT). Students completing this degree will have all of the academic requirements needed to apply for the temporary license as a Professional Counselor in the state of Texas. Forty-eight graduate semester credit hours are required to fulfill the requirements for the degree. A comprehensive examination will be taken during the final semester of coursework. Students must be enrolled during the semester the comprehensive examination is taken. The degree plan originates in the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling.

The LPC/Community Counseling Program is a CACREP accredited program. The LPC/Community Counseling Program is generic in nature as it provides students with academic and practical information to help them in preparing for employment in multiple settings. Students may choose electives that will provide them with more specific information about working with special populations, i.e. Play Therapy, Child and Adolescent Counseling, Techniques of Marriage and Family Therapy, etc. This preparation allows graduates of this program to work in family service agencies, mental health centers, the prison system, community college counseling centers, treatment centers, etc. Once fully licensed, the graduates of this program may also work in private practice.
# Master of Arts in Counseling

**Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC)**

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**An additional elective may be substituted for CNE 510 and CNE 512.**

The LMFT/Community Counseling Program provides specific coursework and practical information to help prepare students for employment in settings that focus on the family system. These specific courses are Theories of Marriage and Family Therapy, Techniques of Marriage and Family Therapy, Counseling Sexual Problems, and Professional and Ethical Issues. Typically, students graduating from the LMFT/Community Counseling Program secure employment in agencies that provide services from a system's perspective such as family service agencies, adoption and placement agencies, community agencies that specialize in counseling survivors of rape and sexual abuse, and home-based family therapy programs in community mental health agencies, etc. Once licensed, the graduates of this program may also work in private practice. Please note that an additional one-hour orientation seminar is a prerequisite for the degree. Students who want to graduate from the CACREP accredited Community Counseling Program must take CNE 593.
**Master of Arts in Counseling**  
Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist (LMFT) 48 Hours

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**COUNSELING COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**CNE 510 Workshop in Counseling.**  
This course deals with current topics in the field of counseling. The topics selected for the workshop will be based on needs identified through collaborative endeavors with schools, service centers, professional organizations and governmental agencies.

**CNE 511 Counseling Program Orientation.**  
The context of this course includes the history of counseling, a review of the standards for licensure and certification, and a discussion of current issues and concerns in the field of counseling.

**CNE 512 Ethics for Counselors.**  
This course examines the professional codes of ethics and their limitations, the value clashes in counseling, ethical decision making models and the major ethical issues in the counseling field.

**CNE 513 Assessment in Marriage and Family Therapy.**  
This course is designed to introduce students to assessment instruments and techniques in the field of marriage and family therapy. Students will be introduced to current assessment instruments and inventories intended to measure marriage and family function, resilience, adjustment, and adaptation for use in practice and research.

**CNE 533 Introduction to Counseling and Guidance.**  
This course introduces students to the field of school counseling. Emphasis is placed on the evolution of counseling professional identity, and professional ethics. The services provided in a comprehensive program of guidance and counseling are discussed.

**CNE 534 Effective Human Behavior.**  
A study is made of the dynamics of human behavior with emphasis on understanding dysfunction as well as the basic nature of human beings who successfully cope with the problems that confront them in everyday life. Attention
is given to development of emotional health in personal and social contexts such as home, school, work, and marriage. Prerequisite: CNE 597.

CNE 564 Theories of Counseling.
A comprehensive study is made of the major theories of counseling. Attention is given to systematic ways of viewing the counseling process. Divergences and convergences among theories are examined for practical application. Prerequisites: Admission to program and CNE 511 orientation taken concurrently.

CNE 570 Career Counseling Across the Lifespan.
This course is designed to assist the counselor in developing and initiating a comprehensive career education program. A study is made of the world of work as well as the dynamics and developmental aspects of vocational choice. Emphasis is also placed on the use of occupational information, test scores, personal data, grades, and other pertinent information in working with students individually and in groups. Prerequisites: CNE 597.

CNE 579 Methods of Research.
Study is made of types and methods of educational research, the collecting, analyzing and sharing of data with the public. The student is expected to complete a research project or field study utilizing appropriate methods of educational research. Prerequisite: CNE 663.

CNE 585 Pre-Practicum Techniques of Counseling.
This course is designed to provide experiences in the exploration and application of individual counseling techniques. Role-playing, self-exploration, and structuring of the counseling relationship are emphasized. Prerequisites: CNE 564 or concurrent enrollment.

CNE 587 Workshop in Counseling.
This course is designed to serve the needs of in-service counselors in schools and those in private practice. Topics will vary as needs demand. May be repeated as scheduled topics vary.

CNE 591 Child and Adolescent Counseling.
This course is designed to help students develop approaches for putting counseling theories into practice in helping children and adolescents who are experiencing difficulties in their developmental, personal and social growth. Prerequisites: CNE 534.

CNE 592 Cross Cultural Issues in Counseling.
This course will examine the sociocultural characteristics and counseling issues related to the varied cultures in today's society. Hispanic, African-American, Native American, and Asian American cultures will be examined along with issues related to gender and Gay/Lesbian concerns.

CNE 593 Community Counseling.
This course provides theoretical and applied information regarding community counseling services. A variety of delivery systems, staffing procedures, emergency services, and treatment paradigms are presented. Prerequisite: CNE 534, CNE 564.

CNE 597 Human Growth and Development Across the Lifespan.
A review of theory and research concerning the growth and development of the individual through the lifespan with emphasis placed on childhood and adolescence. The course attempts to relate theory and research to present concerns and problems of teachers through the study of physiological, psychological and social interrelationships. Experience in the procedures of child study are provided.

CNE 599 Play Therapy Basics.
This course is designed to enhance/increase the counselor’s understanding of the child’s world as perceived by the child, the relationship between the child’s world and behavior. The major theories of play therapy, and the utili-
zation of play media to facilitate the child’s self-exploration, self-expression, self-understanding, and personal growth will be explored. Prerequisite: CNE 564 and CNE 597.

CNE 631 Advanced Play Therapy.
This course is designed to provide play therapists with extensive practical research experience in regard to issues relative to the play therapy relationship. Case analysis, theoretical application, and current research issues and trends will be investigated. Prerequisite: CNE 599.

CNE 632 Theories of Marriage and Family Therapy.
This course focuses on basic concepts in marriage and family therapy, theories of therapeutic change in families, marriage and family development and foundations of family systems therapy. Prerequisite: CNE 564.

CNE 633 Techniques of Marriage and Family Therapy.
Application of the main approaches in family therapy to clinical work. This includes skill development in working with couples and families in a variety of contexts. Prerequisite: CNE 632.

CNE 634 Professional and Ethical Issues in Counseling.
This course studies the current ethical issues and the professional roles of marriage and family therapists, mental health counselors and school counselors. This includes study of the Texas Family Code, the licensing acts for Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, and regulations for school counselors. Prerequisite: CNE 585.

CNE 635 Methods of Consultation, Coordination and Counseling.
A comprehensive study is made of contemporary practices of consultation and coordination in the school counseling profession. The course includes study of community service agencies, referral sources, legal and ethical practices and the acquisition of practical school counseling skills. Prerequisites: CNE 533.

CNE 637 Counseling for Sexual Concerns.
Students will develop an understanding of sexual anatomy, the physiology of sexual function, and therapeutic applicants for assessing, counseling, and referral procedures for clients who present with sexual concerns. Students will investigate various therapeutic approaches when dealing with sexual concerns. Students will explore how life experiences, sexual values, and beliefs about sexual behavior affect the therapeutic interaction and outcome. Prerequisites: CNE 534, CNE 632, and CNE 674.

CNE 663 Assessment in Guidance and Counseling.
Study will include the principles of assessment and evaluation in counseling, assessment instruments used in counseling services, elementary statistical concepts, methods of evaluating assessment instruments, the process of synthesizing and interpreting assessment data, and the ethics of assessment. Prerequisites: CNE 564 or taken concurrently.

CNE 674 Practicum in Group Counseling.
Participation in small group activities is a significant part of this course which has been designed to meet the needs of counselors in a variety of settings. The didactic portion of the course will focus on the knowledge, practice, skills, and person of the effective group counselor. Prerequisites: CNE 564 and CNE 585.

CNE 676 Supervised Practice in Counseling.
This laboratory course is designed to prepare the student in the practical application and integration of the principles and methods of counseling. Prerequisites: Admission to candidacy and CNE 674.

CNE 686 Field Practicum.
The course provides supervised experiences in a counseling setting. Study is made of the duties and responsibilities of the counselor at work. Prerequisites: CNE 676 and subject to individual placement.
CNE 698  Thesis I.
This first phase of the Thesis includees a review of the literature, research design, collection of pilot data, and related steps. Students are required to present and defend a research proposal. Prerequisite: Admission as a Degree Candidate.

CNE 699  Thesis II.
The second phase of the Thesis includes data collection, manuscript preparation and defense of the Thesis. Prerequisite: CNE 698.

Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Counselor Education

The Doctor of Philosophy degree in Counselor Education provides the highest professional degree available to students who aspire to leadership positions in counselor education and school counseling. Although the degree includes a prescribed curriculum of required and elective courses, the doctoral degree will be awarded on the basis of successful completion of coursework and completion of a major research study resulting in the presentation and defense of a dissertation. A comprehensive examination will be taken during the sixth semester of coursework. Students must be enrolled during the semester the comprehensive examination is taken.

The program design requires completion of the nineteen hours of the Counselor Education Core, a minimum of fifteen hours in the Research component, nine hours in Research Tools, twenty hours in the area of specialization (Counselor Education or School Counseling), and six hours in a Cognate outside of Counselor Education.

The Ph.D. program follows a cohort model. This means that individuals are admitted to a specific cohort group and are required to take the Counselor Education core, Research component, Research Tools, and specialization internships at the same time as the cohort group. Cohort groups begin in May/June of each year. In the event that students encounter personal emergencies that result in dropping out of the normal schedule, they may be required to join another cohort group with a different schedule.

Admission to the program requires a commitment to devoting a significant amount of time for the period of the individual’s program. The inability to devote the necessary time will require the individual to drop out of the program. Students who complete the doctoral degree in counselor education will be able to:

- apply counseling theory and research to the counselor education and/or school counseling leadership functions;
- plan and deliver research based counselor education didactic courses;
- apply counselor supervision theory and research to individual and group supervision in counselor education and school counseling programs;
- use advanced level communication and interpersonal skills in consultation, counseling, counselor education, supervision and evaluation;
- interpret the relationships among federal, state and local agencies and the laws and ethical considerations applicable to the counselor education and school counseling program management fields;
- apply advanced level diagnostic and assessment methodology, and develop the capacity to teach appropriate treatment plans for a wide range of psychological concerns to master’s level students;
- demonstrate multicultural awareness and competence during doctoral level counseling, supervision and consultation;
- incorporate adult education pedagogy and research as a basic tool in administering counselor education and staff development programs;
design doctoral level counseling research and interpret results;
apply data to advanced level counseling capabilities and school counseling leadership functions; and,
successfully complete extensive internship experiences directly related to the student’s individual professional goals.

Recruitment efforts will focus on attracting intelligent, highly motivated individuals.

Requirements for Admission

Students seeking admission to the graduate programs in the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling must meet the basic requirements of Graduate Studies specified in the Admission section of this catalog. Applicants for admission to the Doctor of Philosophy Degree Program in Counselor Education must have:
1. A master’s degree from an accredited institution. The master’s degree and additional coursework should be substantially equivalent to a core of 48 hours of Council on Accreditation for Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) required curriculum areas.
2. 3.50 grade point average on all graduate work.
3. Taken the Graduate Record Exam.

Additional Counselor Education Ph.D. Application Guidelines

A completed application form, accompanied by a $35 non-refundable processing fee, should be submitted by February 1 of the year the applicant proposes to begin the program to: Director, Center for Research and Counselor Education (CRCE), Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling, Box 2119, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas 77341-2119.

In addition, the applicant must submit the following to the Director of the CRCE:
1. One official copy of transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work completed.
2. One copy of scores for the Graduate Record Examination.
3. References Rating Forms from: Three officials in schools, or mental health agencies where the applicant has been employed, plus two recommendations from current or former graduate-level professors. These must be “closed” recommendations, i.e., mailed directly to the Counselor Education Program at the above address, from the individual making the recommendation.
4. A 1000-word personal statement.

Applicant Interview and Selection Process

The Counselor Education doctoral admissions committee will consider all applications through a holistic review process, taking into account higher GPAs, GRE Scores, work experience, recommendations, and interview scores. After reviewing the pool of applicants, the doctoral admissions committee will recommend the top candidates for the on-campus interview process. Applicants invited for the interview will be given specific guidelines for the interview process which will include an interview with the doctoral admissions committee, an on-site writing proficiency assessment. All qualified doctoral students are admitted under regular admission to the Graduate School. At the close of their second semester they will meet with the Doctoral Director as to the status of their confirmations in the doctoral program.
After admission to candidacy, students and their dissertation chair will jointly select their doctoral dissertation committee.

**Doctor of Philosophy in Counseling Education**

**Counseling Core (19 SCH)**
- CNE 710 Doctoral Seminar in Counseling (taken four times) 1 SCH
- CNE 731 Advanced Counseling Theories 3 SCH
- CNE 732 Advanced Appraisal Techniques 3 SCH
- CNE 734 Theories of Counselor Supervision 3 SCH
- CNE 735 Practice of Counselor Supervision 3 SCH
- CNE 737 Advanced Counseling Techniques and Practicum 3 SCH

**Research Component (15 SCH Minimum)**
- CNE 762 Methods of Educational Research 3 SCH
- CNE 763 Application of Educational Research 3 SCH
- CNE 833 Dissertation (taken a minimum of three times and until completion of the dissertation; minimum of 9 semester hours total) 3 SCH

**Research Tools (9 SCH)**
- CNE 773 Statistical Methods for Counselor Education Research 3 SCH
- CNE 772 Qualitative Methodology 3 SCH
- CNE 774 Multivariate Methods for Counselor Education Research 3 SCH

**SPECIALIZATION AREA: Complete either A or B below 20 SCH**

**A. School Counseling**
- CNE 739 Doctoral Internship in Counseling (Clinical) (3 SCH)
- Specialization Electives (12 SCH)
- CNE 710 (2 SCH)

**B. Counselor Education**
- CNE 739 Doctoral Internship in Counseling (Clinical) (3 SCH)
- CNE 739 Doctoral Internship in Counseling (Directing School Counseling and Guidance Programs) (3 SCH)
- Specialization Elective (9 credits)
- CNE 710 (2 SCH)

**Cognate Electives (6 SCH)**
The student will work with the Director of the CRCE to choose two, three credit hour cognate electives that support the student’s specialization, experience and research interests.

**Total:** 69 SCH

**COUNSELING DOCTORAL COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**CNE 710 Doctoral Seminar.**
This course is designed to provide an orientation to doctoral studies in counseling, topics of current interest to doctoral students, and the faculty and information regarding areas of study and research related to the doctoral program. This course may be repeated five times, for a maximum of six credits. Prerequisite: Admission to doctoral program in Counseling. Credit 1.
CNE 731 **Advanced Counseling Theories.**
In depth study of major counseling theories, with special emphasis on comparative analysis. Prerequisite: Admission into counseling doctoral program. Credit 3.

CNE 732 **Advanced Appraisal Techniques.**
This is an advanced course in assessment procedures used by counselor educators and directors of counseling and guidance in the schools. A case study approach will be utilized to guide students through the application of assessment, diagnosis and treatment planning for childhood, adolescent, and adult mental disorders and behavior problems. Credit 3.

CNE 734 **Theories of Counselor Supervision.**
This course is designed to introduce students to models of counselor supervision. The course is conducted in a seminar-discussion format and, as part of the course students will provide one or more counselor trainees with supervision. Prerequisite: CNE 731. Credit 3.

CNE 735 **Practice of Counselor Supervision.**
Supervised experience in supervision of counseling. Students meet for individual supervision of supervision and in a seminar group to assess their effectiveness in their supervisory relationships, to obtain feedback on tapes and observation, and to integrate these learnings into their supervisory process. Prerequisite: CNE 734. Credit 3.

CNE 736 **College Teaching in Counseling.**
Application of planning, instructional, and evaluation skills. Doctoral students lead skill training groups, lecture to a masters level class, and guide group discussion with faculty supervision. Prerequisite: CNE 731. Credit 3.

CNE 737 **Advanced Counseling Practicum and Techniques.**
Supervised experience in counseling. Students meet for individual supervision and in a seminar group to assess their effectiveness in their helping relationships, to obtain feedback on tapes and observation, and to integrate these learnings into their counseling behavior. Prerequisite: CNE 636 field Practicum or equivalent, CNE 731 and CNE 732. Controlled registration. Special fee: $30 per semester. Credit 3.

CNE 738 **Human Dynamics and Consultation Skills.**
Developing effective human relations and communications skills are crucial to prepare for interactions with parents, students, staff, and school boards. Conferencing skills, active, empathic listening skills, and knowledge of personality and family dynamics will be developed. Students will learn to network with the community and systems in broader contexts. Doctoral students only.

CNE 739 **Doctoral Internship in Counseling.**
Professional service in field setting appropriate for counseling, consultation, and personnel work, under supervision. May be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit-hours. Credit/No Credit grading. Prerequisites: CNE 737 and permission of doctoral director. Credit 3.

CNE 762 **Methods of Counseling Research.**
Study of both quantitative and qualitative research with emphasis upon an understanding of statistical concepts and procedures necessary to create and implement effective educational research. Prerequisite: Admission to doctoral program in counseling. Credit 3.

CNE 763 **Application of Counseling Research.**
Fundamental concepts and tools of research applied to educational problems. Each student will prepare a proposal for the dissertation. Prerequisites: CNE 762, CNE 772, and STA 765 or equivalents. Credit 3.

CNE 772 **Qualitative Methodology.**
This course is designed to teach qualitative research methodology within a counseling problems-based contextual framework. The course will empha-
size qualitative techniques through lecture, discussion, readings, and field-based research projects using the methods learned. Prerequisite: CNE 762. Credit 3.

*CNE 773 Statistical Methods for Counselor Education Research.
This course is designed to teach students how to manage, analyze, and interpret data related to counselor education themes at the doctoral level. The course will address quantitative methods (e.g., descriptive statistics, t-test, one-way and factorial ANOVA) via lectures, exams, small and large group discussions, and computer work both in and outside of class. Credit 3.

*CNE 774 Multivariate Methods for Counselor Education Research.
This course is designed to teach students how to manage, analyze, and interpret multivariate data related to counselor education themes at the doctoral level. The course will emphasize multivariate methods via lectures, exams, small and large group discussions, and computer work both in and outside of class. Credit 3.

CNE 787 Workshop in Counselor Education.
This course will provide the doctoral student an opportunity to engage in detailed and in-depth study of a program or problem in counselor supervision. The student will work under the supervision of a doctoral faculty member and will be expected to produce a written product or presentation. Prerequisite: Admission to doctoral program in counseling and approval of doctoral director. Credit 3.

CNE 833 Dissertation.
The completion of an approved dissertation which will contribute to counseling. Field-based projects will be emphasized. Must be repeated for a minimum of 9 semester hours. Prerequisites: Admission to the doctoral program in counseling, completion of counseling Core, Research component and Research Tools courses, successful completion of comprehensive exam and approval of doctoral advisor. Credit 3.

* Subject to action by the Board of Regents, the Texas State University System and/or the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Doctor of Education Degree in Educational Leadership

The Doctor of Education degree in Educational Leadership provides the highest professional degree available to students who aspire to leadership positions at either the school or college/university level. Although the degree requirements include a prescribed curriculum of required and elective courses, the doctoral degree is awarded not only on the basis of coursework completion. In addition, each doctoral student is expected to conduct a major research project resulting in the presentation and defense of a dissertation. A comprehensive examination will be taken after the completion of 29 hours of required coursework. Following the written part of the examination, an oral examination is scheduled with the student’s Doctoral Dissertation Committee. Students must be enrolled during the semester the comprehensive examination is taken. After successful completion of the written and oral comprehensive examination, the student may defend the dissertation proposal.

The program design requires a concentration in educational leadership, with at least eighteen hours in the Leadership Core, twenty-one hours in the Research Component, twenty-four hours in the Specialization Area (Instructional Leadership and/or Content Fields) and twelve hours in the Cognate Electives. (See the Curriculum Outline for a listing of the courses included in the Leadership Core and Research Component.)
The Ed.D. program is a cohort program. This means that individuals are admitted to a specific cohort group who are required to take the Leadership Core and Research Components at the same time. Individuals accepted into the program will be expected to follow the schedule of the cohort group to which they are assigned. Cohort groups begin in June of each year. In the event of emergencies which require individuals to drop out of the normal schedule, they may be required to join another cohort group with a different schedule.

Admission to the program requires a commitment to devoting a significant amount of time for the period of the individual’s program. The inability to devote the required time will require the individual to drop out of the program. Students who complete the doctoral degree in educational leadership will be able to: apply administrative theory to the instructional leadership function; set goals, assign responsibilities and verify how well resources are allocated and utilized in instructional improvement; plan and administer the curriculum of a school system; use appropriate communication and interpersonal skills in consultation, counseling and evaluation; interpret the relationships among federal, state and local education agencies and the laws applicable to the administration of the schools; design educational research and interpret results; and apply data to educational processing capabilities and leadership functions. Recruitment efforts will focus on attracting intelligent, highly motivated individuals.

**Requirements for Admission**

Students seeking admission to the graduate programs in the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling must meet the basic requirement of Graduate Studies specified in the Admission section of this catalog. Applicants for admission to the Doctor of Education Degree in Educational Leadership must submit a completed application including transcripts of all college level work. In addition, candidates must have:

1. A master’s degree from an accredited institution;
2. Five years of full-time professional experience in a credible school or agency;
3. A 3.5 grade point average (4.0 scale) on all graduate work;
4. An acceptable score on all sections of the Graduate Record Exam: verbal, quantitative and analytical writing;
5. Positive recommendations from three current or previous supervisors in schools or agencies where the applicant has been employed, plus two recommendations from current or previous graduate-level professors.
6. A portfolio demonstrating experience and/or potential leadership and scholarship.

Applicants meeting the above criteria may be invited for an interview with the doctoral admissions committee. A writing sample will be completed on site at the time of the interview. A candidate who fails to meet one of the criteria may receive probationary admission if he/she is sponsored by a doctoral faculty member.

After the completion of thirteen semester hours of core doctoral level coursework at Sam Houston State University, each student will be considered for full admission to candidacy. A doctoral program committee will review his/her academic progress, interpersonal skills and motivation to determine whether or not the student should continue with the program. After full admission to the program, the student’s doctoral dissertation committee will be assigned by the Director of Doctoral Studies and the Chair of the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling.
**Curriculum Outline**

**Leadership Core: 18 hours**
- EDL 731 Leadership Theory and Applications 3 SCH
- EDL 732 Instructional Theory and Applications 3 SCH
- EDL 733 Societal Factors Affecting Education 3 SCH
- EDL 734 Issues in Contemporary Education 3 SCH
- EDL 735 Conflict Management for Contemporary Education 3 SCH
- EDL 736 Educational Leadership Internship 3 SCH

**Research Component: 21 hours**
- EDL 761 Accountability and Measurement for Contemporary Education 3 SCH
- EDL 762 Methods of Educational Research 3 SCH
- EDL 763 Application of Educational Research 3 SCH
- EDL 772 Qualitative Methodology 3 SCH
- EDL 833 Dissertation 9+ SCH

**Specialization Area:** 24 SCH
(At least 12 hours in Instructional Leadership; maximum of 12 hours in Content Fields including EDL 770 and EDL 710-3 hours.) (Community College Executive Leadership program includes 18 hours of Community College Leadership coursework.)

**Cognate Component:** 12 SCH
(Including STA 765, CNE 773, or CNE 774; students may choose from POL 730, MGT 765, CNE 738, CNE 736.)

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**EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**EDL 710 Doctoral Studies in Educational Leadership.**
This course is designed to provide an orientation to doctoral studies in educational leadership, topics of current interest to doctoral students, and information regarding areas of study and research related to the doctoral program. Students in the Ed.D. program in educational leadership are required to take the course each semester of residence. May be repeated for a total of three credits. Prerequisites: Admission to Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership. Credit 1.

**EDL 731 Leadership Theory and Applications.**
Examination of many leadership theories, models, and processes with emphasis on the results of the applications of various theories, models, and processes to educational leadership. This course requires knowledge of the literature and ongoing student engagement in research. Prerequisites: Admission to Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership. Credit 3.

**EDL 732 Instructional Theory and Applications.**
Systematic study is made of existing research on key factors influencing instructional effectiveness and on models for school restructuring. The relationship of instruction and school effectiveness is explored in depth. This course requires knowledge of the literature and ongoing student engagement in research. Prerequisites: Admission to Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership. Credit 3.

**EDL 733 Societal Factors Affecting Education.**
Through this course, graduate students will have the opportunity to examine the political, economic, and cultural factors affecting public school education and instructional leadership today. This course is designed to
provide instructional leaders with insight and background into the life styles, values and aspirations of various cultural groups as related to the leadership process. Prerequisites: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership. Credit 3.

**EDL 734 Issues in Contemporary Education.**
Analysis of the research literature and field-based data relative to current issues facing instructional leaders in contemporary schools will be completed. Assessment of enrollment trends, curriculum changes, personal problems, and financial patterns are issues that will be addressed. This course requires knowledge of the literature and ongoing student engagement in research. Prerequisites: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership. Credit 3.

**EDL 735 Conflict Management for Contemporary Education.**
Examination of conflict management processes and skills with emphasis on interaction patterns, interpersonal relationships, and communication skills. Prerequisites: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership. Credit 3.

**EDL 736 Educational Leadership Internship.**
Students participate and are evaluated in an intensive study and field experience relating to positions in educational leadership. Designed to provide insight into problems in the leadership process in an operational setting distinct from prior or concurrent work experience. Prerequisites: Completion of 12 hours of leadership area core. Credit 3.

**EDL 761 Accountability and Measurement for Contemporary Education.**
This course is designed for the study of educational problem solving and accountability and their relationship to needs assessment techniques, evaluation methodologies, and decision-making processes. Prerequisites: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership and EDL 772. Credit 3.

**EDL 762 Methods of Educational Research.**
Study of qualitative research with emphasis upon an understanding of statistical concepts and procedures necessary to create and implement effective educational research. This course requires knowledge of the literature and ongoing student engagement in research. Prerequisites: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership. Credit 3.

**EDL 763 Application of Educational Research.**
Fundamental concepts and tools of research applied to educational problems. Each student will prepare a proposal for the dissertation. This course requires knowledge of the literature and ongoing student engagement in research. Prerequisites: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership and EDL 761. Credit 3.

**EDL 770 Education Policy and Ethics.**
The purpose of this course is to provide the student with opportunities to study how educational policy is developed through micro and macro political elements, to examine ethical and value issues confronting educational leaders, and to demonstrate how individual values drive ethical behavior and ethical decisions. This course requires knowledge of the literature and ongoing student engagement in research. Prerequisites: Admission to Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership. Credit 3.

**EDL 772 Qualitative Methodology.**
This course is designed to teach qualitative research methodology within an educational leadership problems-based contextual framework. The course will emphasize qualitative research techniques through lecture, discussion, readings, and field-based research projects using the methods learned. This course requires knowledge of the literature and ongoing student en-
gagement in research. Prerequisites: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership and EDL 762. Credit 3.

EDL 773 The American Community College.
This course is designed to teach doctoral student the historical and contemporary role of the American Community College. The course covers the establishment of the community college as a unique American idea that has become a major component in the postsecondary milieu. The course also focuses on historical, current and emerging issues in the American Community College setting. Credit 3.

EDL 774 The Community College Student.
This course is designed to provide the learner with a foundation in student development. This will include information concerning the current generations of college students and how they develop while they are in college. Learners will also develop an understanding of the theoretical bases for student development and be able to identify the role of student development/services/affairs in developing college students. Credit 3.

EDL 775 Community College Finance.
This course is designed to provide a comprehensive overview of higher education funding and financing. Specific details of how a budget is built, sources of revenue, objects of expenditures, and planning are covered in the course. Students will learn relevant terms, how to plan, build and implement an institution-wide budget. It is intended to prepare students for leadership positions in higher education by providing a better understanding of financial, budgetary, and planning issues in public post-secondary education. Prerequisite: EDL 740. Credit 3.

EDL 776 Community College Curriculum.
This course identifies and analyzes contemporary issues in community college curriculum, including academic, workforce, tech prep, and dual credit. Prerequisites: EDL 740, EDL 741, and EDL 742. Credit 3.

EDL 777 Theory and Practice of Community College Leadership.
This course is designed to introduce students to an array of theoretical and practical orientations to leadership in the community college. The course content addresses current and emerging issues of leadership, administration, and management in the community college. Students will become familiar with leadership theories and how to apply them to a dynamic, multicultural, multi-ethnic educational environment. Credit 3.

EDL 778 Higher Education Law and Governance in the Community College.
The purpose of this course is to provide an overview of the organization, governance, and administration of higher education. This course is based on analyzing the elements that define colleges, describing models to explain how colleges are organized and managed; and integrating these models with administrative views to influence organizational processes, to include the communication of current issues to other personnel. The course will also focus on legal issues that affect the governance of higher education. Prerequisites: EDL 740, EDL 741, and EDL 743. Credit 3.

EDL 787 Doctoral Field Studies in Educational Leadership.
This course will provide the doctoral student an opportunity to engage in a detailed and in-depth field study of a program or problem in educational leadership. The student will work under the supervision of a doctoral faculty member and will be expected to produce a written product or presentation. Prerequisites: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership and permission of Supervising Professor. Credit 3.

EDL 833 Dissertation.
The completion of an approved dissertation which will contribute to Instructional Leadership. Minimum of 9 hours total required. Field-based
projects will be emphasized. May be repeated. Prerequisites: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership; completion of required Leadership Core and Research Component coursework and successful completion of comprehensive exam. Credit 3.
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND KINESIOLOGY

HEALTH PROGRAM

The Master of Arts Program in Health prepares students as certified health education specialists in the four broad areas of employment that define the discipline: community health, medical or clinical health, school health, and worksite health promotion. Experienced individuals in the field of health may serve as program directors in the voluntary or governmental health setting; administer programs and operations in the geriatric, hospital, and pediatric clinical setting; teach at the community college and pre-K through 12th grade level; and coordinate comprehensive wellness programs for employees in the corporate setting. This program of study incorporates the principles, practices, and the development of a working philosophy of Health Education. Program content focuses on the American Association for Health Education's Responsibilities and Competencies for Health Educators:

- Assessing individual and community needs for Health Education
- Planning effective Health Education programs in the four areas of the discipline
- Implementing Health Education programs to meet the needs of diverse populations
- Evaluating the effectiveness of Health Education programs
- Coordinating the provision of Health Education services in the four areas of health
- Acting as a resource person by utilizing Health Education theories and technology
- Communicating health and Health Education needs, concerns, and resources

Entrance Requirements – Admission into the Health and Kinesiology Master’s Programs requires that a student must:

1. submit Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores, and when applied to the following formula, 250 (undergraduate grade point average) + GRE scores, attain a minimum of 1500 for regular admission.
2. have completed an undergraduate degree (major or minor) in Health Education or have at least 18 hours of field related coursework.
3. complete the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and score at least 550 (paper-based), 213 (computer-based) or 79 (internet-based) if that individual is from a non-English speaking country.

Students who do not meet the entrance requirements may be conditionally admitted for one semester, and are allowed to complete a maximum of 6 graduate hours.

Program Requirements

All students are required to pass a comprehensive written examination covering all coursework at the conclusion of the program, exclusive of the thesis, if applicable. Those selecting the thesis option are also required to successfully complete an oral defense of that research study. The comprehensive examination can be taken when the student is within their final 6 hours of coursework, and must be completed at least three-weeks prior to the graduation date. Students must be enrolled during the semester that the comprehensive examination is taken.

For a 30-hour program, a maximum of 6 hours of coursework can be transferred from another institution, or applied to the graduate program from an area of study outside of...
Health. For a 36-hour program, a maximum number of 9 hours can be transferred from another institution, or applied from disciplines outside of Health.

The **Master of Arts in Health** (thesis option) is a 30-hour program designed to prepare individuals for health positions requiring formalized research, teaching at the university/community college level, and for students who wish to pursue doctoral studies in the future.

### Master of Arts in Health (Thesis Option)

**Core Coursework**
- HED 531 Foundations of Community Health 3 SCH
- HED 532 Human Ecology 3 SCH
- HED 574 Research Seminar 3 SCH
- HED 575 Statistical Design in Health and Kinesiology 3 SCH

**Electives** 6 SCH
Select from: HED 533, 534, 538, 560, 561, 563, 565, 577

**Internship**
- HED 696 Health Program Planning-Pre-Internship 3 SCH
- HED 697 Internship in Health Education 3 SCH

**Thesis**
- HED 698 Thesis 3 SCH
- HED 699 Thesis 3 SCH

**Total Hours** 30 SCH

The **Master of Arts in Health** (non-thesis option) is a 36-hour program designed to prepare students to enter into the corporate, community, medical, or school health setting. The foundation of this degree prepares students to become a Certified Health Education Specialist.

### Master of Arts in Health (Non-thesis Option)

**Core Coursework**
- HED 531 Foundations of Community Health 3 SCH
- HED 532 Human Ecology 3 SCH
- HED 574 Research Seminar 3 SCH
- HED 575 Statistical Design in Health and Kinesiology 3 SCH

**Electives** 18 SCH
Selected from: HED 533, 534, 538, 560, 561, 563, 565, 577

**Internship**
- HED 696 Health Program Planning-Pre-Internship 3 SCH
- HED 697 Internship in Health Education 3 SCH

**Total Hours** 36 SCH
The **Masters of Education** (non-thesis option) is a program designed for students seeking initial certification for secondary school teachers. All such degrees originate in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction and require the completion of a minimum of thirty-six hours of graduate credit, at least thirty of which must be in courses numbered 500 or above.

### Master of Education
**Teaching Field: Health**

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**Education**
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**Total Hours**
36 SCH

### HEALTH COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

**HED 531 Foundations Of Community Health.**  
The epidemiological, biostatistical methods of investigation are applied to international, national, state, and local health issues. Additionally, the historical and philosophical foundations of community health are presented with an orientation to current health programs, medical care trends, and health problems experienced by diverse populations.

**HED 532 Human Ecology.**  
A study of the major factors which determine health or illness, including how populations respond to various determinants of health including lifestyle, heredity, environment, and health care resources.

**HED 533 Colloquium In Human Sexuality.**  
A study of all the factors influencing growth and development. Consideration of the special problems including developing family life, sexuality issues, intimate relationships, and the cultural impact they have on society.

**HED 534 Colloquium In The Use And Abuse Of Drugs.**  
A value education approach to the prevention of drug use and abuse is presented along with personal, family, community and school factors influencing drug use. The origins and derivations of drugs are explored. The mental, emotional, physical, social and physiological effects from the use of drugs will be analyzed.

**HED 538 Colloquium In Consumer Health Education.**  
The study of consumer goods and services as related to the health of individuals, their family and their community. Marketing principles for health promotion and current health care bioethical issues are addressed.

**HED 560 Communication Theory And Practice For Community Educators.**  
A laboratory experience built around research on motivational concepts as they influence changes, perception, attitudes, values and behavior. Diffusion patterns, group discussion and decision making, and interviewing techniques are covered. Attention is given to the selection, use, and evaluation of media, materials, visual aids, press, radio, mass media, etc.
HED 561 **Theoretical Foundations Of Health Education And Health Promotion.**
A study of the history, philosophy, and practices of Health Education. Exploration and application of behavioral science concepts and methodologies to community health education and in-service training of health professionals. Case studies and other behavior change models will be used.

HED 563 **Leadership In Health Promotion And Sport Management.**
This course is designed for the individual who will assume some type of supervisory position in health promotion or sport management. The course's focal point involves exposure to administrative skills required of those who serve in a leadership capacity.

HED 565 **Aging And Health Promotion.**
A discussion of health promotion issues for the elderly including physical assessment, chronic care, health care maintenance, psychological adaptation, nutrition, and other current topics.

HED 574 **Research Seminar.**
A study is made of research techniques, identification of problems, research designs and data gathering procedures. Students will develop a proposal for a research project.

HED 575 **Statistical Design In Health And Kinesiology.**
Principles of advanced statistical techniques and measurement theory with emphasis upon their application to Health, Kinesiology, and related areas will be presented.

HED 577 **Independent Studies.**
The student with specific interest and background experience in a specialized area will have the opportunity to apply theoretical concepts in a laboratory situation. The student may have practical experiences in a clinic, agency, special school or other types of institutions. Prerequisite: Permission of the Graduate Coordinator.

HED 696 **Health Program Planning: Pre-Internship.**
A comprehensive review of the components of health program planning with emphasis on the socio-economical, cultural, and political factors that influence the health status of a community. Emphasis is focused on a comprehensive approach to health program planning and behavior change models.

HED 697 **Internship In Health Education.**
Professional field experience conducted in an approved setting for health education within the medical community, workplace or school setting. The 300 hour practicum is facilitated under the supervision of a qualified health educator or approved preceptor.

HED 698 **Thesis.**
This phase of the thesis investigation includes the completion of the review of the related literature, formulation of the research design and procedures and related pilot studies. Some data collection may also occur, and the thesis symposium must be completed to the satisfaction of the advisor and members of the thesis committee.

HED 699 **Thesis.**
This phase of the thesis work includes the completion of the data collection, as well as the actual writing and defense of the thesis.

**KINESIOLOGY PROGRAM**

The graduate program in Kinesiology is designed to enhance the professional expertise of teachers and coaches, to prepare students for positions in corporate, commercial, and sport management settings, and for entry into doctoral programs.
Entrance Requirements – Admission into the Kinesiology Master's Program requires that a student must:

1. submit Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores, and when applied to the following formula, 250 (undergraduate grade point average) + GRE scores, attain a minimum of 1500 for regular admission.
2. have completed an undergraduate degree with a Kinesiology major or minor or related field, and have completed 12 hours of advanced coursework related to masters emphasis. These advanced hours must be approved by the Kinesiology graduate coordinator. See the undergraduate catalog for a description of these classes.
3. complete the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and score at least 550 (paper-based), 213 (computer-based) or 79 (internet-based), if that individual is from a non-English speaking country.

Students who do not meet the entrance requirements may be conditionally admitted for one semester, and are allowed to complete a maximum of 6 graduate hours.

Program Requirements

The Master of Arts in Kinesiology (thesis option) is a 30-hour program designed to prepare individuals for college teaching and for students who wish to pursue doctoral studies in the future. This option requires students to complete a thesis (KIN 698 and KIN 699).

The Master of Arts in Kinesiology (non-thesis option) is a 36-hour program designed to prepare teachers, coaches, managers of commercial or corporate fitness programs, and administrators in sport management or recreationally-based activity settings.

The Master of Education (non-thesis option) with EC-12 Physical Education Certification is a 36-hour course of study for kinesiology majors/minors or a 48-hour course of study for students without kinesiology undergraduate coursework. The 36- or 48-hour course of study leads to a Masters of Education degree with all-level physical education certification.

For a 30-hour program, a maximum of 6 hours of coursework can be transferred from another institution, or applied to the graduate program from an area of study outside of Kinesiology. For a 36-hour program, a maximum number of 9 hours can be transferred from another institution, or applied from disciplines outside of Kinesiology. Transferred coursework must be approved by the Kinesiology graduate coordinator. For any of the graduate degree options, only one independent study (KIN 577) may be applied toward the coursework. Consult the undergraduate catalog for course descriptions. All coursework falling under one of these considerations must have the approval of the Chair of the Health and Kinesiology Graduate Committee. Application of workshops (KIN 599) is limited to 6 hours for a 36-hour degree plan, and 3 hours for a 30-hour program.

All graduate students must complete the following core classes:

- KIN 562 Legal Issues in Sport 3 SCH
- KIN 563 Leadership in Health Promotion and Sport Management 3 SCH
- KIN 574 Research Methods (within the first 12 hours) 3 SCH
- KIN 575 Statistical Design in Health and Kinesiology 3 SCH

At the conclusion of the program, all students are required to pass a comprehensive written examination covering all coursework, exclusive of the thesis if applicable. Those selecting the thesis option are also required to successfully complete an oral defense of
that research study. The comprehensive examination can be taken when the student is within his/her final 6-hours of coursework, and must be completed at least three-weeks prior to the graduation date. Students must be enrolled during the semester in which the comprehensive examinations are taken.

The oral defense must be completed at least four-weeks prior to graduation to allow sufficient time for review of the thesis by various administrative offices. Students should consult the calendar that appears at the beginning of the Graduate Catalog for the specific date the manuscript must be submitted to the Dean’s office.

### KINESIOLOGY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

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<td>An internship experience in a personal working environment, organizational setting. Supervisory assistance by project staff occurs at frequent intervals.</td>
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<td>KIN 562</td>
<td>Legal Issues in Sport</td>
<td>An examination of legal factors affecting Physical Education, amateur athletics and professional sport. Analysis will involve teachers, coaches, officials, spectators, medical personnel, owners of sports teams, and commercial suppliers of equipment and products used within an activity setting.</td>
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<td>KIN 567</td>
<td>Advanced Physiology of Exercise</td>
<td>Advanced content reflecting the scientific principles underlying exercise is coupled with an emphasis on laboratory experiences. Students will be required to conduct an applied research project on a topic of their choice. Prerequisite: KIN 373 or permission of instructor.</td>
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<td>Youth Fitness</td>
<td>This course is designed to provide participants with specific background and knowledge in how to appropriately plan programs geared to improving the fitness of youth. Central to this course is the development of an attitude that perceives youth fitness as a significant part of the school curriculum. This course will prepare individuals to promote youth fitness in an effective and scientific manner.</td>
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<td>Independent Studies</td>
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KIN 579 **Management of Adult Fitness Programs.**
An analysis of factors associated with the management of commercial, corporate and hospital-based wellness programs. Special attention will be given to the purpose, development and maintenance of such programs.

KIN 589 **Sports in American Culture.**
The course explores North American sport from a viewpoint that sport is a microcosm of society. Social structures, sub-cultures, and ethics are explored.

KIN 592 **Program Development in Kinesiology.**
This course is designed to examine movement patterns and the developmental progression of motor actions in children and adolescents. The focus will be on how to create challenging curricula, while improving instructional skills.

KIN 593 **Advanced Studies in the Psychology of Sport.**
An advanced study of the psychological factors that affect, and are influenced by, sports participation. Both the coach and the athlete are considered in this analysis.

KIN 595 **Advanced Biomechanics.**
The mechanical analysis of motion as it applies to the human musculoskeletal system. The course stresses advanced concepts of functional anatomy, linear and angular kinetics and kinematics, and application of those concepts in a laboratory/research setting. Emphasis is placed on data collection and evaluation in a semester research project. Prerequisite: KIN 362 or permission of instructor.

KIN 597 **Current Issues in Kinesiology.**
This course will include topics and specific issues germane to current concerns in the areas of Physical Education, health-related wellness, sport on the professional level, and interscholastic and intercollegiate athletics. Students will be required to complete a research project requiring data collection and analysis.

KIN 598 **Significance of Motor Learning.**
This course will present the theoretical and experimental bases for the understanding of human behavior in movement. Areas of study include feedback manipulation, motor programming, dynamic systems theory, generalizability of schema, forgetting, and compatibility analysis. Students are required to plan and conduct a research study testing a motor learning postulate of their own choosing. Prerequisite: KIN 322 or permission of instructor.

KIN 599 **Workshop in Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport.**
An intensive laboratory-oriented experience for practitioners seeking to upgrade teaching, coaching, or leadership competencies in areas related to Kinesiology, Coaching, and Athletics. May be repeated for credit with approval of the Chair of the Health and Kinesiology Graduate Committee.

KIN 698 **Thesis.**
This phase of the thesis investigation includes the completion of the review of the related literature, formulation of the research design and procedures and related pilot studies. Some data collection may also occur, and the thesis symposium must be completed to the satisfaction of the advisor and members of the thesis committee.

KIN 699 **Thesis.**
This phase of the thesis includes the completion of the data collection, as well as the actual writing and defense of the thesis.
DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGE, LITERACY, AND SPECIAL POPULATIONS

Admission Requirements:
To be regularly admitted to the graduate school, applicants must submit to the Office of Graduate Studies:
1. An Application for Admission.
2. Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended, both undergraduate and graduate. A minimum GPA of 2.5 in undergraduate and graduate work is expected.
3. Acceptable scores on the Graduate Record Examination or the Miller Analogies Test.

NOTE: Candidates may be permitted to enroll for one semester while their admission file is incomplete.

Applicants with completed files are reviewed for regular admission by graduate faculty in each program area and are selected by faculty based on information in the completed file.

Applicants must submit to the Department of Language, Literacy and Special Populations:
1. Two letters of recommendations (the form is available from the LLSP Office)
2. A copy of applicant's teaching certificate if the intention is to sit for the Texas Reading Specialist Certification Exam
3. Acceptable writing sample

In addition, applicants must complete an online questionnaire that shows that (1) they are presently teaching (or have access to a class) so that assignments can be applied and (2) they possess the necessary technology skills for graduate work/research.

Master of Education in Reading/Language Arts Education. There are two different programs leading to a Masters of Education in Reading/Language Arts. One program is designed for those students interested in the Reading Specialist Certification and the other for those students who wish a Masters Degree in Reading, but are not interested in sitting for the certification exam. Both programs require a 36-hour degree plan and are designed for those holding a valid Elementary or Secondary teaching certificate. The candidate must have two years successful teaching experience and successfully complete a departmental comprehensive and/or portfolio examination before taking the Reading Specialist Exam. Candidates must be enrolled in coursework during the semester they submit their comprehensive portfolio. The degree plans originate in the Department of Language, Literacy, and Special Populations.
Master of Education in Reading leading to the Reading Specialist Certification

- RDG 530 Foundations of Literacy 3 SCH
- RDG 590 Literature and Instructional Materials in Reading Programs 3 SCH
- RDG 598 Cognition and Emergent Literacy 3 SCH
- RDG 675 The Administration and Supervision of Literacy Programs 3 SCH
- BSL 571 Social, Cultural and Language Influence on Learning 3 SCH
- RDG 561 Language Arts: Theory and Instruction 3 SCH
- RDG 532 Practicum in Literacy Assessment and Instructional Strategies I 3 SCH
- RDG 533 Practicum in Literacy Assessment and Instructional Strategies II 3 SCH
- RDG 589 Improvement of Literacy in Secondary Schools and Adult Populations 3 SCH
- RDG 638 Research in Language and Literacy I 3 SCH
- RDG 688 The Politics of Literacy 3 SCH
- RDG 690 Internship in Reading Supervision 3 SCH

Course Prerequisites in the Master of Education in Reading
1. Prerequisite: RDG 530
2. Prerequisite: Enroll concurrently with RDG 533
3. Prerequisite: Enroll concurrently with RDG 532
4. Prerequisite: RDG 530, 532, 533
5. Prerequisite: RDG 638

Masters in Education in Reading (not leading to the Reading Specialist Certification)
Required Courses (24 hours)

- RDG 530 Foundations of Literacy 3 SCH
- RDG 590 Literature and Instructional Materials in Reading Programs 3 SCH
- RDG 598 Cognition and Emergent Literacy 3 SCH
- RDG 589 Improvement of Literacy in Secondary Schools and Adult Populations 3 SCH
- BSL 571 Social, Cultural and Language Influence on Learning 3 SCH
- RDG 561 Language Arts: Theory and Instruction 3 SCH
- RDG 532 Practicum in Literacy Assessment and Instructional Strategies I 3 SCH
- RDG 533 Practicum in Literacy Assessment and Instructional Strategies II 3 SCH
- RDG 688 The Politics of Literacy 3 SCH
- Electives (12 hours)
  Any other 500/600-level RDG course
  Any 500/600-level courses in C&E, CNE, LS, ENG, EDL, or SPD

Master of Education in Special Education. This 36-hour degree plan is designed for those holding a valid teaching certificate. Candidates seeking Educational Diagnostician Certification must complete an additional 9 hours of coursework (SPD 677, SPD 678, and SPD 679). The degree plan originates in the Department of Language, Literacy, and Special Populations. The candidate must successfully complete a departmental comprehensive examination. Candidates must be enrolled in coursework during the semester they take comprehensive examinations.
### Master of Education in Special Education
(with preparation for Educational Diagnostician certification)

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Master of Arts. This degree is designed for individuals who wish to write a thesis as part of the requirements for the degree. It is available to majors in Reading and Special Education. Students seeking the Master of Arts in Reading (thesis option) will not take RDG 639. Students in the Special Education Program for Low-Incidence Disabilities and Autism and the Behavior Disorders Program complete a master’s thesis in their Master of Arts Program. A comprehensive examination and/or portfolio review will be taken during the final semester of coursework. The degree plan originates in the Department of Language, Literacy, and Special Populations.

BILINGUAL EDUCATION AND
ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

BSL 565  Applied Linguistics for Classroom Teachers.
This course relates to the language sciences as they apply to formal and informal instruction. Language situations, descriptions, criteria, population, variations, and linguistic pressures are investigated. The nature of language, language teaching, language theory, and learning theory are examined in an attempt to provide a sound second language pedagogy.

BSL 571  Social, Cultural, and Language Influences on Learning.
This course helps describe languages, differences between languages, predictions of difficulties faced by a language learner, and helps teachers develop strategies to deal with the needs of second language learners from varied linguistic backgrounds. It examines sociocultural factors in the language classroom, interpersonal relations, concepts, models, and strategies for pluralistic teaching.

BSL 574  Teaching English as A Second Language: Oral Language Communication.
This course emphasizes the nature of language; the structure of language, the nature of first and second language acquisition; possible areas of interference; student motivation; trends in effective teaching materials and procedures; observation, testing and evaluation techniques; and the significance of culture.

BSL 575  Teaching the Language Arts and Reading in Spanish.
Emphasis is placed on the rationale, techniques, approaches, culture, activities and methods of teaching reading in Spanish in the elementary bilingual classroom.
BSL 576  **Bilingual Program Development in the Content Areas.**
This course is designed to cover basic teaching principles in the areas of science, mathematics, and social studies; the organization and structure of bilingual programs; guidelines for language usage; staffing, scheduling, and physical organization; and learning styles, teaching strategies and use of auxiliary personnel specific to the bilingual classroom.

BSL 577  **Language Acquisition and Development for Bilingual and ESL Programs.**
This course examines the development of speech in children; the neuro-physiological implications for second language learning; the cognitive, affective and social variables in second language acquisition; practice, feedback, recall and transfer processes; specific student needs, including individualization of instruction; and mastery of conduct and classroom program design.

BSL 587  **Workshop in Education: Bilingual Education.**
The topic(s) included will vary with academic program and semester offered.

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**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

ECE 538  **Building Relationships with Diverse Families and Children.**
This course is an in-depth study of the relationship between families and schools in diverse communities. Topics addressed include discussions of major theories that support partnerships with parents; models for parent, school, and community partnerships; home, school, and community influences on children’s lives; parenting styles; family dynamics; parent education strategies; communicating with parents; and the rights and responsibilities of parents, children, and teachers. Experiences with young children and their families will be required.

ECE 539  **Language and Literacy Development in the Young Child.**
A study is made of the current theories, research, and myths surrounding the development of language in the young child. Students will examine language programs and prepare appropriate language materials for preschool/primary children.

ECE 566  **Growth and Development of the Young Child.**
An examination of theory and current research concerning the growth and development of the individual through the eighth year of life is made. The course attempts to relate theory and research to present concerns of individuals in the helping profession through the study of intellectual, psychological, and social interrelationships. Experiences in the procedures of child study is provided.

ECE 580  **Theoretical Perspectives in Early Childhood Education.**
Study is made of the historical and philosophical roots of early childhood education from the middle ages to contemporary practice. An in-depth study of theorists, programs, and methods will be an integral part of the course.

ECE 581  **Curriculum Development in Early Childhood Education.**
Study is made of the scope and sequence of learning experiences for young children. Current research on early childhood curriculum development and model programs is examined. The professional standards and Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for Pre-kindergarten and Kindergarten are presented.

ECE 582  **Current Practices in Early Childhood Settings.**
The course includes planning and developing materials and thematic units for use with young children. An in-depth study of the project approach is presented.
RDG 530 Foundations of Literacy.
This course provides historical and philosophical perspectives in literacy instruction. The results of research in such areas as emergent literacy, cueing systems and comprehension, reading interests, current literacy methodologies, and diversity of learners in schools are examined for application in classroom practice.

RDG 532 Practicum in Literacy Assessment and Instructional Strategies I.
This course provides an opportunity for an in-depth study of current approaches to assessment as a foundation for literacy instruction. In supervised experiences teachers will learn how to use a range of formal and informal assessment tools and methods to diagnose and assess reading and writing development, to guide instruction, and to involve the learner in self-assessment. Prerequisite: RDG 530

RDG 533 Practicum in Literacy Assessment and Instructional Strategies II.
This course offers an in-depth study of the assessment of struggling readers and writers. In supervised settings teachers will use various formal and informal individual assessment procedures and instruments. These assessments will direct instructional strategies and methodology. Candidates develop individual case studies. Prerequisites: RDG 532

RDG 534 Literacy Instruction in Grades EC-4.
Candidates explore research-based instructional practices in emergent literacy, cueing systems and comprehension, reading interests, current literacy methodologies, and diversity of learners in schools. This course is designed for graduate students admitted to an authorized initial alternative teaching certification program. This course does not count toward the reading master’s degree program.

RDG 535 Literacy Instruction in Grades 4-8.
This course explores research-based instructional practice in middle school, word analysis skills, current literacy methodologies, and diversity of learners in schools. This course is designed for graduate students admitted to an authorized initial alternative teaching certification program. This course does not count toward the reading master’s degree program.

RDG 536 Literacy and Learning Grades 8-12.
This course is for prospective and practicing teachers and focuses on literacy strategies that enable 8-12 students to comprehend, engage, and make use of the more challenging content and texts in all 8-12 subject areas. Candidates will be involved in class lectures, discussion, small group activities, written assignments, oral presentations, and tests. 3 credit hours.

RDG 561 Language Arts: Theory and Instruction.
This course provides theories and practices for teaching oral and written English, integrating the processes of reading, writing, listening, and speaking in classrooms, and the integration of language arts across the curriculum.

RDG 587 Workshop in Reading.
This course will provide the opportunity for relevant and timely workshops and independent research and study.

RDG 589 Improvement of Literacy in Secondary Schools and Adult Populations.
This course is designed to prepare secondary classroom teachers and reading specialists for teaching reading to secondary school and adult populations. Content includes characteristics of secondary students and adult...
learners, language patterns and structures common to various subject-area texts and techniques to teach reading and study strategies in secondary and adult classrooms.

RDG 590 Literature and Instructional Materials in Reading Programs.  
This course prepares specialized reading professionals to teach classic and contemporary children's and young adult's literature and easy reading fiction and nonfiction at all levels. Theories and practices that stimulate student interest in reading, promote reading growth, foster appreciation for the written word and increase the motivation of learners to read widely and independently for information, pleasure, and personal growth are emphasized.

RDG 598 Cognition and Emergent Literacy.  
This course provides an opportunity to examine language, cognition, and pre-reading skills of young children. It enables the student to understand, develop, and evaluate language and reading programs for young children.

RDG 638 Research in Language and Literacy I.  
This course is designed to present current theories and research regarding aspects of literacy and oral and written language. This knowledge is related to instructional applications for classrooms for the literacy development of children and students. Prerequisite: RDG 530 or consent of the instructor.

RDG 675 The Administration and Supervision of Literacy Programs.  
This course examines the organization, development, implementation and improvement of reading and writing programs in public schools grade K through 12 at classroom, building and district levels. Prerequisite: RDG 530 or consent of instructor.

RDG 688 The Politics of Literacy.  
This course will examine the connections among the psychological, sociological, cultural, and political aspects of literacy learning and teaching. Students will develop their own research, community service and/or professional exploration projects, present works-in-progress, and set goals for further development. Prerequisites: RDG 588, RDG 589, and BSL 571.

RDG 690 Internship in Reading Supervision.  
This course provides a field internship for Reading Specialist candidates that focuses on reading and writing curriculum and instructional development, professional development of literacy teachers, and leadership in literacy assessment at the school and district levels. The internship provides students opportunities to apply the theories and principles of learning throughout the reading masters program. Candidates must be enrolled in their final semester of coursework for the reading masters degree; the candidate’s portfolio will be developed as part of this capstone course.

SPECIAL EDUCATION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

SPD 535 Education of Individuals with Disabilities.  
This course provides an introduction to the strengths and needs of persons with disabilities, with implications for identification and educational programming for regular and special educators. Legislation and case law addressing the rights of individuals with disabilities are discussed.

SPD 537 Assessment in Special Education.  
This course addresses basic measurement principles, formal and informal assessment, and the connection of assessment to instruction. Students gain experience with diagnostic tools for assessing achievement, social behavior, adaptive behavior, language, and perceptual-motor skills.
SPD 538 Practicum and Methods in Special Education.  
Students gain direct experience in the use of curriculum, methods, and materials for learners with special needs. Additional topics include assessment, modifications, adaptations, learning strategies, direct instruction and collaboration.

SPD 560 Seminar in Autism Spectrum Disorders.  
The course provides an overview of autism spectrum disorders, identification and etiology, and research-based programs and services for students identified with disabilities within the spectrum of autism.

SPD 562 Study of Cognitive and Low Incidence Disabilities.  
This course is designed to provide an in-depth study of the strengths and needs of persons with mental retardation and other low-incidence disabilities. Topics addressed include etiology, family partnerships, educational needs, inclusive programs, and transition issues across the lifespan.

SPD 567 Seminar in Learning and Learning Disabilities.  
This course presents a study of the research and professional literature concerning persons with learning disabilities and other mild-to-moderate special needs. History, theories of learning, educational practices, social issues, and lifespan needs are addressed.

SPD 568 Teaching Methods for Learners with Mild to Moderate Disabilities.  
Course content centers upon a rationale for instruction of students with mild to moderate disabilities. Research-based assessment and instructional strategies are presented.

SPD 587 Workshop in Education.  
The topic(s) included will vary with academic program and semester offered.

SPD 595 Individual Assessment of Cognitive Functioning/Wechsler Scales.  
This course is designed to acquaint students with the theory, problems, ethical standards, and techniques of administering individual tests of intelligence. Specifically, each student will learn to administer, score, and interpret the latest edition of the WISC, WAIS, and the WPPSI.

SPD 630 Applied Behavior Analysis.  
This course presents basic principles, processes, and concepts in Applied Behavior Analysis. Applied project required.

SPD 631 A Study of Behavior Disorders in Children.  
This course focuses on theories, characteristics, and instruction for students with mild, moderate, and severe emotional and behavioral disorders. Issues involving definition, classification, and intervention for such disorders as aggression, autism, depression, and delinquency will be addressed.

SPD 633 Behavioral Assessment and Intervention.  
This course presents an in-depth study of basic principles of Applied Behavior Analysis, behavioral assessment procedures and interventions, and ethical considerations in applied settings. A field-based project is required. Prerequisite: SPD 630

SPD 632 Evaluation and Measurement of Behavior.  
This course addresses ethical issues in research, single-subject experimental design, descriptive statistics, visual analysis, and interpretation of data. A research project is required. Prerequisite: SPD 633

SPD 635 In-Home Training and Family Issues.  
This course addresses the impact of autism and low incidence disabilities on the family, and ways to enable families to assist their child with a disability. Consultation with a family is required.

SPD 637 Behavior Change and System Support.  
This course presents methods and procedures of Applied Behavior Analysis including antecedent manipulations, consequence manipulations, and teaching functionally equivalent responses. Behavior Analytic methods and
curriculum for the education and treatment of children with disabilities will be emphasized. Ethics for behavioral intervention will be presented. Demonstration of behavioral methods and strategies required. Prerequisite: SPD 535 or SPD 633

SPD 677 **Assessment of Young Children and Low-Incidence Populations.**
This course provides instruction and practice in administration, scoring, interpretation, and reporting results of individual tests and assessments for young children, individuals with mental retardation, and persons with low-incidence disabilities. Informal techniques such as play-based assessment, portfolio assessment, and contextual assessment are presented. Prerequisites: SPD 537, SPD 595.

SPD 678 **Seminar in Special Education.**
This course prepares students for the role of the educational diagnostician. Topics addressed include special education law, consultation and collaboration, second language learners with special needs, and research-based "best practices" in special education. Prerequisite: SPD 677, SPD 537, PSY 595

SPD 679 **Practicum for Educational Diagnosticians.**
This course provides a field-based practicum under the direction of a certified educational diagnostician. It is designed to provide intensive study in the role of the educational diagnostician. Prerequisites: Permission of instructor.

SPD 682 **Internship.**
Students in the internship develop and implement multiple Behavior Analytic programs in applied settings under the supervision of a Board Certified Behavior Analyst. Prerequisites: SPD 630, 633, 632 and 637.

SPD 698 **Research Methods in Behavior Analysis.**
Students conduct a literature review and develop a Behavior Analytic research proposal according to APA style for their master's thesis.

SPD 699 **Thesis.**
Students collect and analyze experimental data and defend their research thesis. Prerequisites: Admission to Candidacy, SPD 698

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**TEACHING CERTIFICATE AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE PROGRAMS**

**Notice**

The State Board for Educator Certification may mandate changes in certification programs which may become effective for students enrolled in the University under this catalog. Such changes may affect the graduation and certification requirements listed in this catalog.

**Deficiency Plan Fee Policy**

A deficiency plan must be requested by a school district on official letterhead and submitted to the certification department along with an official transcript showing degree conferred.

The fee scale described below is for the preparation of a deficiency plan leading to teacher certification. All fees are payable to Sam Houston State University by cashier's check or money order.

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Special Certificates and Endorsements

The special certificate programs approved for this university are for Educational Diagnosticians, Learning Resources Specialists, Reading Specialists, School Administrators, and School Counselors.

The candidate for a special certificate is required to have completed a minimum of twelve semester hours of required graduate coursework with grades of “B” or better before he is eligible for admission to a special certificate program. Admission to special certificate programs is not permitted without adequate and reliable information concerning the candidate. Factors in reaching a decision on an applicant include:

1. Quality of applicant’s completed graduate work.
2. Results of tests, standardized and others, which may be required.
3. Information from public school administrators concerning the candidate’s success as a teacher and probable success in the field for which the candidate is seeking special certification.
4. Recommendations from University faculty members who have known the candidate as a student.

An applicant for a special certificate must meet the following requirements:

1. Complete a program for a master’s degree.
2. Complete the approved program for the specified certificate with a minimum of a “B” average in the required coursework.
3. Complete the teaching and/or work experience as required for the specific certificate.
4. Pay an application fee of $75.

Educational Diagnostician. Certified teachers desiring to function as Educational Diagnosticians must complete a 45-hour semester program encompassing a master’s degree, Plan III. To be eligible for this professional certificate the student must complete the following coursework: SPD 535, SPD 537, SPD 538, SPD 562, SPD 568, SPD 631, SPD 637, SPD 677, SPD 678, SPD 679, SPD 595, SPD 567, RDG 675 or 688, EED/SED 593 or SPD 635, EED/SED 597.

Reading Specialist. Students desiring to work as an all-level Reading Specialist should complete Plan III for the Master of Education degree with an 36-hour major in Reading including RDG 530, RDG 532, RDG 533, RDG 561, RDG 688, RDG 589, RDG 590, RDG 638, RDG 639, RDG 598, RDG 675, and BSL 571. Two years successful teaching experience is required.

School Administrator. The program for the Principal Certificate requires the completion of a minimum of 36 semester hours beyond the bachelor’s degree and includes the following: ASE 532, 563, 572, 578, 579, 586, 662, 668, 671, 694; six semester hours from ASE 510, 630, 660, 695, 696 or other ASE courses as approved.

The program for the Professional Certificate for School Superintendent requires the completion of a minimum of 51 semester hours beyond the bachelor’s degree and includes the following: completion of the 36 semester hours required for the Principal Certificate plus ASE 630, 673, 690, 695. Electives will be substituted for any required courses which were completed as part of the Principal Certificate.

School Counselor. The Texas Education Agency issues one certificate, the Professional School Counselor Certificate, to individuals who have completed an approved program in counseling. Students desiring the complete counselor certification should complete the Master of Education for School Counseling, shown above, including CNE 533, 534, 564, 570, 579, 585, 597, 635, 663, 674, 676; and three hours of approved electives.
Licensed Professional Counselor. The Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors, Texas Department of Health, issues the Licensed Professional Counselor License to individuals who have completed an approved program in counseling and the necessary work hours. Students desiring to complete the Licensed Professional Counselor License may complete either the forty-eight hour Master of Arts (Thesis Option) or the forty-eight hour Master of Arts (Non-thesis option) degree. Courses include: CNE 510, 511, 512, 579, 585, 591, 592, 597, 632, 636, 663, 674, 676. Nine hours of electives from Counseling, Psychology or related fields, are also required.

Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. The Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists, Texas Department of Health, issues the LMFT license to individuals who have completed an approved program in marriage and family therapy, and the necessary post-degree internship hours. Students desiring to complete the academic requirements for the LMFT license may complete either the forty-eight hour Master of Arts Plan III degree or the forty-eight hour Master of Arts Plan I degree. The major in counseling with a specialization in marriage and family therapy includes: CNE 564, 663, 585, 597, 534, 579, 674, 570, 632, 633, 634, 676, 636 (taken twice), 592, and PSY 534.

Board Certification in Behavior Analysis. The International Behavior Analyst Certification Board issues Board Certification in Behavior Analysis to individuals who have successfully completed a master’s degree, specified courses approved by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board, approved internship hours, and the examination for Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA). The Master of Arts in Special Education in the Low-Incidence Disabilities and Autism Program is designed for individuals pursuing this certification. Required courses for BCBA include SPD 630, SPD 633, SPD 632, SPD 637, and SPD 682.**

** Subject to approval from the International Behavior Analyst Certification Board

Supplemental Certificates

Bilingual. The following courses can be used as a minor field or electives on the degrees listed above and can lead to additional certification or an Endorsement in Bilingual Education: BSL 574, 575, 576, and 577. Additional requirements include the Texas Oral Proficiency Test — Spanish and the TExES in Bilingual Education. Contact the Department of Language, Literacy, and Special Populations for details.

English as a Second Language. The following courses can be used as minor field or electives on the degrees listed above and can lead to additional certification or an Endorsement in English as a Second Language: BSL 565, 571, 574, 577. Additional requirements include the TExES in ESL. Contact the Department of Language, Literacy, and Special Populations for details.

Doctor of Education Degree in Reading

The Doctor of Education degree in Reading provides the highest professional degree available to candidates who aspire to literacy leadership positions in schools, community colleges, or universities. The degree requirements include a prescribed curriculum of required and elective courses and the successful completion of a major research project resulting in the presentation and defense of a dissertation. A comprehensive examination will be taken after the completion of 45 hours of coursework. Following the written part of the examination, an oral examination is scheduled with the student’s Doctoral Dissertation Committee. Students must be enrolled during the semester the comprehen-
sive examination is taken. After successful completion of the written and oral comprehensive examination (if needed), the student may defend the dissertation proposal.

The program includes a concentration of courses in reading (24 hours), in leadership (9 hours), a research component requiring a minimum of 12 hours, and an elective area of 6 or more hours, concluding with 9 or more dissertation hours. Please see the curriculum outline for a complete listing of program course requirements.

This Ed.D. Program is a cohort program. Individuals are admitted to a specific cohort and are expected to follow the schedule for the cohort to which they are assigned. Cohort groups begin in August of each year. In the event of emergencies that require an individual to drop out of the normal schedule, they may be required to join another cohort group with another schedule. Admission to the program requires a significant commitment of time for the duration of the individual’s program. The inability to devote the necessary time will require the individual to drop out of the program.

Candidates who complete this program will:
- Have knowledge of the foundations of reading and writing processes.
- Design and supervise reading and writing curriculum development and coordination at the district/university, regional and state levels.
- Design and supervise assessment of reading and writing acquisition at the district/university, regional and state levels.
- Apply knowledge acquired from research and scholarly study to education in reading and writing.
- Design, conduct, and interpret research in reading and writing education.

Requirements for Admission

Applicants for admission to the Doctor of Education Degree in Reading must submit a completed application including transcripts of all college level work. In addition, candidates must have:
1. A master’s degree in reading, or equivalent coursework, including 18 hours of graduate reading (or related) coursework from an accredited institution. Students with less than 18 hours of graduate reading or related coursework may need to take additional coursework during the program to meet those requirements;
2. A 3.0 grade point average on all graduate work;
3. An acceptable score on the combined verbal and quantitative sections (V+Q) of the Graduate Record Exam or Miller’s Analogies;
4. Positive recommendations from three individuals who have observed the applicant in an academic environment and letters from individuals who have observed classroom teaching by the applicant;
5. Satisfactory responses to questions on an application form;
6. A teaching certificate with a reading specialist endorsement and/or three years teaching experience.

Applicants meeting the criteria above may be invited for an interview with the doctoral admissions committee. A candidate who fails to meet one of the admission requirements may receive probationary admission if sponsored by a doctoral faculty member.

Applicants are accepted into the program as a cohort and will complete classes in a prescribed sequence. Exceptions to this would be courses taken as electives. After the completion of one semester (9 hours) of prescribed graduate coursework and all required stem work at Sam Houston State University, the student will apply for admission to candidacy. The doctoral admissions committee will review his/her academic
progress, interpersonal skills, and motivation to determine whether or not the student should be allowed to continue in the doctoral program. Upon full admission to the program, the student’s doctoral committee will be determined.

**Doctor of Education in Reading**

**Reading Component:** 24 SCH
- RDG 688 The Politics of Literacy 3 SCH
- RDG 710 Seminar in Literacy Leadership 3 SCH
- RDG 730 Psychological & Sociological Foundations of Language & Literacy 3 SCH
- RDG 732 Issues and Trends in Literacy Education 3 SCH
- RDG 734 Literacy for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Populations 3 SCH
- RDG 760 Analysis, Interpretation & Dissemination of Literacy Assessment 3 SCH
- RDG 775 Literacy Leadership 3 SCH
- RDG 780 Internship in Literacy Leadership 3 SCH

**Leadership Component:** 9 SCH
- EDL 731 Leadership Theory and Applications 3 SCH
- EDL 770 Education Policy and Ethics 3 SCH
- EDL 761 Accountability and Measurement for Contemporary Education 3 SCH

**Research Component:** 12 hour minimum
- RDG 737 Quantitative Research Methods in Literacy 3 SCH
- RDG 790 Qualitative Research Methods in Literacy 3 SCH
- STA 765 Statistical Methods for Decision Making 3 SCH
- STA 766 Multivariate Methods 3 SCH

**Elective Component:** 6+ SCH
Candidates select courses at the 500-level or higher in the fields of Bilingual/ESL Education, English, Sociology, Psychology, Educational Leadership, Library Science, Community College Leadership, or Counseling 6+ SCH

**Dissertation:** 9+ SCH
- RDG 833 Dissertation 9+ SCH

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**READING COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**RDG 710 Seminar in Literacy Leadership.**
Individual seminar topics will be presented monthly and will change for each semester in which candidates are enrolled. Topics will cover a wide variety of issues of interest to literacy educators. May be repeated for credit for a total of three credits. Prerequisites: Admission into the Ed.D. program in Literacy Leadership.

**RDG 730 Psychological and Sociological Foundations of Language and Literacy.**
Using cognitive-processing, socio-cognitive processing, transactional, transactional-socio-psycho-linguistic, attitude, influence, and critical theories, candidates will explore literacy education. Prerequisites: Admission into the Ed.D. program in Literacy Leadership.
RDG 732  **Issues and Trends in Literacy Education.**
Current issues and trends related to field of literacy acquisition will be examined through the lens of theory, process and practice. Prerequisites: Admission into the Ed.D. program in Literacy Leadership.

RDG 734  **Literacy for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Populations.**
This course provides a critical examination and implementation of the theories, practices, and assessments related to the teaching of literacy to culturally and linguistically diverse learners. The practicum experiences will help promote sensitivity and appreciation for cultural diversity and instill creative and critical thinking skills necessary for leadership in a multicultural society and global economy. Prerequisites: Admission into the Ed.D. program in Literacy Leadership.

RDG 737  **Quantitative Research Methods in Literacy.**
Emphasis is placed on the examination of quantitative research designs and methodologies, the critique of published educational research, the ethical and legal issues of educational research, and the development of a research proposal. Prerequisites: RDG 730 and permission of the instructor.

RDG 760  **Analysis, Interpretation, and Dissemination of Literacy Assessment.**
This course provides an opportunity to train others in the use and interpretation of literacy assessment instruments. Additionally candidates will assist school sites in establishing a school-wide process for collecting, implementing, and communicating the results of a broad range of assessment data. Prerequisites: RDG 730.

RDG 775  **Leadership in Literacy.**
Candidates will explore the history of literacy programs, the administration and the supervision of literacy programs PreK-adult at the building, district, state, and federal levels. A significant component of this course will focus on writing for grants and other external funding. Prerequisites: Admission into the Ed.D. program in Literacy Leadership.

RDG 780  **Internship in Literacy Leadership.**
This course is the capstone experience for the Ed.D. in Reading that provides opportunities to develop skills in leadership on a school and district level. The candidates will be expected to engage in a minimum of 135 hours of field experiences to conduct research, analyze literacy data, and help in the solution of local, state, and/or national literacy problems. Professional participations and presentations are the vehicles for sharing expertise learned. Prerequisites: Admission into the Ed.D. program in Reading.

RDG 787  **Workshop in Reading.**
This course will provide the doctoral student an opportunity to engage in detailed and in-depth study of a program or problem in reading education. The student will work under the supervision of a doctoral faculty member and will be expected to produce a written product or presentation.

RDG 790  **Qualitative Research Methods in Literacy Education.**
This course provides both theoretical and practical dimensions of qualitative research. Various paradigms of qualitative research, such as case study analysis, naturalistic inquiry, discourse analysis, ethnography, and narrative analysis are addressed in this course. Students will engage in data collection, analysis, and reporting of an individualized research project. The research project will enable students to summarize empirical evidence related to psychological, sociological, and linguistic foundations of reading and writing processes and instruction. Students will conduct and publish research and contribute to the development of the knowledge base. Prerequisites: Admission into the Ed.D. program in Literacy Leadership.
RDG 833  Dissertation in Literacy Education
(Minimum of 9 semester hours total required). This is an individual research
course leading to the completion of a dissertation that will contribute new
knowledge to the field of reading leadership education. Prerequisites:
Admission to candidacy in the doctoral program in reading leadership edu-
cation, and successful completion of comprehensive exam and approval of
doctoral advisor.
DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY SCIENCE

The Department of Library Science is charged with applying the University’s mission specifically to the field of Library and Information Science. The goals of the Department of Library Science are to: 1) prepare competent professionals for school librarianship; 2) encourage and support scholarly research and publications; 3) promote and participate in faculty growth and development; 4) offer educational services to schools, libraries, and the community; and 5) plan, implement, and evaluate the academic curriculum, teaching effectiveness, physical resources, program policies, and the learning environment.

Requirements for Admission

Students who wish to pursue the certification or the MLS degree should request an application for admission to the Master of Library Science Program from the Department of Library Science, Sam Houston State University, Box 2236, Huntsville, Texas 77341, or online at www.shsu.edu/libraryscience. This form is in addition to the Graduate Application for Admission which must be completed and submitted to the Office of Graduate Studies.

The Library Science admissions committee will consider all applications through a holistic review process, taking into account higher GPAs and GRE Scores. Admission is formula based and considers:

- advanced hours GPA
- GRE scores on Verbal, Quantitative, and Writing.

Certificate Programs Notice

The State Board for Educator Certification may mandate changes in certification programs which may become effective for students enrolled in the University under this catalog. Such changes may affect the graduation and certification requirements listed in this catalog.

Certification as a School Librarian

This is the credential required for school librarians for employment in Texas schools including the Windham School System of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Institutional Division.

This credential may be issued to one who has a Master’s Degree, a valid Texas teacher’s certificate, two years of classroom teaching experience, 21 approved semester hours, 3 semester hours of practicum working in a library or 3 additional semester hours directly related to school librarian coursework, and one year of successful experience on a permit as a full-time public school librarian. A passing score on the Texas Examination of Educator Standards (TExES) is required.

Six of the seven courses necessary for the certification are LS 530, LS 532, LS 534, LS 537, LS 570, and LS 585. The final course is LS 566, Library Internship. LS 585 satisfies the state of Texas multi-ethnic course requirement. LS 560 is a Department of Library Science requirement for the certification. No course which is over six (6) years old is acceptable towards certification. A comprehensive portfolio is required during the last semester of coursework for this degree. Candidates must be enrolled during the semester the portfolio is required. Application for this certification is made to the State...
Board for Educator Certification at www.sbec.state.tx.us. Note prerequisites under individual courses.

**Master of Library Science (MLS)**

This 36-hour degree provides for the principles and procedures common to libraries and information centers. The primary mission of the Department of Library Science is the preparation of school librarians for grades EC-12.

**Master of Library Science**

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**LIBRARY SCIENCE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**LS 530 Collection Development.**
Principles of selection of library materials and procedures involved in building collections for all types of libraries, archives, and information centers. Includes latest technological developments, research theories and site-based applications. Required for certification and MLS.

**LS 532 Organization of Collections I.**
Introduction to the principles of descriptive cataloging and classification and subject analysis using the latest editions of international cataloging rules, Dewey Decimal Classification, and appropriate lists of subject headings. Focuses on broad-based use of the MARC format. Provides an overview of various types of bibliographic control, technical services in libraries and processing centers, and commercial and shared cataloging utilities. Required for certification and MLS.

**LS 534 Information Services And Resources I.**
Skills, techniques, and philosophy of the reference process with emphasis on the interview and strategy. Examination and discussion of basic reference tools using specific evaluative criteria. Analysis of library systems, networks, automated databases, latest trends and research in the field of reference. Covers online [commercial databases, the Internet] and laser optical disc searching techniques. Required for certification and MLS.

**LS 537 School Library Administration.**
Planning, organizing, policy making, staffing, budgeting, facilities planning, decision making and services. Study of standards, trends, services, research, and evaluation of the library will be emphasized. Required for certification and MLS. Prerequisites: LS 530, 532, 534.
LS 560  **Literature for Children.**
Acquaints students with the selection, critical analysis, and historical development of literature for children. Emphasis will be placed on selecting recreational and informational materials for children reflecting our multicultural society; identifying techniques, activities, and strategies which motivate children to read and respond to literature; and developing critical abilities for evaluating literature for children. Required for certification and MLS.

LS 561  **Current Trends in Materials for Children and Young Adults.**
Introduction to recent trends in materials for children and young adults with emphasis on multicultural understanding. Elective. Prerequisites: LS 560, 585

LS 564  **Information Services and Resources II.**
Study of reference materials and services on a specialized level. Modes of searching include online and laser optical techniques. Expertise in solving reference problems is developed through role playing, case studies, etc. Analysis of the latest trends and research in reference methods and technology (e.g., the Internet, networking). Covers grantsmanship and proposal writing as instruments in securing funding for information resources. Elective.

LS 566  **Library Internship.**
Supervised practice in a school library, incorporating seminars, conferences, journal, and evaluation. Required for certification and MLS. Prerequisites: LS 530, 532, 534, 537, 560, 570, 585.

LS 567  **Research Design and Methodology.**
The study of research methods, project designs, and data-gathering instruments pertinent to librarians. Research techniques are applied to issues related to library media centers. Centered around the production of a research or grant proposal. Required for MLS. Prerequisites: LS 534, 537, 570.

LS 568  **Library Services and Programs for Children and Young Adults.**
Programming of children and young adult services, including promotional activities, storytelling, book talks, reading guidance, library skills and instruction, innovative projects and informal library use. Study of trends and evaluation of research in the area. Elective. Prerequisite: LS 560.

LS 570  **Instructional Design and Library Media Production.**
Design and development of curriculum which utilizes the systematic approach to instruction. Emphasis on explicitly stated objectives, appropriate teaching strategies, and production of materials to facilitate achievement of goals using the latest in instructional technologies, including multimedia. Required for certification and MLS.

LS 575  **Directed Individual Study in Library Science.**
Independent research based on submitted research proposal. Elective. Prerequisite: Requires approval of Department Chair.

LS 580  **Master’s Seminar.**
In-depth study of specialized subjects. May be repeated as topics vary. Examples of topics: Integrated On-line Library Systems; Nonfiction Literature for Children and Young Adults; Selecting and Evaluating Multicultural Materials for Youth; Teacher/Librarian Cooperation Emphasizing Creative Thinking; Update for School Librarians; and Elective. Prerequisites: Appropriate required courses and approval of the Department Chair.

LS 585  **Literature for Young Adults.**
Acquaints students with the selection, critical analysis and historical developments for young adults. Emphasis will be placed on selecting recreational and informational materials for young adults reflecting our multicultural society; identifying techniques, activities and strategies which motivate young adults to read and respond to literature; and developing critical abilities for evaluating literature for young adults. Required for certification and MLS.
LS 591  Internet for School Librarians.
An introduction to the Internet and telecommunications for school librarians. Some of the topics to be covered include evaluation of Internet resources, various search tools, and a variety of communication tools. In addition ethical issues related to responsible use information technology and a wide variety of curriculum connections will be explored. Required for certification and MLS. Prerequisite LS 570.

LS 593  The Historical Development of Literature for Children.
Examination of the historical development of a separate literature for children. Traces the history from the earliest books for children to current trends and issues in the field. Elective. Prerequisite: LS 560.

LS 596  Computer Science Applications to Librarianship.
History and current status of automated library services. Examination of the international standards, hardware, and software commercially available to support cataloging, circulation, on-line catalogs, reference services, and administrative tasks. Required for MLS. Prerequisites: LS 570.
COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

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Mission Statement

The College of Humanities and Social Sciences (CHSS) provides an essential component to a liberal arts education: understanding human beings in their diversity as expressed in their literatures, histories, ideas, values, oral and written expressions, and behavior. By promoting analytical, interpretive, interpersonal, and communication skills.
skills, the College of Humanities and Social Sciences facilitates personal growth, competent professionalism, and responsible citizenship.

The College of Humanities and Social Sciences consists of nine academic units: English, Family and Consumer Sciences, Foreign Languages, History, Mass Communication, Political Science, Psychology and Philosophy, Sociology, Speech Communication.

For additional information on the academic programs in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, visit: www.shsu.edu.
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION STUDIES

The goal of this program is to prepare MA recipients for further graduate study toward a Ph.D. Additional objectives are to enhance the job and financial possibilities of public and private elementary and secondary school teachers, community and small four-year college instructors, and assistants to trained and licensed professionals in marriage and family counseling. The program’s teaching and research focus is family communication. There is a concentration in interpersonal communication as it relates to family issues. This area of study is increasingly in the forefront of scholarly activity in speech communication, with the creation of new journals devoted to family issues and the relatively new Family Communication Division within the National Communication Association. Private and governmental agencies increasingly look for help through workshops and seminars in parenting, remediation of family violence, and other related issues.

Admission Requirements

Students seeking admission to the graduate program in Speech Communication must meet the following requirements:

1. Submit a Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the application fee to Graduate Studies.
2. Submit official transcripts of all college-level work, including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred.
3. Submit GRE scores.
4. Submit three letters of recommendation that discuss the applicant’s suitability for graduate study.
5. Complete an undergraduate degree from an accredited four year institution.
6. Submit a scholarly writing sample of at least 2000 words.

A holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis.

Degree Requirements

Students enrolled in the Master’s Program in Speech Communication may choose either the thesis or the non-thesis option. Students who plan to pursue the Ph.D. degree in Speech Communication are strongly encouraged to select the thesis option.

Thesis Option: Students selecting the thesis option must complete 36 hours of coursework, including three hours each of SCM 698 and 699. Of these hours, 24 must be at the 500-level or above and include the specific courses listed below as required. Graduate students may enroll for graduate credit in a maximum of two foundation courses, if their undergraduate training did not include such courses.

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Non-Thesis Option: Students selecting the non-thesis option must complete 36 hours of coursework, not including SCM 698 and 699, of which 24 must be at the 500-level.
All graduate students are required to take a comprehensive examination over all coursework taken for the M.A. degree, which includes both written and oral sections. Those who select the thesis option also must defend their thesis orally. Students must be enrolled in the University the semester or summer session in which the comprehensive exam is administered.

SPEECH COMMUNICATION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

FOUNDATION COURSES

SCM 465 Nonverbal Communication.
The study of systems of nonverbal communication and their use, including body language, vocalic, facial, and spatial communication. Students will apply current theory and research to their own communication. Prerequisite: 12 hours SCM completed.

SCM 481 Communication Theory.
A critical analysis of contemporary theories of communication. Students will analyze critically the research findings supporting the theories. Prerequisite: 12 hours SCM completed.

SCM 486 Family Communication.
A study of the contemporary family and of the role of communication in the family. Students will assess the scholarship examining the place of communication in the family with specific attention to applying the research to their own families. Prerequisite: SCM 286 or the equivalent.

GRADUATE COURSES

SCM 531 Speech Communication Methods and Research.
An introduction to graduate level research methods, including quantitative and qualitative approaches to data collection, analysis, and interpretation. Students will learn to develop individual research proposals.

*SCM 532 Statistical Methods for Communication.
This course focuses upon various statistical techniques used in communication research, including univariate and bivariate techniques, hypothesis testing for single and multiple samples, as well as methods used to investigate relationships between two or more variables such as ANOVA, ANCOVA, and multiple regression analysis. Lectures, assigned readings and projects are used to describe and illustrate advanced literature on the logic, interpretation, and assumptions of each statistical model. Emphasis is placed upon understanding of the techniques and their assumptions as well as applications. Research activities based on the use of statistical techniques are included in the course.

SCM 560 Advanced Interpersonal Communication.
A study of methodological and theoretical issues in relational communication with special attention to building ongoing research projects in support of theory. Prerequisite: SCM 286 or the equivalent.

SCM 570 Health Communication and the Family.
A study of health communication topics that relate to and influence the family and other relationships. Perspectives and theories in public health, adolescent alcohol and drug abuse, parent-child-physician communication, telemedicine, and rural health concerns will be assessed.

SCM 571 Sex & Gender in Communication.
A study of sex and gender differences and similarities in communication behavior. Students will examine the sex and gender scholarship and assess its implications for understanding communication in interpersonal and family relationships.
SCM 580  **Advanced Family Communication.**
A study of methodological and theoretical issues in family communication with specific attention to building ongoing research projects in support of theory. Prerequisite: SCM 486.

SCM 590  **Seminar in Interpersonal Communication.**
Advanced topics in interpersonal communication theory and research. Topics rotate from semester to semester. May be repeated for credit when topics change. Prerequisite: SCM 560.

SCM 591  **Seminar in Family Communication.**
Advanced topics in family communication theory and research. Topics rotate from semester to semester. May be repeated for credit when topics change. Prerequisite: SCM 580.

SCM 698  **Thesis I: Practicum.**
Initial phase of the thesis investigation, including review of the literature, establishment of the research design, collection of pilot data, and plan for completion. Prerequisite: Permission of thesis director.

SCM 699  **Thesis II: Completion.**
Final phase of the thesis investigation, including data collection and analysis, writing, and defense. The student must be registered in SCM 699 during the semester in which the thesis is completed and defended. Prerequisite: SCM 698.
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

The graduate program in English is designed to train students in preparation for doctoral work in university graduate schools, to improve the professional competence of public school teachers, to prepare promising scholars for college teaching, to advance the skills of creative writers, and generally to train students whose careers require advanced verbal and analytical abilities.

Admission Requirements

Students seeking admission to the graduate program in English must meet the following requirements:

1. Submit a Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the application fee to the Graduate Studies Office.
2. Submit official transcripts of all college-level work, including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred.
3. Submit scores for the GRE General Test.
4. Submit three letters of recommendation that discuss the applicant’s potential for success in an English graduate program.
5. Submit a scholarly/critical writing sample with a minimum of ten pages; students wishing to pursue a creative writing emphasis may submit a creative portfolio as a supplement to the scholarly/critical writing sample.
6. An applicant must have completed at least twelve hours of upper-division English courses with a GPA of 3.0 or better.

A holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis.

The English graduate curriculum is organized into five blocks containing twelve areas of study:

- BLOCK I: English Language and Linguistics; Early and Middle English Literature
- BLOCK II: Literary Criticism and Theory; Rhetoric and Composition; Creative Writing; Professional Writing
- BLOCK III: The Classical Tradition; Renaissance and Seventeenth-Century English Literature; Eighteenth-Century English Literature; American Literature before 1800
- BLOCK IV: Nineteenth-Century Literature in English
- BLOCK V: Twentieth-Century Literature in English

There are three additional curriculum courses: Methods of Research and Bibliography (ENG 697); Thesis Sequence (ENG 698 and ENG 699); and Directed Study of Selected Topics (ENG 539).

Students are required to take Methods of Research and Bibliography (ENG 697) and at least one course each in British and American Literature.

A student may take one 400-level English course for graduate credit, with pre-approval by the Department Chair. The student may take a Directed Study of Selected Topics (ENG 539) up to two times, with pre-approval by the Department Chair. See the Graduate English Handbook for guidelines and restrictions.
Degree Requirements

A student majoring in English may choose from three degree programs: Master of Arts, Plan I; Master of Arts, Plan II; and Master of Education, Plan II (which is administered by the College of Education). PLEASE NOTE: Plan I may be thesis or non-thesis; Plan II and Master of Education Plan II are non-thesis degrees only.

All MA students must complete four steps before being admitted to candidacy and filing an official degree plan:
1. Must complete Methods of Research and Bibliography (ENG 697). The student should complete ENG 697 during the first semester of graduate work, if possible, but in any event must complete the course by the end of the second long-term semester for which she or he is enrolled.
2. Must complete the language requirement (Block I course).
3. Must complete six additional hours of coursework.
4. Must have a B or better average for the twelve hours completed.

After meeting these requirements, the student should file a Declaration of Major form with the Director of Graduate Studies, who will then file a degree plan for the student.

All MA students must also pass the English program’s written comprehensive examination (offered in October, February, and June of each year) and an oral defense of a designated portion of their graduate work (the oral defense covers either the areas chosen for the written examination or, in the case of thesis students, the thesis). Students must be enrolled in the University for the term in which the comprehensive exam is administered.

Master of Arts, Plan I (Thesis or non-thesis). This degree plan is designed for prospective junior and senior college teachers; for students who plan to continue their studies at a doctoral level; and for teachers of high school English who wish to increase scope, depth, and expertise in their teaching specialty. There is no minor under Plan I. Non-thesis students will take thirty-six hours of coursework; thesis students will take thirty hours of coursework and six hours of Thesis (ENG 698 and ENG 699). Students may pursue a creative writing emphasis, which includes an internship with the Texas Review Press, two creative writing workshops, and the writing of a creative thesis.

Curriculum Requirements for Plan I (with Thesis Option):

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NOTE: Some classes fall into various blocks, depending upon a topic studied in a given term. These include ENG 569 (Blocks III, IV, and V), ENG 574 (Blocks IV and V), and ENG 588 (Blocks IV and V). For specifics, students should consult the Director of Graduate Studies or the Department Chair.

Master of Arts, Plan II (Non-thesis only). Designed for teachers who wish preparation in two teaching fields, this degree plan consists of twenty-four semester hours of English and twelve hours in a second field. The minor field must logically support the major and must be chosen from departments offering graduate-level courses, such as History, Art, Political Science, or, in the case of public school teachers, Education.

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Master of Education, Plan II (Non-thesis only). This program is for teachers of English in the secondary schools; interested students should consult the College of Education, Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

ENGLISH COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

All courses are three credit hours.

ENG 531 Creative Writing: Fiction.  
A graduate writing workshop, this course emphasizes the writing and revision of fiction and creative nonfiction.

ENG 532 Creative Writing: Poetry.  
A graduate writing workshop, this course emphasizes the writing and revision of poetry.

ENG 533 Practicum: Editing and Publishing.  
In this course, students study and apply current scholarship in editing and publishing. They have the opportunity to work both on and off campus as writers and editors in various professions.

ENG 539 Directed Study of Selected Topics in Literature and Language.  
This course, which may be taken only with the written consent of the Department Chair, allows a student to engage a specialized topic in literature or language under the direct supervision of a faculty member. A student may take no more than six credit hours of directed study during his or her graduate career.

ENG 567 Practicum in Teaching College Composition.  
This course studies modern rhetorical principles and methodologies used in teaching college-level writing.

ENG 568 Literary Criticism and Theory.  
This course studies various theories and theorists of literary interpretation, with application and practice in writing criticism.

ENG 569 Studies in the Novel.  
This course studies the emergence and development of the novel as a distinct literary genre. It is designed to allow for reading of the novel in various contexts, from various nations and historical ages, and according to various theoretical emphases.
ENG 571  *Studies in Modern World Literature.*
In this course, students apply current theory and research to an analysis of the works, writers, movements, and genres of world literature from the 19th and 20th centuries. The course is designed to allow for reading both works in translation and Anglophone literatures.

ENG 572  *Early American Literature.*
In this course, students apply current theory and research to an analysis of the literature, writers, movements, and genres of early America.

ENG 574  *Studies in Women’s Literature.*
In this course, students apply current theory and research to an analysis of selected women writers from various historical ages, genres, and nationalities. Emphases may vary each semester.

ENG 575  *Studies in Restoration and Eighteenth-Century English Literature.*
In this course, students apply current theory and research to an analysis of the literature, writers, movements, and genres of Restoration and 18th-century Britain.

ENG 576  *The Classical Tradition.*
This course studies the Greek and Roman literary heritage and its influence upon subsequent literature. Students read ancient and classical works in translation and study the current literature in the field.

ENG 577  *Studies in Early and Middle English Literature.*
In this course, students apply current theory and research to an analysis of selected works in Old and Middle English literatures.

ENG 578  *Studies in Renaissance and Seventeenth-Century Literature.*
In this course, students apply current theory and research to an analysis of the literature, writers, movements, and genres of 16th- and 17th-century Britain. Topics may include studies in Shakespeare, studies in Spenser, and studies in Milton.

ENG 579  *Studies in Romantic Literature.*
In this course, students apply current theory and research to an analysis of the literature, writers, movements, and genres of the British Romantic age.

ENG 580  *Studies in Victorian Literature.*
In this course, students apply current theory and research to an analysis of the literature, writers, movements, and genres of the Victorian age.

ENG 581  *Studies in Twentieth-Century English Literature.*
In this course, students apply current theory and research to an analysis of the literature, writers, movements, and genres of 20th-century Britain.

ENG 583  *Studies in English Linguistics.*
A thoroughgoing graduate introduction to English linguistics, this course features study in sociolinguistics, dialectology, lexicography, stylistics through linguistic analysis, principles of semantics, and linguistics in relation to the teaching of English.

ENG 584  *Studies in Rhetoric and Composition Theory.*
This course studies selected topics in historical and contemporary rhetoric, rhetorical criticism, and composition theory. Students will apply current theory and research in rhetoric and composition.

ENG 585  *Studies in American Literature, 1800-1860.*
In this course, students apply current theory and research to an analysis of the works, writers, movements, and genres of American literature from 1800 to 1860.

ENG 586  *Studies in American Literature, 1860-1920.*
In this course, students apply current theory and research to an analysis of the works, writers, movements, and genres of American literature from 1860-1920.
ENG 587 Studies in American Literature, 1920-the Present.
In this course, students apply current theory and research to an analysis of the works, writers, movements, and genres of American literature from 1920 to the present.

ENG 588 The Study of Major Figures in American Poetry.
In this course, students apply current theory and research to an analysis of the writers and movements contributing to the development of American poetry.

ENG 589 History and Development of the English Language.
This course is a cultural, historical, and philological study of the development of the English language from its Indo-European prototype through Anglo-Saxon, Anglo-French, and Early Modern English to its present form.

This course engages students in in-depth study of current issues in technical and professional communication. Students examine the field and conduct primary research.

ENG 697 Methods of Research and Bibliography.
Required of all English majors under MA Plan I, MA Plan II, and MEd Plan II, this course introduces students to graduate-level research methods in literature and to the study of the book.

ENG 698 Thesis I.
In this first semester of graduate thesis, the student works under close faculty supervision to produce a thesis prospectus approved by all members of the reading committee and submits a draft of the introduction.

ENG 699 Thesis II.
In this second semester of graduate thesis, the student works under close faculty supervision to complete the thesis. The student must enroll in this class from term to term until the thesis is completed.
DEPARTMENT OF
FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES PROGRAM

The graduate program in Family and Consumer Sciences is designed to provide advanced specialized leadership in various professions, and to further professional competencies for students in dietetics, extension, business, industry and education.

The graduate program in Family and Consumer Sciences is designed to accomplish the following basic purposes:
1. to develop leadership for family and consumer sciences professions;
2. to extend competencies for family and consumer sciences specialists in dietetics, extension, business, industry and education; and
3. to prepare promising students for doctoral study.

The curriculum is organized to permit advanced study and research in the following areas:

- Clothing, Textiles, and Merchandising
- Family Economics and Resource Management
- Family and Consumer Sciences Education
- Interior Design
- Nutrition and Dietetics

Authorized degree programs: Master of Science degree in Family and Consumer Sciences and Master of Science degree in Dietetics.

Admission Requirements

Students seeking admission to the graduate program in Family and Consumer Sciences must meet the following requirements:
1. Submit a Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the application fee to Graduate Studies.
2. Submit official transcripts of all college-level work, including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred.
3. Submit GRE scores.
4. Submit two letters of recommendation that discuss the applicant's suitability for graduate study.

A holistic review of each student's application file will be completed on a competitive basis.

Degree Requirements

Master of Science, Family and Consumer Sciences

Master of Science, Plan I. Designed primarily for prospective college or secondary school teachers, study may be chosen in one area of Family and Consumer Sciences by selecting a majority of credit hours and a thesis topic in that area. The comprehensive examination must be taken in two areas of study in the major field and one area in
the minor. Students must be enrolled in the University the semester or summer session in which the comprehensive exam is administered. Thesis required.

Schematic for Plan I
FCS 530 3 SCH
FCS Courses 12 SCH
SOC 543 4 SCH
Courses in an approved minor 12 SCH
FCS 698 and 699 6 SCH
Total 37 SCH

Master of Science, Plan II. Designed for prospective college or secondary school teachers, students take thirty-seven semester hours, twenty-one in Family and Consumer Sciences, four hours of statistics and twelve in an approved minor. The comprehensive examination must be taken in two areas of study in the major field and one area in the minor. Students must be enrolled in the University the semester or summer session in which the comprehensive exam is administered. A thesis is not required.

Schematic for Plan II
FCS 530 3 SCH
FCS Courses 18 SCH
SOC 543 4 SCH
Courses in an approved minor 12 SCH
Total 37 SCH

Master of Science, Dietetics

Master of Science, Dietetics. Designed to meet the needs of the combined Master of Science degree and Sam Houston Dietetic Internship Program, this plan of study combines the master’s degree requirements with nine hours of practicum in area preceptor sites and a 12-hour minor in one of the following: business, education (counseling), psychology (counseling), health. The comprehensive examination must be taken in the major and the minor. Students must be enrolled in the University the semester or summer session in which the comprehensive exam is administered. A thesis is not part of the program. The Sam Houston Dietetic Internship Program is developmentally accredited by the Commission for Accreditation in Dietetics Education (CADE) of The American Dietetic Association, 120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000, Chicago, IL 60606-6995. Telephone (312) 899-4873, ext. 5400; website: www.eatright.org.

Additional requirements and application are necessary for admission into the Dietetic Internship Program.

Schematic for Dietetics
FCS 530 3 SCH
FCS 579 (Taken 3 times) 9 SCH
FCS 575 3 SCH
SOC 543 4 SCH
FCS 567 3 SCH
FCS 583 3 SCH
Courses in an approved minor 12 SCH
Total 37 SCH
### Senior Courses Open to Graduate Students

- **FCS 442** Resource Management
- **FCS 460** Clinical Dietetics
- **FCS 463** Merchandising Control
- **FCS 467** Seminar in Clothing, Textiles and Merchandising
- **FCS 478** Advanced Nutrition

### FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

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<td>Seminar in Family and Consumer Sciences Research.</td>
<td>A course designed to acquaint graduate students with the need for and contribution of research. Criteria are developed for designing and completing research.</td>
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<td><strong>FCS 567</strong></td>
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<td>Investigations of recent developments in food production and marketing; consideration of physical and chemical factors influencing the quality of food; implications and guidelines for the consumer.</td>
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<td>A critical analysis of current trends, issues and problems in Family and Consumer Sciences. Course may be repeated for credit.</td>
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<td>Workshop in Family and Consumer Sciences Education.</td>
<td>Principles and procedures in planning, organizing, and developing occupational programs using knowledge and skills within the discipline of Family and Consumer Sciences are stressed. Emphasis is on curriculum, space, equipment, methods, and teaching materials particular to these programs.</td>
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<td>Laboratory and Field Experience in Family and Consumer Sciences.</td>
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DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Graduate study in History at Sam Houston State University concentrates on the following objectives: to prepare public school and junior college teachers; to train individuals for careers as academic librarians; to upgrade the research and writing skill of such practicing professionals as librarians, clergymen, teachers, and military officers; to provide a background for careers in law, journalism, and strategic intelligence; to prepare students for future graduate study; and to train individuals for careers in the civil service and public history (museum and historical society administration, archival and records management, and historical research and writing for private corporations and government agencies).

Admission Requirements

Students seeking admission to the graduate program in History must meet the following requirements:

1. Submit a Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the application fee to Graduate Studies.
2. Submit official transcripts of all college-level work, including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred.
3. Submit GRE scores.
4. Submit two letters of recommendation that discuss the applicant’s suitability for graduate study.
5. Submit a writing sample of scholarly work.

A holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis.

Degree Requirements

Master of Arts, Plan I. This program calls for 30 semester hours in history, including 6 semester hours of credit for the thesis (HIS 698 and 699). Openings for Plan I students are limited, and Chair approval is required. Plan I students may choose from one of the following curriculum patterns:

Pattern A: Primary Field in Early or Later U.S. History.
   18 semester hours, including the thesis, in U.S. History.
   12 semester hours, divided between two secondary fields.

Pattern B: Primary Field in Modern European History or World History.
   18 semester hours, including the thesis, in European History.
   12 semester hours, divided between two secondary fields.

Pattern C: Primary Field in Military History
   18 semester hours, including the thesis, in Military History.
   12 semester hours, divided between two secondary fields.

The student’s understanding of the three fields is tested by oral and written comprehensive examinations. Students must be enrolled in the University the semester or summer session in which the comprehensive exam is administered.

Master of Arts, Plan II. This degree plan is intended for graduate students who prefer all of their coursework to be in History and who prefer not to write a thesis. The degree calls for 36 semester hours in History. All students on this plan must take HIS 694. These 3 hours are included in the 36 total hours. Plan II students may choose from one of the following curriculum patterns:
Pattern A: Primary Field in Early or Later U.S. History.
21 semester hours in U.S. History.
15 semester hours divided between two secondary fields.

Pattern B: Primary Field in Modern European History or World History.
21 semester hours in Modern European History or World History.
15 semester hours divided between two secondary fields.

Pattern C: Primary Field in Military History
18 semester hours in Military History.
18 semester hours divided between two secondary fields.

The student’s understanding of the three fields is tested by oral and written comprehensive examinations. Students must be enrolled in the University the semester or summer session in which the comprehensive exam is administered.

Master of Arts, Plan III. This degree plan is intended for students seeking preparation in History as the major field and in a logically-related minor field. The degree calls for 24 semester hours in History and 12 semester hours in the minor field. Of the 24 hours in History, 15 must be in a primary history field and 9 in a secondary history field (Early U.S. History, Later U.S. History, Modern European History, World History and Military History) with 3 hours required for HIS 694. These three hours can be counted toward the primary or secondary field hours. The student’s understanding of the primary and secondary fields is tested by oral and written comprehensive examinations, while understanding of the minor field is determined by the particular department in which the minor is taken. Students must be enrolled in the University the semester or summer session in which the comprehensive exam is administered.

Master of Education. This degree plan is intended for teachers of History at the secondary level and is initiated in the College of Education. Interested students should consult the College of Education, Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

History Curriculum. The History curriculum consists of courses in various fields of Early U.S. History, Later U.S. History, European History, Military History, and World History. For the most part, the courses offered are intended to strengthen a student’s mastery of factual content and historical relationships through lectures, intensive reading, class discussion, and reports on selected topics. History 694 is a research seminar required of all Master of Arts Plan II and Master of Arts Plan III students. History 698 and 699 are required of all Master of Arts Plan I students. Certain 400-level courses may be taken for graduate credit.

### HISTORY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

**HIS 537** Topics in Pre-Modern History.
The course will study major historical development prior to the 16th century. It will deal with selected topics in the history of ancient and medieval Europe, as well as topics in the histories of traditional civilizations and cultures of Asia, Africa, and the Americas. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

**HIS 561** American Cultural and Religious History.
A study of selected topics in the cultural and religious history of the peoples of North America; the course focuses on the patterns of beliefs and values held by American men and women which have shaped each major period from colonial times to the present. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

**HIS 563** Seminar in Military History.
Selected topics in Military History. Credit 3.
HIS 571 Colonial and Revolutionary America.
This is essentially a readings-oriented course. Broad themes from the colonial-revolutionary period will be singled out. Readings will be assigned to familiarize students with the general themes. More specific readings will be assigned and individual reports will be discussed at length in class. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 572 Early National America.
Studies the development of the United States from 1783 to 1840; the failure of the Confederation; organization of government under the Constitution; the Federalist Period; Jeffersonian democracy; the War of 1812; national growth in the post-war period; political and economic change; the party structure; the rise of Jackson; and social reform. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 573 History of the Antebellum South, the Civil War, and Reconstruction.
Studies intended to cover selected topics in the political, military, economic, and social institutions of the United States during the Civil War Era. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 575 Recent America, 1876-1933.
Studies designed to cover social, economic, cultural, diplomatic and political developments of late-nineteenth and 20th century America. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 576 Contemporary America, 1933-Present.
This course will offer a careful survey of United States history since 1933, including such topics as the Great Depression, the New Deal, the Cold War, the Vietnam War, the Civil Rights Movement, the Feminist Movement, the Watergate Crisis, the Iranian Hostage Crisis, the Reagan Era, the End of the Cold War, and the Roots of 9/11. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 577 The American West.
This course covers the American West as a region with a strong emphasis on the 19th century. It will explore the interpretive development of the field as it has progressed from a traditional focus on Anglo expansion to a more balanced view that embraces race, gender, and everyday life In the West. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 582 Topics in the History of Women.
A study of selected topics in the history of women; the course focuses on the experiences of women of diverse cultural, racial, and ethnic backgrounds. The course examines women’s responses to social forces during critical periods in their history. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 583 United States Diplomatic History.
This course is a study of selected topics tracing the development of United States foreign policy from 1775 to the present. Topics may include diplomacy of the Revolutionary Era; the Early Republic; Manifest Destiny; the Civil War Era; Imperialism and Expansion; the era of the World Wars; and the Cold War. The emphasis is on the forces that have influenced diplomacy and on the changing interpretations of United States foreign policy. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.
HIS 584  Texas History.  
An in-depth examination of Texas history, including study of indigenous peoples, Spanish colonization, the Mexican era, Anglo- and African-American settlement, the Revolution and Republic period, statehood, Civil War and Reconstruction, the cattle kingdom, the oil industry, and political and economic modernization. The course may be conducted as either a research or reading seminar. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 585  Latin American History.  
The topics for this course will vary from semester to semester and will include the diplomatic, political, social, and intellectual history of specific geographical areas in Latin America; i.e., Mexico, the Caribbean, the Anglo-Spanish border lands, or South America. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 589  Great Britain and the British Empire.  
The topics for this course will vary from semester to semester among various chronological periods and will deal specifically with British religious, political, social, cultural, economic history in the imperial context. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 591  Asian History.  
The topics for this course will vary from semester to semester and will include the diplomatic, political, social, economic and intellectual history of specific geographical areas in Asia, i.e. East Asia, the Subcontinent, and South East Asia. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 593  European Diplomatic History.  
Studies covering selected topics in the history of European international politics from the 18th through the 20th century. Alternate emphasis will be placed on Eastern and Western Europe as well as on different eras of diplomacy, at the discretion of the instructor. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 594  Early Modern Europe.  
The course covers the 15th-18th centuries. Students will explore how the medieval way of life characterized by religious concerns, kingdoms, a predominantly agrarian economy, and a rigid social order, changed to a modern one marked by science and secularism, sovereign states, a commercialized and industrializing capitalist economy, and a more socially diverse and mobile world. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 595  Later Modern Europe.  
A study of selected topics in Later Modern European History. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 597  Independent Study.  
This is a course designed for studies of individually selected topics not specifically provided in any of the formal courses. Prerequisite: Consent of History Department Chair. Students will explore major recent historical interpretations as well as conduct research in primary sources. Credit 3.

HIS 694  Seminar in History.  
This course is a research seminar in which students will develop skills in locating, extracting, evaluating, and synthesizing historical information and writing an article-length paper based on primary sources. Students may also be expected to supplement their research with other readings under the direction of the professor.
HIS 698  **Historical Methodology and Bibliography.**
A concentrated approach to historical research emphasizing bibliographic techniques, critical evaluation of historical documents, historiographical interpretations, narrative analyses and organization, and writing skills. Required on all degree plans. Credit 3.

HIS 699  **Thesis.** Credit 3.
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

The graduate programs in Political Science and Public Administration are designed to expand students’ knowledge and to develop their skills of analysis and professional communication. The programs are of value to both recent college graduates and those seeking to advance their careers. Among those it serves are students preparing for doctoral work or law school, school teachers seeking to improve their professional competence, promising scholars wanting to teach in community colleges, present and prospective public administrators, and those preparing for careers or advancement in nonprofit organizations, international organizations, the military, and private business. In addition to being public servants at the local, state, and national level, graduates have served in the state legislature, the White House, and the Pentagon; directed a state agency; and worked as professional lobbyists and campaign consultants.

The department offers both the Master of Arts (MA) in Political Science and the Master of Public Administration (MPA).

Admission Requirements

Students seeking admission to the graduate programs in Political Science must meet the following requirements:

1. Submit a Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the application fee to Graduate Studies.
2. Submit official transcripts of all college-level work, including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred.
3. Submit GRE scores.
4. Submit two letters of recommendation that discuss the applicant’s suitability for graduate study.
5. Submit a writing sample of scholarly work.
6. Optional: You may submit a two word-processed page statement explaining your background and/or potential that would make you a good choice for our program.

A holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis.

Degree Requirements: MA in Political Science

The department has several options that allow the tailoring of student programs to individual needs. For example, the program may involve writing a thesis or taking extra coursework. Those writing a thesis will take 24 hours of coursework and receive 6 hours of credit for the thesis (30 hours total). When counseling with the student indicates that the student’s needs would be better served, the department may substitute 12 hours of additional coursework in lieu of the thesis (total of 36 hours).

Political Science students ordinarily take two core courses (Scope and Methods and Political Theory) and then focus on the areas of concentration appropriate to their needs. The department offers three areas of concentration: American politics, comparative politics and international relations, and public administration and public policy. With departmental approval, students may take a minor or special concentration in an appropriate area from one or more other departments, such as history, criminal justice, business, or health. For each degree, a comprehensive examination will be given over the core and major and minor areas of study. Students must be enrolled in
Degrees offered in Political Science:

Master of Arts, Plan I. The student will have a major of 18 hours within two areas of concentration in Political Science and a minor of 12 hours in a supporting field.

Master of Arts, Plan II. This degree plan is designed for prospective junior and senior college teachers, students planning to pursue a doctoral program, and those preparing for a career in government service. Under this plan, the student takes 30 hours in Political Science.

Master of Education, Plan II. This degree program is designed to provide additional study in Political Science for the professional secondary school teacher and is initiated in the College of Education. Interested students should consult the College of Education, Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

Degree Requirements:
Master of Public Administration (MPA)

This program is designed for those seeking a career in public service and those wanting to enhance their current career. The program prepares professionals for work in government at the local, state, or national level; nonprofit organizations; and many areas of business.

The MPA degree requires a total of 42 semester credit hours: 24 hours of core courses taken by all students, a 12 hours concentration selected by the student in consultation with the graduate advisor, and 6 hours of internship. Students will be required to pass a comprehensive examination at the end of the course of study. Students must be enrolled in the University the semester or summer session in which the comprehensive exam is administered.

Core Courses: Twenty-four semester credit hours of required core courses:
- PA 581 Dynamics of Public Administration (3 hours)
- PA 583 Program Evaluation (3 hours)
- PA 584 Organizational Theory and Behavior (3 hours)
- PA 586 Leadership and Human Resource Management (3 hours)
- PA 587 Government and Non-Profit Budgets and Financial Management (3 hours)
- PA 588 Ethics in Government (3 hours)
- POL 577 Scope and Methods of Political Science (3 hours)
- POL 586* Grant Research and Writing (3 hours)

Internship: Students without relevant job experience will be required to take six semester credit hours of an internship of at least twelve months. Students currently employed in a relevant position may use this employment as their internship.

- POL 578 Problems and Internships in Political Science (6 hours)
- *POL 595 Internships and Work Experience in Public Services

Areas of Concentration: Students will select a concentration of 12 hours in one of the following areas: State and Local Government, Comparative and International Relations, Financial Management, Criminal Justice, or Human Service and Health Administration. The following courses are included for concentrations; however, substitutions will be allowed with the approval of the graduate advisor. When the topic is appropriate, POL 582, Seminar in Public Administration, may count in any of the concentrations.
Concentration in State and Local Government: Students will choose 12 semester credit hours from the following graduate courses. None of these courses require stem work.

- POL 586* Grant Research and Writing (3 hours)
- POL 530 American Political Institutions (3 hours)
- POL 531 American Political Behavior (3 hours)
- POL 560 Seminar in American National Politics (3 hours)
- POL 562 Seminar in Political Theory (3 hours)
- POL 585 Public Policy Formulation and Implementation (3 hours)
- SOC 576 Sociology of Community (3 hours)
- GBA 562 Managerial Law (3 hours)

Concentration in Comparative and International Relations: Students will choose 12 semester credit hours from the following lists. None of these courses require stem work.

Nine semester credit hours from the following courses:
- POL 567 Seminar in International Relations (3 hours)
- POL 571 Comparative Political Analysis (3 hours)
- POL 572 Seminar in Comparative Politics (3 hours)
- POL 573 Theory and Method of International Relations (3 hours)

And 3 semester credit hours from the following courses:
- GEO 472 Ethnic Texas: A Multicultural Geography (3 hours)
- HIST 583 United States Diplomatic History (3 hours)
- HIST 593 European Diplomatic History (3 hours)
- HIST 585 Latin American History (3 hours)
- HIST 589 Great Britain and the British Empire (3 hours)
- HIST 591 Asian History (3 hours)
- POL 586 Grant Research and Writing (3 hours)
- SOC 574 Sociology of Religion (3 hours)
- SOC 589 Seminar in Social Change and Development (3 hours)

Concentration in Financial Management: Students will choose 12 semester credit hours from the following courses. Some courses may require stem work.

- ACC 468 Governmental and Nonprofit Accounting (3 hours)
- ACC 535 Financial Reporting and Business Decisions (3 hours)
- ACC 564 Accounting for Management (3 hours)
- ECO 570 Economic Theory (3 hours)
- FIN 531 Introduction to Institutions, Investments, and Managerial Finance (3 hours)
- FIN 537 Problems in Administrative Finance (3 hours)
- FIN 569 Seminar in Investments (3 hours)
- *POL 586 Grant Research and Writing (3 hours)

Concentration in Criminal Justice: Students will choose 12 semester credit hours from the following:

- CJ 530 Critical Analysis of Justice Administration (3 hours)
- CJ 534 Courts as Organizations (3 hours)
- CJ 632 Resource Development in the Organizational Context (3 hours)
- CJ 633 Seminar in Organization and Administration (3 hours)
- CJ 635 Seminar in Leadership and Management (3 hours)
- CJ 687 The Ethics of Criminal Justice (3 hours)
- *POL 586 Grant Research and Writing (3 hours)
Concentration in Human Service and Health Administration: Students will choose 12 semester credit hours from the following graduate courses:

- CJ 668 Seminar on Drugs, Society and Policy Issues (3 hours)
- HED 470 Study of AIDS (3 hours)
- HED 531 Foundation of Community Health (3 hours)
- HED 533 Colloquium in Human Sexuality (3 hours)
- HED 534 Colloquium in the Use and Abuse of Drugs (3 hours)
- HED 565 Aging and Health Promotion (3 hours)
- PSY 530 Psychopathology (3 hours)
- SOC 565 Seminar in Race and Ethnic Studies (3 hours)
- SOC 572 Sociology of the Family (3 hours)
- SOC 587 Gender and Society (3 hours)
- ECO 579 Seminar in Labor Economics (3 hours)

Senior Courses Open to Graduate Students

Courses in Political Science (POL) at the 400-level may be taken in limited numbers for graduate credit. They are listed below, but see the undergraduate catalog for the course descriptions. Those courses listed as “General Courses” will generally fit one of the concentrations, depending on the topics covered.

**AMERICAN POLITICS**
- POL 433 Constitutional Law. Credit 3.
- POL 472 Political Attitudes and Behavior. Credit 3.

**COMPARATIVE POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**
- POL 482 International Conflict and Terrorism. Credit 3.

**GENERAL COURSES**
- POL 481 Problems in Political Science. Credit 3.
- POL 495 Directed Studies and Internships in Political Science. Credit 1-3.

**POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**CORE COURSES**

**POL 562 Seminar in Political Theory.**
The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research. The course may be repeated for credit when the announced topics vary. Credit 3.

**POL 577 The Scope and Methods of Political Science.**
This is a study of the discipline of modern political science and an inquiry into the literature, scope, and techniques of research with particular emphasis upon the mathematical and quantitative methods of empirical research. Credit 3.

**AMERICAN POLITICS**

**POL 530 American Political Institutions.**
This course offers an overview of American national political institutions: Congress, the Presidency, and the Judiciary. The course covers classics in the literature of the sub-fields as well as current research questions and controversies. Students will engage in research and writing. Credit 3.

**POL 531 American Political Behavior.**
This course is designed to provide an overview of the scholarship in the field of American Political Behavior. The course explores political ideology,
attitudes and beliefs, public opinion, voting behavior, political parties, interest groups, and mass movements. Students will engage in research and writing. Credit 3.

**POL 560 Seminar in America Politics.**
The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research. The course may be repeated for credit when the announced topics vary. Credit 3.

**COMPARATIVE POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

**POL 567 Seminar in International Relations.**
The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research. The course may be repeated for credit when the announced topics vary. Credit 3.

**POL 571 Comparative Political Analysis.**
A comprehensive overview of the theories, concepts, and methods of comparative analysis. The techniques of comparing political systems are examined, as are the major concepts of comparative politics, such as political elites, institutions, public policy, development and modernization, elections and political behavior, mass movements, and revolution and political violence. The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research. Credit 3.

**POL 572 Seminar in Comparative Politics.**
The seminar will focus on such topics as political development, sustainability, comparative institutions, comparative public policy, transitions to democracy, and opinions and behavior. The seminar may also focus on one or more regions or individual countries. The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research. The course may be repeated for credit when the announced topics differ. Credit 3.

**POL 573 Theory and Method of International Relations.**
This study places emphasis on the attempts to construct a general theory of international relations and the evolution of international relations methodology. Attention is also given to such techniques as systems analysis, decision-making, conflict resolution, and field theory. The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research. Credit 3.

**PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND PUBLIC POLICY**

**POL 538 Victims Politics and Policies.**
The course explores the political environment in which victims’ rights policies are formulated. The course offers future victim service providers a framework for understanding how political institutions and policies affect victim services provision. The course will lead to knowledge of the appropriate literature and student engagement in research or professional practice. Credit 3.

**POL 582 Seminar in Public Administration.**
The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research. The course may be repeated for credit when the announced topics vary. Credit 3.

**POL 585 Public Policy.**
This course involves the consideration of the process of public policy formulation, governmental planning, and administrative decision-making. Attention is given to the public administrator as a policy-maker and as one responsible for policy implementation. The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research. Credit 3.

**POL 730 Public Policy and the School District.**
Examines school districts as systems of governance in American communities and the problems associated with governance, with particular empha-
sis upon educational issues. Topics may include democratic theory, local political systems, intergovernmental relations, relationships with citizens, and political accountability. The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research. Credit 3.

**PA 581 Dynamics of Public Administration.**
Examines the history and theoretical basis of public administration and the basic issues that confront it, including administrative responsibility and ethics, and the formulation and implementation of public policy. The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research. Credit 3.

**PA 583 Program Evaluation.**
Examines techniques for the collection, manipulation, interpretation, and presentation of data and information in public policy/management processes, and demonstrates application of the techniques using computer technology. The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research and/or professional practice. Credit 3.

**PA 584 Organizational Theory and Behavior.**
This course covers the major topics, issues, and contributions in the literature on organizations, their structures and functions, and the behavior of people in them, with emphasis on applications to government and nonprofit organizations. Examples and exercises refer to organizations at federal, state, and local levels of government and to a variety of nonprofit organizations, such as hospitals, social service agencies, and faith-based/non-governmental organizations. The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research and/or professional practice. Credit 3.

**PA 586 Leadership and Human Resource Management.**
This course provides an understanding of the evolution and context of the public service. The reasons for merit and its unique political and management problems are addressed. Specific topics include: human resources planning, recruitment and selection, performance evaluation, compensation, promotion and benefits, staff development, labor relations, discipline, and control structures. The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research and/or professional practice. Credit 3.

**PA 587 Local Government Budgets and Financial Management.**
Examination of the public budgetary process and related financial management techniques. The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research and/or professional practice. Credit 3.

**PA 588 Ethics in Government.**
This course provides a review of classical and contemporary literature on the role and practice of ethics in public administration. Contemporary empirical research, case studies, and ethical problem solving are also addressed. A primary theme of the course will be fostering and applying “right action” and “good conduct” in public organizations and public policy making. The course engages students in appropriate research and/or professional practice. Credit 3.

**GENERAL COURSES**

**POL 578 Problems and Internships in Political Science.**
This course is designed for topics in which the subject cuts across two or more areas of concentration. The course may be taken on an individual basis with the permission of the Political Science Department Chair. The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research and/or professional practice. May be repeated when topic varies. Credit 3.
POL 579  Workshop: Teaching Political Science.
Developed specifically for public school teachers, the course will offer a variety of topics useful to classroom teaching. Topics will vary according to need and the instructor but may include Texas politics, constitutional issues, current elections, and using technology in the class classroom. The course covers the relevant literature and engages students in appropriate research and/or professional practice. The course may be repeated for credit when the announced topics differ. Credit 3.

POL 698,  Thesis.
699 Students will make use of appropriate literature and research techniques in the development of the thesis. Credit 3.

* POL/PA 595 Internship and Work Experience in Public Services.
This course is useful for students who desire substantive work experience in a governmental or non-governmental organization. This course will allow students to take a 6 hour, 12 month internship. The internship is required for the MPA degree and fulfills a requirement by its accrediting agency NASPAA, the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration. Enrollment is by permission of the Director of Graduate Studies. The course engages students in appropriate professional practice. Credit 1-3.
The Department of Psychology and Philosophy offers Master of Arts (M.A.) degrees in General Psychology, Clinical Psychology, and School Psychology, and a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree in Clinical Psychology.

The Master of Arts in Psychology

The Department of Psychology and Philosophy offers Master of Arts degrees in General Psychology, Clinical Psychology, and School Psychology.

The Clinical and School programs are designed to produce effective Master's-level practitioners. The General program does not involve training in the delivery of psychological services, but does — like the Clinical and School programs — prepare students for further graduate study and/or junior college teaching.

Admission Requirements

Requirements for admission include:
1. 18 hours of coursework in undergraduate Psychology that includes a course in Research Methods and a course in Statistics;
2. a 3.0 undergraduate grade point average;
3. three letters of recommendation;
4. a statement of personal interests and goals; and
5. submission of scores on the General Test of Graduate Record Examination (GRE).

Ordinarily, the most useful letters of recommendation come from university faculty who are able to describe the applicant's potential for success in graduate study. The Department does not use a recommendation form; ask referees to send letters on their own letterhead directly to the Coordinator of the Master's programs, whose address is below.

Students admitted to the Master's programs in Psychology at SHSU have average undergraduate GPAs of 3.4 and average GRE scores (Verbal & Quantitative combined) of 1085. Those whose scores are not that high may still wish to apply. We recognize that students do not always demonstrate their potential for professional success through such traditional criteria. We seek promising students from all backgrounds who will enhance our program and, later, professional psychology. High test scores and grades do not guarantee acceptance, and students whose lower scores are offset by other exceptional qualifications may be admitted. In any case, all applications must be complete (with transcripts, GRE scores, letters, and a personal statement of interests and goals) before any form of admission is possible.

Students may begin study at the beginning of any semester or summer session. The application deadline for admission to the fall semester is July 1. The deadline for spring admission is November 1, and the deadline for summer admission is April 1.
Applications are evaluated when they are complete, and offers of admission are made on a rolling basis, so please note: We do not always have space remaining in our programs when an application deadline arrives. You should always apply for admission as soon as possible. Please also note that several of our admission requirements, policies, and deadlines differ from those of other programs at SHSU.

In addition, once they have completed their first 18 hours of graduate study, all students must be admitted to candidacy for the Master of Arts degree before continuing their graduate coursework. As part of this process, students are asked to submit satisfactory scores on the Psychology Subject Test of the GRE. Unsatisfactory performance on the exam, in one’s classes, or in one’s practicum training may block a student from further graduate training.

Inquiries about the Psychology Master’s programs and requests for application materials can be sent to:

A. Jerry Bruce, Ph.D.
Coordinator of PSY Master’s Study
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Sam Houston State University
Box 2447
Huntsville, TX 77341-2447
Telephone: (936) 294-1173
Email: bruce@shsu.edu

Information and materials are also available at www.shsu.edu/~psy-www/ma.htm.

**Degree Requirements**

Students in all of our master’s programs must pass a written Comprehensive Exam at the close of their training in order to claim their M.A. degree. Students must be enrolled in the University during the semester or summer session in which the comprehensive exam is administered.

**M.A. in Clinical Psychology**

There are two plans of study in our **Clinical** track. The first involves 45 hours of coursework and includes a Master’s thesis. The second is a non-thesis option that involves 48 hours of study and that replaces the thesis with selections from a group of approved courses. Both of the Clinical tracks are applied programs that include 450 clock hours of supervised practicum experience, and both prepare students either for ultimate licensure as Psychological Associates or as Licensed Professional Counselors in Texas.

**Thesis Option: 45 hours**

**Required General Core:**

A. Your choice of:
   - PSY 532 Advanced Social Psychology or
   - PSY 597 Advanced Developmental Psychology

B. Your choice of:
   - PSY 536 Advanced Cognitive Psychology,
   - PSY 560 Advanced Physiological Psychology, or
   - PSY 581 Advanced Learning Theory

C. PSY 587 Advanced Statistics

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Required Clinical Core:
A. PSY 533 Theory and Research in Psychotherapy I
B. PSY 530 Psychopathology
C. PSY 594 Psychometrics, PSY 595 Assessment of Intelligence and Achievement, and PSY 596 Assessment of Personality and Psychopathology
D. PSY 691 Practicum I, PSY 692 Practicum II, and PSY 693 Practicum III

Thesis Courses:
A. PSY 698 Thesis I and
   PSY 699 Thesis II

Two Electives:
These may be any graduate courses on campus.

Non-Thesis Option

Required General Core:
A. Your choice of:
   PSY 532 Advanced Social Psychology or
   PSY 597 Advanced Developmental Psychology
B. Your choice of:
   PSY 536 Advanced Cognitive Psychology,
   PSY 560 Advanced Physiological Psychology, or
   PSY 581 Advanced Learning Theory.
C. PSY 587 Advanced Statistics

Required Clinical Core:
A. PSY 533 Theory and Research in Psychotherapy I
B. PSY 530 Psychopathology
C. PSY 594 Psychometrics, PSY 595 Assessment of Intelligence and Achievement, and PSY 596 Assessment of Personality and Psychopathology
D. PSY 691 Practicum I, PSY 692 Practicum II, and PSY 693 Practicum III

Two Electives:
These may be any graduate courses on campus.

Supplemental Practitioner Courses:
Three courses in addition to those above selected from:
PSY 534 Theory and Research in Psychotherapy II
PSY 539 Advanced School Psychology
PSY 561 Neuropsychopharmacology
PSY 581 Advanced Learning Theory
PSY 582 Advanced Industrial/Organizational Psychology
PSY 694 Practicum in Psychometrics

M.A. in School Psychology
The School Psychology track is a 60-hour program that provides the training needed for certification by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) and licensure as a Licensed Specialist in School Psychology in Texas. It includes 300 hours.
of practicum experience and a year-long internship in public schools. The program is approved by NASP.

Psychological Foundations (21 hours)
- PSY 530 Psychopathology
- PSY 560 Advanced Physiological Psychology
- PSY 581 Advanced Learning Theory
- PSY 587 Advanced Statistics
- PSY 597 Advanced Developmental Psychology
- PSY 760 Multicultural Psychology or BSL 571 or CNE 592
- SPD 535 Education of Individuals with Disabilities

Educational Foundations (6 hours)
- ASE 532 Administration and Organization of Public Schools
- SPD 568 Teaching Methods for Learners with Mild to Moderate Disabilities

Assessment (12 hours)
- PSY 594 Psychometrics
- PSY 595 Assessment of Intelligence and Achievement
- PSY 535 Assessment of Children
- PSY 694 Practicum In Psychometrics

Intervention (6 hours)
- PSY 533 Theory and Research in Psychotherapy I
- PSY 535 Special Problems in Psychology: Consultation

Professional Practice (15 hours)
- PSY 539 Advanced School Psychology
- PSY 691 Practicum I: Counseling Practicum
- PSY 692 Practicum II: School Practicum
- PSY 671A Master’s Internship in Psychology: Part I
- PSY 671B Master’s Internship in Psychology: Part II

M.A in General Psychology
The General track is a 36-hour program that concentrates on the scientific sub-disciplines of psychology. Both a thesis track and non-thesis option are available. Both tracks allow several electives, providing students the opportunity to pursue personal academic and research interests.

M.A. in General Psychology—Thesis Option
This plan involves 36 hours of coursework that includes a Master’s thesis. It does not allow training in the delivery of psychological services, but it does provide more elective flexibility than our other programs do.

Required General Core:
A. PSY 532 Advanced Social Psychology
B. PSY 536 Advanced Cognitive Psychology
C. PSY 560 Advanced Physiological Psychology
D. PSY 581 Advanced Learning Theory
E. PSY 587 Advanced Statistics
F. PSY 597 Advanced Developmental Psychology
Thesis Courses:
A. PSY 698 Thesis I and 
   PSY 699 Thesis II

Four Electives:
These may be any graduate courses on campus.

M.A. in General Psychology—Non-Thesis Option
A. PSY 531 Graduate Seminar in General Psychology
B. PSY 532 Advanced Social Psychology
C. PSY 536 Advanced Cognitive Psychology
D. PSY 560 Advanced Physiological Psychology
E. PSY 581 Advanced Learning Theory
F. PSY 587 Advanced Statistics
G. PSY 588 Introduction to Experimental Design
H. PSY 597 Advanced Developmental Psychology

Four Electives:
These may be any graduate courses offered by SHSU. Concentrations in Criminal Justice, Business, or any other field are possible. Any Psychology courses on campus other than PSY 595, PSY 596, and the Practicum courses are also open to you.

The Doctor of Philosophy in Clinical Psychology

Mission

The Clinical Psychology Ph.D. Program seeks to train professionals with a broad knowledge of scientific psychology who will be skilled clinicians. Consistent with the training model first enunciated by the American Psychological Association at the Boulder Conference in 1949, the program’s educational philosophy is to produce scientists/practitioners who possess expertise in both research and clinical practice. The department believes that experience in applied settings produces scientists who are sensitive to pragmatic issues and who are on the cutting edge of research questions essential to practitioners in the field. Conversely, clinicians who have been trained as scientists understand emerging research results and assimilate them into their daily practice. Consistent with the Boulder Model, psychology’s dominant training model, all students are required to complete a dissertation and to be enrolled full-time. The demands of the program’s training are not amenable to part-time or weekend course schedules.

Clinical psychology is the psychological science that seeks to understand, assess, and treat psychological disorders and conditions. Sam Houston State University Psychology students’ published research has examined test development, personality assessment, psychopathology, gender and minority issues, and public policy, among other topics. The students’ practicum experiences have involved work with severely disturbed clients, people with brain injuries, persons with addictions, troubled adolescents, children and families, and persons in the legal system. Practicum settings have included a variety of inpatient and residential settings (neuropsychiatric, rehabilitation, and university medical center), private psychological practices, and university counseling center. In addition, the program operates its own Psychological Services Center where students encounter a broad range of community clientele.

Additionally, the Ph.D. Program exposes all students to applications of clinical psychology within the legal system (such as explaining psychopathology to the courts, intervening with families in the social service system, providing psychological treatment to
victims and offenders) such that students who desire substantial expertise in forensic psychology will have the basic preparation they need to pursue postdoctoral specialty training and conduct legally-relevant clinical psychology research.

Program Goals

Goal 1: To produce graduates who have a broad knowledge of scientific psychology including its history of thought and development, research methods, and applications.

Goal 2: To produce graduates with the skills to conduct meaningful research that adds to the current body of knowledge in psychology.

Goal 3: To produce graduates who have the knowledge and skills to excel in the practice of clinical psychology.

Goal 4: To provide opportunities for researching and applying clinical psychology to the legal arena.

Admission Requirements

Furnish the following materials by January 20:

1. Application to Graduate Studies at SHSU with nonrefundable $20 application fee.
2. Application to the Clinical Psychology Ph.D. Program with nonrefundable $20 fee. (Please use a second, separate check.)
3. Official transcripts from all universities attended. Neither photocopies nor forms that are "issued to student" will be accepted; please instruct the Registrar to send transcripts directly to Sam Houston State University.
4. An official score report of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).
5. An official score report of the Advanced Psychology Test of the GRE.
6. Three letters of recommendation that speak to applicant’s promise for doctoral study in clinical psychology. References should be addressed directly to SHSU and should be written on the referrer’s letterhead.
7. An essay of no more than two pages explaining applicant’s interest in (a) clinical psychology and (b) SHSU’s Clinical Psychology Ph.D. Program.
8. Applicant resume or curriculum vitae.
9. Applicant publications (if available).

Please note: SHSU’s Office of Graduate Studies has its own application process, so two separate application forms and two separate checks are necessary.

The typical academic profile of students in the Clinical Psychology Ph.D. Program includes a 3.7 undergraduate GPA and 1200 (combined total Verbal and Quantitative) GRE. However, promising students from all backgrounds who will enhance the program and, later, professional psychology are sought. High test scores and grades do not guarantee acceptance, and students whose lower scores are offset by other exceptional qualifications may be admitted. New students may join the program with either a baccalaureate or a master’s degree. For application forms or further information, write or call:
Requirements for Completion of the Ph.D. Program

All formal requirements for completion of the Ph.D. are described in the Clinical Psychology Doctor of Philosophy Program Handbook and may vary from one student to another depending on previous academic preparation. The following guidelines are offered to demonstrate the nature of the doctoral program and should not be misconstrued as representing the formal requirements for a Ph.D.

1. A course of study beyond the master’s degree designed in consultation with the Director of Clinical Training that will provide the student with in-depth knowledge in the areas of research and statistics, the broad bases of psychology, and clinical psychology. This course of study is sequential, cumulative, graded in complexity, and designed to prepare students for further organized training.

2. Enrollment as a full-time student (i.e., a minimum of 9 credit hours per semester) on campus for at least four consecutive long (i.e., Fall, Spring) semesters.

3. An average of 3.0 (B) must be maintained by the student in all courses in which he/she registers after admission into the doctoral program. Students should consult the Program Handbook for a more detailed description of policies regarding academic standards.

4. Passing a written comprehensive examination or successfully defending a major area paper which integrates at least 3 core areas.

5. Completion and defense of a doctoral dissertation that is the product of original scholarly research and is of such quality as to represent a meaningful contribution to knowledge in the field of psychology.

6. Completion of a year-long pre-doctoral internship, during which the student works full-time in an applied clinical setting.

7. Completion of the degree within 6 years from the first semester of registration as a doctoral student.

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The Doctor of Philosophy in Clinical Psychology

The Doctoral Curriculum

General Psychology Courses

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Cognitive-Affective Basis of Behavior
- PSY 532 Advanced Social Psychology 3 SCH
- PSY 536 Advanced Cognitive Psychology or
- PSY 581 Advanced Learning Theory or
- PSY 792 Emotions 3 SCH
- PSY 588 Introduction to Experimental Design 3 SCH
- PSY 597 Advanced Developmental Psychology 3 SCH
- PSY 760 Multicultural Psychology 3 SCH

Total: 15 SCH

Required Clinical Psychology Courses
- PSY 530 Psychopathology 3 SCH
- PSY 533 Theory and Research in Psychotherapy I 3 SCH
- PSY 594 Psychometrics 3 SCH
- PSY 595 Assessment of Intelligence and Achievement 3 SCH
- PSY 596 Assessment of Personality and Psychopathology 3 SCH
- PSY 730 Clinical Psychology Proseminar 3 SCH
- PSY 736 Mental Health Law 3 SCH
- PSY 739 Developmental Psychopathology 3 SCH
- PSY 762 Ethics in Clinical Practice 3 SCH
- PSY 770 Empirically Supported Treatments 3 SCH
- PSY 860 Forensic Assessment I 3 SCH

Total: 33 SCH

Clinical Psychology Elective (select 2 of 3)
- PSY 534 Theory and Research in Psychotherapy II 3 SCH
- PSY 596 Assessment of Personality and Psychopathology 3 SCH
- PSY 733 Law and Social Psychology 3 SCH
- PSY 735 Law and Psychology 3 SCH
- PSY 774 Human Neuropsychology 3 SCH
- PSY 861 Forensic Assessment II 3 SCH

Total: 6 SCH

Practica and Internships
- PSY 691 Practicum I 3 SCH
- PSY 692/693 Practicum II/III, or
- PSY 882 Doctoral Clinical Practicum I (two sections needed) 6 SCH
- PSY 882 Doctoral Clinical Practicum I 3 SCH
- PSY 883 Doctoral Clinical Practicum II 9 SCH
- PSY 890 Internship I 1 SCH
- PSY 891 Internship II 1 SCH
- PSY 892 Internship III 1 SCH

Total: 24 SCH

Thesis
- PSY 698 Thesis I 3 SCH
- PSY 699 Thesis II 3 SCH

Total: 6 SCH
Dissertation
PSY 896  Dissertation I  3 SCH
PSY 897  Dissertation II  3 SCH
PSY 898  Dissertation III  3 SCH
PSY 899  Dissertation IV  3 SCH

Total:  12 SCH

Grand Total:  108 SCH

* Students entering with a master’s degree in psychology and have completed similar courses as part of their degree may have courses waived at the discretion of the Ph.D. Program faculty.

Graduate Courses
500-599 — introductory master’s courses open to master’s and doctoral students
600-699 — advanced master’s courses open to master’s and doctoral students
700-799 — introductory doctoral courses open to doctoral students and selected master’s students
800-899 — advanced doctoral courses open to doctoral students only

PSYCHOLOGY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

PSY 530  Psychopathology.
This course examines psychological disorders and involves review, critical evaluation, and integration of current scientific literature regarding diagnosis, phenomenology, and etiology. Issues in the application of the multiaxial diagnostic system in clinical practice are discussed.

PSY 531  Graduate Seminar in General Psychology.
This course surveys the science of psychology, providing an advanced synthesis of the scientific study of human behavior that includes the biological, perceptual, developmental, and social determinants of behavior, emotion, and cognition.

PSY 532  Advanced Social Psychology.
This course examines social factors that influence individual behavior. Integrative theoretical perspectives and emerging programs of research within the discipline are given specific consideration. Readings include a variety of original sources.

PSY 533  Theory and Research in Psychotherapy I.
This course is a comparative analysis of different systems and techniques of psychotherapy. The role of therapist, client, and setting are examined along with ethical principles.

PSY 534  Theory and Research in Psychotherapy II.
This course examines in detail selected advanced systems or techniques of psychotherapy, including group therapy, marital and family therapy, therapy for sexual dysfunction, or others. Content may vary from semester to semester.

PSY 535  Special Problems in Psychology.
This course allows for in-depth study in individually selected topics not specifically included in the formal course offerings. Prerequisite: Consent of department chair and instructor.

PSY 536  Advanced Cognitive Psychology.
This seminar-style course examines the major psychological issues related to cognition. Topics covered include attentional processes, memory, language, knowledge representations, decision making, problem solving, and cognitive neuroscience. By combining reading assignments in the textbook
and current research articles, in-class discussions explore the relationship between empirical evidence and theoretical explanations of cognitive processes. This course includes a specific focus on the practical applications of cognitive theories and research.

**PSY 538 Consultation in School Psychology.**
Various methods and techniques of consultation in schools are examined and applied. Best practices according to the National Association of School Psychologists provide the basis for the curriculum. The course has both didactic and field experience components.

**PSY 539 Advanced School Psychology.**
This course is designed to acquaint the student with history, theory, delivery models and techniques underlying the practice of school psychology. Various historical and contemporary roles of the school psychologist are examined in addition to a thorough examination of all applicable federal and state laws. There is also a field experience aspect to the course.

**PSY 560 Advanced Physiological Psychology.**
This course examines the biological substrates of behavior. Particular attention is given to the effects of psychoactive chemicals.

**PSY 561 Neuropsychopharmacology.**
This course examines the field of behavioral pharmacology: the systematic study of the effects of drugs on behavior and the way in which behavioral principles can help in understanding how drugs work. The focus is on the neurophysiological mechanisms of action of various psychoactive drugs and on the various neurotransmitter systems within the nervous system. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

**PSY 581 Advanced Learning Theory.**
This course examines processes of learning through a critical discussion of current research and theory in the areas of classical conditioning, operant conditioning, and social and cognitive influences in learning.

**PSY 582 Advanced Industrial/Organizational Psychology I.**
This course provides an integration of psychological principles as applied to industrial/organizational milieu. The focus is on the application of research methodology, psychological assessment, and personality theories to the work environment.

**PSY 583 Advanced Industrial/Organizational Psychology II.**
This course provides an integration of psychological principles as applied to organizational environments. The focus is on the application of research methodology, psychological assessment, and social psychological theory to leadership, employee satisfaction and motivation, behavioral analysis and conflict resolution, and intervention in work related stress.

**PSY 585 Advanced Health Psychology.**
This course explores in depth the theoretical and conceptual foundations of health psychology, the interactions of biological, psychological, and social factors in health, health promotion and prevention, stress and coping with disease and illness, and recovery and rehabilitation to acute, chronic, and terminal illness, including a variety of specific assessment and intervention strategies. A review of the literature and independent research is expected.

**PSY 587 Advanced Statistics.**
This course is an advanced study of the use of statistical methods as tools for inferential hypothesis testing. It includes consideration of data screening, effect sizes, and simple effects tests. It also provides an introduction to multiple regression. Prerequisite: PSY 387 or equivalent.

**PSY 588 Introduction to Experimental Design.**
This course teaches students skills that will allow them to design their own scholarly research projects. Students are encouraged to understand that
research design often requires finding the right balance between advantages and disadvantages of specific methods. Students will become familiar with the current scholarly literature regarding research design and will write an independent research proposal that can serve as a thesis or dissertation proposal.

**PSY 592 History and Systems of Psychology.**
This course examines the philosophical, theoretical, and paradigmatic antecedents of modern psychology. Important early publications, central figures, and major university centers are studied in detail, and students explore and critique the assumptions that inform influential perspectives within psychology today.

**PSY 594 Psychometrics.**
This course covers principles of psychometric theory and applications, including reliability, validity, and test construction. The course emphasizes tests and scales that measure personality and mental health. Limited practicum is required.

**PSY 595 Assessment of Intelligence and Achievement.**
The course provides supervised instruction and practice in the administration, scoring, interpretation, and reporting of results of the Wechsler Scales and other measures of intelligence, achievement, adaptive behavior, and personality to produce integrated reports. Prerequisites: PSY 594 or equivalent.

**PSY 596 Assessment of Personality and Psychopathology.**
This course provides supervised instruction in the theory, administration, scoring, and interpretation of personality assessment instruments. Two separate sections of this course are offered, one focusing on objective measures (e.g., MMPI-2, PAI) and one focusing on projective measures (e.g., Rorschach).

**PSY 597 Advanced Developmental Psychology.**
The course provides an advanced study of growth and development processes throughout the life cycle. Theories and applications of basic research are both examined in detail, and students are expected to delve into one of the major topics—such as multicultural aspects of development, cognitive development, social-emotional factors, and physical development—in depth through critical reading of original research.

**PSY 598 Advanced Child Psychology**
Students will gain in-depth practical experience in the comprehensive assessment of infants, children, and adolescents. A variety of individual testing instruments will be reviewed, including those used to evaluate cognitive, social-emotional, behavioral and executive functioning. Alternative methods of assessment, such as transdisciplinary play-based assessment, dynamic assessment, and curriculum-based measurement, as well as techniques and instruments specifically designed for the evaluation of Autism and other disabled populations, will be emphasized.

**PSY 671 Master's Internship in Psychology.**
This course is designed to be the culmination of the master’s level training in applied psychology. Students will be required to demonstrate their ability to integrate and apply their knowledge.

**PSY 691 Practicum I.**
The practicum experience is designed to provide the graduate student with an opportunity to develop interviewing skills, provide an introduction to psychotherapy, and bring together theory and practice as a developing psychologist. The first practicum course begins with the assumption that the student has had little to no experience in this domain. Ethical issues related to clinical practice are thoroughly explored.
PSY 692 Practicum II.
The practicum experience provides students with an opportunity to bring theory and practice together to develop their psychotherapy skills. Students are assigned to practicum sites where they provide therapy to clients with various psychological disorders and problems in living. Ethical issues in treatment are also covered.

PSY 693 Practicum III.
The practicum experience provides students with an opportunity to bring theory and practice together to develop their psychotherapy skills. Students are assigned to practicum sites where they provide therapy to clients with various psychological disorders and problems in living. Ethical issues in treatment are also covered.

PSY 694 Practicum in Psychometrics.
The practicum experience is designed to provide the graduate student with an opportunity to develop skills in administration, scoring, interpreting, and reporting of psychological tests, including the Rorschach Comprehensive System and related instruments. This practicum is taken in conjunction with PSY 596.

PSY 698 Thesis I.
This first phase of the Thesis includes a review of the literature, research design, collection of pilot data, and related steps. Students are required to present and defend a research proposal.

PSY 699 Thesis II.
The second phase of the Thesis includes data collection, manuscript preparation, and a final defense of the Thesis.

PSY 730 Clinical Psychology Proseminar.
This course introduces students to the field of clinical psychology, to current topics in clinical psychology, and the areas in which clinical psychologists practice and conduct research. The students are also introduced to the research programs and clinical interests of the core faculty in the Clinical Psychology Ph.D. Program. As part of the course, students are expected to begin scholarly work with a faculty member of their choice.

PSY 733 Law and Social Psychology.
This course applies social psychological theory and research to the legal system. Critical examination of contentious topics such as recovered memories, false confessions, eyewitness adequacy, and death qualification is undertaken through careful study of a wide variety of original sources. The influence of social class in legal settings is also considered.

PSY 735 Law and Psychology.
This course explores historical and contemporary applications of the social sciences to the law. Special emphasis is placed on the use of information derived from the science and profession of psychology to shape judicial, legislative, and administrative law.

PSY 736 Mental Health Law.
This course explores state and federal constitutional, statutory, and case law regulating mental health professional practice. Topics include: child abuse/neglect reporting laws, civil commitment, confidentiality and privilege, duty to protect third parties from harm, psychiatric hospitalization of inmates, and state licensing requirements.

PSY 739 Developmental Psychopathology.
This course examines psychological disorders among children and adolescents, as understood through current empirical literature. Drawing from developmental psychology and general systems theory, the course emphasizes the ways in which biological, social, and psychological processes interact in the development of--or resistance to--psychopathology. The course
is designed to help students appropriately consider the contextual and developmental influences on child psychopathology when the students review or conduct research. The course also helps clinicians-in-training thoroughly consider developmental and contextual factors when assessing and diagnosing childhood psychopathology.

**PSY 760 Multicultural Psychology.**
This course examines the theoretical and methodological foundations of multicultural psychology. Students review and critique current research in the field and discuss applications of the course content to their practicum training and placements.

**PSY 762 Ethics in Clinical Practice.**
This course studies the APA Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct as well as various specialty guidelines and recommendations and their applications to practice, research, and consultation. The literature on ethics is critically examined and readings include a variety of original sources. Students examine case material that features ethical conflicts and controversies, and students practice processes to resolve ethical dilemmas.

**PSY 770 Empirically Supported Treatments.**
This course examines the psychosocial treatments for specific psychological disorders (e.g., depression, panic disorder) that have received substantial empirical support. The course also examines the methodological, practical, and political controversies surrounding the empirically supported treatment movement. All students are required to use at least one EST with a practicum client while enrolled in this course.

**PSY 774 Human Neuropsychology.**
This course examines brain-behavior relationships, including higher cortical functions. Specific consideration is given to the most common neurobehavioral syndromes likely to be confronted in clinical practice, administration of tests that are used to assess neuropsychological functioning, coverage of critical issues in differential diagnoses involving neuropsychological functioning, intervention implications, and scholarly research in clinical neuropsychology.

**PSY 787 Multivariate Statistics in Psychology.**
This course examines the use of multivariate procedures in psychological research. Students use SPSS to conduct regression, MANOVA, discriminant analysis, and factor analyses on psychological data. Additional advanced procedures are reviewed.

**PSY 792 Topics in Clinical Psychology.**
This course will vary in content depending on the interests of faculty and students. Students will study in-depth selected topics in clinical psychology.

**PSY 860 Forensic Assessment I.**
This course examines issues related to conducting assessments for the criminal courts. Students review and critique current research in forensic psychology, as well as developing case law. Emphasis is placed on constructing the written report and on the ethical issues often faced in the forensic forum. This course will include a practicum component in which students perform forensic assessments with the instructor.

**PSY 861 Forensic Assessment II.**
In this course students continue to develop skills in forensic assessment with an emphasis on the civil case issues (e.g., juvenile evaluations, personal injury, and child custody). Current research in forensic psychology, as well as developing case law, are reviewed. Providing expert testimony in the courtroom will be discussed in detail, and students are required to participate as witnesses defending a case they have completed in a mock trial exercise. Prerequisite: PSY 860
PSY 882  Doctoral Clinical Practicum I.
In this practicum, students are assigned to the Psychological Services Center operated by program faculty or a related practicum site. Students attend a didactic course that emphasizes clinical assessment and integrated report writing. Students also participate in a practicum component that allows them to practice assessment skills under supervision from a licensed psychologist in the program.

PSY 883  Doctoral Clinical Practicum II.
In this practicum, students who have completed PSY 882 are eligible to engage in clinical work either at the Psychological Services Center or at various off-campus clinical practicum sites. Students will continue to enroll in this course for a total of at least 3 semesters (minimum 9 credit hours). Students may register for between 1 and 3 course credits. Prerequisite: PSY 882.

PSY 890  Internship I.
Placement in an applied clinical setting for a full year (e.g., September - August) under the supervision of a licensed psychologist. APA-approved sites are preferred. Prerequisites: PSY 882, PSY 883, and consent of Clinical Training Committee.

PSY 891  Internship II.
Placement in an applied clinical setting for a full year (e.g., September - August) under the supervision of a licensed psychologist. APA-approved sites are preferred. Prerequisites: PSY 890 and consent of Clinical Training Committee.

PSY 892  Internship III.
Placement in an applied clinical setting for a full year (e.g., September - August) and under the supervision of a licensed psychologist. APA-approved sites are preferred. Prerequisites: PSY 891 and consent of Clinical Training Committee.

PSY 896-899  Dissertation.
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

The Department of Sociology is committed to high quality instruction and research in sociology. Students who enter the graduate program will receive advanced and updated instruction in quantitative and qualitative techniques of sociological research, social statistics, classical and contemporary sociological theory, and major substantive areas in the field. The primary objective of the Department is to provide students with the advanced professional skills to analyze social issues in applied settings.

Admission Requirements

Students seeking admission to the graduate program in Sociology must meet the following requirements:

1. Submit a Graduate Studies Application for Admission with the application fee to Graduate Studies.
2. Submit official transcripts of all college-level work, including the transcript that shows the date the undergraduate degree was conferred.
3. Submit GRE scores.
4. Submit three letters of recommendation that discuss the applicant’s suitability for graduate study.
5. Non-Sociology majors/minors must complete the following undergraduate stem courses with a grade of B or better: SOC 366 Research Methods in Sociology; SOC 383 Social Statistics; SOC 386 Sociological Theory

A holistic review of each student’s application file will be completed on a competitive basis.

Degree Requirements

A student majoring in Sociology may choose from: Master of Arts, Plan I or Master of Arts, Plan II.

Master of Arts, Plan I. Plan I requires 30 hours of graduate credit, 24 of which must be in Sociology and must be in courses numbered 500 or above with the exception of SOC 698 and SOC 699. A thesis of 6 semester hours (SOC 698 and SOC 699) in Sociology is also required. This program is designed for students who wish to continue graduate education or whose professional interests require the enhancement of analytical skills.

Students majoring in Sociology who select the Master of Arts, Plan I are required to write a master’s thesis. The thesis is an original research work which is designed to demonstrate the candidate’s theoretical, methodological and substantive skills in the discipline.

Master of Arts, Plan II. Plan II requires a minimum of 36 hours of graduate credit, 24 of which must be in Sociology and must be numbered 500 or above. This plan does not require a thesis and is designed for students who wish to concentrate on the development of their applied professional skills.

Students pursuing a Master’s Degree in Sociology must take the following core courses:

- SOC 585 Seminar in Sociological Theory (Credit 3)
- SOC 567 Seminar in Sociological Research (Credit 3)
- SOC 543 Social Statistics (Credit 3)
Students must also take at least one among the remaining core courses:
SOC 532  Applied Research Methods (Credit 3)
SOC 568  Techniques of Research Proposal Writing in the Social Sciences (Credit 3)

Students must also select at least one of the following specializations:

Specialization # 1 - Sociology of the Environment and Development
Students must select two among the following courses: Seminar in Social Change and Development (SOC 589); Seminar in Environmental Sociology (SOC 564); Sociology of Community (SOC 576).

Specialization # 2 - Sociology of Inequality
Students must select two among the following courses: Seminar in Social Inequality (SOC 582); Seminar in Social Change and Development (SOC 589); Seminar in Race and Ethnic Studies (SOC 565); Gender and Society (SOC 587).

Specialization # 3 - Sociology of Culture and Institutions
Students must select two among the following courses: Sociology of Religion (SOC 574); Sociology of the Family (SOC 572); Sociology of Community (SOC 576); Gender and Society (SOC 587).

Courses listed under two different specializations may be simultaneously employed to satisfy the requirements of each of these specializations.

Comprehensive Examinations
After completing coursework and before completing the master’s thesis, students are required to take their comprehensive examinations. Students must be enrolled in the University the semester or summer session in which the comprehensive exam is administered. The comprehensive exams for the Master’s Degree in Sociology are divided into three parts.

The first exam consists of a written examination in theory and methods. This is a test of concepts in sociological theory and methodology. It is administered in an eight-hour session twice a year.

The second exam consists of a written examination in the specialty area(s) selected by the student. Students must select at least one of the specialties offered in the Sociology program. If the student elects to have more than one specialty area he/she will take one eight-hour exam for each of the selected specialties.

The third exam is an oral exam which is designed to address issues pertaining to sociological theory and method and the special area(s) selected by the student.

Exam Administration
The comprehensive exams will be written and administered by the Graduate Examination Committee. This is a committee which is appointed annually by the Department Chair and consists of four (4) members of the Graduate Faculty. The Committee’s duties involve: preparing and grading the written exams and administering the oral exams. The oral exams are open to the other faculty members who, however, do not vote on the performance of the student.
SOCIOLOGY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

This course studies specialized research methods including evaluation re- search and social needs assessments for sociology and related social sci- ences. It reviews current literature and prepare students to conduct scientific research. These methods vary from the more common survey techniques by the nature of the unit of analysis (most often a case study), the types of data collection (interviews, focus groups, and existing data), and the analytical techniques used (more qualitative). Generally, these techniques are applied to the solution of community problems. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

SOC 543 Social Statistics.
This course focuses upon various statistical techniques used to analyze survey data including descriptive and inferential statistics, cross tabulation, ANOVA, correlation and regression. Lectures, assigned readings and proj- ects are used to describe and illustrate advanced literature on the logic, inter- pretation, and assumptions of each statistical model. Emphasis is placed upon understanding of the techniques and their assumptions as well as applications. Research activities based on the use of statistical techniques are included in the course. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor. Credit 4.

SOC 564 Seminar in Environmental Sociology.
Through a review of advanced literature, this course provides graduate stu- dents a thorough background in the major theoretical perspectives regard- ing environmental sociology. This background will enable students to view environmental issues from alternative positions and to formulate possible solutions to contemporary environmental problems. The course focuses on the social construction of the environment and on environmental problems and solutions. Research activities based on acquired knowledge are in- cluded in the course Credit 3.

SOC 565 Seminar in Race and Ethnic Studies.
This course includes in-depth examination and critique of important mono- graphs and journal literature dealing with the social life of American minori- ties. It is designed to promote mature scholarship in the study of literature drawing from influences, ideologies, structural forces and changes charac- teristic of the social life of comparative minority groups. Students will be re- sponsible for researching and identifying sociological propositions reflected in the discerned patterns of interaction occurring in selected institutions in contemporary American society. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or con- sent of instructor. Credit 3.

SOC 567 Seminar in Sociological Research.
This course includes the analysis of updated literature on the advanced study of logic, principles, and procedures involving techniques of design data collection and organization, analyses and interpretation for qualitative and quantitative sociological research. Students are responsible for employ- ing research techniques to conduct investigations. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

SOC 568 Techniques of Research Proposal Writing in the Social Sciences.
The purpose of this course is to provide students with a critical understanding of the principal technical and theoretical skills necessary for the develop- ment of research projects in the social sciences. Furthermore, it investigates the primary assumptions of qualitative and quantitative research stressing their scopes and limits. Through an examination of advanced literature on the epistemological characteristics of major paradigms in the social sci-
ences, the course illustrates various analytical techniques necessary for the preparation of research proposals. This activity includes techniques for the identification of research questions, the development of justifications, the integration of theories and methods, and the development of analytic designs. This is a course specifically designed for students who would like to be involved in research grant writing and in conducting research. Credit 3.

**SOC 572 Sociology of the Family.**
This course consists of the review of advanced literature on the study of the family as a social institution. It begins with a traditional functional analysis of the institution and follows with critical and interactionist interpretations. Current changes in the institution using historical and global perspectives constitute the bulk of the course. Students are encouraged to be engaged in research on pertinent topics. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

**SOC 574 Sociology of Religion.**
This course consists of a review of advanced literature on the study of religion as it operates in society. It examines religious beliefs, religious rituals, group religious experience, and the religious community. Using a cross-cultural perspective, the course investigates the roots of religion in non-industrial societies and follows with an analysis of religion in industrial societies. Students are encouraged to be engaged in research on pertinent topics. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

**SOC 575 Graduate Readings in Sociology.**
Independent study of subjects not covered in the regular graduate curricula, including independent study of particular value to students needing to pursue a special subject related to thesis. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

**SOC 576 Sociology of Community.**
This course reviews advanced literature on the organization, structures, groups and interaction pertaining to communities. Attention is given to social forces within communities, patterns of change and the relationship with society. Alternative theoretical perspectives analyzing community are presented along with views on the current conditions and future perspectives of communities in the United States and in other regions of the world. Students are encouraged to be engaged in research on pertinent topics. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

**SOC 582 Seminar in Social Inequality.**
This course reviews advanced literature on contemporary class, status and power hierarchies with emphasis on empirical research pertaining to placement in these hierarchies on the basis of birth-achieved statuses such as sex, race, and class origin. Consideration is also given to contemporary and classical sociological theories of social inequality. Students conduct research on pertinent topics. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

**SOC 585 Seminar in Sociological Theory.**
The course is an advanced historical survey of the most significant 19th and 20th century developments in sociology with emphasis placed on the relevance of classic sociological theory in the formation and development of contemporary sociological theory. The characteristics and origins of major sociological schools are explored including the study of the works and ideas of Emile Durkheim, Karl Marx and Max Weber. Additionally, illustrations of the basic assumptions of Neo-Marxism, Critical Theory, Interactionism, Functionalism and Postmodernism are provided. Accounts of these paradigms are presented together with their theoretical ramifications. Students will be able to apply these theories to appropriate research topics. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor. Credit 3.
The course reviews advanced literature and research on the social construction of gender and provides students a framework for critical thinking concerning gender roles in contemporary U.S. society. The course uses a socio-historical approach to investigate the concept of gender and its relationship to sexuality. Credit 3.

SOC 589 Seminar in Social Change and Development.
This is a graduate seminar that reviews advanced literature on the origins and modern accounts of the major theories of social change and development. Beginning with the classic works of Marx, Weber and Durkheim, contemporary theories of economic and social development are investigated. Emphasis is placed on various understandings of the concept of development and analyses of the evolution of social change and relations under capitalism. The course will explore Neo-Marxist theories of Dependence, World System and Articulation of Modes of Production along with Neo-Weberian and Modernization theories. Additionally, a review of post-modern critiques of capitalist development is presented. The Seminar will conclude with some observations on the emerging globalization of society and its implications on social and economic institutions. Students are encouraged to engage in research on pertinent topics. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

SOC 660 Seminar in Sociology.
This seminar is designed to provide an examination and study of substantive areas and/or sociological significant issues not covered in other departmental offerings. Particular attention is on current literature presented in the context of papers and discussion. May be repeated. Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor. Credit 3.

SOC 698 Thesis Practicum.
Students are encouraged to initiate planning and formulation of approved problems in conjunction with coursework in Methods and Theory. Credit 3.

SOC 699 Thesis.
The completion and accepted defense of Thesis. The student must be registered in SOC 699 the semester in which the master’s degree is to be completed. Credit 3.
THE UNIVERSITY CENTER

Sam Houston State University in conjunction with five universities and the North Harris Montgomery Community College District formed The University Center, a multi-institutional teaching center, to provide unduplicated bachelor’s and master’s degree programs to the north Houston, north Harris County and Montgomery County service area. Courses completed as part of these programs carry residence credit.

The University Center serves as the site for multi-level instruction in a classroom/laboratory facility of approximately 72,000 square feet adjacent to the Montgomery College campus providing an interactive, technology-based extension that connects all of the colleges of NHMCCD and the partner universities. The goal is to provide a facility and an interconnected telecommunications system for delivery of unduplicated baccalaureate, master’s, and doctoral degree programs, advanced work training, and professional development at the same quality level as the university home-base of the programs.

Sam Houston State University has approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to offer various degree programs at The University Center.

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