

SMITH-HUTSON EMBA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY
APPLICATION DEADLINE – MARCH 10, 2024

Smith-Hutson Scholarships are intended for applicants with an established financial need. This application is for a scholarship up to a total of \$40,000 for First Year students to fund the full two-year program and up to \$20,000 for Second Year students to attend the **Executive MBA in Banking and Financial Institutions** at Sam Houston State University.

The EMBA is a 36-hour program over a two-year period. An annual one-week residency at the main campus is required prior to the start of each fall semester along with a one-day Conference each spring semester. Outside of these two residencies, coursework [18 credit hours each year] will be completed entirely online.

The **2024 Fall Cohort** begins with the one-week residency on August 18 – 23, 2024 with a one-day spring Conference [TBD]. The scholarship requires that the applicant have a bachelor's degree from an accredited university, complete the FAFSA, have an established financial need, and be accepted into the EMBA Program. Applicant must be available for an in-person interview on campus at Sam Houston State University [TBD].

The Scholarship Recipient will be recognized at the **Texas Bankers Hall of Fame Gala on April 25, 2024.**

PERSONAL INFORMATION

First Name: _____

Middle Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Preferred to be called by: _____

Home Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Citizenship: _____ [Must be a U.S. Citizen & Texas resident to apply]

Gender: Male Female

Employer: _____

Title: _____

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

| DATES | COLLEGE/PROGRAM | CITY/STATE | DEGREE/CERTIFICATE |
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Names of **ALL** persons currently living in your home (excluding yourself):

| NAME | RELATIONSHIP | AGE |
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With the submission of this application, I certify that the information I have provided is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize the university to verify the information and I understand I may be asked to provide supplemental documentation to confirm financial and/or academic eligibility.

I authorize Sam Houston State University to release my academic transcript and financial information to the Smith-Hutson Scholarships and/or its designees.

I hereby grant Sam Houston State University and Smith-Hutson Scholarships, its directors, officers, employees, agents, and any designee, non-revocable permission to capture my image and likeness in photographs, videotapes, motion pictures, recordings, or any other media (collectively "Images").

If selected, I agree to attend the Texas Bankers Hall of Fame Gala on April 25, 2024.

Scholarship selection will be at the sole discretion of the Smith-Hutson Scholarship Committee. The Smith-Hutson EMBA Scholarship Committee does not discriminate or select based on gender, ethnicity, race, sexual orientation, age, religious beliefs, social/economic class and/or marital status.

Applicant Signature

Date

Application packet must be date stamped via email by 5:00 p.m. [CST] on March 1, 2024 and must include the following:

- Application Form – Completed and signed.
- Resume to include work history and community involvement.
- One-page narrative (double spaced) describing how this EMBA will assist in developing your career in banking.
- Two letters of recommendation:
 - From bank Senior Vice President or above, if currently employed.
 - From COBA professor if currently enrolled as Undergraduate
- Confirmation of acceptance to the EMBA Program at Sam Houston State University.

Please submit all requested articles to pamthaler@shsu.edu.

For questions, please contact:
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