

Cost of Program and Fees

The cost of tuition and fees at Sam Houston State University can be found on the Admissions web page: <http://www.shsu.edu/admissions/cost.html>. Additional cost of the program may include:

1. Costs associated with background checks, drug screenings, and HIPAA Training.
2. Fees for on-line courses. There are two required courses in the MSAT program that are taught exclusively online (HLTH 5378 and HLTH 5371). This is a total of six credit hours of online work required within the MSAT program.
3. Required access to the ATrack on-line database where each individual student uploads documents, log hours, and track progress on learned competencies across the program.
4. Cost of clothing that complies with the dress code/policy at individual clinical sites. Most commonly, this includes khaki slacks and/or shorts, polo shirt, and athletic footwear with a closed toe. At some clinical sites, students may be required to dress in business formal which may include a dress shirt or blouse, tie, suit or jacket, and dress shoes.
5. Personal transportation to all clinical sites. Students have input on their assignment to these locations.
6. If required by the clinical site, additional background checks or drug screening. Students will have input on their assignment to these locations.
7. Additional costs associated with obtaining a passport and travel expenses for students who choose to study abroad or travel to immersive clinical sites outside of the local area.

Table 1: Estimated MSAT Expenses

Estimated Program Expenses		
Expenses	Estimated US Dollar Amount	Estimated Frequency
Background Check (National Name Based and Fingerprints)	\$85.00	1*
Drug Screen	\$45.00	1*
ATrack	\$90.00	1 Must have access for Year 1 and Year2 in program.
CPR Certification	\$50.00	2 Initially done with application to program, recertification done prior to graduation.
HIPAA Training	\$15.00	1
Travel to Clinical Sites (From SHSU campus; calculated at \$0.54 per mile)	\$3,780.00	1 This amount will vary depending on the location of the clinical experience placement and where the student chooses to complete the immersive clinical experience requirement. This is an estimate of the cost for a two-year program including four clinical experiences and one immersive clinical experience.
On-line Course Fees (Students are not required to take on-line courses, but typically do take some during their degree)	\$303.00	2 There are two courses in the MSAT that are offered exclusively on-line.
Estimated Two-Year Program Cost		\$4,676.00

Please note that the amounts represented in this table are estimates.

**Some clinical sites may require additional background checks and drug screens.*

Request for Programmatic Fee

A formal request has been sent forward to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to consider a programmatic fee for the MSAT program at SHSU. If approved, a fee of \$300 would be assessed each term during enrollment in the program (summer year 1, fall year 1, spring year 1, summer year 2, fall year 2, and spring year 2). The MSAT is a 6-semester program. If approved, students will pay a total of \$1800 in programmatic fees during the entire two-year graduate program. The table below demonstrates the proposed fee and breakdown of the total cost per student to cover these specific certifications, training, supplies, exams, and equipment.

Table 2: Proposed MSAT Fee Allocation

Proposed Programmatic Fee Allocations for MSAT Program	
Annual Program Polo Shirt (x2)	\$70
One-Time initial start-up shoulder pack with PPE and diagnostic instruments (x1)	\$150
BOC Practice Exams (x4)	\$120
ATrack Clinical Documentation System (student subscription \$90 one-time; program fee \$450 annually)	\$115
Embedded Casting and Bracing Certification from ASOP	\$450
Embedded Certification for Specialized Therapeutic Interventions	\$400
Laboratory Expendable Supplies and Annual Maintenance Fees for Equipment.	\$495
Total Program Expense per Student	\$1,800

Current students will be notified in writing if this fee proposal is approved along with notification of when the semester fee will begin to be assessed.