BE BOLD.
#BEABEARKAT
ACOMPLISH YOUR DREAMS

At SHSU, you’ll have access to world-class faculty, knowledgeable staff, and leading-edge facilities. Our alumni include CEOs of major corporations, influential legislators, professional athletes, and Oscar-nominated film directors. Whatever your dream may be, we’re here to support you every step of the way.
90+ UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES OFFERED

23:1 STUDENT-TO-FACULTY RATIO

25 AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

50+ LANGUAGES SPOKEN CAMPUS-WIDE
UNLEASH YOUR POTENTIAL

We’ve got your back. The moment you step on campus, you’ll discover a wealth of resources and unlimited opportunities to immerse yourself in the Bearkat experience. You’ll discover your passion, your purpose, and, most importantly, yourself.

FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE PROGRAM (FYE)  // shsu.edu/fye
FYE includes UNIV 1301, a three-credit-hour, first-year introduction to college studies, and First-Year Learning Communities, which are groups of students who take classes together. In UNIV 1301, you will lay the groundwork for extraordinary academic and personal growth. Explore, elevate, and transform your college experience!

STUDENT ADVISING AND MENTORING CENTER (SAM CENTER)  // shsu.edu/samcenter
The SAM Center is a resource dedicated to helping undergraduate students adjust to academic life at Sam Houston State University. Services offered, which are varied and designed to elevate students’ academic and personal skills, include academic advising, academic improvement mentoring, and study skills workshops.

BEARKAT CAMP  // shsu.edu/bearkatcamp
Whether you are an incoming freshman or a transfer student, you have the opportunity to take part in Bearkat Camp and experience the spirit, pride, and tradition that have been a part of SHSU since 1879. The freshman camp is four days, three nights, while the transfer camp is two days, one night.
FIRST-YEAR LEARNING COMMUNITIES (FLCs)  
// shsu.edu/flc

FLCs allow you to take classes with students who have the same interests or major as you. Joining an FLC provides a unique opportunity to build a supportive academic community and develop valuable friendships at the start of your first year. With residential and non-residential learning community options and a variety of majors and themes, there is a learning community for everyone!

ACCEPTED STUDENTS & BEARKAT ORIENTATION  
// shsu.edu/asbo

The Accepted Students & Bearkat Orientation Office assists students and their families as they become part of the Bearkat family at SHSU. Once accepted, students are encouraged to use resources such as the Accepted Student Checklists to help them adapt to life at SHSU. All incoming freshmen are required to attend an orientation session to help with their transition.

THE ELLIOTT T. BOWERS HONORS COLLEGE  
// shsu.edu/honors

The Honors College offers interdisciplinary courses and cultural and social experiences for its community of scholars, leading to a broad and intellectually stimulating educational experience that emphasizes undergraduate research.

There are always activities going on in the campus, and by expanding my comfort zone and trying new things, I have made lifelong friends and experienced things I never thought I would.

-TYRA S.
FRIENDSHIPS THAT LAST

There's a reason all first-year students who have been out of high school for less than a year are required to live in university residence halls: Research shows that students who live on campus have higher GPAs and are more likely to graduate in four years. But it's about more than good grades. When you live in one of SHSU's many on-campus residences, you'll adjust more quickly to university life, have easy access to classrooms and dining facilities, and develop lifelong friendships.

Learn more // shsu.edu/reslife
SHAPE YOUR FUTURE

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
// shsu.edu/orglink
Social networking, resume building, leadership development, and new friendships—these are just a few of the benefits that come with being involved on campus. With over 260 organizations that are actively engaged on campus, it is easy to find one that is right for you. Students and the campus community can search for organizations through OrgLINK, SHSU’s online involvement system.

INTERNSHIPS
// shsu.edu/careerservices
Internships are one of the most important factors to gaining successful employment after graduation. Internships offer many benefits besides extra money or academic credit. In an internship, you can:
- Gain real-life work experience
- Test the waters in a variety of career fields
- Connect with experienced people who can mentor you

CAREER SERVICES
// shsu.edu/careerservices
Undecided? Need help choosing a major? SHSU Career Services offers you a variety of complimentary services, including career counseling and assessments. We can also help you select your major and assist with finding internships, part-time jobs, and full-time employment opportunities when you graduate.

STUDY ABROAD
// shsu.edu/study-abroad
The world is interconnected. From global commerce to geopolitical issues, the ability to think globally while acting locally will be critical to your success. SHSU offers students the opportunity to engage in an educational and cultural learning experience. Students can study abroad at one of our exchange universities, through an affiliated accredited organization, or as part of a faculty-led course. There are hundreds of programs available across all regions of the world, ensuring there is something for everyone!
21,000+ students from 70+ countries

63% of students are female

1 of 357 community engaged universities (as classified by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education)
LET YOUR KATTRIBUTES SHINE

At SHSU, you’ll develop five key “Kattributes” that will prepare you for the workforce and beyond. These skills will make you more attractive to employers and set you apart from the competition.

BE PROUD // #BEABEARKAT

ETHICS
Living by a moral compass for honest, responsible behavior

CAREER READY
Being self-reflective and flexible: dependable and courageous

COMMUNICATION
Developing healthy relationships, successful interactions, and deep learning

TEAMWORK
Being part of a culture of collaboration that produces more and better results

CRITICAL THINKING
Analyzing and evaluating in order to make informed and thoughtful decisions
AN INVESTMENT YOU CAN AFFORD

Everyone who works on campus truly cares for the students. You never know when you might meet someone who could become a valued mentor!

-ZACHARY L.

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APPROXIMATE COST (PER SEMESTER)       $9,544

OPTIONAL PARKING PERMIT (ONE YEAR)    $198

* Based on Fall 2019 rates and subject to change. Please contact the Bursar’s Office for the most up-to-date financial information. For international and out-of-state costs, please go to shsu.edu/cost.

TERRY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

// shsu.edu/terry-foundation

The Terry Scholarship includes a generous award that covers six to eight full semesters of tuition, books, and expected on-campus living expenses at SHSU. Terry Scholars also benefit from specialized mentoring, as well as outstanding opportunities for personal and professional development through service activities.

In keeping with the Foundation’s desire for Terry Scholars who are well rounded and hard working, applicants will be evaluated with respect to three evenly weighted criteria: academic performance, as evidenced by grades, class rank, and ACT or SAT scores; demonstrated leadership skills, especially within one’s school and local community; and financial need. The Terry Foundation Application is available through Scholarships4Kats. Applicants must complete the general scholarship application first and then the specific Terry Foundation Application.
AN INVESTMENT YOU CAN AFFORD

BEARKAT PROMISE
shsu.edu/bearkatpromise
The Bearkat Promise guarantees all participating students enough grant and scholarship funds to cover the cost of mandatory* tuition and fees for 15 credit hours per semester!
*The Bearkat Promise does not cover other non-mandatory fees.

SCHOLARSHIPS
shsu.edu/scholarships // (936) 294-1774
The Financial Aid & Scholarships Office administers more than 600 scholarships for achievement in academic, leadership, honors, and extracurricular activities.

SHSU uses a streamlined application, Scholarships4Kats, allowing students to be automatically considered for all relevant scholarships. Once accepted to SHSU, students have access to the online scholarship application portal.

STUDENT MONEY MANAGEMENT CENTER
shsu.edu/smmc // (936) 294-2600
The services of the SMMC are designed to give students superior financial education that will allow them to understand their fee statements, reduce their student debt, navigate the process of student loan repayment, and be able to stay in school.

FINANCIAL AID
shsu.edu/finaid // (936) 294-1774
Financial aid consists of grants, scholarships, loans, and work study. Most aid, except for scholarships, is based on individual need and eligibility.

- **Grants** are gift aid and do not have to be repaid.
- **Scholarships** are generally merit-based gifts that do not require repayment.
- **Loans** must be repaid with interest.
- **Work Study** provides wages for part-time employment with SHSU.

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available on October 1. For faster processing, apply online at [fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov). The school code for SHSU is 003606. The FAFSA priority deadline is November 1.

**PAYING FOR COLLEGE IS SIMPLE AT SHSU**

72% OF STUDENTS RECEIVE SOME FORM OF FINANCIAL AID
APPLY

IN A FEW EASY STEPS
Apply as a freshman if you are in your final year of high school or attending college for the first time. Visit the link below to find all the information and resources you need to determine if you are ready to be a freshman Bearkat.

Learn more // shsu.edu/admissions

-complete-the-online-application-for-shsu
Pay the $45 non-refundable application fee at ApplyTexas.org.

-submit-your-transcript
Ask your high school to send an official transcript to Sam Houston State University (code: 003606) at the time you apply. Upon graduation, ask your high school to send an official final transcript with final GPA, date of graduation, and graduation plan.

-submit-your-test-scores
Contact the appropriate testing agency to request an electronic submission of your test scores be sent to SHSU.
- SAT school code 6643
- ACT school code 4162

APPLICATION DEADLINES
FALL // August 1
SPRING // December 1
SUMMER // May 15

REQUIREMENTS
Eligible applicants should graduate high school with one of the following diploma types: Foundations with Endorsement(s)* or Distinguished Level of Achievement.

AUTOMATIC ACCEPTANCE**
Automatic acceptance for top 10% regardless of high school GPA or ACT or SAT score.

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* The endorsement earned must be noted on the transcript provided.
** Based on a 4.0 scale
The Recreational Sports Center offers a weight room and cardio area, 34-foot climbing and bouldering walls, a swimming pool, an indoor track, and basketball and volleyball courts. Enjoy our different programming such as:

- **INTRAMURAL SPORTS** – Compete and have fun with your friends on campus in individual and team competitions.
- **CLUB SPORTS** – Over 18 student organizations compete regionally and nationally in their chosen sport. Join teams in sports such as lacrosse, volleyball, wrestling, rugby, or even Quidditch!
- **AQUATICS & SAFETY** – Get CPR-certified, become a lifeguard, or swim for fitness.
- **OUTDOOR RECREATION** – Challenge yourself on the climbing wall, rent gear, or join us on one of our weekend adventure trips.
- **FITNESS** – Try any one of our GroupX classes, work out with a personal trainer, or meet with a nutrition educator to get your fitness goals on track.
Please visit shsu.edu/degrees for a full listing. Concentrations may be available.
MAJORS FOR PRE-HEALTH PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS

Pre-health professional students are not required to major in a specific subject, but they must meet the entrance requirements for the professional school of their choice. Below are the recommended majors that most closely align with those requirements. More details about each area are available online.

Learn More // shsu.edu/oppa/majors
SHSU offers tours during weekdays and on specified Saturdays; Spanish tours are also available. To schedule an appointment, call Visitor Services at (936) 294-1844, email seesam@shsu.edu, or visit our website at shsu.edu/visit.

SATURDAY@SAM
SHSU offers campus preview days in both the spring and the fall. Learn more and sign up online at shsu.edu/saturday.