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Veterans Resource Center New Student Checklist

Applying or Newly Accepted

- Download and follow the new student orientation guide for your benefit https://www.shsu.edu/dept/veterans-resource-center/
- Once accepted activate your computer account through SamWeb. Contact the IT@SAM Helpdesk at servicedesk@shsu.edu or call 936-294-1950 for assistance.
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Follow up on your Financial Aid Status on My Sam or by calling 936-294-1774. Complete the Scholarships4Kats application.

Becoming a BearKat

 SHSU students will be required to submit proof of having received the Meningitis A vaccination before being able to register for the upcoming semester. Please note, if you have already submitted your Meningitis A form to the Student Health Center and have not been notified that your form was not accepted for incomplete data, you should be able to register for classes as soon as registration opens.

Note: If you are 22 or older, this requirement does not apply to you

- Apply for on-campus housing through the Department of Residence Life. All first-year students who have been out of high school for less than a year are required to live in university residence halls and participate in the university meal plan. For assistance contact 936-294-1812.
- Schedule an appointment at the academic advisor in the Student Advising and Mentoring (SAM) Center, located in the College of Humanities & Social Science Building – Suite 170. For assistance, call 936-294-4444.
- Request your Bearkat OneCard, the official ID of SHSU, in person (Main campus Estill Building, Suite 230 or The Woodlands Center One Stop Shop) or online. You must present a valid government or state issued photo ID in order to request your Bearkat OneCard.

BearKat Bound

- o Sign up for Transfer Orientation through the Accepted Students & Bearkat Orientation office.
- Meet with a Career Services counselor to assist you in meeting your career development and planning needs such as choosing a major, exploring career options, or preparing for your job search. For drop-in hours or an appointment calls 936-294-1713.
- If you will be parking a vehicle at SHSU, please make sure to register your vehicle with the Department of Public Safety Services and acquire an electronic permit to park. An ePermit is required to park on all SHSU campuses at all times and range in fees and duration. Options range from hourly and daily ePermits to full academic year ePermits. For more parking information, including contact information, please go to www.shsu.edu/parking.
- Pay your tuition and fees by the deadline stated on your fee statement. To pay in person, visit the Estill Building – Suite 103.

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