WHAT’S A BEARKAT?
- Approximately 45% are the first in their family to attend college
- About 60% are classified as “At Risk”
- Over 75% of students work while pursuing a degree
- 63.6% two-year graduation rate
- 24% Hispanic undergraduate population: Hispanic Service Institution (HIS) designation
- Carnegie Commission of Higher Education: Doctoral Research University (DRU) designation
- 1 of 114 Community Engaged DRUs

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE
- First medical college—College of Osteopathic Medicine: Self-funded, clinically focused, community based. Official opening May, 2020. First class of 75 students to be welcomed in August
- 2nd largest paid alumni group in Houston
- New initiative to co-brand opportunities for “completer” student populations
- Engineering Technology: utility infrastructure partnership with Quanta Services
- Numerous 2- to 4-year direct pathway projects
- 5-year classroom teacher retention rate is one of the highest in the state
- College of Criminal Justice ranked #3 in research (CWUR)
- “Best Master’s in Information Assurance & Security Programs Online for 2018” (Editor’s Choice)
- 397 nursing students; 2019 cohort NCLEX pass rate was 100%
- Ranked No. 1 by Study.com for “Best Online Colleges & Schools in Texas”
- Named among the “Best Online Colleges for Veterans and Their Families in 2018”
- “Best College for Master’s Degree Programs Online for 2018” (Editor’s Choice)

STUDENT SUCCESS
- ELITE Program began 2010
  - Recruits minority males
  - 212 students
  - 3.0 average GPA
  - 88% retention rate
  - 33% 4-year graduation rates
  - 64% 6-year graduation rates
- From Fall 2010 – Fall 2019:
  - African American students increased by 37%
  - Hispanic students increased by 95%
- Named to top 10 performing institutions in the country for Latino students
- Student Money Management Center ranked 5th out of the “Top 50 Financial Literacy Programs of 2018” by LendU
- For the past 5 years, over 70% of graduates are working in Texas within 12 months (one of the highest in the state)

INNOVATION FOCUS
- Re-imagining The First Year and Beyond
  - 1 of 44 participating institutions
  - Supported by Gates Foundation and Strada
- Frontier Set
  - 1 of 31 participating institutions
  - Supported by Gates Foundation
- RFY and Frontier Set will:
  - Cultivate a growth mindset
  - Encourage students to increase course load
  - Redesign our advising center
  - Require co-requisite math courses
  - Expand EURECA
  - Focus on Teaching Innovation Grants program
- Time to degree has decreased from 4.9 years to 4.4 years

OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY
- Expenditure increases FY15 – FY19
  - 62.8% academic areas
  - 33.5% scholarships and fellowships
  - 3.7% administrative
- 24% of $388M budget is state funded
- 3rd to bottom in per student funding
- 33% below average state funding per student
- Student/faculty ratio of 24:1
- Less than 2% of courses have greater than 100 students

UNIVERSITY SUCCESS
- 58% of SHSU faculty are tenure/tenure track compared to national average of 43%
- 52% increase in minority faculty since 2010
- Ranked 7th out of the top 50 Online RN to BSN for 2018
- 3rd Best Online Graduate Criminal Justice Programs
- 2nd in Texas in the Social Mobility Index
- Safest campus in Texas and 28th in the Nation
- Named 3rd Most Affordable Accredited Online Colleges