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
• 24.7% Hispanic undergraduate population:
• 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

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
• 2nd in Texas in the Social Mobility Index
• Safest campus in Texas and 28th in the Nation
• Named 3rd Most Affordable Accredited Online Colleges