



Message from the President

Dear Graduate:

We at Sam Houston State University are pleased and honored to share such a wonderful milestone with you today. Your degree represents a significant accomplishment in your life, and I congratulate you on the attainment of this goal.

When you first began your college career, I'm sure you had dreams of what you wanted to achieve. Your degree is tangible evidence of your success in making those dreams reality, and we are happy to have been a part of your education. We hope your association with us will continue, and as an alumnus you will feel the same pride for our university that you felt when you were here as a student.

Your graduation is the beginning of a new and exciting journey into a world filled with glorious opportunities. I urge you to keep alive your love for your alma mater and always remember you are a part of Sam Houston State University, a great name in Texas education.

Sincerely,

Dana L. Gibson





Sam Houston State University Alma Mater

**Hail to Sam Houston,
School we love best,
Mighty in battle,
True to the test.
Bearkats so loyal,
Ever we'll be.
Orange and white will lead
Us to victory!**

**Hail, Alma Mater
Hats off to you,
Ever you'll find us
Loyal and true;
Firm and undaunted,
Ever we'll be,
Here's to the school we love
Here's a toast to thee.**

*(First verse by Allen R. Hightower III, sung at August 9, 2003
commencement by composer: second verse, anonymous.)*



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SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT

Summer 2011

Bernard G. Johnson Coliseum

Saturday, August 6, 2011

Morning Ceremony

9:30 a.m.

*College of Criminal Justice
College of Humanities and Social Sciences
College of Fine Arts and Mass Communication
College of Sciences*

Saturday, August 6, 2011

Afternoon Ceremony

2:30 p.m.

*College of Education
College of Business Administration*

Presiding

Jaimie L. Hebert, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

PROCESSIONAL

Pomp & CircumstanceSHSU Brass and Percussion Ensemble
Edward ElgarBrian Gibbs, Conductor
Rebecca Grimes, Song Leader

The audience will stand for Posting of the Colors and remain standing respectfully until the ROTC Color Guard has exited the coliseum.

Posting of the ColorsSHSU ROTC Color Guard

The Star-Spangled BannerRebecca Grimes, Song Leader
Text: Francis Scott Key; Music: John Stafford Smith

Introduction of the SpeakerDana L. Gibson
President, Sam Houston State University

Commencement Address

Saturday, August 6, 2011 Brian McCall, Ph.D.
Chancellor, The Texas State University System

Alma MaterRebecca Grimes, Song Leader
Anonymous/Allen R. Hightower

Conferring of DegreesDana L. Gibson

Remarks to the Graduates Alan Tinsley
President, Alumni Board of Directors

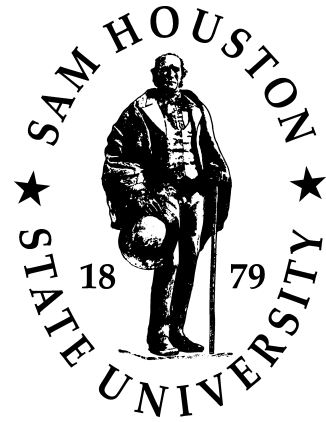
Auld Lang SyneRebecca Grimes, Song Leader
Robert Burns

RECESSIONAL

RondeauSHSU Brass and Percussion Ensemble
Jean-Joseph Mouret Brian Gibbs, Conductor

Audience seated for Processional and Recessional

As a courtesy, please refrain from using noise makers during the graduation ceremony.



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The Platform Party enters first; the faculty enter in the following order:

***Saturday, August 6, 2011
Morning Ceremony***

- College of Criminal Justice, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, College of Fine Arts and Mass Communication, College of Sciences.
- Dr. Jerry Bruce of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences is the Mace Bearer.
- Ms. Penny Hasekoester will introduce the graduates.

***Saturday, August 6, 2011
Afternoon Ceremony***

- College of Education, College of Business Administration.
- Dr. Leroy Ashorn of the College of Business Administration is the Mace Bearer.
- Dr. Ed Blackburne will introduce the graduates.

Commencement Speaker



CHANCELLOR BRIAN MCCALL

Brian McCall, Ph.D., is Chancellor of the Texas State University System, the oldest and third-largest university system in Texas, comprising eight universities and colleges with more than 76,000 students and 15,000 faculty and staff.

Dr. McCall previously served in the Texas House of Representatives, first elected in 1991 to represent the areas of North Dallas, Frisco, Allen and Plano. As a Representative, he served as Chairman of the House Calendars Committee and as a member of the Higher Education Committee. *Texas Monthly* magazine named Dr. McCall one of the “10 Best” legislators for the 2009 legislative session.

Dr. McCall wrote and passed one of the largest tax-cut bills in the history of Texas and during his last session secured \$5 million in funding for The University

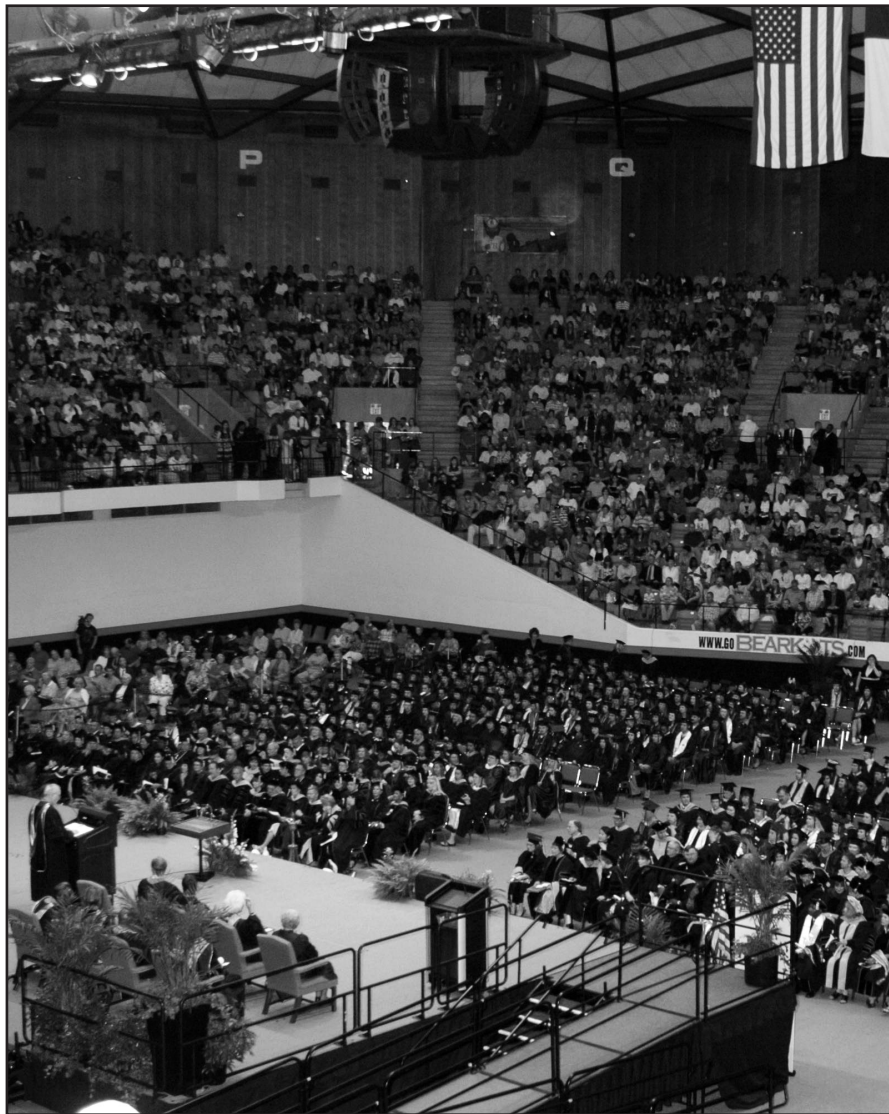
of Texas at Dallas’ Center for Values and Medicine. Other legislative accomplishments include authoring and passing key bills in the areas of health care, biotechnology, high technology, identity theft and tax, and tax and budget policy.

Dr. McCall was President of Westminster Capital Corporation, an investment firm focused on acquisitions primarily in software and technology. He also serves on the board of View Point Bank, and along with his brother, David, operates Snow Hill Farm north of Dallas.

Dr. McCall holds a bachelor’s degree from Baylor University, a master’s degree from Southern Methodist University, spent a year as a visiting post-graduate student at Oxford University, and earned a doctor of philosophy degree from University of Texas at Dallas.

A long-time civic and community volunteer, Dr. McCall is founder and Chairman of the Board of The Empowerment Project, a non-profit organization which has sent more than \$10 million worth of math and science books to disadvantaged schools in the Republic of South Africa, and helped construct a library in Vietnam through the Libraries of Love organization. The Empowerment Project also raised more than \$350,000 to provide direct support for the medical needs of children in North Texas.





Guidelines for Guests

Commencement is a significant and solemn event, the recognition of years of study. To make it more meaningful to all guests, participants are requested to avoid all unnecessary conversation and movement during the exercises.

Only the official photographer is allowed on the floor by the stage. After the graduate has crossed, guests may take pictures in the holding area adjacent to the stage.

Candidates will cross the stage as listed in the program.

Audience is asked to remain seated for processional and recessional.

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University Mace

The University Mace is symbolic of the authority of the Board of Regents, The Texas State University System, and the Office of the President of Sam Houston State University. The mace, used in academic convocations, is carried by the senior tenured faculty member of the University. The initial use of the University Mace at Sam Houston State University was on the occasion of the summer commencement on August 20, 1988.

The walnut staff is bound in brass and has a hexagonal head with inlays of pecan denoting the state tree and recessed brass medallions cast with designs for General Sam Houston, Austin Hall, Old Main, Bearkats, and the completion date of the mace. The walnut holder base or stall is six-sided to match the mace head.

The crown of the mace is a circular casting bearing the name of the University and the date of establishment, 1879. The center of the circle contains the state emblem, the lone star. Below the crown, the names of past University presidents and the dates of service are engraved on a brass collar.

The University Mace was designed and hand crafted by the late Charles R. Jedlicka, Associate Professor of Industrial Technology, who retired in 1989.



Gonfalons

The gonfalon, a flag that hangs from a crosspiece or frame, originated in the medieval republics of Italy as an ensign of state or office. Gonfalons have been adopted in many universities around the world as college or institutional insignias.

The five gonfalons displayed represent the six colleges of Sam Houston State University. The initial use of gonfalons at Sam Houston State University was on the occasion of the spring commencement on May 7, 1988.



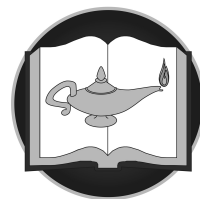
College of Business Administration

The globe represents the international economy and the development of international trade and exchange. The handshake represents the human commitment to teamwork, leadership, diversity, and ethical business practices. The bar and line graphs represent the financial markets and the use of data in the pursuit of quality, efficiency and effectiveness.



College of Criminal Justice

The seal of the College of Criminal Justice includes a scale encircled by an oak bough and an olive branch. The scale represents the spirit of the Latin proverb, *Jus est ars boni et aequi*, Justice the art of the good and fair. The oak bough with 16 leaves symbolizes strength while the olive branch with 20 leaves represents peace. The number of leaves recalls the year, 1620, when the pilgrims signed the Mayflower Compact, the first American political document, whose purpose was to preserve order by means of the principle of rule of law.



College of Education

The departments in the College of Education are represented by the open book and the lamp of knowledge, which embody the value of literacy and education. The sage green represents the Department of Health and Kinesiology. The yellow represents Library Science. The royal blue at the bottom represents the Ph.D. degree. The light blue at the top signifies the Ed.D. degree, and is the hood color for education in general.



College of Fine Arts and Mass Communication

The hands hold and present the flame of human creativity. The blue radiant circle represents the dissemination of creative endeavor to the world at large. In these images the important meaning-making functions of the Fine Arts - Visual Art, Music, Theatre and Dance - are merged with the many modes of communication that are studied and practiced in the field of mass communication.



College of Humanities and Social Sciences

The College of Humanities and Social Sciences' gonfalon symbolizes that life is shaped by learning, communications, and the human social experience. The quill connotes the importance of creative endeavors to human existence while the ruler along the rooftops illustrates a concern with the scientific method. The arched lines represent communication and its wide-reaching effects, hovering over the home, which emphasizes the importance of human bonds and of the family's formative role for the individual. Overlooking all of the other symbols are four face profiles representing the celebration of the diversity that strengthens each of the disciplines within the college.



College of Sciences

The three columns represent the concept of civilization based on a knowledge of the sciences, humanities, and arts. The purple triangles around the edge represent the disciplines taught in the College of Arts and Sciences. The stepped levels represent the bachelor and master's degree programs offered by the College of Arts and Sciences.

Academic Regalia

The academic costume worn at official functions today originated in the universities of the Middle Ages, when a warm gown and hood were useful for scholar and cleric in unheated buildings. By modern times, the growth in the number of universities caused a great deal of confusion in academic regalia and in 1894-95, a commission brought some order into the chaos. The American Council on Education subsequently effected more improvements in 1959-60.

The mortarboard cap, which generally prevails in the United States, originated at Oxford. Cambridge, European universities, and some Latin American universities use other types of caps, which are of course legitimate for wear in any American procession when the individual holds his degree from one of these institutions.

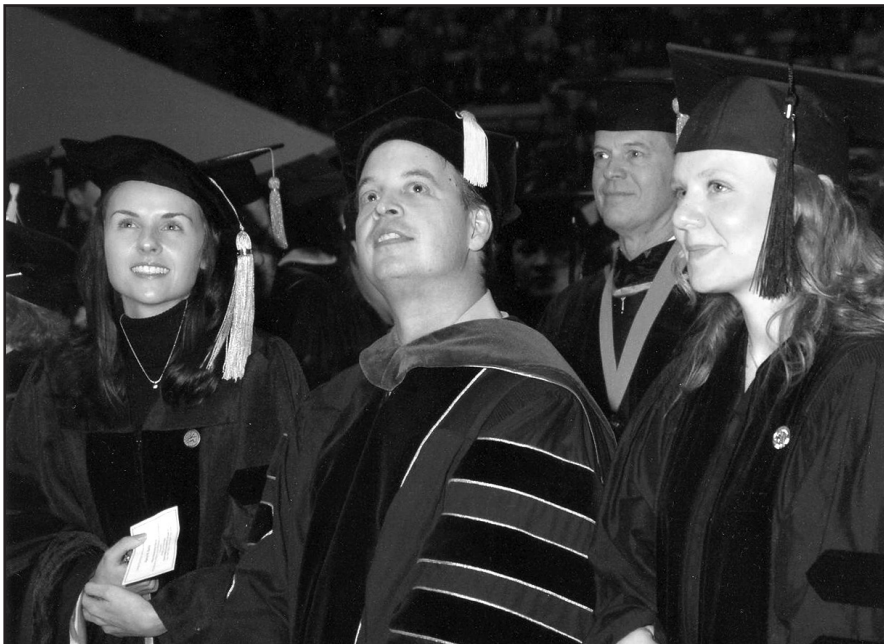
Gowns are generally black, although some few universities depart from this practice. The bachelor's gown

is simple, with long pointed sleeves. The master's gown will have either long sleeves with narrow wrist opening or long sleeves with the hand emerging from the sleeve at about elbow length. The doctor's gown is fullest in cut; it has velvet panels down the front and around the neck, as well as three bars of the same material on the bell-shaped sleeves.

The hood indicates the level of the degree, the faculty in which it was given and the institution that granted it. Degree level is indicated by length: the master's hood is three and a half feet long and the doctor's hood is four feet long. The velvet trim on the exposed edge of the hood is three inches wide for the master's degree and five inches wide for the doctor's degree. The color of the trim indicates the field of study. A color, or color pattern, between the trim indicates the university granting the degree.

Hood trim colors on doctoral regalia indicate the following fields:

Maize—Agriculture
White—Arts, Letters, Humanities
Drab—Commerce, Accountancy, Business
Lilac—Dentistry
Copper—Economics
Light Blue—Education
Orange—Engineering
Brown—Fine Arts, including Architecture
Russet—Forestry
Crimson—Journalism
Purple—Law
Lemon—Library Science
Green—Medicine
Pink—Music
Apricot—Nursing
Sea Foam Green—Optometry
Silver Gray—Oratory (Speech)
Olive Green—Pharmacy
Blue—Philosophy
Sage Green—Physical Education
Peacock Blue—Public Administration and Foreign Service
Salmon Pink—Public Health
Golden Yellow—Science
Cream—Social Science
Citron—Social Work
Scarlet—Theology
Gray—Veterinary Science





First Faculty and Student Body of Sam Houston in 1880.

Baccalaureate Graduation with Special Recognition

Special recognition at graduation is provided to undergraduate students who compile outstanding academic records. Those graduates who have achieved undergraduate academic excellence at Sam Houston State University receive a gold cord at graduation to reflect this achievement plus an appropriate notation on their academic transcript. The gold cord indicates one of the following academic achievements: Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, Cum Laude, With Academic Distinction, Alpha Chi, and Honors Program. (See NOTE below.)

Degrees conferred Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, and Summa Cum Laude reflect an outstanding Sam Houston State University grade point average with a minimum of sixty semester hours earned in residence (resident classroom instruction). The distinction and corresponding grade point averages are: Cum Laude—3.50 to 3.66; Magna Cum Laude—3.67 to 3.85; Summa Cum Laude—3.86 to 4.00.

The Department Academic Distinction Program is an individualized learning experience available to outstanding students at Sam Houston State University.

An Academic Distinction Program project provides qualified students with a comprehensive introduction to meaningful research under the guidance of a designated faculty advisor.

Alpha Chi, a national honor society organized to recognize and promote scholastic excellence, is open to all University seniors who accepted membership and have achieved a 3.6 or higher grade point average on all college-level course work.

Participation in the Honors College at Sam Houston State University is based on a competitive selection process and provides outstanding academic opportunities and distinct undergraduate college experiences. Upon successful completion of the requirements of the Honors College—twenty-four semester hours of Honors courses and two special seminars—the student's academic transcript will indicate graduation "With Honors" and the student may wear an Honors medallion with academic regalia. To be designated as having graduated "With Highest Honors" the student must also successfully complete a special senior project involving original research and/or an effort of creative expression.

NOTE: Semester credit hours earned in correspondence courses are not considered "resident classroom instruction" hours and are not used in determining the minimum semester credit hour requirement for academic honors: Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, Summa Cum Laude, Dean's List, and President's Honor Roll. However, the semester credit hours and grade points earned for correspondence courses are included in the calculation of the overall grade point average.

Honor Graduates

Numerals Denote Academic Honors as of the 12th Class Day of Spring 2011:

1, 2, 3 = Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, Summa Cum Laude

4, 5 = Honors/Honors Program, With Highest Honors in an Academic Discipline/Honors Program

6 = With Academic Distinction in an Academic Discipline

Brad Ellett Bickmore ³	Matthew Louis Schroeder ²
JeQuila DeAwn Broussard ¹	April Christine Smith ¹
Bailee McCall Brown ¹	Corye Lynn Sparks ²
David Reed Carew ¹	Lauren Kennedy Steele ²
Dorliza J. Copa ¹	Allison Kaye Wilmer ¹
Preston Andrew Fassel ¹	
Travis Taylor Fielder ¹	
Andrea Desiree Garrison ¹	
Karissa Lee Haak ¹	
John Howard Hale ¹	
Melissa Ann Hiser ¹	
Steven Andrew Holloway ¹	
Laura Ellen Horner ¹	
Vanessa Osatohanwen Iyamu ¹	
Jonathan Ray Kelley ³	
Jessica Lynne Kern ^{2, 4}	
Keri Elizabeth Kershaw ^{2, 4}	
Brandon Kyle Kimbrel ³	
Bristi Lohani ¹	
James Patrick McCann III ¹	
Renea R. McCurry ³	
Kara Michele McIlvenna ¹	
Mohammad Ali Mehboob ²	
Julius Orema Michael ¹	
Daniel Jared Owens ¹	
Kayla Maria Pomales ²	
Hilary Carrin Prentice ¹	
Suzanne Paige Prescott ²	
Stephanie Anne Reed ¹	
Nathan Glenn Reeves ¹	
Schuyler Rockwell Reidel ¹	
Robert Caleb Rhyne ¹	
Cassandra Raquel Rochon ¹	

Reflections of Sam Houston

Although Texas escaped much of the destruction wreaked on the rest of the Confederacy during the Civil War, its public school system remained badly underdeveloped, and education reformers expressed anxiety about illiteracy rates among former slaves as well as among poor whites. In 1878-1879, with the political tumult of Reconstruction subsiding, a representative of the Peabody Education Fund visited Texas hoping to convince the state legislature to establish a public institution to train school teachers. George Peabody, a wealthy cotton broker and banker, had endowed the philanthropy with money and a mission to “encourage the intellectual, moral, and industrial education of the destitute children of the Southern States.” The fund offered to help subsidize a state-controlled teacher training institution, and in 1879, the state legislature acted upon the suggestion, establishing in Walker County the Sam Houston Normal Institute, named after Sam Houston, the hero of the Battle of San Jacinto and first president of the Republic of Texas, who had called Huntsville his home. The institute moved into buildings abandoned by Austin College, which had relocated to Sherman, Texas, three years earlier.

The state legislature offered free tuition, laundry, room, and board to select students willing to become public school teachers after graduation. They promised to teach one year for each year of assistance received. Under the direction of Principal Bernard Mellon, who reported to the state board of education, the Sam Houston Normal Institute opened on October 10, 1879, with a curriculum composed of



Old Main building in 1895.

professional and pedagogy courses. Students were admitted on the basis of competitive examinations and hailed from each senatorial district in the state. The first commencement of May 1880 included thirty-seven graduates followed by fifty-five graduates in 1881. Enrollment continued to increase steadily and in 1923 reached a total of 1,089 students taught by fifty-six faculty members.

Consistent with educational values emerging in the United States during the Progressive Era, the Sam Houston curriculum expanded in 1909 beyond teacher education to include home economics, industrial training, and vocational agriculture. In 1911, the state legislature established a board of regents to govern the Sam Houston Normal Institute and authorized a four-year curriculum leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree. The first B.A. degree was conferred in 1919. Taking into account the more

diverse curriculum and broader role and scope, the board of regents in 1923 christened the institution Sam Houston State Teacher's College, although at the time none of the faculty had earned the Ph.D. degree. During the next five years, President H. F. Estill hired four new faculty members with doctoral degrees.

In 1935, Sam Houston further transcended its teacher training mission. The board of regents had authorized bachelor's degrees in business administration, and the first graduates received diplomas in the spring of 1937. The bicentennial of Texas independence in 1936 had also occasioned establishment of the Sam Houston Memorial Museum as an affiliate of Sam Houston State Teacher's College, and the board of regents had authorized a graduate program, which produced three Master of Arts degrees in 1937. Sam Houston's president, Charles N. Shaver, then decided that the curriculum also needed



to be expanded to accommodate the needs of students interested in pursuing postgraduate training in law, dentistry, and medicine, and in 1938-1939, he added advanced undergraduate courses in biology, chemistry, physics, English, government, and history. In the fall of 1938, Sam Houston enrolled 1,112 students.

Enrollment took a hit in 1942, however, when World War II drew so many young men and women into the military and defense industries. In the fall semester of 1942, less than a year after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, total student enrollment at Sam Houston had plunged to 786 students. Following the war's conclusion Congress passed the G.I. Bill in 1946, making it financially easier for veterans to enroll in college. As a result student numbers climbed and Sam Houston enrolled more than 1,100 students that year.

Worried about housing so many new students, Sam Houston acquired 837 acres of land formerly used as a prisoner-of-war camp for German POWs. "Country Campus," as it became known, was located about ten miles north of Huntsville on Highway 19. Two years later, enrollment reached 2,410 students, of whom more than 1,000 were veterans. The faculty consisted of fifty men and women.

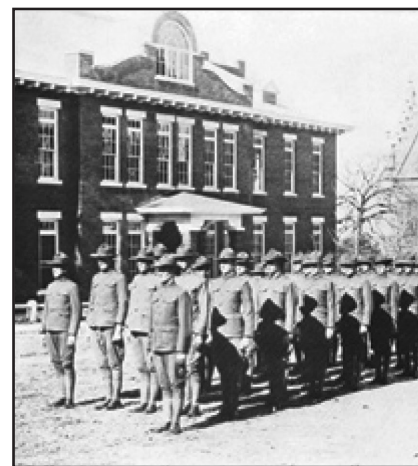
In 1950, Harmon Lowman, who had been Sam Houston's president since 1946, negotiated a deal to acquire a used, 1,075-ton refrigeration system. Installation of the unit and construction of the duct work necessary to make it operational consumed several years, but the project's completion rendered Sam Houston the first and only fully air-conditioned college in the United States. Summer school enrollment immediately increased, however, the outbreak

of the Korean War in 1950 slowed enrollment once again, and in 1952, Sam Houston began to sponsor a Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) unit. Because ROTC was mandatory, more than half of all male students were active in the program, which helped set the tone for campus social life. The broadening of Sam Houston's mission also produced changes in the profile of college graduates. In 1960, more than one quarter of Sam Houston students majored in fields other than teacher education.

In 1964-1965, Sam Houston State Teacher's College experienced three changes that would significantly reshape its future reputation. President Arleigh Templeton, who had succeeded Harmon Lowman in 1964, added research to faculty responsibilities; 259 people now had the charge to teaching and to produce new knowledge. Additionally, in response to the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Sam Houston ended its eighty-three year-old policy of denying admission to African Americans. John Patrick, valedictorian of Huntsville's Sam Houston High School, subsequently matriculated as Sam Houston's first African-American student. Furthermore, the state legislature established on campus the Institute of Contemporary Corrections and Behavioral Sciences, whose criminal justice program was destined to generate national recognition. Enrollment in 1964 reached 5,738 students, and Sam Houston no longer served the monolithic mission of teacher education. Because the college offered nine degrees in twenty-seven subject areas, including four graduate degrees, the legislature designated it Sam Houston State College. In 1969, when enrollment reached 8,594, with 350 faculty members, the state legislature acted again, and Sam Houston State College became Sam Houston State University.

During the next four decades, under the leadership of Presidents Elliot T. Bowers, Martin J. Anisman, Bobby K. Marks, and James F. Gaertner, Sam Houston State University continued to grow—in size, mission, and reputation. By the fall of 2010, when Dr. Dana Gibson inherited the mantle of the president's office, the university offered to its 17,200 plus students a total of seventy-nine undergraduate degree programs, fifty-four master's degree programs, and doctoral programs in Criminal Justice, Educational Leadership, Counselor Education, Clinical Psychology, and Reading. The university had become, in the words of CBS News anchor Dan Rather, its most well-known alumnus, a gem in Texas higher education.

"For all the changes, for all the expansion of infrastructure, mission, and educational ambition," Rather said, "people have been Sam Houston's constant. The names and faces change, but the spirit they have brought to and taken away from Huntsville, Texas remains the same. People are Sam Houston's strength, and so long as that is true, the college I knew and that today's students know will be, in the ways that matter most, one and the same."



1919 Student Army Training Corp.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Mitchell J. Muehsam, Dean

Congratulations. The faculty and staff of the College of Business Administration are proud of you and are pleased to welcome you to our family of Bearkat alumni. We are confident that the knowledge and skill sets you have acquired will serve you well in your future endeavors. Just as important, the personal traits that contributed to your success at Sam Houston State University will continue to play a prominent role in your life. Your ability to learn, your work ethic, your willingness to be a productive member of a team, your acceptance of constructive criticism, and your communication and interpersonal skills will serve as a solid foundation for a successful career.

Today's commencement marks the end of one journey and the beginning of another. As you pursue your professional dreams, please remember to seek a balance in your life and pursue excellence. The pursuit of excellence will provide you with many opportunities to position yourself to help your family, friends, and society as well as gain financial independence.

Sam Houston is a great name in education and we are proud that you have joined the thousands of quality graduates who are now fulfilling their dreams. Please stay in contact with us and the many friends you have made during your time at SHSU. The faculty and staff of the College of Business Administration congratulate you on this significant milestone.



Dr. Mitchell J. Muehsam, Dean

Master Degree Candidates

Jared William Albrecht, MS
Desiree Elaine Arrambide, MBA
Amy Lynn Bell, MS
Amyr Amirali Bhimji, MBA
William David Brannon, MBA
Lyndee M. Bullock, MS
Joe Howard Burnett, MBA
Randi Vanesa Cain, MBA
Evis Ceka, MBA
Steven Michael Chesser, MBA
Russell Czajkoski, MS
Thomas J. DuBois, MBA
Amanda Marie Fryar, MBA
Caitlin Ryan Garrett, MBA

Emerson Bryan Hall, MBA
Timothy Patrick Hand, MBA
Steven Keith Harriss, MBA
Laurisa Marie Hill, MS
Carvis Junious, MBA
Kristen Rene Lewandowski, MS
Meeta Ram Lulla, MBA
Charles Reshaud Morgan, MBA
Miles Gehart Ouren, MBA
Maria Dolores Pena, MS
George Walter Roberts, MBA
Courtney Dion Scott, MS
Ana M. Smith, MS
Melissa Jo Swain, MBA
Kenton Neil Willis, MS

Bachelor Degree Candidates

Thamer Alghazal, BBA
Curtis Blake Allen, BBA
Maria N. Alvarado, BBA
Tusha Ann Arguellez, BBA
Mohamad Ghalib Ayach, BBA
Brittany D. Baumbach, BBA
Chad Alan Bean, BBA
Shannon Kyle Biar, BBA
Brad Ellett Bickmore, BBA
Ashley Rena Blocker, BBA
Miriam R. Boyer, BBA
Kimberley Teresa Brown, BBA
Jenna Dawn Buch, BBA
Manuel Omar Cabrera, BBA

College of Business Administration

Samantha Elizabeth Chavis, BBA

Caleb Wesley Chisum, BBA

Edgar Orlando Chong, BBA

Lindsey Picone Clements, BBA

Kevin Wayne Coppock, BBA

Kevin Franklin Cotner, BBA

Scott Ellery Crawford Jr., BBA

Christopher David Crockett, BBA

John Norman Cruseturner, BBA

Fernanda Ildefonso Cunha, BBA

Maurice Jacob Daaboul, BBA

Curtis Wayne Davis, BBA

November J. Davis, BBA

Ryan Manuel De Oliveira, BBA

Austen Michael Dittmar, BBA

Christopher Brandon Duke, BBA

Jamie Michelle Duke, BBA

William Arthur Duncan IV, BBA

Heather M. Dwyer, BBA

Eva Patricia Edwards, BBA

Kristen Quigley Edwards, BBA

Allegra Adoreé Ellis, BBA

Jason Michael Elrod, BBA

Nathan Paul Elrod, BBA

Andrew Joseph Engel, BBA

Kathryn J. Entringer, BBA

Douglas Lewis Everett, BBA

Gregory Edward Fagan, BBA

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Patricia Lizeth Godina, BBA

Hugo Anthony Gomez, BBA

Kellie Elaine Gonzales, BBA

Aldo Gonzalez, BBA

Andrea Lynn Joe Gray, BBA

Joshua Eric Green, BBA

Lindsey Nicole Guerrero, BBA

Stephanie Biersdorfer Guimbellot, BBA

Charles Ryan Hale, BBA

John Howard Hale, BBA

Jarrett Ray Hamilton, BBA

Keilani Hamilton-Randolph, BBA

Coy Clyne Hammer, BBA

Terry Demoll Harris, BBA

Lance Darnell Hayes, BBA

Edward Christian Heap, BBA

Betty Grisel Hemenway, BBA

Joseph Charles Herron, BBA

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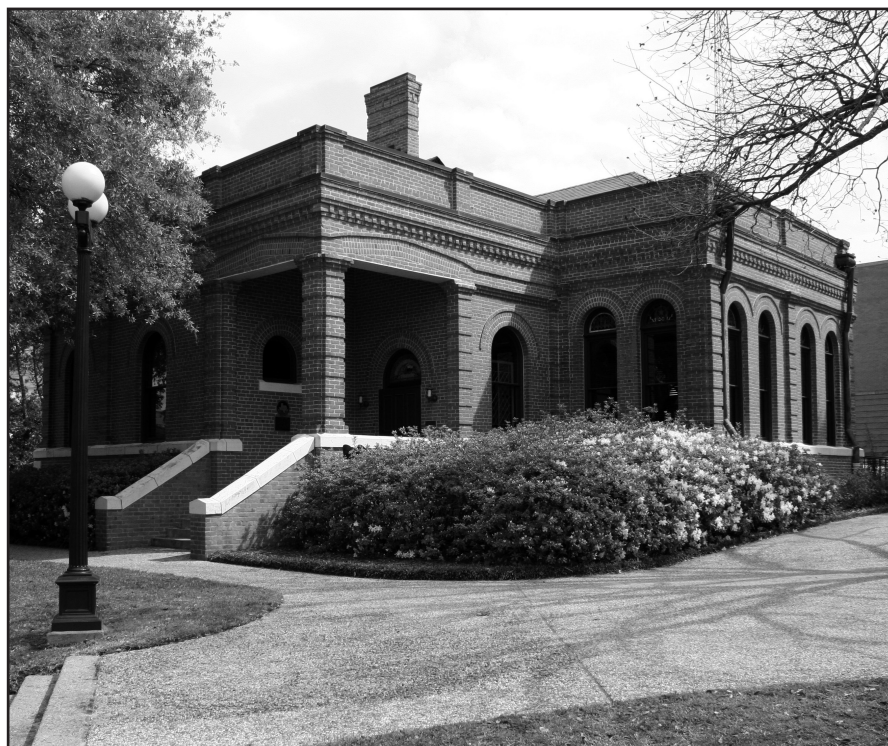
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The Peabody Memorial Library (current day) was the first library built at a Texas higher education institution.

COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Dr. Vincent J. Webb, Dean

Congratulations. Today is a day you will always remember. I salute you and recognize you for your efforts that led to achieving this important milestone.

You have been born into an age of extraordinary possibilities, and you hold the key to a bright future with the use of your many talents and capabilities. This is not to say that your lives will always be easy — even the most successful people struggle at times. Please take comfort in the fact that professionally there is no single path to success, but there are many paths and I am confident that you will find the one that serves you best.

Whatever career path you choose or wherever your career leads you I hope you will always seek to gain knowledge, for as the “old adage” says — knowledge is power. And, to quote Benjamin Franklin, “An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest.”

I also want to thank your parents, friends, relatives, and loved ones who have been there for you as you have worked toward this achievement.

As you transition into the next phase of your life, I wish you happiness and success in all your future endeavors. I hope the College of Criminal Justice remains an important part of your lives.



Dr. Vincent J. Webb, Dean



Doctor of Philosophy

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Dissertation Title: *Terrorism versus Justice: A Cross-National Empirical Analysis of the Impact of Terrorism on Due Process and Individual Rights*

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Alicia Renee' Deal

Dissertation Title: *Real Men? The Reporting Behavior of Male Physical Assault Victims and the Institutional Response to Male Victimization*

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Victoria B. Titterington

Randa J. Embry

Dissertation Title: *Applying the Concept of Self-Preservation to Criminological Theory: Reconceptualizing Low Self-Control and Its Resultant Behaviors*

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Phillip M. Lyons

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Dissertation Title: *The Impact of Neighborhood Crime Levels on Police Use of Force: An Examination at Micro and Macro Levels Using Geographic Information System Techniques*

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Michael S. Vaughn

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Dissertation Title: *Liability of Corrections Officials for Inmate-on-Inmate Sexual Violence: Analysis of Case Law after Farmer v. Brennan (1994)*

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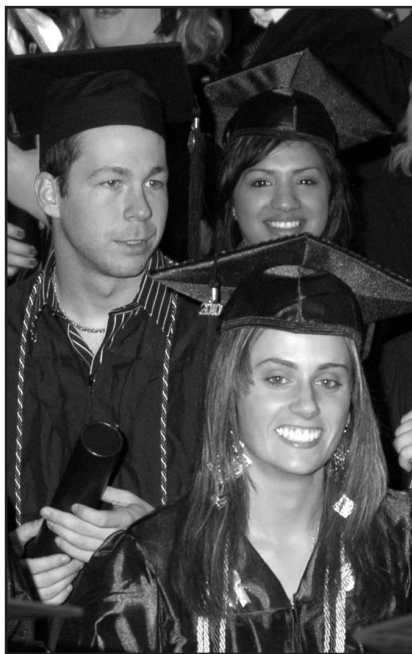
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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Dr. Genevieve H. Brown, Dean

The administration, faculty, and staff of the College of Education share in your joy and pride at the completion of your bachelors, masters, or doctoral degree. We recognize that the accomplishment of this milestone required commitment and discipline and that, in most cases, not only you, but also your family, have made great sacrifices along the way. Congratulations on a job well done, and thank you for allowing us to be a part of your success.

We commend you on choosing a helping profession. “Responding to the needs of others” is a core value of the College of Education and one that is representative of the career you have chosen. The countless hours you spent in volunteer community outreach efforts and service during your time at SHSU are a testament to your commitment to that core value. We sincerely hope this commitment continues to characterize your life, as well as your profession.

John Adams, the second president of the United States, pointed out that “There are two types of education. One should teach us how to make a living. The other should teach us how to live.” We in the College of Education have endeavored to ensure that you have not only the skills necessary for success in making a living, but also that you are prepared to live well and to have a positive impact on those around you as well as on your community. Your integrity, compassion, and willingness to serve others are certain to enhance your career and your life. Again, congratulations and best wishes in your future endeavors.

Genevieve Brown

Dr. Genevieve H. Brown, Dean



U.S. News & World Report says Sam is: “Growing Fast, Staying Friendly”

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LaTonya McGowen Goffney

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DiAnn Cargile McDown

Dissertation Title: *Novice Secondary Teachers’ Experiences Supplementing Textbooks with Trade Books in a Literature Circle Format*

Dissertation Committee Chair: Dr. Debra Price

Doctor of Philosophy

Tina Ainsworth

Dissertation Title: *Exploring the Process of Grief Experienced by a Parent Following the Death of a Child*

Dissertation Committee Co-Chairs: Drs. Mary Nichter and Beverly J. Irby

Katherine M. Gaehring

Dissertation Title: *Christian Counselor Training: Perceptions and Experiences of Licensed Christian Counselors*

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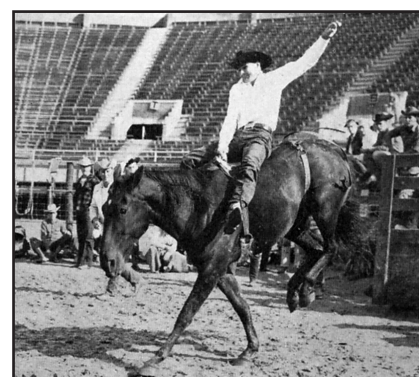
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A member of the 1959 Rodeo Team.

COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS AND MASS COMMUNICATION

Dr. Roberta Sloan, Dean



On behalf of the faculty, staff and administration of the new College of Fine Arts and Mass Communication, it is my pleasure as the Founding Dean to offer you my sincere congratulations upon your graduation. Today is the culmination of your achievements here at Sam Houston State University, and we are proud of what you have accomplished.

The Arts and Mass Communication have a long and distinguished history at our university. You will be joining the ranks of many outstanding alumni who have preceded you, and you will set the bar for those who will follow in your footsteps. The knowledge, skills, artistry, creativity, resourcefulness and personal initiative that you have developed here will be qualities that serve you well in the future.

The Arts and the field of Mass Communication are often fraught with challenges, but also offer exciting opportunities. Explore your options. Be entrepreneurial. Enjoy the journey ahead knowing that it might not always be easy, but arts and communication can change and enrich the world.

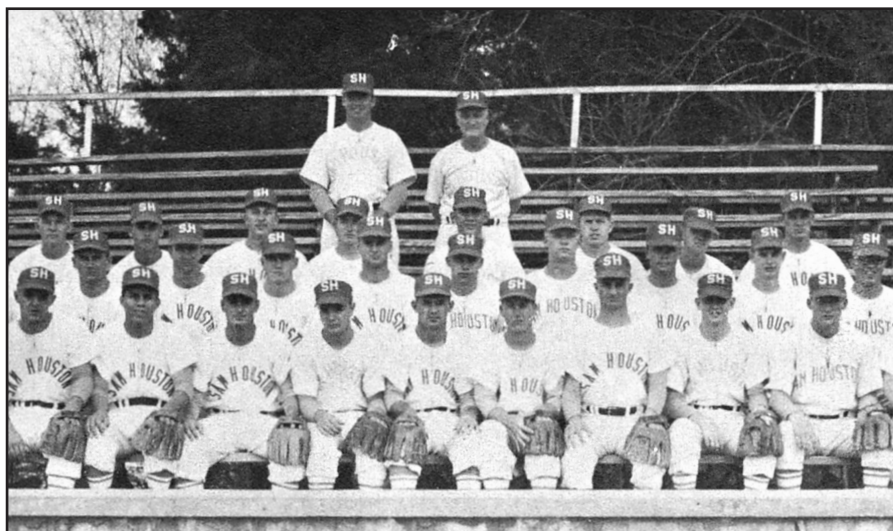
Although I have not had the pleasure of meeting you as students, I hope to do so as you become the alumni of our new college. Please keep in touch and let us know of your endeavors. May they bring you much happiness and great success.

Sincerely,

Roberta Sloan
Dr. Roberta Sloan, Dean



The Lowman Student Center in 1964.



In 1963, SHSU's men's baseball team won the NAIA World Series Championship.

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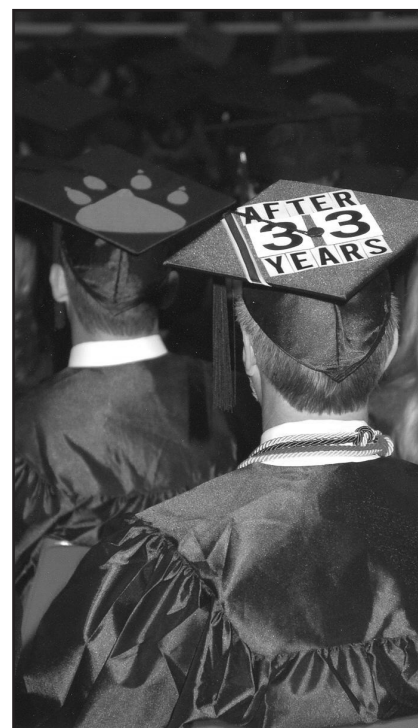
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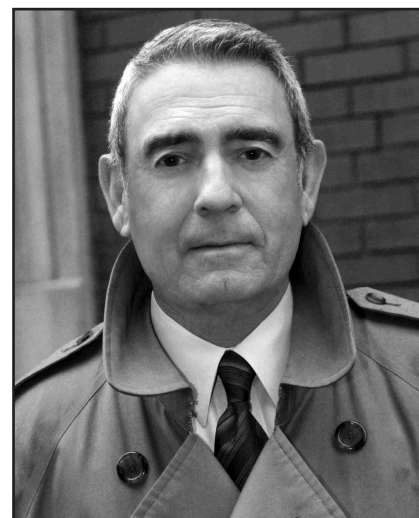
Sam Houston takes pride in welcoming all non-traditional students.



Members of Sam's 1964 NAIA Championship football team in action.

Galen Kenry Douglas, BA
Tamara J. Draper, BFA
Bhakti Nanda Duran, BFA
Marisa Elizabeth Eaves, BA
Brandon Anthony Galownia, BA
Ruby Ann Guerra, BA
Lindsey Tyrone Harris Jr., BM
Steven Andrew Holloway, BM
Mark Herndon Ivy, BFA
Reba Michelle Kepler, BA
Corey Burton Lazar, BA
Zackari Kamal Malone, BA
Sarah Noel McQueen, BFA
Anna Elizabeth Middleton, BA
Hannah Elizabeth Miscisin, BA
Brandon Wesley Morgan, BA
Lindley Marie Murphy, BA
Roy Edward Neely IV, BFA
Dominique LéForrest Nelson, BA
Angela Orta, BA
Luis Alberto Ortega, BA
Chelsea Tavionne Price, BA
Clifford Lazaro Randle, BA

Mary Kathleen Reeves, BM
Nathan Glenn Reeves, BA
Schuyler Rockwell Reidel, BA
Blake Erin Robinson, BFA
Sarah Ann Tucker, BA
Samantha Monique Umanzor, BA
Brandon Chad Watson, BA
Allison Kaye Wilmer, BA
Joel E. Wood, BFA
Alyssia Ricelle Young, BA



TV news celebrity Dan Rather graduated from Sam in 1953.

COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Dr. John M. de Castro, Dean


On behalf of the faculty, staff, and administration of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, I congratulate you on your achievement.

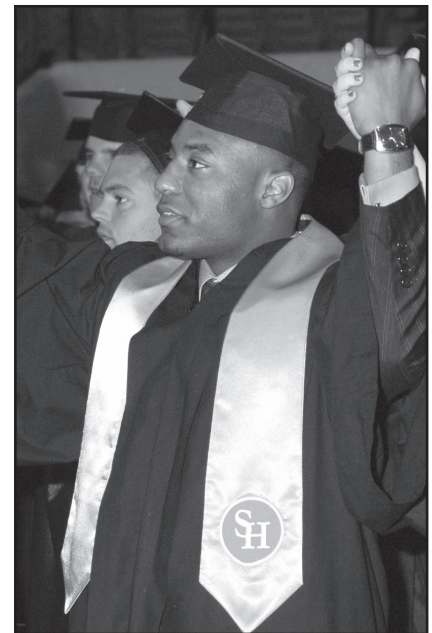
This is a day that we know you've worked hard for and at times thought would never come. But, you've persevered. Success in life is to some extent determined by inborn ability. Yet, even more important for success is the ability to set goals and not let momentary setbacks or bumps in the road deter you from achieving your goal. Resilience to withstand the frustrations produced by human imperfections, not letting the outside difficulties derail your march toward success, and shaking off setbacks are the cornerstones of a successful life.

Another key to a happy and successful life is to rigorously maintain your personal integrity. Being a consistently honest, moral, and principled person leads to success in every aspect of life. When your word is your bond and what you say is the same as what you believe and what you do, others know that they can trust you. Trust is the foundation of success in all interactions with others, in business, friendship, and relationships. Integrity leads not only to external success but also, and more importantly to inner happiness and pride. Remember the word inside your class ring that inspired Sam Houston himself, "honor".

We know that your families and friends are very proud of you and likely have played a significant role in supporting you in concrete or emotional ways. Because we understand that nothing is ever achieved alone, we congratulate your family and friends as they share in your success. We also want you to know how proud and happy the faculty, staff, and administration of CHSS are in being part of your success. Educating students for success in their careers as well as their intellectual and personal lives is our mission and the source of tremendous satisfaction for all of us.

It has been said that the mission of a university is the creation of the future. You are the instruments through which we fulfill that promise. By being successful you make us successful. It's difficult to predict your exact future accomplishments. Your careers will take many surprising and unpredictable twists and turns and your actual accomplishments will likely be very different from those that we currently envision. But, I guarantee that this class of 2010 will accomplish great things, that you will become the leaders of the future, and that you will inspire and support the next generation to create their future.


Dr. John M. de Castro, Dean



A SHSU tradition, graduates hold hands in celebration at the end of the commencement ceremony.

Master Degree Candidates

Andrew Jordan Blum, MA
Mariana Delgado, MA
Allison Christine Dicanto, MA
Julia A. Guthrie, MA

John William Kmiecik, MA
Tara Leigh Lewis, MA
Sunny Ellen Lusk, MA
Diane Lee McCormick, MPA
Travis S. Miller, MA
Ryan A. Olbrich, MA

Jeremy Adam Oliver, MA
Evan Rae Roberson, MPA
Mandy Leann Rothrock, MA
Guy Forrest Taylor, MA
Aaron Ernest Treadwell, MA
Melanie Elise Verner, MA

Bachelor Degree Candidates

Andre Abraham-De Yang, BS
Asma Ahamed, BA
Erin Rene Aikens, BA
Steve Michael Alaniz, BA
Nancy Gabriela Alvarez, BS
Christopher Anthony Arcos, BA
Tabitha Lafara Barsh, BS
Whitney Lynn Beach, BA
Jamie A. Blinn, BA
Brittany K. Brady, BS
Leslie Dominique Brooks, BA
JeQuila DeAwn Broussard, BA
Bailee McCall Brown, BS
Kristie D. Bryan, BS
Marcus Trent Burleigh, BA
Stewart Edwin Caldwell, BA
David Reed Carew, BS
Alexandra Marie Clifton, BS
Dawn Faith Cohea, BA
Megan Elizabeth Coleman, BS
Leslie Ann Cooper, BS
Molly Colleen Hedrick Cox, BA
Jamie Danielle Cunningham, BA
Brent Richard Davis, BS
Joanna Nicole Davis, BA
Jason Lee Dove, BS
Marianna Deonne Elias, BS
Amanda Lynn Elkanick, BS
Preston Andrew Fassel, BS
Christopher David Felder, BS
William Kenton Ferguson III, BA
Travis Taylor Fielder, BS
Erin Christine Frazee, BA
Jennifer Lee Freese, BA
Ava Wynter Funderburk, BS

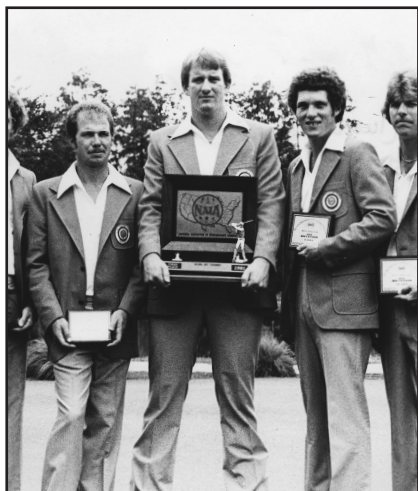
Emily Erin Gamble, BS
Benjamin Trevino Garcia, BS
Eric Garcia, BA
Andréa Desiree Garrison, BS
Acquilla Kou Gbunblee, BS
Brittany Jae Glasscock, BA
Ashley Nicole Grimes, BA
Karissa Lee Haak, BA
Devin Marlee Hall, BA
Sean Gregory Harbin, BA
Amanda Elaine Harris, BA
Laura Ellen Horner, BA
Vanessa L. Houston, BS



The 1981 Ladykat National Championship Softball Team.

Michelle Lane Howard, BA
Milissa Mae Jagow, BS
Amanda Renee Janota, BS
Christopher Devon Johnson, BA
DeAnn LeNise Jones, BS
Katherine C. Jones, BA
Victoria L. Kellis, BS
Kristin Michelle Kenny, BS
Keri Elizabeth Kershaw, BS
Brittany Blair Kilpatrick, BS
William Cary Kinison, BA
Danielle Nicole Kinsley, BS
Sandra Elane Kitchens, BS
Rauchelle Lea Krueger, BS

Anita Leanne Kuciemba, BS
Kristen Kay Layton, BS
Jennifer Jean Leahy, BA
Austin Ardee Leighton, BA
Lakisha Renee Loville, BS
Cassandra Leigh Madewell, BA
Samantha L. Mahlmann, BA
Brian Henry Martinez, BA
Joshua Dan Martinez, BA
Jenifer Lynn Mattingly, BS
Lascelles G. McCarthy III, BS
Molly Hutson McNeill, BA
Ann Elaine Medina, BS
Julius Orema Michael, BA
Michelle Renee Mihaly, BS
Egbert Jay Miranda, BS
Isaac Sabahat Mirza, BA
Elizabeth Anne Montgomery, BS
Matthew Thomas Moore, BA
Patrick Nolan Neff, BS
Savanna Sue Nicholson, BS
Daniel S. North, BS
Alyssa Joy O'Neal, BS
Daniel Jared Owens, BA
Kadie Marie-Rachel Paul, BA
Nicole Marie Penney, BA
Jaclyn Mallory Perez, BS
Ashley M. Perry, BS
Samuel C. Perry, BA
Folusho Kendria Peters, BS
Jamie L. Phillips, BS
Christina Kay Pinyozy, BS
Diana Rose Ploch, BA
Camille Dominika Prinz, BS
Stephanie Anne Reed, BS
Candice Adene Rice, BS
Brittany Jean Richardson, BS



In 1981, the men's golf team won its fourth consecutive NAIA Championship.

Shelley Lucretia Veasey, BS
Raymundo Venegas Jr., BA
Christopher Lee Walker, BS
Catherine Wenglar, BS
Audrey Wessels, BA
Andelyn Deon Weyerman, BA
Angeline Marie White, BS
Kristin Jonelle Wilson, BA
Candice K. Wolfson, BA
Elizabeth Ann Wood, BA

Robert James Ripkoski Jr., BA
Julie Ann Ripkoski, BA
Eva Marcela Rivera, BS
Blake Thomas Roach, BA
Timothy Hugh Roberts, BA
Audrey Jean Rodriguez, BS
Ilda M. Rupert, BS
Wesley Ryan Rushing, BA
Richard John Salkeld Jr., BA
Brian Keith Sanders, BS
Krystal Renee Schroeder, BA
Amanda Leigh Hamilton Scott, BA
Nicholas Jordan Seaman, BA
Amanda Noele Sharp, BA
April Christine Smith, BS
Jami Lynn Snider, BS
Ashley Michelle Snyder, BS
Matthew Clive Stockton Jr., BA
Tiffany Anne Strange, BS
Haley Janelle Thomas, BA
Kenneth Coy Thornton II, BS
Nicole Marie Tobin, BA
Kimberly Tracy, BS
Blake Christine Tullar, BS



Sam Houston purchased the Raven's Nest Golf Club in 2005 to support its PGA/PGM Golf Course Management Program.

COLLEGE OF SCIENCES



Dr. Jerry L. Cook, Acting Dean

On behalf of the College of Sciences, I extend congratulations to you on your significant accomplishment of completing the requirements for graduation. This is a milestone in your life and an achievement in which you can always take pride. The College of Sciences incorporates the philosophy of a liberal arts education with the training for a position in the scientific community. Thus, your education provides you with the skills of critical thinking and the understanding of diverse cultures along with the knowledge of your scientific field. You are well equipped to leave Sam Houston State University and become a valuable professional in our society. As you further your career as a scientist, mathematician, or teacher, you will take with you the knowledge, experience and history of this University. I am sure that you will use this association well and continue to enhance the reputation of our institution.

It is with great pride that the College of Sciences and Sam Houston State University confer upon you a degree. You have earned this recognition because of your hard work during your academic program. With this degree you can now enter the next stage of your life. In this endeavor I wish you success and happiness. You are now a professional representative of the College of Sciences and I am sure that our reputation is in good hands.

Dr. Jerry L. Cook, Acting Dean

Master Degree Candidates

- Rishi Kanth Chitti, MS
- Pooja Subhasish Dhar, MS
- Jeffrey Michael Goessling, MS
- Daniel Joseph Hendren, MA
- Timothy Samuel Hunt, MA
- Karthik Kiran Kottapalli, MS
- Teresa Dawn Lovett, MS
- Anand Kishore Nauni, MS
- Anne Elizabeth Peters, MS
- Mary Beth Szech, MA
- Kelly LeAnne Simpson, MS
- Chas A. Stephens, MS
- Dennis O. Stepp, MS
- Edward J. Tivador, MS



The iconic Old Main building (1980's) before it was destroyed by a fire in 1982.

College of Sciences

Vamsi Krishna Vanga, MS

Alejandro Villegas, MS

Heath Ryan Woodall, MS

Bachelor Degree Candidates

Ashraf Abdalla, BS

James Michael Allen, BS

Daryl Anthony Alvarez, BS

Jessica Elaine Arriaga, BS

Ronald Edward Baird, BS

Kelvin Tonye Bariwei, BS

Trevor J. Bibb, BS

Christopher William Blair, BS

Chase Edwards Bridges, BS

Christopher Allen Capps, BS

Casey Lee Carver, BS

Lauren Marie Castleberry, BAAS

Chad Wade Collins, BS

Rachel Lynn Collins, BS

Dalton Ray Cox, BS

Charles Edward Daniel, BS

Justin Dallas Daniel, BS

Marshall R. DeMoss, BS

Brandon Cole Duke, BS

Tiffany Rae Engle, BS

Jeffery Philip Estep, BS

Brandon Shawn Fanning, BS

Christopher David Felder, BS

Halee Jo Finch, BS

Brandon Paul Frenchak, BA

Nolen Andrew Garner, BS

Joshua Dean Hale, BS

Lori Nichelle Hardy, BS

Kelsey Nicole Heath, BS

Cesar Alejandro Hernandez, BS

Michael Scott Ingle, BS



The 67-foot tall statue of General Sam Houston was completed in 1994 by artist, David Adickes, Huntsville native and Sam Houston State University graduate.

Robert Michael Ivy, BS

Robert Andrew Jackson, BS

Timothy Alan Jahn, BAAS

Shaun Kendrick Johnson, BS

Stephen Patrick Johnson, BS

Douglas Payne Johnston, BS

Joseph Kallen Kallenberger, BS

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Nicole Michelle Keener, BS

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Joshua Lawrence Krenek, BS

Russell Jacob Kujawa, BS

Ryan Michael Lampson, BS

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Shane Patrick Mathers, BS

James Ryan McMahon, BS

Donald Wayne Meisenheimer, BS

Kyle Madison Mosley, BS

Kerry David Mutschler, BS

Mandi Nicole Neal, BS

Michael Craig Nettles, BS

Matthew Don Norwood, BS

Justin J. O'Brien, BS

Marty S. Ontko, BS



The 2003 Bearkat Basketball Team at the NCAA Championships.

Katherine Ann Otto, BS
Matthew Wayne Parker, BS
Dana Michele Patton, BS
Jason Edward Payne, BS
Joel David Payne, BS
Brett Jason Perry, BS
Keith Alan Raymond, BAAS
Kari Michelle Robb, BS
Zachary Eugene Rosado, BS
Brian Russell Seeliger, BS
Austin Shaw, BS
David Alexander Silva, BS
Chett Addison Simons, BS
Alyssa Nicole Smith, BS
Garrett Blake Smith, BS
Daniel P. Somogyi, BS
Corye Lynn Sparks, BAAS
Larry Spell, BS
Kyle Allen Spezia, BS
Robert Christopher Stoermer, BS
Caroline Ellen Swanson, BS
Jana Marie Valigura, BS
Robert N. Vandervoort IV, BS
Natalie M. Wimberley, BAAS



Governor Rick Perry and SHSU President Gaertner establish the first official Ring Ceremony in 2004.

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Office of Alumni Relations

The Alumni Association exists to serve and sustain the Sam Houston State University alumni network. Serving the best interests of our members is a top priority, and it is our hope that you find your membership worthy of continuing for years to come. Whether you become a life member or choose to renew your membership each year, you are important to the Alumni Association and the university. A strong university is the result of a strong alumni association. We need your continued support each year to ensure SHSU remains an outstanding public university.

Your ability to connect with your alumni network is your most valuable SHSU asset — right up there with your SHSU degree. Ultimately, a strong alumni network

enhances the value of a SHSU degree. More than 8,000 alumni have already discovered that the best way to stay connected and show their Bearkat pride is to join the alumni association.

In addition to such tangible benefits as the *Kat Konnection Newsletter*, lapel pin and the automobile decal, one of the primary benefits of membership is knowing that you are making a difference in the lives of students, faculty and staff here at Sam Houston State University. Each year the association provides financial support for student scholarships.

Take advantage of these benefits of Alumni Association membership:

- Invitations to special events
- Access to Career Services
- Alumni networking
- Alumni publications
- Monthly Sam e-newsletter
- Alumni Savings Connection (check: alumni.shsu.edu for discount listings)
- Regional Alumni Clubs & Special Interest Groups
 - Austin Club
 - Austin/Washington County Club
 - Bay Area Club
 - North Harris/Montgomery County Club
 - Hispanic Alumni & Friends
 - Black Alumni & Friends

***To contact the SHSU Alumni Association call 800.283.7478, or online at www.alumni.shsu.edu
The Alumni Association is your Bearkat connection!***

Sam Houston State University



Ring Tradition

THE OFFICIAL RING OF SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY

The Official Sam Houston State University Ring has been created as an everlasting symbol of our esteem for the university and our bond with each other. A committee that included students, alumni, faculty and university administration chose the design of the Official Ring in 2003. The committee's goal was to develop a distinctive design that would reflect pride in Sam Houston State University, be easily identifiable, and stand the test of time.

Cast into the inside of the ring is the word "Honor". When Sam Houston joined the U. S. Army in 1813, Elizabeth Houston (Sam Houston's mother) understood her son's decision. She called Sam to her side and handed him a musket saying "never disgrace it: for remember I had rather all my sons should fill one honorable grave, than one of them should turn his back to save his life." She told him to always remember, "while the door to my cottage is open to brave men, it is eternally shut against cowards." Elizabeth Houston placed a small gold band on his finger with a one-word inscription – **HONOR**.

The Official Ring Ceremony is held each spring. Please visit us online at alumni.shsu.edu for additional details. Participants are required to RSVP with the Office of Alumni Relations to reserve their space at least one week prior to the ceremony.

See Sam Houston... Inspire, Empower, Enrich

For more than 130 years, Sam Houston State University, a great name in Texas education, has been preparing students for meaningful lives of academic and personal achievement. The university's motto, "The Measure of a Life Is Its Service," echoes across the beautiful campus and beyond. SHSU is a great place to fulfill the goals exemplified by this motto and to dream and succeed. Huntsville is a lively community of 40,000 that values education, the arts, history, diversity, and culture. Located in the heart of the majestic Piney Woods of East Texas, the 272-acre main campus is a brief drive away from the urban amenities and attractions of The Woodlands and the greater Houston area.

Serving over 17,000 students on one of the most scenic campuses in the nation, SHSU offers over 79 bachelor's degree programs and over 70 graduate programs, including master's degrees, doctoral degrees, and certificate programs. Courses and programs are offered on the main campus in Huntsville, at the University Center in The Woodlands, at the Northwest Center University Park in Tomball, and at various other locations. Students are provided flexible scheduling through face-to-face, online, evening, and weekend classes.

A regionally accredited and selective institution, SHSU is recognized as a Doctoral Research University by the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education and is nationally ranked in the top 7% of all institutions of higher education. Students at SHSU work closely with world-renowned teachers and researchers gaining hands-on experience with industry leaders and accomplished professionals. Sam Houston State University is a community of superior scholars, teachers, authors, artists, performers, scientists, mentors, and advisors who value student success, collegiality, achievement, and service to others.

Come experience a close-knit community focused on a challenging yet supportive educational environment for each and every student. Come See Sam Houston.

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SPECIFIC AREAS OF ACHIEVEMENT AND RECOGNITION

- SHSU houses an award-winning mentoring and advising center dedicated to helping students achieve their academic goals.
- SHSU designed a waste-water treatment system recognized for technology innovation by the Wall Street Journal.
- SHSU recently celebrated the grand opening of the James and Nancy Gaertner Performing Arts Center to support its nationally recognized programs in music, dance, and theatre.
- SHSU offers the nation's only complete BBA and MBA programs in banking and financial institutions.
- SHSU's educator preparation programs have earned the highest category of national recognition, earning distinction for their impact on K-12 student learning and retention in the field.
- SHSU is ranked as one of the top places to work in the greater Houston Area in 2010 by the Houston Chronicle and also ranked in the top 100 of "Great Colleges to Work For" by the Chronicle of Higher Education.

Auld Lang Syne

I

Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And never bro't to mind?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And days of auld lang syne?

Chorus:

For auld lang syne, my dear,
For auld lang syne;
We'll tak' a cup o' kindness yet,
For auld lang syne.

II

And here's a hand, my trusty frien',
And gie's a hand o' thine;
We'll tak' a cup o' kindness yet,
For auld lang syne.

Chorus:

For auld lang syne, my dear,
For auld lang syne;
We'll tak' a cup o' kindness yet,
For auld lang syne.