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The College of Education at Sam Houston State University offers opportunities for study, professional growth, research, collaboration, and community service. We are consistently ranked among the top schools of education, and offer a broad range of programs at both the master's and doctoral levels. To meet the growing demands and options for students, we offer several online education programs through SHSU Online. In fact, *U.S. News & World Report* names us amongst the best in the nation for our Online Graduate Education Programs.

The College of Education offers degrees to bolster careers in education instruction, administration, leadership, and counseling and prepares culturally responsive educational leaders and professional counselors who promote meaningful societal change. Additionally, the College of Education is "Enhancing the Future" through K-12 educator preparation programs to prepare teachers for careers in Texas schools.

The College of Education graduate degree programs have been structured and aligned to the Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities Standards and Technology Applications and standards required by the Texas State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC). Educators seeking to specialize in bilingual, early childhood, reading, or special education will find programs that meet their interests.

## MASTER'S DEGREES

### ADMINISTRATION, MED

Specifically designed for teachers, this program produces proficient school administrators who are well educated in school administration and organization; effective leadership strategies; campus business management; program evaluation and implementation; and federal, state, and local school regulations.

### CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING, MA

This program provides you with the necessary coursework to pursue professional licensure (LPC) within the State of Texas. You will receive complete and broad based training preparing you to work with diverse clients in community mental health centers, community agencies, psychiatric facilities, and private practice. Elective coursework may be used to provide additional training in the treatment of children or in the treatment of marriage and families.

### COUNSELING, MED

This program provides the necessary coursework and training to prepare for School Counseling Certification. School counselors provide academic, career, college readiness, and personal/social support to K-12 students. Elective coursework may be used to provide additional training to meet academic requirements for licensure as a professional counselor (LPC) or in the treatment of children with play therapy courses offered at the new facility in The Woodlands.

### CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION, MED

Intended for those that already have a teacher certification, this program provides you with the foundations to research, develop, and implement curriculum changes to support student academic achievement. Candidates within this program complete elective hours to provide additional training in curriculum and instruction or a teaching field of interest.

### CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION, MED WITH TEACHER CERTIFICATION

This program provides in-depth training in the teaching of primary and secondary education students while you complete the necessary coursework to sit for the State of Texas certification exam. By employing a variety of technologies, this program prepares you as a teacher to plan, implement, assess, and modify instruction to meet the needs of the diverse learners in the Texas public schools.

### HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION, MA

This is an online program designed to enhance higher education career-related skills. The program focuses on student and academic affairs, career services, leadership, residence life, financial aid, student success, resource allocation, assessment, and other foundational aspects of higher education.

### INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP, MA OR MED

This program is designed specifically for the candidate who wishes to work in a leadership position in schools, agencies, businesses, or organizations. The MA emphasizes research and requires the completion of a thesis while the MED is a non-thesis degree that requires all coursework to be completed in Instructional Leadership.

### INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY, MED

This online program is a combination of courses covering curriculum and instruction and computer science. It is designed to provide you with the skills to effectively use instructional technology for classroom or professional training.

### INTERNATIONAL LITERACY, MED

This online program is designed for teachers of English as a second or foreign language. The program addresses the theories of language instruction, and incorporates research based best practices for teaching English language learners.

### LIBRARY SCIENCE, MLS

Intended for those that already have a teacher certification, this online program is designed to prepare competent professionals for school librarianship. The library science courses are founded on a variety of professional library skills and utilize the latest advances in technology and information literacy to prepare students to collaborate with teachers, manage multimedia collections, and maintain a successful library.

### READING/LANGUAGE ARTS, MED

This program is designed for practicing educators in the field to strengthen an understanding of literacy for application in the classroom. Educators take coursework that provides preparation in expert instruction, assessment, and leadership for reading programs. After completion of the degree, educators will then be eligible to take the Reading Specialist Certification examination.

### SPECIAL EDUCATION (EDUCATIONAL DIAGNOSTICIAN), MED

This program provides you with the knowledge needed for the effective instruction of learners with special needs in diverse school and community settings. This program's course of study also provides the academic foundations necessary for certification as an Educational Diagnostician, to assess and diagnose the learning problems of students.

### SPECIAL EDUCATION (LOW INCIDENCE DISABILITIES AND AUTISM), MA OR MED

The Low Incidence Disabilities and Autism (LIDA) program is a blend of special education and applied behavior analysis coursework. Both the MA (thesis) and MED (non-thesis) degree options provide the academic foundations and supervised field experience for becoming a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA).

## DOCTORAL DEGREES

### COUNSELOR EDUCATION, PHD

The CACREP accredited Doctor of Philosophy degree in Counselor Education provides the highest professional degree available to students who aspire to leadership positions in counselor education and school counseling. About 90% of the PhD coursework is completed at The Woodlands Center.

### EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP, EDD

If you aspire to a leadership position in a school or university, the EdD in Educational Leadership is the highest professional degree offered. It requires a prescribed curriculum of courses in addition to a major research project resulting in the presentation and defense of a dissertation. This program offers tracks in K-12 Administration and Higher Education Administration.

### DEVELOPMENTAL EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION, EDD

The online EdD in Developmental Education Administration is an interdisciplinary program that prepares you to develop and administer programs for underprepared college and university students in math, reading, and writing.

### LITERACY, EDD

The Doctor of Education in Literacy provides the highest professional degree available for candidates who aspire to literacy leadership positions in schools, community colleges, or universities.



## CERTIFICATES

Principal, Superintendent, Behavior Analyst, Educational Diagnostician, Bilingual (Spanish) Educational Diagnostician, School Counseling, Reading Specialist, School Librarian, and Teaching certification programs available. The College of Education also offers graduate certificate programs geared toward professional development.