



## Career Resources

Sam Houston State University students who attend online classes may not be on the SHSU campus very often, but thanks to the university's Career Services office, online students have access to a multitude of resources to help them consider, choose, and pursue a career following graduation.

Here are some of the ways Career Services can help online students:

Jobs for Kats ([www.jobsforkats.com](http://www.jobsforkats.com)) is the "Bearkat to Employer connection," where students and alumni can locate full-time and part-time jobs, summer work and internship positions, as well as on-campus and work-study jobs. The Jobs for Kats program also schedules interviews (on campus) for full-time jobs and internships, refers students' resumes to potential employers, and maintains lists of employers participating in job fairs.

Online career assessments, including the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) and the Strong Interest Inventory (SII), are available at no cost to SHSU students and alumni. Students interested in taking these assessments should call Career Services at (936) 294-1713 to obtain a username and password and to schedule an appointment with a counselor to discuss assessment results and consultation. For the convenience of online students, these meetings can be conducted via Skype or phone. Career Services also provides career counseling to students, again via Skype session, by appointment on request.

Need help with online resumes or cover letters? Career Services provides individual downloadable templates [on their website](#). Students can also download an [entire package containing a guide and templates](#) if they prefer.

A number of major/career exploration resources, once only available in print form, are now available online, including "What Can I Do With This Major", [JOB Choices](#), [the O\\*NET](#), and [The Occupational Outlook Handbook](#).



In keeping with the old saying “practice makes perfect”, Career Services also provides access to a program called InterviewStream©, which allows students to participate in mock online interviews... anytime and anywhere.

Interview questions can be customized to align with students’ majors or career fields. Students can access this program by logging into their Jobs for Kats account (webcam and microphone required). Counselors from Career Services are available to critique these mock interviews and offer helpful feedback.

And when it’s time for the real thing, Career Services also facilitates employer-student interviews via Skype, either at the office’s Career Center or from the student’s home (if they have Skype on their personal computer), as long as both parties agree to this arrangement.

In addition to all of these resources, the Career Services office hopes to provide online webinars on various topics involving careers for the benefit of students in the near future. More details on webinars will be announced as the programs become available.

In short, SHSU is committed to providing as many career-related resources for online students as for traditional students attending classes on campus. When you are ready to begin exploring your career options or preparing to enter the job market, contact Career Services at (936) 294-1713 or [careerservices@shsu.edu](mailto:careerservices@shsu.edu) for more information.

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