

WHO IS A BEARKAT?

Kasey
Junior / English

SHTM

It's about rolling down the hill outside of Austin Hall with my friends. It's about getting to know my professors so well that they became my friends. I cannot say enough about my experience at STHSU. What I have learned here I know I couldn't get anywhere else. I have diversified my life and the things that I study. I have met my best friends. I have let my dreams come into focus. I know that when I leave I will be a better person because of this school. I have come full circle.

A Bearkat is many things. A go getter. A perfectionist. A dreamer. A doer. An artist. An entrepreneur. A Bearkat is a person with rare qualities – character, confidence, vision – that strives for more in life than just the status quo. An individual who demands much of him or herself and the university he or she attends. If you're looking for a university that combines exemplary learning with a sense of community; one where you'll feel like you belong and still stand out from the crowd, you might be a Bearkat.

SO WHAT IS SO UNIQUE AND EXCITING ABOUT BEING A BEARKAT?

THE MIND.

- Over 79 undergraduate degrees.
- Over 45 Master's degrees.
- Highly skilled, experienced faculty; 70% of faculty members hold doctoral or terminal degrees.
- Personal attention and access; 1:20 faculty to student ratio.
- Small class sizes; average class is 30 students.
- Classrooms equipped with high-speed internet connection.
- Preprofessional programs ranging from dental to veterinary medicine.
- Two agricultural complexes – a teaching & research farm and rodeo arena.
- One of the nation's largest programs in criminal justice.
- Top 5 in the state for music and top 25 in the U.S. for theater and dance.
- Only accredited bachelor degree in the U.S. for Banking and Financial Institutions.
- Only school in Texas to offer a degree in professional golf management.



THE BODY.

- NCAA Division I athletic program and a wide variety of informal sports and recreational activities.
- New Recreational Sports Aquatic expansion featuring heated pool and spa, lap lanes, water aerobics, sunbathing, and leisure activities.
- Comprehensive wellness programs for students, faculty, and staff.

THE SPIRIT.

- A diverse student body representing 53 countries.
- 272-acre main campus surrounded by forests, lakes, and ranch lands.
- Located in Huntsville, Texas between Houston and Dallas.
- More than 200 student organizations.
- Student-operated cable television and radio stations.
- Student-published newspaper.



Daniel
Sophomore / Marketing



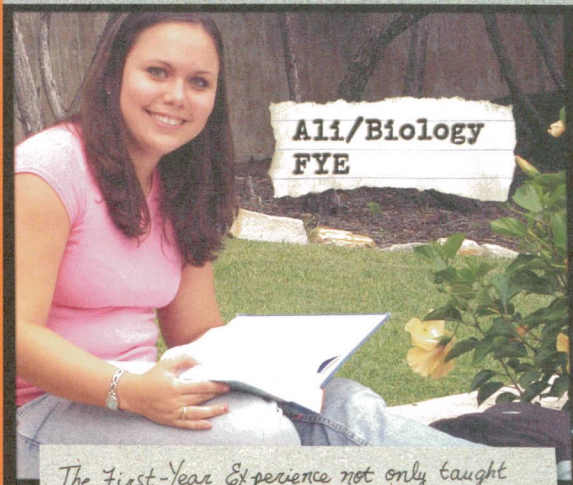
I'M ALWAYS ON A BIKE. MOTOCROSS. MOUNTAIN BIKING. IT DOESN'T MATTER. I LOVE IT ALL. THAT'S WHY WHEN I FELL IN LOVE WITH SHSU, I ALSO FELL IN LOVE WITH THE AREAS AROUND HUNTSVILLE. THERE ARE SO MANY AREAS FOR ME TO RIDE AND ENJOY THE THINGS THAT MAKE ME WHO I AM. I CAN BE A UNIQUE INDIVIDUAL AND STILL SEE PEOPLE WHO LIKE THE THINGS I DO. PEOPLE JUST LIKE ME. THIS PLACE IS JUST AWESOME.

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT SERVICES

FYE - FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE

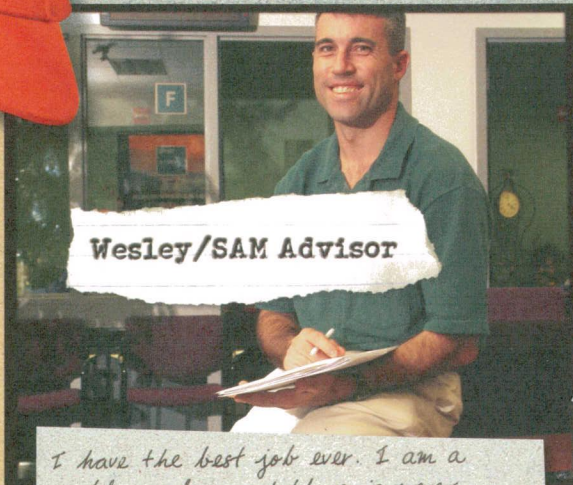
Adjusting to college life can sometimes be challenging. While you have more individual freedom, you also have to shoulder more responsibility. To help make your transition to college life go more easily, SHSU has developed the First-Year Experience Program. This program includes a variety of courses and support services designed to help you, as a first-year student, make a successful transition to the demands of university life. The program is comprised of the following options:

- Orientation sessions
- Freshman Seminar (SAM 136)
- Residential and non-residential cohort groups
- Academic centers/tutorials
- Personalized academic advising
- Counseling and mentoring
- Career guidance



All/Biology
FYE

The First-Year Experience not only taught me how to survive as a college student, but it gave me the best friends I've ever had. Learning about the campus and the skills I needed to succeed was made easy during FYE. I learned about other cultures, college note taking, and just how easy it could be to make new friends. From the moment I stepped on campus, FYE gave me a chance to get involved, and to this day I haven't stopped.



Wesley/SAM Advisor

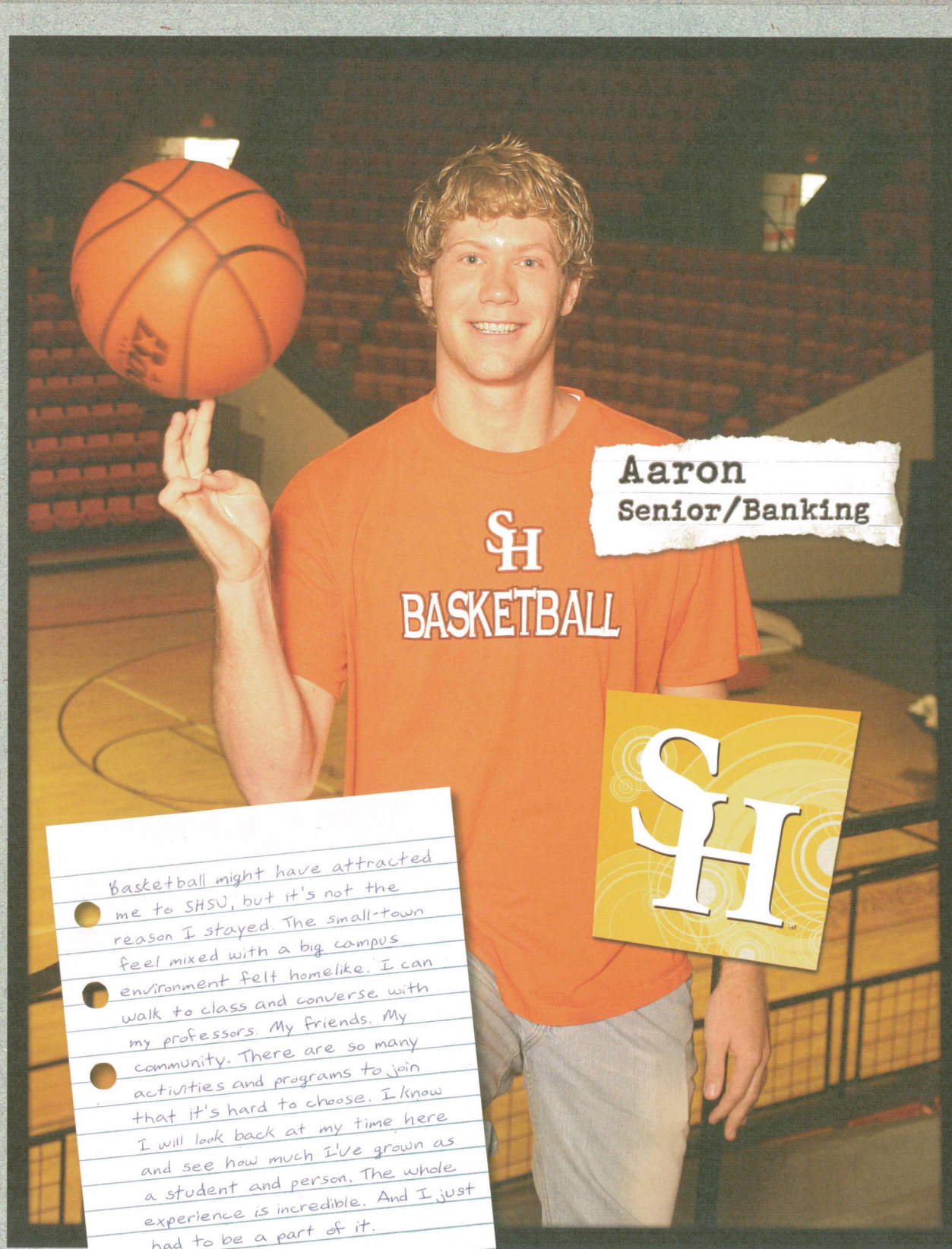
I have the best job ever. I am a problem solver and there is never a dull day. As a staff advisor, helping students find their way through the college experience is very rewarding. I see all kinds of issues that students may have. And I love this community. The SAM Center is so central to the students' lives that we really feel like a part of their world. This is a beautiful place to work.

SAM CENTER

The Student Advising and Mentoring Center provides multiple support services to help students succeed at Sam Houston State University. In addition to advising students for class schedules, they also provide answers to these commonly asked questions:

- How can I make better grades? Predict my GPA?
- Where can I find free tutoring?
- How do I choose a major if I don't know what I want to do?
- How and when should I drop a class? Resign?
- How many hours should I take?
- What happens if I'm on probation? Suspended?
- What is a First Alert?
- What should I do to prepare for graduation?
- How do I find out about Grad school? Getting a job?

Help is available to you in person at the SAM Center in Suite 210 in AB4, by phone toll free (866) 364-5211 or direct at (936) 294-4444, and e-mail at SAMCenter@shsu.edu.



Aaron
Senior/Banking

Basketball might have attracted me to SHSU, but it's not the reason I stayed. The small-town feel mixed with a big campus environment felt homelike. I can walk to class and converse with my professors. My friends. My community. There are so many activities and programs to join that it's hard to choose. I know I will look back at my time here and see how much I've grown as a student and person. The whole experience is incredible. And I just had to be a part of it.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

BEGINNING FRESHMAN STUDENTS SUBMIT:

1. Completed online application for admission with a nonrefundable \$40 application fee.
2. Official ACT or SAT I scores required regardless of class rank.
3. Official final high school transcript showing date of graduation and class rank.

BEGINNING FRESHMAN STUDENT REQUIREMENTS:

Eligible beginning freshmen students must graduate from an accredited* high school and meet one of the following:

QUARTER	ACT	SAT I <small>(critical reading + math)</small>
Top 10%	no minimum	no minimum
11 - 25%	17	850
2nd	19	930
3rd	22	1030
4th	25	1140

**Students graduating from a non-accredited high school must meet requirements as listed in the SHSU Undergraduate Catalog.*

TRANSFER STUDENT REQUIREMENTS:

Eligible students transferring from other colleges and universities must:

1. Have earned a minimum of 12 transferable accredited semester hours of college level coursework,
2. Have a minimum overall transfer grade point average of 2.0, and
3. Not be on suspension from any other college or university.

TRANSFER STUDENTS SUBMIT:

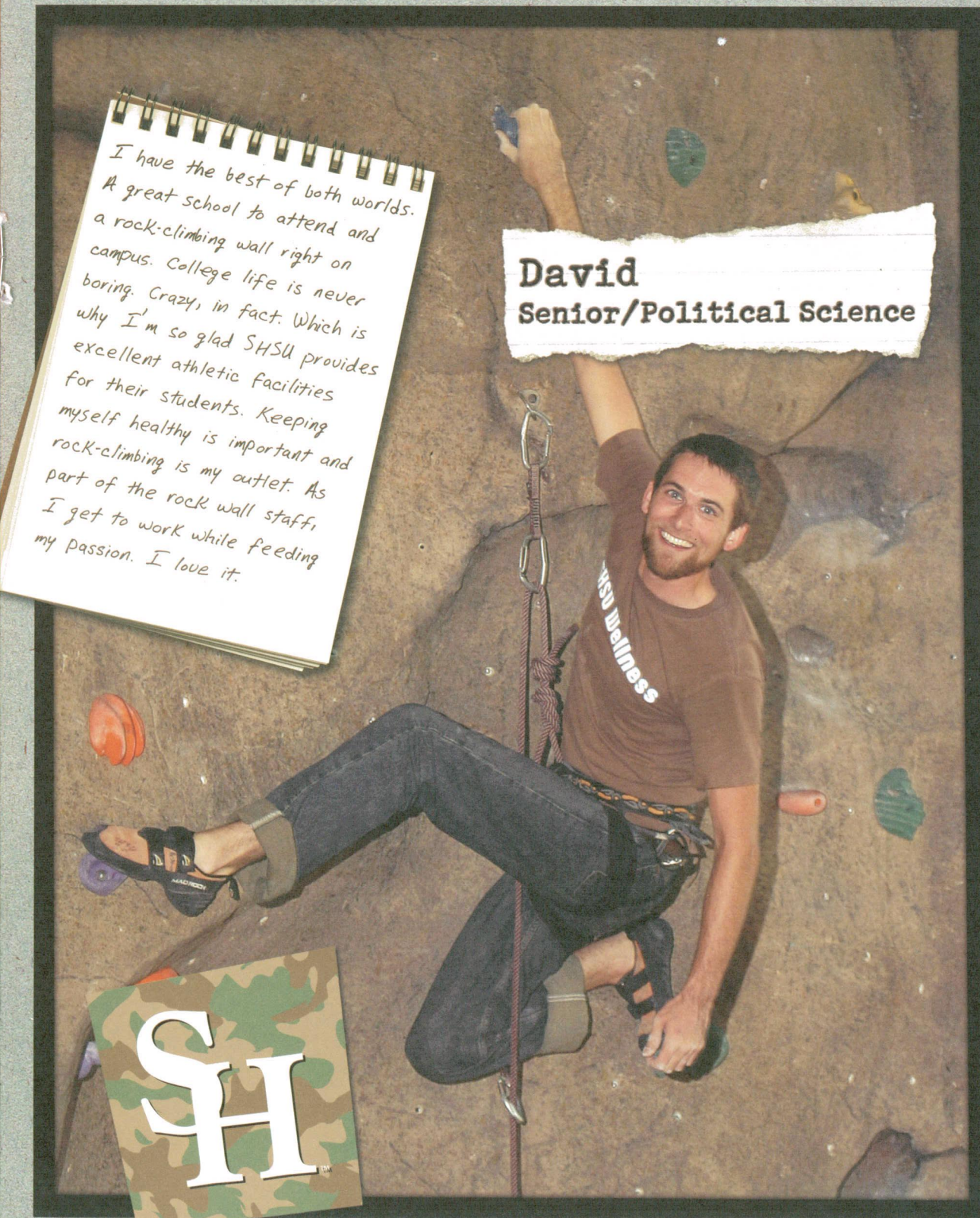
1. Completed online application for admission and a \$40 nonrefundable application fee.
2. Official transcripts on all previous coursework from ALL colleges or universities attended.



SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY

Eric/Criminal Justice Transfer Student

My goal is to become a state trooper and I want to enter a career in law enforcement completely prepared. So, I chose to transfer to SHSU from a community college and was surprised at the easiness of the adjustment. Perfect class sizes. So many opportunities. And the people are amazing. I couldn't imagine being anywhere else.



I have the best of both worlds. A great school to attend and a rock-climbing wall right on campus. College life is never boring. Crazy, in fact. Which is why I'm so glad SHSU provides excellent athletic facilities for their students. Keeping myself healthy is important and rock-climbing is my outlet. As part of the rock wall staff, I get to work while feeding my passion. I love it.

David Senior/Political Science



ESTIMATED COST BY SEMESTER

Tuition/Fees, Texas Resident (12 hours)	\$2321*
Books and Supplies (approximate)	\$450
Residence Hall (residence halls range from \$1352-\$2228)	\$1730
Meal Plan (three options)	\$1200
APPROXIMATE COST	\$5701
Required Application Fee	\$40
Optional expenses may include: Parking permit (one year)	\$60

Based on Fall '07. Subject to change.

*Class fees will vary depending on department.

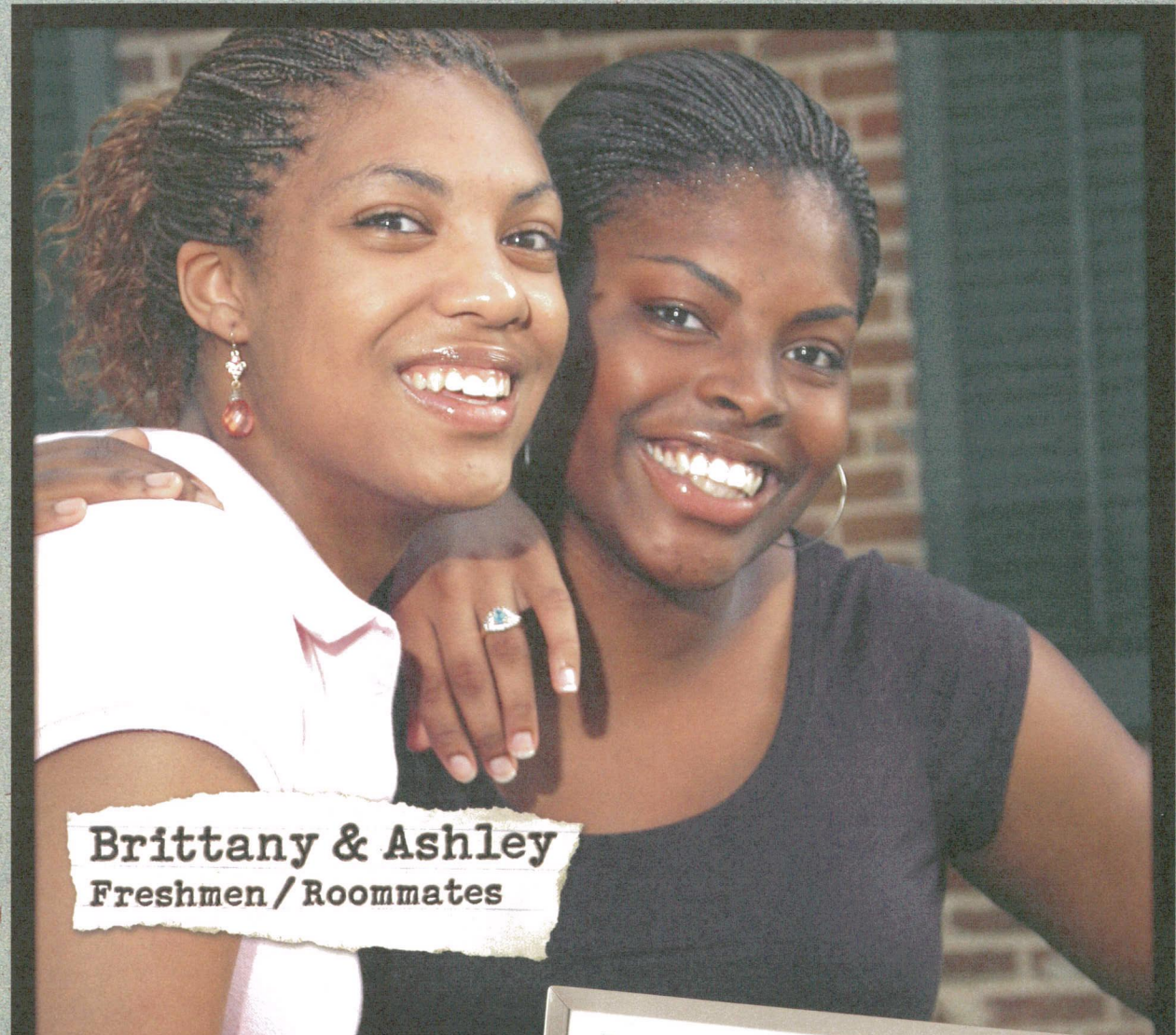
FINANCIAL AID:

Approximately 50% of the student body receives financial assistance through federal, state, and local programs administered by the Student Financial Aid Office. Grants, loans, scholarships, college work-study programs, and a tuition payment plan are available to qualified students. To apply for financial aid at SHSU, students must submit the most current 'Free Application for Federal Student Aid' (FAFSA.ed.gov), designated supplemental applications, and forms to the address indicated on each individual form. The Title IV code for SHSU is 003606. Call (936) 294-1774 for more information.



RESIDENCE LIFE

SHSU offers 32 different residence halls with male, female, coed, academic, and sorority housing. To assist in the transition from high school to college, all freshmen students who have been out of high school for less than a year are required to live in university residence halls and participate in the university meal plan. Housing applications, virtual tours of the residence halls, and other valuable information can be found on the Residence Life website at: www.shsu.edu/reslife.

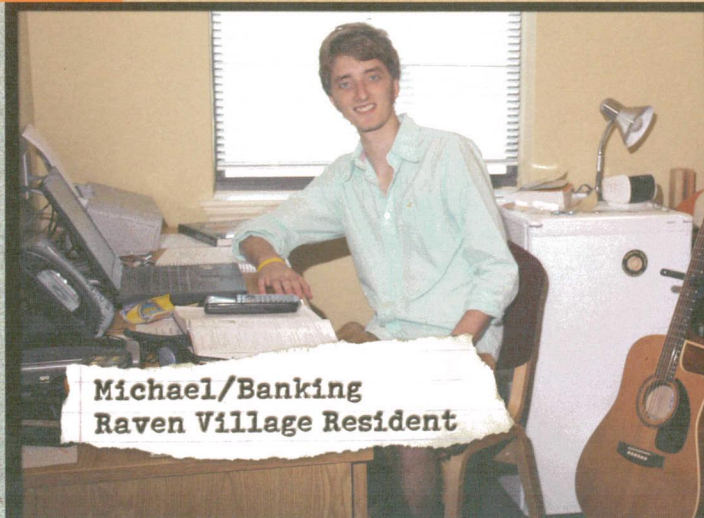


Brittany & Ashley
Freshmen / Roommates



From seventh grade science class to being freshman year roommates, we do everything together. That's why the decision to attend SHSU was such an easy one. We get to share so many things. Studying to be teachers. Staying up all night talking. Joining organizations. There is no better place for making friends. Or for keeping them.

Dorm life at SHSU has me spoiled and I'm loving every minute of it. I have formed lasting relationships in a community full of great people to hang out with. I can look right out my window and see the beautiful nature that surrounds our campus. Plus, I'm within walking distance of the academic buildings. Lucky? I think so.



Michael/Banking
Raven Village Resident

DEGREE PROGRAMS

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

37 Areas with more than 4400 students

Agriculture BS, MS
 Agricultural Business BS
 Agricultural Mechanization BS
 Animal Science BS
 Horticulture and Crop Science BS
 Applied Arts and Sciences BAAS
 Art BA, BFA
 Advertising & Graphic Design BFA
 Computer Animation BFA
 Photography BA, BS, BFA
 Studio Art BA, BFA
 Biology BA, BS, MA, MS
 Chemistry BS, MS
 Chemical Engineering (dual program) BS
 Computing Science BS
 Computing and Information Science MS
 Digital Forensics MS
 Dance BA, BFA, MFA
 Environmental Science BS
 Forensic Chemistry BS
 Geography BA, BS
 Geology BS
 Industrial Technology BS, MA
 Construction Management BS
 Design and Development BS
 Electronics BS
 Industrial Management BS
 Mathematics BA, BS, MA, MS
 Statistics MS
 Music BA, BM, MM
 Music Education MM
 Music Therapy BM
 Music Therapy- Correctional BM
 Musical Theatre BFA
 Physics BS
 Physics/Engineering (dual program) BS
 Theatre BFA

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Accredited by AACSB
 Accounting BBA
 Banking & Financial Institutions BBA, MBA
 Business Administration MBA
 Economics BBA
 Finance BBA, MS
 General Business BBA
 Human Resource Management BBA
 International Business BBA
 Management BBA
 Management Information Systems BBA
 Marketing BBA
 Professional Golf Management BBA

COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Among the top programs in the nation
 Criminal Justice BA, BS, MS, PhD
 Criminal Justice and Criminology MA
 Criminal Justice Leadership and Management MS
 Forensic Science MS
 Security Studies MS
 Victim Services Management MS
 Victim Studies BA

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

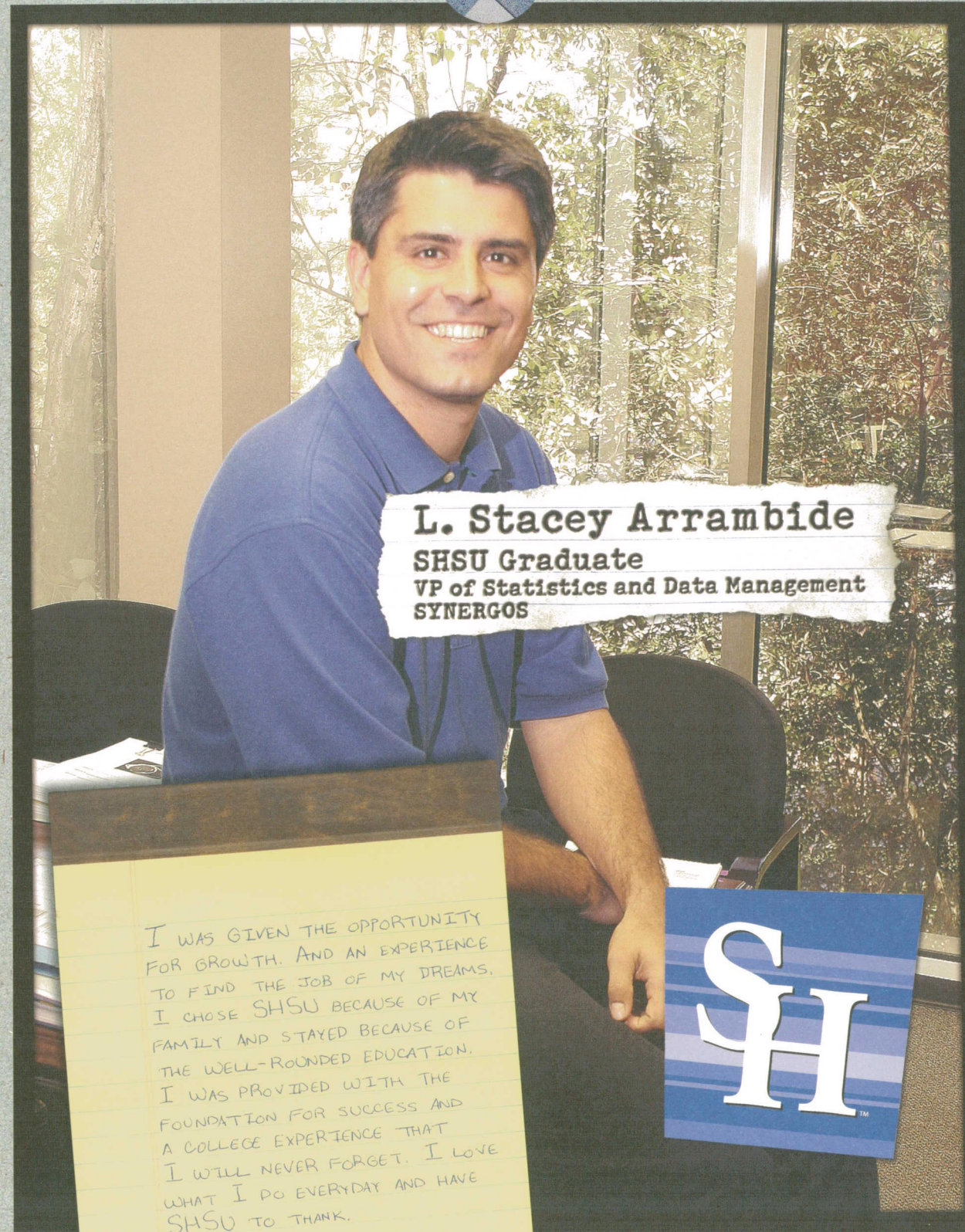
One of the best teacher programs west of the Mississippi
 Academic Studies BA, BS
 Administration MA, MED
 Counseling MA, MED
 Counselor Education MA, PhD
 Curriculum and Instruction MA, MED
 Educational Leadership EdD
 Health BS, MA, MED
 Instructional Leadership MA, MED
 Kinesiology BA, BS, MA, MED
 Library Science MLS
 Reading MA, MED, EdD
 Special Education MA, MED

COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

English BA, MA
 Family and Consumer Sciences BA, BS, MS
 Dietetics MS
 Fashion Merchandising BA, BS
 Food Science and Nutrition BS
 Food Service Management BA, BS
 Interior Design BA, BS
 History BA, MA
 Mass Communication BA (formerly RTV and Journalism)
 Philosophy BA
 Political Sciences BA, BS, MA
 Public Administration MPA
 Psychology BS, MA
 Clinical Psychology MA, PhD
 School Psychology MA
 Sociology BA, BS, MA
 Spanish BA
 Speech Communication BA, MA

PREPROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

Predental
 Predental Hygiene
 Prelaw
 Premedical
 Premedical Record Administration
 Prenursing
 Preoccupational Therapy
 Preoptometry
 Prepharmacy
 Prephysical Therapy
 Prephysician Assistant
 Prepodiatry
 Prerespiratory Therapy
 Preveterinary Medicine



L. Stacey Arrambide
 SHSU Graduate
 VP of Statistics and Data Management
 SYNERGOS

I WAS GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY FOR GROWTH. AND AN EXPERIENCE TO FIND THE JOB OF MY DREAMS. I CHOSE SHSU BECAUSE OF MY FAMILY AND STAYED BECAUSE OF THE WELL-ROUNDED EDUCATION. I WAS PROVIDED WITH THE FOUNDATION FOR SUCCESS AND A COLLEGE EXPERIENCE THAT I WILL NEVER FORGET. I LOVE WHAT I DO EVERYDAY AND HAVE SHSU TO THANK.





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CAMPUS TOURS

To make an appointment for a weekday tour,
call the Visitor Center at (936) 294-1844.

**SATURDAYS
@SAM**

Campus Preview Days

November 17, 2007

March 29, 2008

Learn more and sign up for this event online at www.shsu.edu/saturday