

Beginning Freshmen Academic Awards

Sam Houston State University offers several academic scholarships to high achieving students. Most scholarships are single-recipient scholarships, meaning they are awarded to one student who holds the scholarship for the academic year.

Eligibility for the Bowers* and Rosser* scholarships require membership in the Honors College. Bowers* Scholarships are multi-student scholarships and are awarded to students in good standing with the Honors College. This table is an informational guide only. Information, including award amounts and eligibility, is subject to change.

Scholarship Name	Amount per Academic Year	SAT or ACT	H.S. Class Rank	H.S. GPA	Major	Demonstrated Need
Marks	\$2,000	1340/30	10%	n/a	Any	No
Elkins	\$2,000	1340/30	10%	n/a	Any	No
Smither	\$2,000	1340/30	10%	n/a	Any	No
Hunt	\$2,000	1340/30	10%	n/a	Business	No
Rosser*	\$3,000	1200/27	10%	3.4	Business or Education	No
University Scholars	\$1,000	1200/27	20%		Any	No
Bowers*	\$400	1200/27	10%	n/a	Any	No
Rather	\$3,000	n/a	n/a	3.0	Any	Yes
Fitz	\$1,000	1200/27	20%	n/a	Any	Yes
Townsend	\$1,250	1200/27	20%	n/a	Any	Yes

BOBBY KEES & COLLEEN ANN MARKS PRESIDENTIAL ENDOWMENT FUND: \$1000 per semester for eight consecutive regular semesters while pursuing a Baccalaureate Degree. The recipient must be an incoming freshman majoring in any discipline, but must: graduate in the upper ten percent of his/her high school graduating class; have an ACT score of not less than 30 or an SAT score of not less

than 1340 (critical reading + math); maintain an overall GPA of 3.25; and be enrolled full-time and in good standing at Sam Houston State University.

JUDGE & MRS. JAMES A ELKINS ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP: \$1000 per semester for eight consecutive regular semesters while pursuing a Baccalaureate Degree. The recipient must be an incoming freshman majoring in any discipline, but must; graduate in the upper ten percent of his/her high school graduating class; have an ACT score of not less than 30 or an SAT score of not less than 1340 (critical reading + math); and be enrolled full-time and maintain an overall GPA of 3.25.

MARY BUSH SMITHER PRESIDENT'S ENDOWMENT: \$1000 per semester. Recipient must be a full-time incoming freshman student in good standing enrolled at Sam Houston State University and majoring in any discipline; be in the upper 10 percent of their high school graduating class and score not less than 1340 (critical reading and math) on the SAT I or 30 on the ACT; and maintain a minimum overall GPA of 3.00. For additional information, contact the Financial Aid & Scholarships Office; 936-294-1774.

THOMAS CLIFTON GIBBS & JAMESETTE HUNT PRESIDENT'S ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP: \$1000 per semester for eight consecutive regular semesters while pursuing a Baccalaureate Degree as a business major. Recipient must: be in the upper 10 percent of their high school graduating class; score not less than 1340 (critical reading + math) on the SAT I or 30 on the ACT; and be classified as a beginning freshman.

ROSSER FAMILY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP: \$3000 per year. Recipient must be first-time incoming freshman in good standing; major in any discipline within the College of Business or the College of Education; be accepted to and maintain enrollment in the Elliott T. Bowers Honors College; have a minimum high school cumulative GPA of at least 3.40; have an SAT1 composite score of 1200 or above and/or an ACT composite of at least 27; or must have graduated in the top 10% of their high school class; maintain a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 during both semesters of their freshman year and maintain a minimum overall GPA of 3.25 thereafter (sophomore, junior, senior years). Application deadline is February 1st

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARS SCHOLARSHIPS: \$500 per semester for two semesters. Awarded to beginning freshmen. Recipients must be in the upper 20 percent of their high school graduating class and score not less than 1200 (critical reading + math) on the SAT I or 27 on the ACT

THE UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP: Is a competitive scholarship awarded to entering freshmen, Sam Houston State University undergraduate and transfer students whose academic accomplishments and university or community citizenship are excellent in every respect. This competitive scholarship is intended for a full time student enrolled as a resident, nonresidents or a citizen of a country other than the United States of America, maintaining not less than a 3.25 GPA. The award amount is determined on the availability of funds.

Beginning Freshmen Academic and Need Based Awards

CLAUDE H. & ALICE M. TOWNSEND FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP: \$625 per semester for two semesters to a beginning freshman. Recipients must: have been in the upper 20 percent of their high school graduating class; score not less than 1200 (critical reading + math) on the SAT I or 27 on the ACT; and demonstrate financial need. Scholarship may be renewed annually for three additional years, based upon availability of funds and not less than a 3.0 GPA at SHSU

DAN RATHER AND JEAN RATHER ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP: \$3,000 per year. Recipients must be incoming undergraduate, first-time freshman students majoring in any discipline, demonstrate financial need, have a minimum **high school GPA of 3.0** and maintain a minimum overall GPA of 3.0.

FITZ FAMILY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP: \$500 per semester for the next two semesters following the date of the award. SHSU recipients must have not less than a 3.0 GPA. High school applicants must meet the same requirements as those for **University Scholars**; all applicants must demonstrate financial need.

Bearkat Transfer Scholarships

Bearkat Transfer Scholarships will *automatically* be offered for Fall 2013. No application is required other than applying for admission to Sam Houston State University!

Award amount	Transfer GPA (Cumulative)	Renewable GPA (SHSU Hours)
\$3,000	4.0	3.5 - 4.0
\$2,000	3.50 - 3.99	3.5 - 4.0
\$1,500	3.00 - 3.49	3.5 - 4.0
\$1,000	2.75 - 2.99	3.25 - 4.0

Transfer Scholarship Conditions

1. First-time SHSU student, enrolling full-time at SHSU,
2. Transfer from an accredited community college or university,
3. Be an undergraduate student, seeking their first bachelors degree,
4. Have a minimum of 45 transferable academic credit hours, and
5. Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75.

Renewal Scholarship Conditions

1. Second year at SHSU,
2. Received Transfer Scholarship the previous year,
3. Maintained full-time academic status,
4. Complete 30 hours of SHSU credits in the academic year, and
5. Maintain SHSU GPA listed on the chart above.

Funds for Fall are limited, and awards will be offered on a first-come, first serve basis. **Apply** for admission to SHSU today! Scholarship recipients will be notified by email. Students must go to **Banner Self Service** to accept offers.

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