

ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES

- Academic Success Center
- Advising (Student Advising and Mentoring Center)
- English Language Institute
- Institutional Effectiveness
- IT@SAM
- Library, Newton Gresham
- SHSU Online
- Testing Center

ACCUPLACER-ESL: The ACCUPLACER-ESL test is a placement exam used by the English Language Institute for assessing a student's performance in the English language. It is a internet-based test with results available immediately following completion of the test. Additional information may be obtained by visiting the Testing Center (http://www.shsu.edu/~tst_www), ACCUPLACER (<https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/students>), or English Language Institute (ELI) Office (<http://www.shsu.edu/dept/international-programs/english-language-institute>).

TSI ASSESSMENT: The TSI Assessment test is a placement exam offered at this institution for evaluating a student's performance in reading, writing, and mathematics. It is a internet-based test with results available immediately following completion of the test. Additional information may be obtained by visiting the Testing Center (http://www.shsu.edu/~tst_www) or by visiting TSI Assessment (<https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/students>).

Professional Entrance and Certification Exams

LSAT: The Law School Admission Test (LSAT) is an integral part of the law school admission process in the United States, Canada, and a growing number of other countries. It provides a standard measure of acquired reading and verbal reasoning skills that law schools can use as one of several factors in assessing applicants. The Testing Center administers the LSAT exam approximately 2-3 times a year. Additional information may be obtained by visiting the Testing Center (<http://www.shsu.edu/testing>) or LSAT (<http://www.lsac.org>).

MPRE: The purpose of the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE) is to measure an examinee's knowledge and understanding of established standards related to a lawyer's professional conduct. The Testing Center administers the MPRE exam twice a year. Additional information may be obtained by visiting the Testing Center (<http://www.shsu.edu/testing>) or MPRE (<http://www.ncbex.org>).

NCE: The National Counselor Examination (NCE) is a requirement for counselor licensure in many states and for the National Certified Counselor (NCC) certification. The Testing Center administers the NCE on select dates through the month. Additional information may be obtained by visiting the Testing Center (<http://www.shsu.edu/centers/testing-center>) or NCE (<http://www.nbcc.org>).

TCEQ: The Testing Center is a testing site for the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Occupational Licensing examinations. The Testing Center offers the TCEQ exams on a weekly basis. Additional information about TCEQ exams can be obtained by visiting the Testing Center (<http://www.shsu.edu/centers/testing-center>) or TCEQ. (<https://www.tceq.texas.gov>)

TEAS: The Test of Essential and Academic Skills (TEAS) is used as part of the admissions process by Nursing and Allied Health schools nationwide. The Testing Center offers the TEAS exam on a weekly basis. Additional information may be obtained by visiting the Testing Center (<http://www.shsu.edu/centers/testing-center>) or TEAS (<http://www.atitesting.com>).

TEXES: The **Texas Examinations of Educator Standards (TEXES)** are criterion-referenced examinations designed to measure a candidate's knowledge in relation to an established criterion. The Testing Center offers the TEXES exams several times throughout the year. Additional information may be obtained by visiting the Testing Center (<http://www.shsu.edu/testing>) or TEXES. (<http://cms.texas-ets.org>)

Practice Exams

Representative Tests: Sam Houston State University Testing Center administers the practice teacher certification exam (Representative TEXES) for the College of Education on a weekly basis. Additional information may be obtained by visiting the Testing Center (<http://www.shsu.edu/testing>) or College of Education (<http://www.shsu.edu/academics/education/educator-preparation-services/program-services/texas-testing.html>).

Distance Learning Exams

Sam Houston State University Testing Center administers several distance learning exams. Additional information may be obtained by visiting the Testing Center (<http://www.shsu.edu/testing>).

Credit By Exam

ACT/SAT English Credit: Sam Houston State University has a policy of accepting high scores from the ACT or SAT test for credit in freshman English courses. The current policy is as follows:

ACT: A score of 33 or above on the English section of the ACT test qualifies a student for exemption from both ENGL 1301 and ENGL 1302. A score of 27-32 qualifies a student for enrollment in ENGL 1301H (Honors Class), an accelerated class for students with superior skills in English. Students earning an A or B in ENGL 1301H will automatically receive credit for ENGL 1302 and become eligible for sophomore English. If the student does not make a grade of A or B in the ENGL 1301H class, he/she will be required to take ENGL 1302.

SAT: A score of 700 or above on the verbal section of the SAT test qualifies a student for exemption from both ENGL 1301 and ENGL 1302. A score of 600-690 qualifies a student for enrollment in ENGL 1301H (Honors Class), an accelerated class for students with superior skills in English. Students earning an A or B in ENGL 1301H will automatically receive credit for ENGL 1302 and become eligible for sophomore English. If the student does not make a grade of A or B in the ENGL 1301H class, he/she will be required to take ENGL 1302.

Advanced Placement Program (AP): Sam Houston State University may award college credit for the College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) Advanced Placement Examinations based on the score(s) received. Advanced Placement exams are given at the high-school level. Sam Houston State University has a policy of accepting up to a maximum of thirty semester hours of credit through a combination of national standardized examinations and/or locally designed and administered departmental tests. More than thirty semester hours of credit by examination will be

considered on an individual appeal basis. Please visit the Testing Center (<http://www.shsu.edu/testing>) for more information or AP Program (<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/home>).

College Level Examination Program (CLEP): Sam Houston State University is an open national testing center for the College Level Examination Program (CLEP). All CLEP exams may be taken at SHSU, but only the CLEP Subject Exams listed on the Testing Center website will be accepted for credit at SHSU. Sam Houston State University has a policy of accepting up to a maximum of thirty semester hours of credit through a combination of national standardized examinations and/or locally designed and administered departmental tests. More than thirty semester hours of credit by examination will be considered on an individual appeal basis. For more information, visit the Testing Center (<http://www.shsu.edu/testing>) or CLEP (<https://clep.collegeboard.org>).

DSST: Sam Houston State University is an open national testing center for the DSST exams. All DSST exams may be taken at SHSU, but only the DSST exams listed on the Testing Center website will be accepted for credit at Sam Houston State University. Sam Houston State University has a policy of accepting up to a maximum of thirty semester hours of credit through a combination of national standardized examinations and/or locally designed and administered departmental tests. More than thirty semester hours of credit by examination will be considered on an individual appeal basis. For more information, please visit the Testing Center (<http://www.shsu.edu/testing>) or DSST (<http://getcollegecredit.com>).

International Baccalaureate Program (IB): Sam Houston State University recognizes the International Baccalaureate program for those students who earn the IB diploma. Although Sam Houston typically accepts a maximum of thirty (30) semester hours of credit through a combination of national standardized examinations and/or locally designed and administered departmental tests, students earning the IB diploma are capable of earning in excess of those 30 hours. Information on the International Baccalaureate Program may be obtained from high school counselors or by visiting the Testing Center (<http://www.shsu.edu/testing>) or International Baccalaureate (<http://www.ibo.org>).

SAT Subject Exams: Sam Houston State University is an open national testing center for the SAT Subject examinations. All SAT Subject exams may be taken at SHSU. Only the SAT Subject exams listed on the Testing Center website will be accepted for credit at SHSU. Sam Houston State University has a policy of accepting up to a maximum of thirty (30) hours of credit through a combination of national standardized examinations and/or locally designed and administered departmental tests. More than thirty (30) hours of credit by examination will be considered on an individual appeal basis. For more information, please visit the Testing Center (<http://www.shsu.edu/testing>) or SAT Subject (<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat-subject-tests>).