

# COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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## Vision

Sam Houston State University's College of Business Administration aspires to be among the best regional colleges of business administration in the nation.

## Mission

The mission of the College of Business Administration (COBA) is to prepare students for careers through a quality education. COBA provides a student-focused learning environment that actively engages students, faculty, and the business community in the promotion of knowledge and skills relevant for professional success. The educational environment is complemented by encouraging quality faculty scholarship in applied, pedagogical, and discipline-based research.

## Core Values

The faculty and staff of the College of Business Administration embrace the following **core values** in pursuit of the mission.

**Quality** - COBA faculty and staff will provide a quality educational environment, maintaining a relevant curriculum and teaching pedagogy that nurtures intellectual development.

**Responsibility** - COBA faculty and staff will be responsible and dependable, take personal initiative and accept accountability.

**Respect** - COBA faculty and staff will engage in a spirit of cooperation and collegiality that promotes trust, collaboration and respect of others.

**Individuality** - COBA faculty and staff, recognizing the value of diversity, will respect individual goals and objectives, and celebrate faculty, staff and student success.

**Honesty** - COBA faculty and staff will be ethical in their behavior, will act with integrity and will be honest, open and fair with all stakeholders.

## Highlights

The College of Business Administration is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International (AACSB International) and has a nationally recognized chapter of Beta Gamma Sigma, the national honor society in business.

Sam Houston State University was accredited in 2005 as the 17th Professional Golfers' Association of America PGA Golf Management university in the country and the first in the state of Texas. The Professional Golfers' Association of America PGA Golf Management program at Sam Houston State University is designed to produce members of the PGA of America. Successful completion of the 4 1/2-year program will reward the student with a

Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) degree in General Business Administration with a concentration in PGA Golf Management, resulting in Class "A" membership within the PGA of America.

The College of Business Administration offers BBA degrees in accounting, general business administration, banking and financial institutions, finance, management, and marketing, as well as the MBA at The Woodlands Center in The Woodlands, Texas.

The College offers the only accredited bachelor and Executive Master of Business Administration in Banking and Financial Institutions in the nation. The EMBA program is a two-year cohort program involving both online and residence coursework.

Each year the College of Business Administration conducts a career fair that offers students the opportunity to interact with 50 or more employers from all types of business and not-for-profit organizations. Additionally, the Department of Accounting conducts a "Meet-the-Firms Night" each fall for primarily accounting, finance, and management information systems majors.

## Master's Degrees

- Master of Science in Accounting (<http://catalog.shsu.edu/graduate/college-departments/business-administration/accounting/accounting-ms>)
- Master of Business Administration (<http://catalog.shsu.edu/graduate/college-departments/business-administration/mba>)
- Executive Master of Business Administration in Banking and Financial Institutions (<http://catalog.shsu.edu/graduate/college-departments/business-administration/emba>)
- Master of Science in Project Management (<http://catalog.shsu.edu/graduate/college-departments/business-administration/management-marketing/project-management-ms>)

## Student Organizations and Activities

- Alpha Kappa Psi
- Association of IT Professionals
- Banking and Finance Club
- Beta Alpha Psi
- Beta Gamma Sigma
- COBA Ambassadors
- Collegiate Entrepreneurs' Organization
- International Business Society
- MBA Student Association
- National Association of Black Accountants
- National Black MBA Association
- Omicron Delta Epsilon
- Phi Chi Theta
- Society for Human Resource Management

Additional student organizations exist within specific majors and/or departments. Please see the appropriate major/department for more details.

## Scholarships

Numerous scholarships are available on a competitive basis for incoming and currently-enrolled graduate students in the College of Business Administration. Students are encouraged to apply for scholarships using the Scholarships4Kats (<https://shsu.academicworks.com>) program at Financial Aid (<http://www.shsu.edu/dept/financial-aid>). The Scholarships4Kats program is a single application that will allow the student to apply for most scholarships available on campus whether at the departmental, college, or university-level. Applications are typically accepted through Scholarships4Kats (<https://shsu.academicworks.com>) between October 1 and February 15 for incoming students and between January 2 and February 15 for returning students. Deadlines may change so students are encouraged to check the website for current information. Scholarship recipients are announced in April for the following academic year.

Scholarships vary from year to year and typically include:

- Bala and Santhi Maniam Finance Scholarship
- Charles R. Carlow Endowed Scholarship
- Kelly DeHay & Rod Danielson COBA Scholarship
- Douglas C. Fletcher, Sr. Scholarship
- Charles Jones III MBA Fellowship
- Project Management Institute (PMI) Scholarships
- Kailas and Becky Rao Scholarship in Honor of Dr. Bobby K. Marks
- SHSU Online Scholarships

- John Patrick Singleton Memorial Scholarship
- Billy and Kathy Smith COBA Scholarship
- Kimbrough M. Winston, Sr. Graduate Business Scholarship
- Neva and Wesley West Scholarship
- Wood-Yager Scholarship

The College of Business Administration also offers competitive graduate assistantships each year for students who are accepted into the program. All students who have demonstrated distinguished academic performance may apply for a graduate assistantship. All assistantships require students to work 20 hours per week. Students interested in applying for an assistantship should contact the college directly at [busgrad@shsu.edu](mailto:busgrad@shsu.edu) .