CARDINALS STAND OUT

EXPLORING YOUR ACADEMIC PATH?

DISCOVER YOUR FUTURE CAREER WITH SVSU'S PATHWAY FINDER!







Teresa George Director of Career Services



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WELCOME TO THE SVSU FAMILY!

Here at SVSU, we're all about putting knowledge into action. Our extensive experiential learning opportunities beyond the classroom empower you. Did you know that over 85% of SVSU students engage in hands-on experiences each year? This will enhance your résumé and strengthen your future job prospects.

If you are undeclared on your major, we want to reassure you that this is normal! Many of our incoming freshman students are undeclared about their career paths. SVSU supports you as you explore your academic journey, and we have incredible resources to help you figure out your future career over the next four years.

Collaborate with our certified career coaches who utilize **Strong Interest Inventory**® assessment results to identify industries where you'll thrive. Learn more at **svsu.edu/findmypath**. Also, develop sought-after soft skills by exploring on-campus employment opportunities that align with your aspirations.

Additionally, we encourage you to engage in at least one of our 100+ student organizations. This is an excellent way to connect with peers who share your passions. Networking within our community fosters growth and memorable experiences.

Congratulations, once again, on your acceptance to SVSU! Our Office of Career Services student organizations and faculty are here to guide and support you on this transformative journey. Have questions? Feel free to connect with us at (989) 964-4954 or careers@svsu.edu.

Get ready to carve your path and embrace the adventure at SVSU!



IN ARTS & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES CAREER PATHS

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

MAJORS

Art

Black Studies

Communication

Communication & Theatre Education

Creative Writing

Criminal Justice

English/Language Arts Education

English-Literature

Environmental Studies & Sustainability

Fine Arts BFA

French

French Education

General Studies

Geography

Graphic Design

History

International Studies

Music

Music Education

Political Science

Pre-Law

Professional & Technical Writing

Psychology

Public Administration

Sociology

Spanish

Spanish Education

Theatre

Visual Arts Education

MINORS

Asian Studies

Community Journalism

Gender Studies

Geospatial Techniques

Japanese

Leadership & Service

Legal Philosophy

Musical Theatre

Philosophy

Public History

Public Law

Religious Studies

Spanish for Health Professions

Teaching English to

Speakers of Other Languages

User Experience Design

Writing for Public Purposes

CERTIFICATE

Geographic Information Systems

ABS ALUM



Meg Koch History Alum

Executive Director at Studio 23 in Bay City, MI



Terrance Moore Criminal Justice Alum

Police Officer with the Auburn Hills Police Department



Do you have questions about ARTS & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES academic programs and pathways? SVSU faculty members are here for you.

ASK AN EXPERT sysu.edu/admissions/asktheexperts

Make connections in clubs and organizations

STUDENT CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

ALPHA PHI SIGMA (CRIMINAL JUSTICE HONOR SOCIETY)

AMERICAN CHORAL DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION STUDENT

CHAPTER AT SVSU

ART & DESIGN ASSOCIATION

ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL WRITERS

CARDINAL CREATIVES

COLLEGE DEMOCRATS OF SVSU

COLLEGE REPUBLICANS OF SVSU

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SOCIETY

FORENSICS TEAM

GEOGRAPHY CLUB

JAZZ EDUCATION NETWORK CHAPTER AT SVSU

NAfME COLLEGIATE

PHILOSOPHY CLUB

PSI CHI, THE INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY IN PSYCHOLOGY

PSYCHOLOGY CLUB

PSYCHOLOGY RESOURCE INFORMATION MENTORSHIP

ENCOURAGEMENT (PRIME)

SAGINAW VALLEY HISTORY CLUB

SAGINAW VALLEY MODEL UNITED NATIONS

SVSU COMPETITIVE SPEECH TEAM



SVSU students consistently demonstrate exceptional skill in state and national moot court competitions. Participants in moot court act as attorneys in a simulated argument in front of the Supreme Court and present written briefs. In 2025, the team catapulted to No. 4 overall in the AMCA rankings.

NATIONALLY RANKED MOOT COURT TEAM FOR UNDERGRADUATE COMPETITION

Research within any major, any year

At SVSU, students in any academic program may participate in the Undergraduate Research Program starting their freshman year. Enhance your learning and further your education by exploring opportunities to engage in grant-funded undergraduate research. Lead your own project or work alongside supportive faculty. Your research can go far — get published in academic journals or present at international conferences. You can do this!







STAND OUT

IN BUSINESS CAREER PATHS

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

All business majors can lead to a 4+1 MBA

MAJORS

Accounting
BPA (CPA track)
Economics
Finance
General Business
International Business
Management
Marketing
Supply Chain Management

MINORS

Entrepreneurship Legal Studies Professional Sales

CERTIFICATES

Digital Marketing Entrepreneurship Professional Sales

CONCENTRATIONS

Finance

Financial Planning Investment

Manaaement

Family Business Management Human Resource Management





SVSU's finance program offers a direct path to Certified Financial Planner (CFP®) and Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA®) certifications!

ALUMNI



Trevor Curle Supply Chain Alum

Senior Supplier Coordinator - Ship Direct at General Motors



Mary Kreider, CPA Accounting Alum

Tax & Consulting Principal at Hoerner & Geer CPAs & Business Consultants



SVSU business students, like Rona Mwasota and Jeff Karanja (pictured), team up with electrical engineering students for the national community-based *GoBabyGo* initiative to modify ride-on vehicles for regional children with limited mobility.

A BUSINESS ENTREPRENEUR

With the support of SVSU's Scott L. Carmona College of Business, Ryan Pelletier, an international business graduate, established a business while still a student. He spent countless hours in the college's Product Innovation Lab, refining the design of his longboard and launching Morphite Boards (morphiteboards.com).





SVSU's Sales Club has celebrated victories at the SVSU Regional Sales Competition in 2023 and 2024 and at the Selling with the Bulls Competition in 2025.

Make connections with business students.

BUSINESS CLUBS

ACCOUNTING SOCIETY

ALPHA MU ALPHA (MARKETING HONORARY)
AMERICAN MARKETING ASSOCIATION (AMA)
ASSOCIATION FOR SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT
BETA GAMMA SIGMA

(INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS HONOR SOCIETY)
DELTA SIGMA PI

(PROFESSIONAL BUSINESS FRATERNITY)

ECONOMICS CLUB

FINANCE CLUB

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF

BLACK ACCOUNTANTS NABA)

OMICRON DELTA EPSILON

(ECONOMICS HONOR SOCIETY)

SALES CLUB



Do you have questions about business academic programs and pathways? SVSU faculty members are here for you.

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IN TEACHER EDUCATION CAREER PATHS

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

EARLY CHILDHOOD & ELEMENTARY:

Birth-Kindergarten PreK-3rd Grade Lower Elementary 3rd-6th Grade Upper Elementary

MIDDLE AND SECONDARY 5TH-9TH GRADES & 7TH-12TH GRADES:

English/Language Arts Integrated Science Mathematics Science Social Studies

K-12 SPECIAL EDUCATION:

Autism Spectrum Disorder Cognitive Impairment Learning Disabilities

PreK-12 SPECIALTY AREAS & ADDITIONAL ENDORSEMENTS:

Health and Physical Education Music Education Visual Arts Education World Languages (Spanish or French)

Educational Studies (non-certification)



Do you have questions about EDUCATION academic programs and pathways? SVSU faculty are here for you.

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COE ALUMNI



Zachary Reimus Education Alum

- 7th & 8th Grade
 Social Studies Teacher,
 E.F. Rittmueller Middle School,
 Frankenmuth
- 2025 Heroes in Education Award Recipient
- Co-advisor, Yearbook Club & D.C. Trip Advisor



Dr. Matthew Schmidt Education Alum

- Superintendent of Bangor Township Schools
- · 2025 Michigan
- Superintendent of the Year
- Co-director of the Gerstacker Fellowship Program

Teacher education students get more than 600 hours of experience in PreK-12 classrooms — so they are fully prepared to lead!



THE CARDINAL ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY AND COLLABORATION HUB (CATCH)

The SVSU CATCH initiative gives teacher education students hands-on experience with assistive technologies, from adaptive tools to low- and high-tech devices, preparing them to support individuals with physical and developmental disabilities in our communities.



FACULTY



Debra Lively, Ph.D.
Professor of Teacher Education
Department of TE – Elementary
Early Childhood & Special
Education

Dr. Lively earned her bachelor's, master's and Ph.D. in education from Michigan State University, specializing in special education, deaf education and educational administration. With nearly three decades in public education, she has been a leader in early childhood and deaf-blind education, co-founding the American Association of Home-Based Early Interventionists and serving as past president of Michigan's Division of Early Childhood of the Council for **Exceptional Children and current** president of the national Division of Communicative Disabilities and Deafness.





in Michigan for our threeyear cumulative average pass rate of 92.3% on the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification for public universities

IN HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES CAREER PATHS

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

MAJORS

Exercise Science
Health Science
Medical Laboratory Science
Neuroscience
Nursing
BSN
RN to BSN
Occupational Therapy (3+2 MSOT)
Public Health
Combined BS/MPH degree (4+1)
Health Promotion Concentration
Health Administration Concentration
Rehabilitation Medicine
Social Work

MINORS

Athletic Coaching
Behavioral Health - Substance Use and
Dependency
Emergency Management
Exercise Promotion
Gerontology
Healthcare Quality & Safety
Long Term Care
Youth Services

CERTIFICATES

Child Welfare Gerontology Juvenile Delinquency Long Term Care Administrator

KINESIOLOGY PATHWAYS

Pre-Athletic Training Pre-Physical Therapy

HHS ALUMNI



Haley Smith Nursing Alum

Registered Nurse at Rosewood Medical Spa



Grace Berens Public Health Alum

Health Educator Specialist at Ottawa County Department of Public



Do you have questions about HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES academic programs and pathways? SVSU faculty are here for you.

ASK AN EXPERT

svsu.edu/admissions/asktheexperts

START YOUR PATH TO A CAREER IN HEALTH CARE SOONER AS A DIRECT ADMIT

SVSU offers freshmen direct or early admission to select professional programs in nursing and occupational therapy. For driven students who have a deep sense of purpose, strong academic credentials and dedication to a specific profession, a direct or early admission program allows new incoming freshman students the opportunity to start immediately in their major. Our programs offer high-quality instruction and hands-on skills-based training to provide you with the resources you need to pursue your passion right from the beginning of your freshman year.

DIRECT ADMISSION

NURSING FRESHMAN

Qualifications to Apply:

- Minimum 3.50 cumulative high school GPA
- Minimum 1200 SAT or 26 ACT test score
- Prospective freshman at SVSU
- · Interest in the nursing profession

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY FRESHMAN

Qualifications to Apply:

- Minimum 3.50 cumulative high school GPA
- Prospective freshman at SVSU
- · Interest in the OT profession

svsu.edu/directadmits



SVSU's medical laboratory science program is accredited and students can take the National Board of Certification Exam to become nationally certified medical laboratory scientists.





TOP 5

nursing schools in Michigan and among the top 10% in the United States as determined by RNCareers.org



IN SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY CAREER PATHS

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

MAJORS

Applied Mathematics Biochemistry **Biological Science** Biology Education **Business Chemistry** Cell Biology, Molecular **Biology & Biomedical Sciences** Chemical Physics Chemistry **Chemistry Education** Computer Engineering Computer Information Systems **Computer Science Ecology, Evolution &** Organismal Biology **Electrical Engineering Engineering Technology** Management **Environmental Science Mathematics** Math Education

MINORS

Actuarial Science Agricultural Studies Computer Science & Information Systems Cybersecurity Engineering & Technology Psychological Biology

SPECIALIZATIONS

Environmental
Chemistry
American Chemical
Society (ACS)
Environmental

PRE-HEALTH PROGRAMS

Pre-Chiropractic Medicine
Pre-Dentistry
Pre-Medicine
Pre-Optometry
Pre-Pharmacy
Pre-Physician Assistant
Pre-Podiatry
Pre-Veterinary Medicine

ALUM



Sabrina Coffman Mechanical Engineering Alum

Application Engineer at GenomOncology



Cory Goetzinger Computer Science & Information Systems Alum

Cyber Security Analyst at Dow

GRADUATE PROGRAM

Mechanical Engineering

Optical Physics

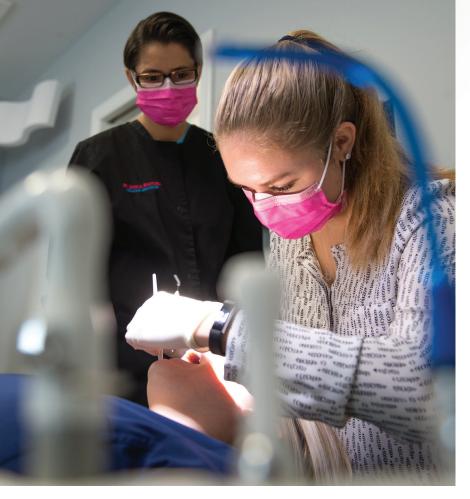
Pre-Agriculture

Physics Education

Physics

Master of Science in Computer Science & Information Systems (MS-CSIS)

*Undergraduate students majoring in Computer Information Systems or Computer Science at SVSU can choose elective courses from the Master in Computer Science & Information Systems pathway.



START YOUR PATH AT SVSU TO BECOME A MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL

A PATHWAY TO MEDICAL SCHOOL WITH EARLY ASSURANCE

SVSU has Early Assurance Program partnerships with medical schools at Central Michigan University, Michigan State University and Wayne State University. These partnerships allow SVSU students to apply to medical schools the summer before their senior year. Through this program, these medical schools reserve seats for SVSU students each year!











SVSU's Department of Biology is preserving the legacy of the late Dr.
Stephen Taber, whose decades-long passion for entomological research and expedition helped build an extensive insect collection at SVSU. The Steve Taber Insect Collection for Knowledge and Science (STICKS) will make Taber's discoveries available to scientists around the world, and the hands-on digitization project helps students build research skills they will use professionally.



Do you have questions about SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY academic programs and pathways? SVSU faculty members are here for you.

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STANDOUT

CLUBS & STUDENT LIFE

CLUBS FOR ALL CARDINALS

SVSU offers a wide variety of Clubs. Below is a list with the number of clubs per category. If a club you want to join isn't currently active, you can start a new one when you become a Cardinal!

- · Academic/Professional/Honorary (50)
- · Club Sports (23)
- Department-Associated (10)
- Faith-Based (15)
- · Greek Life (16)
- Leadership Development (6)
- Multicultural (11)
- · Performance (12)
- Political (3)
- Recreational (4)
- Residential Life (11)Service/Volunteer (14)
- Special Interest (20)

CLUB SPORTS

recreational activities.

- · Baseball Men
- · Basketball Women
- Bowling
- Cheerleading
- CneerteaDance
- Dodgeball
- Equestrian Hunt
- Equestrian Stock
- ESports
- Golf
- · Ice Hockey Men
- · Lacrosse Men
- · Lacrosse Women
- Pompon
- Rugby Men
- Rugby Women
- Running
- Sailing
- · Soccer Men
- · Soccer Women
- Softball
- · Volleyball Men
- · Volleyball Women

INTRAMURAL SPORTS

- Badminton
- Basketball

Club and intramural sports allow all students to engage in athletics. Club sports provides a competitive level of play, while intramural sports offer a fun and relaxed atmosphere for

- Cornhole
- · Flag Football Indoor
- · Flag Football Outdoor
- Floor Hockey
- Golf
- Kickball
- Pickleball
- Racquetball
- Soccer
- Softball
- Spikeball
- Tennis
- · Volleyball Indoor
- Volleyball Sand

COLLEGE CL NATIONAL CHAM

The SVSU dance team achieved historic success at the 2024 Dance Team Union (DTU) College Classic in Orlando, Florida, securing national titles in both the Division II Team Performance and Pom Performance categories. In 2025, the team placed second in both the Team Performance and Spirit Showdown categories.



CLUB SPORTS

To join or start a club sport, visit the campus recreation office.



svsu.edu/campusrec



Saginaw Valley club hockey players compete in the American Collegiate Hockey Association and prepare for competitions throughout the year at the nearby Saginaw Bay Ice Arena.



SVSU has 16 different Greek Life organizations. Shown here, Divine 9.

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

- Athletic Events
- Digital Gaming Events
- Drag Queen Bingo
- Fitness Events
- · Intramural and Club Sports
- Multicultural Events
- Musical Performances
- Pinterest Craft Nights
- Street Carnival
- Theatre Productions
- Trivia Nights



SCAN ME

STUDENT LIFE

Join a student organization or leadership programs, volunteer in the community or meet new friends!





The SVSU club cheer team made school history by capturing second place in the D2 Intermediate Small Coed Division at the 2025 NCA College Nationals, stepping up from their third-place finish in the same category in 2024.



SVSU Esports club team's 2025 major competitions include the Smash Ultimate Open (\$5K prize pool), Collegiate Rocket League Invitational (\$10K prize pool), Mario Kart World Open and the Youth Fortnite Battle Royale Tournament (scholarships & prizes).



The Program Board is a student-run organization providing free events on campus to all students!



The SVSU women's club volleyball team competed at the National Collegiate Volleyball Federation (NCVF) national tournament in April 2025.

100+ UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS AT SVSU

ARTS & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Art Asian Studies **Black Studies** Communication Communication & Theatre Education **Creative Writing** Criminal Justice Digital Publishing and Community Journalism • English/Language Arts Education English-Literature **Environmental Studies** & Sustainability **Fine Arts BFA** French **French Education** Gender Studies **General Studies** Geographic Information Systems • Geography
Geospatial Techniques Graphic Design

Japanese Leadership & Service Legal Philosophy Music Music Education Musical Theatre Philosophy Political Science Pre-Law Public Law Professional & Technical Writing Psychology Public Administration (4+1 MPA) Public History • Religious Studies • Sociology Spanish Spanish Education Spanish for Health Professions Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages Theatre User Experience Design

EARLY CHILDHOOD & ELEMENTARY: Birth-Kindergarten PreK-3rd Grade Lower Elementary 3rd-6th Grade Upper Elementary

International Studies

TEACHER EDUCATION

History

MIDDLE AND SECONDARY **5TH-9TH GRADES &** 7TH-12TH GRADES: English/Language Arts Integrated Science Mathematics Science Social Studies

K-12 SPECIAL EDUCATION: **Autism Spectrum Disorder** Cognitive Impairment **Learning Disabilities**

Visual Arts Education
Writing for Public Purposes

PRE K-12 SPECIALTY AREAS & ADDITIONAL **ENDORSEMENTS:** Health and Physical Education Music Education Visual Arts Education World Languages (Spanish or French)

Educational Studies (non-certification)

KEY: ● Minor ● Certificate ● Concentration

STILL DECIDING?

You don't need to pick a major right away at SVSU. Your academic advisor will help you choose classes that count toward your general education. Our career advisors have tools to help you discover a career path based on your interests & strengths!

BUSINESS (All business majors can lead to a 4+1 MBA)

Accounting BPA (CPA track) Digital Marketing ● **Economics Economics and Data Analytics** Entrepreneurship • • Finance Financial Planning Investment •

General Business International Business Legal Studies Management Family Business Management Human Resource Management • Marketing Professional Sales • • Supply Chain Management

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Athletic Coaching • Behavioral Health - Substance Use and Dependency Child Welfare • Emergency Management Exercise Promotion Exercise Science Gerontology ● ● Healthcare Quality & Safety ● Health Science Juvenile Delinquency • Long Term Care ■ Long Term Care Administrator ● Medical Laboratory Science

Neuroscience Nursing BSN RN to BSN Occupational Therapy (3+2 MSOT)
Pre-Athletic Training Pre-Physical Therapy Public Health Combined BS/MPH degree
Health Promotion
Health Administration Rehabilitation Medicine Social Work Youth Services

SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY

Actuarial Science Agricultural Studies Applied Mathematics Biochemistry Environmental • Biological Science Biology Education Business Chemistry Cell Biology, Molecular Biology & Biomedical Sciences **Chemical Physics** Chemistry American Chemical Society (ACS) • Environmental • **Chemistry Education Computer Engineering**

Computer Information Systems Computer Science Computer Science & Information Systems Cybersecurity CECOLOGY, Evolution & Organismal Biology Electrical Engineering Engineering & Technology Engineering Technology Management **Environmental Science** Mathematics **Math Education Mechanical Engineering Optical Physics** Physics Physics Education Pre-Agriculture Psychological Biology

PRE PROFESSIONAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

Pre-Chiropractic Medicine Pre-Dentistry Pre-Medicine **Pre-Optometry**

Pre-Pharmacy **Pre-Physician Assistant** Pre-Podiatry **Pre-Veterinary Medicine**

CONTINUE WITH YOUR MASTER'S / ADVANCED DEGREE AT SVSU • Certificate Concentration

Business Administration (MBA)

- -Business Analytics -Entrepreneurship •
- -Health Administration •
- -International Business •
- **HEALTH**

Health Administration (MHA) Health Administration/Public Health (Combined MHA/MPH) Occupational Therapy (MSOT) Social Work (MSW) Public Health (MPH)

-Combined BS/MPH degree
Public Health Certifications

- -Public Health •
- -Healthcare Ethics and Compliance •
- -Health Administration Leadership •

Strategic Organizational Communication •

- -Healthcare Quality and Safety •
- -Epidemiology •

COMMUNICATION

Early Childhood Classroom Teaching (MAT) Educational Leadership – Principalship (MEd) Educational Leadership – Ed Specialist (EDS) Educational Leadership - Accelerated Route to Michigan Admin Certification (Ascend Leadership Academy) K-12 Literacy Specialist (MAT) Special Education (MAT) Technology Learning Systems & Design (MA)

Education Certifications -Traditional Route to Teacher Certification

- -Accelerated Route to Teacher Certification -Autism Spectrum Disorder (K-12) •
- -Cognitive Impairment (K-12) •
- -Learning Disabilities (K-12) •
- -Online Training & Design •

PUBLIC SERVICE & NONPROFIT

Public Administration (MPA)

-Student Affairs Administration • -Workplace Conflict Management •

TECHNOLOGY

Computer Science & Information Systems (MS)

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) - Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) **Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) - Psychiatric** Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) **BSN** to DNP

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) - Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) **MSN to DNP**

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) - Dual Family Nurse Practitioner/Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (FNP/PMHNP)

Master of Science in Nursing (MSN)

- -Dual Nurse Educator/Nurse Administrator •
- -Nurse Administrator •
- -Nurse Educator
- -Primary Care Family Nurse Practitioner •

Nursing Certifications

- -Dual Nurse Educator/Nurse Administrator •
- -Nurse Administrator •
- -Nurse Educator •
- -Primary Care Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) •
- -Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Postgraduate (PMHNP) •