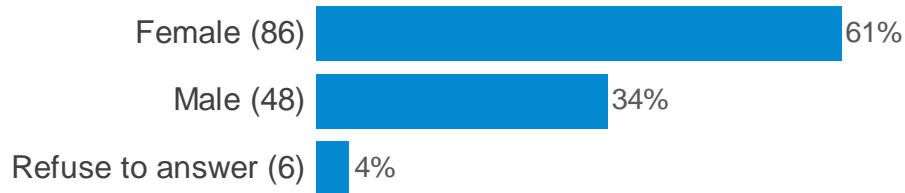**SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY TECH**
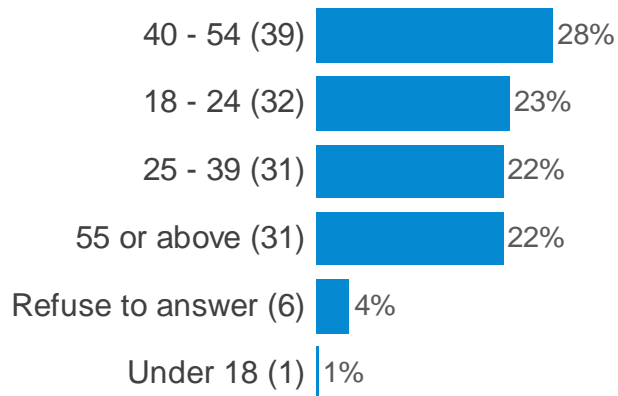
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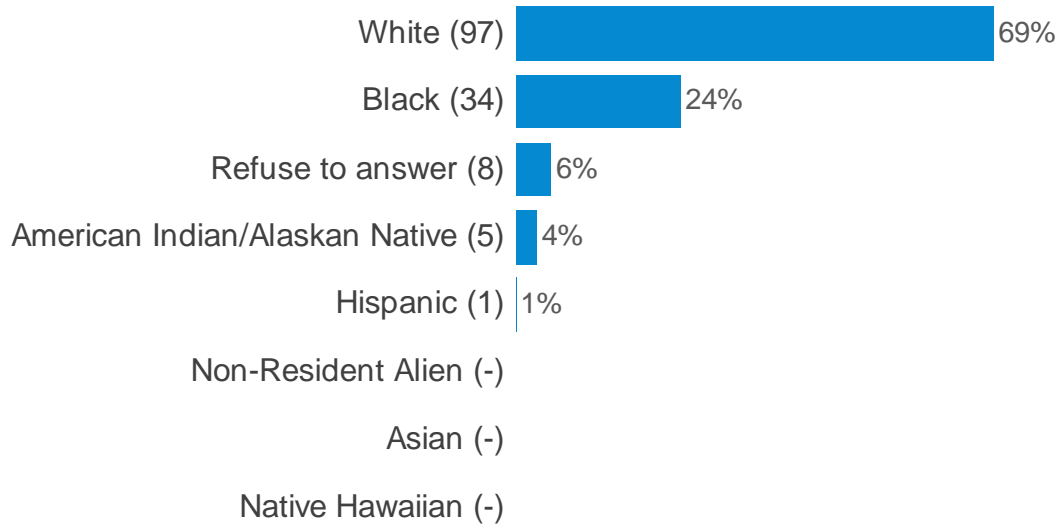The following charts are restricted to the top 12 codes. Lists are restricted to the most recent 100 rows.

Gender:

Female (86)	61%
Male (48)	34%
Refuse to answer (6)	4%

Age:

40 - 54 (39)	28%
18 - 24 (32)	23%
25 - 39 (31)	22%
55 or above (31)	22%
Refuse to answer (6)	4%
Under 18 (1)	1%

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Race/Ethnicity: (Check all that apply)

White (97)	69%
Black (34)	24%
Refuse to answer (8)	6%
American Indian/Alaskan Native (5)	4%
Hispanic (1)	1%
Non-Resident Alien (-)	
Asian (-)	
Native Hawaiian (-)	

Marital Status:

Married (70)	50%
Single (47)	34%
Refuse to answer (12)	9%
Divorced (10)	7%
Separated (1)	1%
Widowed (-)	

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Income:

$ 25,000 - $ 49,999 (38)	27%
Under $ 10,000 (25)	18%
Refuse to answer (23)	16%
$ 50,000 - $ 74,999 (16)	11%
$10,000 - $24,999 (15)	11%
$ 100,000 or more (13)	9%
$ 75,000 - $ 99,999 (10)	7%

Role: (Check all that apply)

Student (68)	49%
SAU Tech Employee (60)	43%
Community Member (17)	12%
SAU Tech Alumni (15)	11%
Business/Industry Partner (7)	5%
Parent of SAU Tech Student (4)	3%
Potential SAU Tech Student (2)	1%

In which county do you live?

Ouachita County, Arkansas (74)	54%
Other (43)	31%
Calhoun County, Arkansas (10)	7%
Dallas County, Arkansas (10)	7%
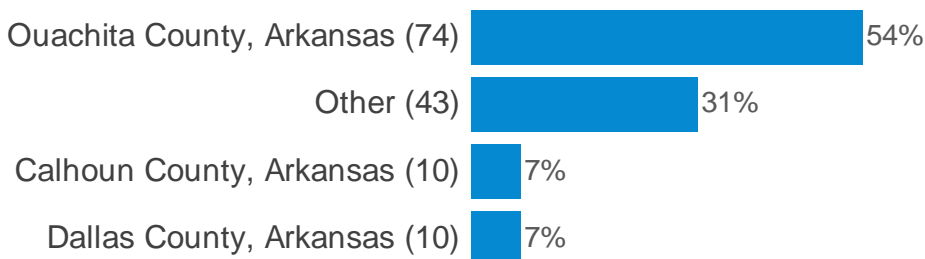
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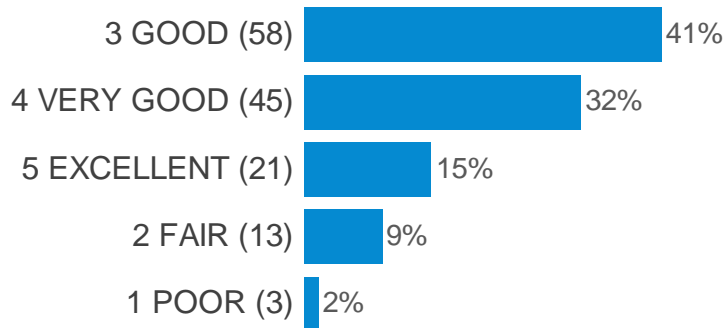|		
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Union	Bradley	Columbia County
Columbia	Baxter	Columbia County
Union	Pulaski	Columbia
Cleveland	Cleveland	Columbia
union county	Union County	Haynesville,LA
Union County-	Columbia	Nevada County, Arkansas
Webster Parish, Louisiana	Gould, Arkansas	Garland

Which areas of SAU Tech do you believe are the strongest at the college? _Select three (3) only_
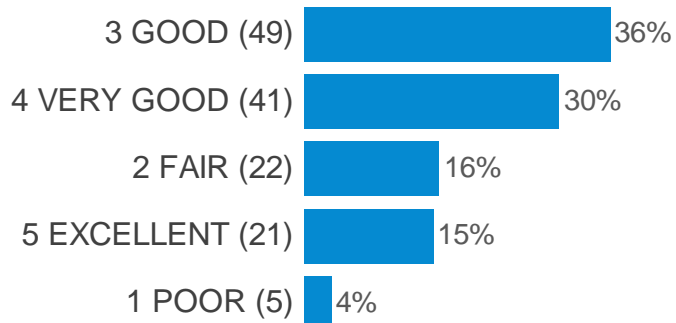
Academics (74) — 54%
Cost (72) — 53%
Faculty (48) — 35%
Staff (45) — 33%
Workforce Training (35) — 26%
Student Activities (22) — 16%
Size (22) — 16%
Housing (20) — 15%
Library Services (15) — 11%
Facilities (14) — 10%
Athletics (11) — 8%
Community Activities (6) — 4%
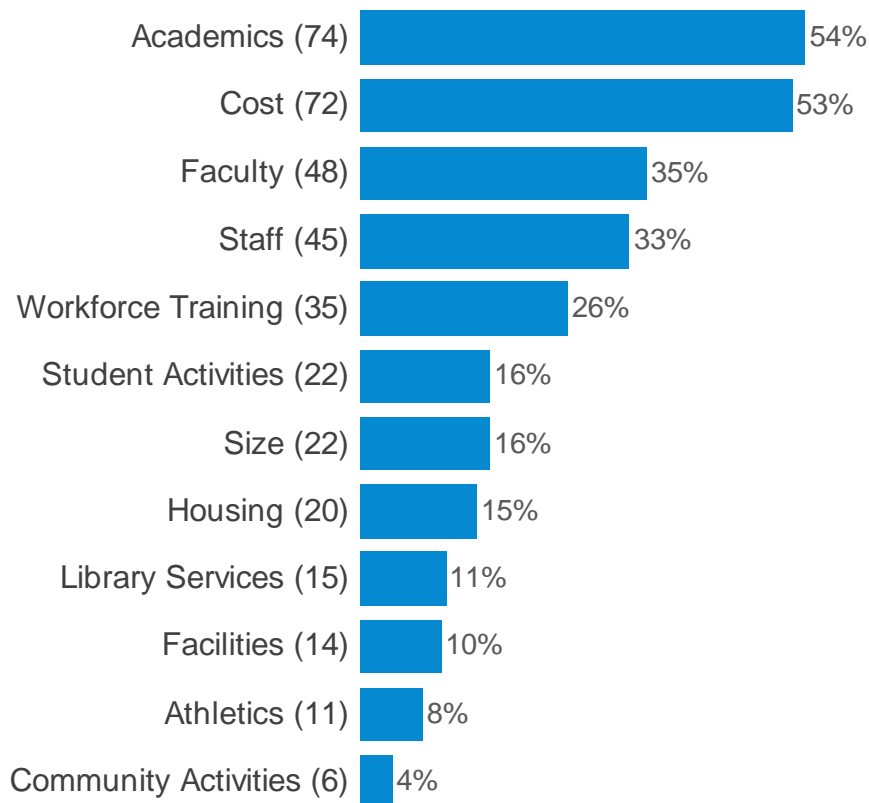
What do you perceive to be SAU Tech's three (3) main goals? _Select three (3) only_

Goal	Count	Percent
Degree/certificate for career advancement	(99)	72%
Entry level job technical skills thru degree/certificate programs	(96)	70%
University Transfer Program	(69)	50%
Continuing job skills education	(59)	43%
Job placement	(47)	34%
Extracurricular activities for students	(19)	14%
Cultural outlet for community & students	(9)	7%

Using the scale below, please rate SAU Tech on how well it meets the needs of these categories. (Business/Industry)

| Rating	Count	Percent
3 GOOD	(58)	41%
4 VERY GOOD	(45)	32%
5 EXCELLENT	(21)	15%
2 FAIR	(13)	9%
1 POOR	(3)	2%

Using the scale below, please rate SAU Tech on how well it meets the needs of these categories. (Community)

Rating	Count	Percent
3 GOOD	(49)	36%
4 VERY GOOD	(41)	30%
2 FAIR	(22)	16%
5 EXCELLENT	(21)	15%
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Using the scale below, please rate SAU Tech on how well it meets the needs of these categories. (Employees)
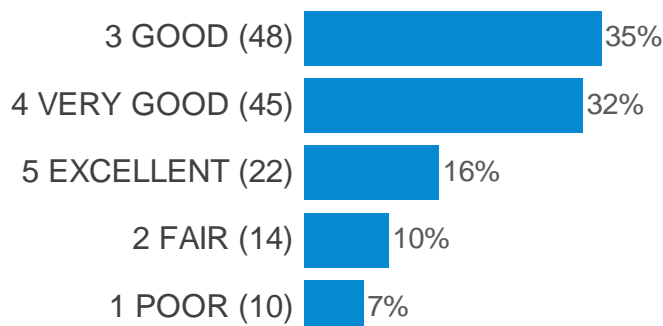
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Using the scale below, please rate SAU Tech on how well it meets the needs of these categories. (Students)

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2 FAIR (18)	13%
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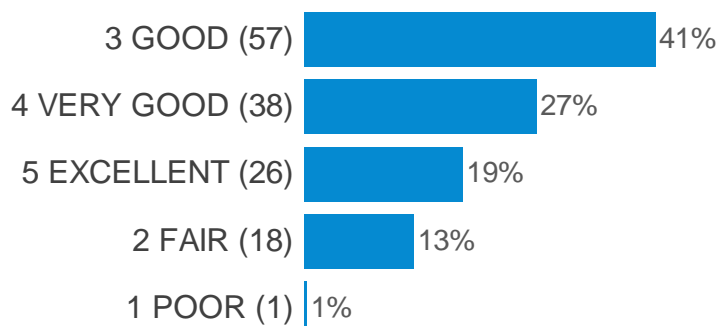
In your opinion, what makes SAU Tech unique?

The cost of it and all the employees!
Our relationship with industry and the classes that we have to help meet their needs.
Affordable college near industry in the Highland Industrial Park.
We offer housing which is not common with community colleges. We also are still small enough that students can get a more personal customer service.
Small campus, athletics, and housing
Friendly service, it's like no other!
Located right in the middle of industrial area that seeks its graduates for employment.
The people
Caring
The programs they offer.
SAU Tech is much more one-on-one. Students know the majority of faculty and staff and vice versa. The atmosphere here is much more friendly than 4-year institutions.
It's history as a Naval Base
Its a hometown school, with a variety of services

SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY TECH

In your opinion, what makes SAU Tech unique?

On-line fire science degree program. Affiliation with the AR Fire Training Academy.

Teachers - and most of the facility really help the students and really seem to care -

SAU Tech is unique in that we are a two year technical college that offers a 4 year university experience. Also, the faculty, staff and overall atmosphere is unique at SAU Tech. They go out of their way to make you feel like family. Other two year colleges in the area are not like this.

Student care is very high here.

The interaction between students and staff is what makes SAU Tech unique.

Its location in the industrial park

It occurs to me that SAU Tech listens to and works closely with business/industry.

I take online classes only so I'm not real sure on these answers.

I love the one-on-one atmosphere that can happen between the student and the faculty.

The location of the school. There is a great advantage to being located in the middle of the industrial park.

faculty

SAU Tech provides a hometown atmosphere that is welcoming to students.

the way everyone wants to help out everyone. if there is a problem, we do our best to solve it. teamwork is everything.

The new chancellor is doing great things. I hope improvements on buildings and increased enrollment continues.

I believe the technical programs offered at this junior college are "unique" to today's work related job situations. I do NOT believe enough emphasis has been given to these programs. Historically, students who are not top rated in academics can achieve highest goals at a junior, technical college and become successful in their job endeavors.

Provides a much needed service to further educational and job advancement goals for the south central Arkansas area.

Size of college, smaller classes, friendly and approachable staff, location (in the park with potential employers).

The cost how how much effort is put in to make the students life better and easier.

Steve Taylors Film Program

Location and proximity to industry

it is very affordable and has given me an advantage over other students when I move to Jonesboro

It's lack of finding teachers that give out suitable amounts of work, instead most of the teachers "teach" a whole chapter or 2 in a single day in which information is lost and thus grades (like mine) tend to be C's or D's which I find unsuitable for the amount of effort that students (such as myself) put into studying for these classes.

Accessibility to the people who can help us with answers on training and classes.

Nothing

Online access to specific degrees

The cost of housing is less than most colleges.

The two year college in Southwest Arkansas to feel like a small four year University campus.

Small but effective

You can get an associates completely online for a fraction of the cost of other schools.

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In your opinion, what makes SAU Tech unique?

SAU Tech is an institution that truly cares about the students.

Nothing makes SAU Tech unique

The level of communication that students can have with the staff

How the staff and faculty helps us students.

on line courses

That they offer the same thing a 4 year university would

athletics in the Highland Industrial Park well rounded 2 year institution--transfer, technical, housing, athletics, etc.

I dont know i havent went there yet.

What makes SAU Tech unique in my opinion, would be the experience you get to have. You get to learn a lot of things throughout the course. Every day is a new day.

Our technology in the classroom is better than a lot of schools. Computer access in the Rocket Success Center/Library/Tutoring Center, and in classrooms shows that SAU Tech tries to meet the needs of the students while they are here. We have a lot of people across this campus who want to see our students be successful.

It's a great satellite school for SAU and provides essential educational services in an area that's is higher education poor.

Unless you are in athletics you are on the low totem pole

SAU Tech is a very small school with a large online presence.

SAU Tech is struggling to be unique, we have lost our way. It may not be glamours, being unique would be to focus on our duty to supply well trained graduates so that they can work in the area immediately after graduation. The area industries are asked to support us, yet we have lost our focus on serving them. We need to be visible in ALL of our service area, not just Ouachita county. We could be the best technical college if we would stop trying to be a 4 year college. Yes we can have core classes that transfer, but our calling should be the technical field.

The small class size and feeling that some of the instructors really care.

They are very helpful

Small school that focuses on Camden and surrounding areas.

personal attention

faculty

What things negatively impact SAU Tech?

I would tell you, but I don't really think you would listen, which is # 1. You don't listen to students. What they want or need.

Only being a 2 year college

The costs are getting out of hand

Old school management styles Lack of real oversight of some departments that serve students and are crucial to retention Lack of knowledge by the staff of current technology and its uses to improve efficiency

Perception that a junior college isn't a "real" college.

The caliber of students who attend SAU Tech.

Loss of industry, loss of population, other school offerings that Tech does not have

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What things negatively impact SAU Tech?

No swimming pool. Too far from the city of Camden

I think the communication is improving but could still be better.

I think some of the part time employees do not get treated the same as full time. Think maybe some of the staff forget that even the part time are a part of the big picture they give of themselves as well.

Miss direction in community needs

Location

Relationship between the city of Camden and the school. The city needs to support the school more.

attitudes and lack of communication

We need more program areas.

work overload

Location.

Acceptance of everyone that applies-

I have seen Facebook posts where former students have complained about not being able to get good paying jobs (or jobs at all) in the field that they chose.

Lack of state funding Declining enrollment Age of original facilities and the critical maintenance issues

Location; no admission standards; reliance on government funding

No on campus activities after class or on weekends.

Location, population decline which impacts the graduation class size of public schools and ultimately college enrollment, perception of being a vo-tech

The people that do not know what SAU Tech represents, hung on the past, etc.

Update some of the buildings

Lack of services in the area of the school (ie, gas station, places to eat, etc)

nothing major

Location, current branding, and the lack of activities for students.

negative people. i really havent seen anything that has an negative impact on anything or anyone.

Poor retention, rising cost of tuition, distance from Camden, lack of local job opportunities for students, and lack of local involvement in some campus activities and programs, poor employee behavior, low employee morale, lack of advancement opportunities, lack of raises/pay increases, and regular additions to job duties for (often) no more pay.

Low grade point averages, low ACT scores for entrance, and lack of emphasis put on technical programs or adding new programs to meet the needs of community. Students do not seem to be at the college for the right reasons. Some seem to view college as a way to make money with federal funds, having no intention of completing a program. This tends to make it difficult for students who do want to make a difference in the world to be able to do so with credentials from SAU Tech.

Changing desire of students to work in an industrial environment Lack of skills and knowledge for technical students

Reputation - which is changing! Lack of sports - which is changing! Lack of sports facilities. Location - in an Industrial park and out of the city. Insuffcient housing.

When students taking online courses, and not able to get enough help with that course. It puts a tremendous impact on the students going all over campus, and still not able to get help.

Teachers don't email you back

What things negatively impact SAU Tech?

Parking.

Salaries for classified staff

Some of the workers and their attitude.

Dull Campus Appearance, Limited and outdated Technology in classrooms, lack of surrounding community life/activities for students.

some of the teachers

Amount of work, Cost, Some teachers, Lack of students, And others that I could go on about but I'll just leave it at that.

secretary help when need it

Housing

Poor student housing, SAU Tech appears to place the new sports programs above the needs of academics and good housing, need to focus on improving academic programs before expanding into sports and other new academic programs.

N/A

Students not attending class

I am not aware of anything.

My experience on Online is not so much negative, because overall SAUT has the best instructors in the business, however there may be one or two online Instructors not as clear when explaining assignments on Brightspace. This result to students having to hunt down assignments in order to complete them. The negative result is overlooked or missed assignments. Also the instructor need to be considerate of Online students as the same for those in the classroom.

Non-traditional students has no offers of activities for older students. SAU needs to spend some time recruiting non-traditional instead limiting it to ball players. Also, players get "special" treatment with forgiveness for not doing their assignments. Also, one basketball player bragged he did not get drop from a class because "The Man"I intervened and told the teacher DO NOT drop him. He said he had not even looked at his online class on Brightspace. Use student ambassadors. Continue your "green" projects by adding a "green" garden. Do live chat sessions; many employers do chat session interviews now.

Economy

When teachers don't make online classes one of their top priorities.

Not really sure, but I've heard the teaching program really needs to be updated.

Lack of local businesses and activities in Camden for students that live on campus.

terrible online communication

The low wages for instructors and staff. (You get what you pay for) The appearance of being top heavy with administrators and deans. Deans of what? The technology is lagging behind to be a technical college. Computer are out of date.

Lack of community involvement and foundation support.

It'd be nice if the gym was open earlier. I live off campus and have several hours of free time between my 8 am classes and my 2pm classes about every day. Its hard to find things to fill that time.

Personally, I feel that the athletics program wasn't really necessary. Could've used the funds towards the academic side of things.

Online courses could be improved. Both in instructor involvement and the software itself.

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What things negatively impact SAU Tech?

N/A

None

Complacency with instructors

None.

declining population in this area limited staff

Students are given a voice to tell complaints but complaints are not listened to.

All the paperwork and stuff you have to go through just to get enrolled.

The way employees present themselves to the community or what they say about SAU Tech when they are not on the job can have a negative impact.

Classified staff employees are not treated fairly. They do most of the work and little to no pay. There are no pay raises for getting better degrees or for the years of service. Does their education not matter?

Probably the lack of congruence with SAU. Some students would like to pursue their Bachelors in a traditional classroom, but do not want to travel, or have barriers to traveling to SAUMAG.

Don't care about classified employees at all They don't have the same benefits as administrators No compensation for bettering their education

The public perception that SAU Tech does not offer quality degree programs.

We need to continue to support and hold all our students accountable equally. Sometimes we ask our students to be in classes knowing they will not succeed, or we overwhelm them by putting them in to many hours. The moral of the staff affects tech and the moral is down. Many staff members are doing more and continue to be ask to do more without any remuneration and this does affect moral. The communication on campus has drop to all time non existence between departments and co-workers. None of us work in a vacuum, and all decision will affect everyone.

Not having enough one on one help on an assignment that's giving them a problem, some people learn better in person instead of upswing or just learning out of a book on their own.

Sports players get special attention and do not have to follow school policies as closely as others. Other students see and hear this. The library does not have enough books.

Into sports too much nothing else matters around campus

Mrs. Kat the aviation teacher

Students being ill-prepared for college-level courses, so the selection of students should be a vital goal to strive for.

Need more medical programs and more of a variety of courses

behavior of athletes, coaches; use of profanity on court; lyrics of music played at games drug-use among all students/athletes

ability to transfer

What are the areas that SAU Tech should improve upon in the next five years?

I would encourage the focus be on all our students and not just athletes.

Offer more health care related classes. Also more trades (plumbing, construction,)

Improve the planning processes before implementing new ventures Focus on students and student retention and staff retention and growth of future leadership

Continue customer service goals. HVAC and Trucking/large equipment.

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What are the areas that SAU Tech should improve upon in the next five years?

Maybe public relations with the surrounding high schools. Some kind of real relationship could be established with counselors and teachers and coaches of all of them. I know it costs money, but even flooding the high schools with SAU Tech Rockets T-shirts & paraphernalia so that you are always in front of the students' eyes and on their minds might help. Now that you have athletics, you can use them to "make it cool" to want to go to Tech. Don't scoff at that--I attended the University of Arkansas for one reason and one reason only: I was a Razorbacks fan from the time I was 8 years old. "Five years"? Then concentrate on getting your name, pictures of your campus & and student life there, and your sports teams & facilities embedded into the minds of the 7th graders & younger classes. DO NOT IGNORE THE ELEMENTARY STUDENTS! As a child, it was the white razorback against the cardinal background that mesmerized me; it was the success of the Razorbacks football team, AND THE FACT THAT EVERYONE WAS TALKING ABOUT THEM. It was pre-internet, but pervasive. You now have one of the best logos and color schemes I've ever seen. The community now needs to SEE and HEAR about you constantly. MAKE yourself the college and team of the area. Camden Fairview, Camden Harmony Grove, Bearden, Hampton--these four high schools especially--should come to think of themselves as your satellites. Flood them with perks from SAU Tech. Invite them to your campus and events constantly. If possible even work with their coaches about coordinating the basketball schedules so that there are some free dates to invite their basketball teams to attend your games. Maybe play a couple exhibition games at the high schools. In short, just stay in constant contact with the schools and get that Rocket logo out there.

Course offerings, student relationship, community relationship and perception

Rebuilding credibility within the Business/Industrial Community. i.e. investing in equipment that will teach students the skills needed to fill their hard to fill and train technical positions.

Upgrade the Aviation Dept. with newer aircraft and training aides.

I believe an expansion of programming would be beneficial.

Making sure each employee weather full or part time are treated equal. More certified classes.

More on trades to provide students with a better career path in needed skills

Not sure...community involvement

adding an agriculture program and changing the graphics program to a communications program that gives students the opportunity to transfer. It is hard to make it in the graphics world without having knowledge of communications and marketing as a whole.

Faculty and staff salaries. The pay scale is either low or high. There is very little in the middle. The morale surfers because of this and the turnover continues to increase. To get the best and keep the best, you must be competitive.

more visible within the community

Trying to connect more with the industries and community.

revamping other facilities

On-line faculty's interaction with students. Positive reinforcement. Reevaluation of course load requirements for a three-hour class. Objective grading criteria (rubric).

The basketball program is great however their practice schedule takes up nearly all of the time in the gym and it is virtually no longer available to staff or students (only after 6 or 8PM). It would be nice to have a weight room available again or the outside basketball court fixed so that students can have something to do. This is in response to number 14: Perhaps a truck driving program?

Enrollment Financial stability Low enrollment academic programs Employee Pay

Recruitment of higher academic students

Activities for students and staff/faculty after class.

Continue working with and adapting with business / industry

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What are the areas that SAU Tech should improve upon in the next five years?

Update some of the buildings

short and long range planning

Employee relations. Employee raises and incentives are non-existent. The benefits are great, but there is no opportunity for growth. For students, they need more to do outside of classes, but we could also offer them more options if were expanded our degree opportunities. Tech also needs to focus on its own advertisement. Despite being the only community college in this area, we do not seem to have a strong presence in town or even on our own campus. There are plenty of events that transpire that seem to happen out of the blue.

more job openings. bigger housing.

Student graduation rates and retention, employee morale, more campus housing, more full time faculty, make improvements to buildings and facilities on campus, increase staff in understaffed areas, and upgrade campus technology where able and necessary.

Take the focus off of academics to transfer. Allow the student to complete their education and begin giving back to society in the workforce. Meet the students where they are in terms of gpa and test scores. Do not overload students the first semester, setting them up for failure. Advise the students about the amount of work involved in classes they may be interested in. Suggest Adult Ed for those students who will be in remediation the first two semesters. Offer testing to see where the student's strengths and weaknesses are so that the program they choose will fit their need and not just numbers for the school. Employ the "right people" in the right jobs.....get rid of the dead weight employees who coast along expecting others to do their jobs, refusing to carry their own load to reach the common goal of success for everyone involved.

Mechanical Skills Electrical Skills Safety Knowledge in an Industrial Environment Operations Knowledge in Organizational Management

Housing, after school activities and more staff involvement, continue to improve reputation in the community and be more in the public eye. Offer more technical programs. Move Welding Academy to Camden.

Immediately needing someone other than the instructor to be able to help the students with their assignments when needed, other than people that don't have a clue about the assignment. Not enough help with electron spreedsheet. Sometimes UPswing is not the answer for all people, some people NEED and UNSTAND better face-to-face.

Teachers have more contact with their student and better instructions on homework.

Parking.

Raises for classified staff

Quality of the environment, there are a lot of outdated machines, such as in the gym are some of the equipment is broken or worn out.

More Activities for the students to participate in.

Campus appearance; grounds/landscaping/signage, affordable meal options for students ($1-3-5 meals), more aggressive financial aid options.

teachers

Less work for students, Less cost, And just tell the teachers to slow down the teaching and amount of work given.

more help

More on campus housing

academic needs of students and retaining student through graduation

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What are the areas that SAU Tech should improve upon in the next five years?

The online college math class I am enrolled in is kind of confusing. would be helpful to have a hard copy book instead of an E book.
Encouraging students to attend class more often and value their education.
The students getting more involved in learning or their grades after the teachers post them.
I would like to see SAUT join along with CJI in their higher education program: https://www.cji.edu/programs/higher-education-degree-program/
10 years ago an essay, report, or research paper was a minimum 10 pages not including title back or references; now it is 4 pages. It seems that SAU lowered educational standards. Pay your instructors more, they hold master degrees, and are not getting what pay other instructor get all of the state. Build housing for married couple occupancy. Change your protocol for non-traditional students. Many colleges waive orientation. Student Success is a waste of money for older students. They already know/experienced rape, drugs, suicidal signs and drinking problems with their family and friends over 20 plus years. Since they are not getting loans, grants, and scholarships they should not have to waste their "cash" on this class.
The teaching program.
Continue moving forward with up and coming careers and subjects that local students are interested in.
Softwares, and websites through classes.
IF you take care of your employees, they will take care of Tech. I think that within the next five years attention needs to be focus on academic instructors and listening to what the students need. For instance, more night classes for business employees trying to improve their job and promoting what classes are being held after work hours more than a week.
Foundation growth in regards to donations and program equipment updates.
A men's baseball team.
Housing could use some improvement.
Immediately fine a certified instructor that understand the electronic spreedsheet class,and can help students when the instructor is not available .... some students learn better with one on one time.
N/A
None
Retention and pass rates
None.
increased housing for incoming students
Have more staff that is not just here for the paycheck and has work ethic
Easier ways to get enrolled.
We should be working toward gaining more respect for one another, a greater appreciation for what we are all trying to do together to meet the needs of our students, and helping the community realize that we as a team have a lot to offer.
Caring for more for employees Being more like other community colleges Have more activities for students Better eating facility the current one is too expensive Other options for eating on campus have small food service other than Wood's (ie...Subway, McDonald's, Chick Fil-A, etc...)
Implement a 2+2 Bachelors of Science in Education K-6 STEM Focus with SAU MAG where professors and adjuncts come to Tech and teach.
Getting employees up to par on technology and the student information system More training opportunities for staff

What are the areas that SAU Tech should improve upon in the next five years?

Bright space is a hard tool to navigate. I think it would be easier if the professors all used the same format. Currently, I have one professor who you have to dig through Bright space to find the assignments. I have missed a few assignments because of this.

Internal technology should be upgraded to allow cohesiveness between departments utilizing software that allows for a CRM at the very least or a more updated database program that allows for "one-stop" access to status of all areas relating to a particular student. Housing expansion should be considered and decreased cost/increased availability of food options for students should be implemented. All of these will allow SAUTech to keep students and parents speaking positively about this institution.

Communications Support for all students after they get on campus Staff moral

Getting tutors that understand electron spreadsheet when the instructor is. Or available to help.

Answering e-mails

Academics. Ten years ago SAU Tech classes were much more demanding. Term and research papers were always ten and more pages. Now they are four and below. It seems that it is more important to pass students to get the degree numbers up. This makes students like me wonder if I will do well when I transfer.

Making employees equal human beings Mandatory professional training for employees (most of us were just thrown in positions and never properly trained) Campus appearance Administration building remodeling Fire dorms torn down because they living condition is horrible there

Mrs. kat

Focus on accepting students who are willing to work diligently in their studies. Mentoring should also be a top priority in selecting and retaining quality students.

More medical programs and more variety of course, also find a way to get more students interested in attending SAU Tech and get another restaurant in the area perhaps build-up a shopping center geared to SAU Tech but also to benefit the community/business surrounding the school. I believe students that would like to attend the school would like to see it representing more of a student lifestyle.

hold students/etc. to higher standards of behavior; set better examples for students/etc.

increasing curriculum, academic origination's

Is there an unmet need in the education field in south Arkansas that SAU Tech could meet?

NO (60) — 47%
YES (38) — 30%
Refuse to answer (29) — 23%
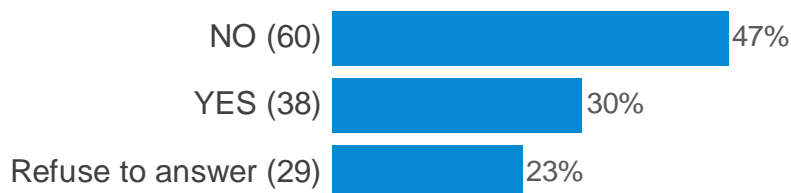
If Yes, what?

Construction management

Investing in equipment that will teach students the skills needed to fill hard to train positions.

More trade skill classes

revising the graphics program to make students well rounded and ready for placement in a comm firm

Job skills for the industrial jobs and entry level skills for skilled labor.

If Yes, what?

I don't know what it is.

plumbing, electrician

(Ahh....This question should have been included on the last page.) A truck driving program.

additional medical field training

Engineering program (with transfer option)

Culinary arts and physical therapy.

culinary arts, dental hygienist, vet tech, automotive technology, diesel mechanics

Simply increase the awareness for the technical programs currently in place.

Work more with industry on entry level employees - we educate/train they hire.

Time set aside for one on one teaching, for students that don't unstand a particular assignment.

Sound engineering, Cyber Security, Automotive Mechanics for Adults, Construction/Carpentry/Roofing

A stock market class, which could help the college gain money from stock interests.

Become a part of this program: https://www.cji.edu/programs/higher-education-degree-program/

The available jobs I see need Electronic Engineering Technicians, Safety, and Quality degrees

Speech Pathology and Dental Hygiene

easier online softwares for classes

Stronger transfer agreements and a four year offering from SAU on Tech's campus.

need tutors that can help with electron spreedsheet

The enrollment process

Since this is a two year college, there are three Alumni Greek Letter organizations in the Camden p

Web-based LPN to RN, High school tutoring services

We can focus on what departments are succeeding and continue to improve those areas.

Electronics. The area always have a need for this,

You need to get rid of Mrs Kat because she treated her student like they are just a paycheck

Sciences like physics, chemistry

More medical programs

What is (are) the: (SAU Tech Mascot:)

Rockets

Rocket

Rocket

Rocket Man

Rocket

the Rocket

Rocket

Rocket

Rockets

rocket

SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY TECH

What is (are) the: (SAU Tech Mascot:)

Rockets
Rockets
Rocket
Rocket
Rocket
rocket
Rocket
Rocket
Rockets
Rocketman
The Rockets
Rockets
Rockets
Rocket
Rocket
Rocket
Rockets
Rockets
Rocket
rockets
Rocket
rocket
rockets
Rocket
New Rockets (nice name, logo pic and the mascot outfit is bad)
Rocket
Rocket
Rocket
Rocketman
Rockets
A Rocket
Rocket
Rocket
Rockets
rocket
A Rocket
Rocket
Rocket

SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY TECH

What is (are) the: (SAU Tech Mascot:)

Rocket
Rockets
The Rocket
rockets
Rockets
Rocket-man
Rockets
Rocket
Rocket
Rocket
rocket
Rockets
Rocket
Rockets
Rockets
Rockets
Rockets
Rocket
ROCKETS
The missiles?
Rocket
Rockets
Muleriders?
Rocket
Rockets
Rockets
Rocket
Rockets
Rocket
Rockets
Rockets
Rockets
the rocket
Rocket?
A Rocket
Rocket
Rockets
Rockets

SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY TECH

What is (are) the: (SAU Tech Mascot:)

Rocket

Rocket Man

Rocket

Rocket

Rockets

rockets

Rocket

rocket man

Rockets

Rockets

Rocket

Rocket

rocket

rocket

What is (are) the: (SAU Tech Motto:)

Be Great. Be Tech

Be great Be tech

Be Great. Be Tech

We Put You First

Be Great! Be Tech!

Study Play Stay

We put you first

Be Great, Be Tech!

Be Great. Be Tech. Be a Rocket.

We Put You First, Study, Play, Stay, Be Great! Be Tech! Be a Rocket!

Be Great, Be Tech

Be Great - Be Tech

Be Great, Be Tech

We put you first!

Be Great, Be Tech

Be Great, Be Tech!

be great be tech

Be great. Be tech

Be Great Be Tech Be A Rocket

We Put You First

Be Great! Be Tech!

be great be tech

SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY TECH

What is (are) the: (SAU Tech Motto:)

Unknown

Be Great Be Tech

We Put You First/Be Great Be Tech

Be Great. Be Tech.

Be Great Be Tech

We Put YOU First

Study Stay Play We put you first

Study, Stay, and Play / We Put You First

Don't know

Be Great! Be Tech!

Be great be tech

It changes too often to remember

be smart, be tech

For Keeps, Be Great! Be Tech!, Be A Rocket, and Study, Play and Stay within the last 18 months

Be Great. Be Tech.

Play with us....stay with us. (This is a sad motto)

We put you first

BE Tech! BE Great!

Study Here, Play here, Stay here.

Be great be tech

Not sure

We Put You First

I have no clue/I've never heard it.

motto

Be Tech, Be Great, Be a Rocket

Not Sure

Be Great Be Tech

Be Great Be Tech!!

Be Great Be Tech

Leading Arkansas in Economic and Educational Transformation

Be Tech..Be Great

Be great, be tech, be a rocket

Don't Know

Study, Play, Stay

Choose Sau

Be Great Be Tech

Be Great Be Tech

Be Great Be Tech

SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY TECH

What is (are) the: (SAU Tech Motto:)

WE PUT YOU FIRST/BE GREAT BE TECH

Be better. Be tech.

Be Great! Be Tech!

I don't know

Succeed?

Be Great Be Tech

Be great, Be Tech

Be tech be great

We Put You First

Be Great! Be Tech! Be a Rocket!

We Put You First!

be great be tech

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Be Great! Be Tech!

We Put You First

No idea

Be great! Be Tech!

Be Great Be Tech

Be Tech! Be Great!

Feels like home

be great, be tech

Be great! Be a rocket!

be tech; be great

leading arkansas in economic and education transformation

What is (are) the: (SAU Tech Colors:)

Blue and Gold

Blue & Gold

Blue and Gold

Blue, white, and gold

Blue and Gold

Blue and Yellow

Blue and Gold

blue and gold

Blue and gold

Blue and Gold

Navy blue and gold

blue and gold

SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY TECH

What is (are) the: (SAU Tech Colors:)

Blue and gold

navy/gold

blue/yellow

Blue and yellow

Blue & Gold

navy and gold

blue & gold

Blue and Gold

Blue and Gold

Blue; Yellow

Blue/Gold

Navy blue and gold/yellow

Blue, yellow and white.

Blue & yellow

Blue & Gold

Gold and Blue

blue and gold

Gold, blue, white

yellow, blue

blue and gold

Blue/Yellow

blue/ yellow

Blue and Gold

Blue/Gold

yellow/blue

Blue and Yellow/Gold

Blue gold

Blue and Gold

Blue and yellow

Yellow and Light blue

Navy and Gold

blue and gold

Blue and Yellow

Navy blue/gold

Blue and gold

Yellow and Navy Blue

Blue and Gold

Blue and Yellow

SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY TECH

What is (are) the: (SAU Tech Colors:)

gold blue
Blue and Gold
Blue and Gold
Royal Blue and yelloe
Pantone 281 Uncoated/Coated-Blue & 284-289 Coated Pantone 111 Uncoated/Coated-Yellow/Gold & 108-110
Navy & gold
Yellow and Blue
yellow and blue
Blue and Yellow
Navy and Gold
Blue and gold
blue and gold
Blue & GOLD
Navy and gold
gold and blue
NAVY/YELLOW (GOLD)
Navy and gold
Blue and GOld
Blue and Gold
Blue and Gold
yellow/blue
Blue and Gold
blue and gold
Blue and gold
Blue and Yellow
Blue and Gold
Gold and
blue and gold
Blue and Gold
blue and gold
blue and yellow?
Blue and Gold
Blue and Gold
Blue & Gold
Yellow and Blue
Navy and Gold
Blue and Gold

SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY TECH

What is (are) the: (SAU Tech Colors:)

Yellow/Blue
Blue and gold
Pantone 281 Uncoated/Coated-Blue & 284-289 Coated Pantone 111 Uncoated/Coated-Yellow/Gold & 108-110
Blue & Gold
yellow and blue
Blue and Yellow
blue and gold
Blue and Yellow
blue
Blue and Gold
Blue and gold
blue-yellow
purple and gold

How would you like to see SAU Tech more involved in the community?

More presence in all of the community events in both adjoining counties.
Doing a wonderful job now.
Need to look outside Camden. Go into Calhoun, Dallas, and Cleveland Counties for their community events.
The staff is very involved in the community on an individual basis. The College needs to do a better job of bringing the community to its campus by providing a relevant offering of community ed classes.
Concerts and plays to be held on campus.
Partly answered above, but in addition, I guess, just be SEEN and HEARD as much as possible. Just as Tech is located right in the middle of many job opportunities, it is also right in the middle of several high schools. Just as those industries are wanting your graduates, YOU should make it clear that you want these schools' graduates.
I would honestly rather see the community more involved in SAU Tech. Any outreach that could further that becoming a norm is a plus for me.
No idea
yes
Be at more of the county related meetings.
Have a SAU Tech day in downtown Camden similar to SAU Magnolia's blue and white day. Allow the community to celebrate SAU Tech as an important part of Camden.
Continue to be a visible presence within the community. Employees should be encouraged to attend community functions. Set up booths or just walk around, hand out a bottle of water with SAU-Tech printed on the side.
Finding more ways to effectively connect with businesses and individuals in the community to promote SAU Tech and increase enrollment.
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How would you like to see SAU Tech more involved in the community?

I would say that we are pretty involved. Dr. Morrison and other leaders speak virtually everywhere it seems. We have staff members that volunteer at local events such as at the South Arkansas Arts Center and they volunteer to coach at the Boys and Girls Club. I don't know, but I'm sure we have a booth at the Daffodil Festival.   Perhaps we could host a 1 day workshop for free or for a minimal cost where community members can gain additional training for their jobs. Similar to professional development for instructors.

More involved in civic groups More involved in community festivals

We are pretty involved in the community already.

sponsor more community activities on campus

Maybe have a student volunteer council that helps out in the community.

maybe more activities with the community!

Understand that Camden is not the only town in our service area. We should sponsor more local area events outside of Camden and do ask employees to volunteer to work campus events and activities after hours without compensation.

Sponsor events for community outreach/involvement for preteen college prep awareness and involvement in leadership opportunities, (shadowing, auditing classes). Hire recruiters who understand the importance of education and not just selling the "college scene" or athletics. It would be nice to see upper administration involved in organizations and gatherings in the community.

With an information and give-away booth at more local events: Daffodil Festival, Barn Sale etc. employees and students. Low cost community classes, working with other local groups.Students and employee involvement.

N/A

More organized and announced at an earlier time

Getting out and being more involved with the community like provide lunch get the information out about the school more.

What happened to our community education classes? Why do we not have students doing community service projects? Maybe we could offer a 7 week community service class in which service projects yielded college credit as an elective and simultaneously provided a Tech presence for outreach. Why don't we consider a service project every year-campus wide? This year we could do Ouachita Industries, Special Olympics, Victims Assistance, CASA, etc.

its great now

It would be nice to see a snack bar of sorts in the buildings which would create more jobs for people and even students that attend tech, it could allow students to relax between classes while snacking and talking to other students and even staff.

yes

I would like to see Student Organizations and Athletic Teams visible and volunteering at community events.

More community-centered projects where students can use the academic skills they are learning here to help improve/educate the community.

There could be times or events when a few of SAU tech's students can go talk about certain programs and the lifestyle to local high schools and or middle schools.

They are already doing great things

SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY TECH

How would you like to see SAU Tech more involved in the community?

Offer more night courses that will be attractive to employed people who want to continue their education with classes instead of online. Encourage employers to sponsor this and have them encourage their employees to take these courses. Set up a day care for single parents attending college. Offer free haircuts to the people at the Women's Shelter. Do a Facebook survey asking what classes SAU Tech can add. Tiquando training, Weightlifting training,Small engine repair, Woodworking, Restoring, Book Club, Physical education for older students, Quilting, Sewing, Knitting, Crocheting, Cooking, Etiquette training, Plumbing, Gardening,Concert Band, Nursing home volunteering.

I like the little student events, those are nice.

SAU Tech needs to be more involved in all of the service areas and not just in Ouachita county.

More Tech apparel and high schools promoting Tech more.

I'm happy basketball games will be on campus next semester.

Sure

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Yes.

I don't know

Leading more community activities including more health and education fairs—especially like the activity day for special needs children

more community education courses

Participate in more community activities and bring the campus life to the Camden area.

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NA

Greek Life

Supporting high school students through ACT Prep/tutoring initiatives and encouraging/requiring community service projects for our college students or scholarship recipients.

Yes, but not the same people every time. More co-workers need to volunteer and be a part of activities

N/A

I think they're already very involved in the community

Recruit non-traditional students.

they are involved in the community already

I believe they are doing a wonderful job in community involvement. However more student involvement would be great

yes

Would you recommend SAU Tech?

YES (125) — 90%
Refuse to answer (12) — 9%
NO (2) — 1%

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Why or why not?

We offer great education at an affordable price.

SAU Tech while it might not be perfect, is a great place to start or to finish an education. Education always wins out in the end as it provides a person with more opportunities for their life in general.

Great place to get a quality and affordable education.

Because it is the best!

Again, located in the middle of many job opportunities, small enough to be attentive, and, above all, affordable.

It's a great way for students to get an education and college experience before transferring out to another college or the workforce. Also, most of the people who work for Tech are great!

Tech is a great access to our local students who may not have the resources to attend a 4-year college/university. It is also beneficial to our local workforce. They have the option to take course in the classroom at night to further their education. Most of the staff is focused on the student and puts them first.

They are a good place and they strive to give students the education they deserve and the experience of a 4 year college at a 2 year school.

Because of the family atmosphere and it is a great foundation to build your career. The staff really treats the students well and gets to know them as individuals and not just numbers.

I think the College is a good avenue for students to further their education.

Excellent faculty and employees who care about the students.

affordable and great place to get training for jobs or get 2 years of college done

It is a great place to start an education and transfer to a 4 year college. Great place to work.

Absolutely! I always have since I was a student back in 2001. SAU Tech is home.

Relatively small class size; personal attention

It is a small college and a great staff.

SAUT is a great place to work and a great place for students to begin their education journey

The administration and the teachers

I love SAU Tech

It's a great place to start or continue an education. Tech has good people who encourage students to succeed.

i would recommend for a job or to attend school. it honestly is a good place. good benefits, good staff. everybody wants to see everybody win!

I would recommend students to SAU Tech because they can get a quality education for much less than the cost of a 4 year. They can learn a trade to start a career for a field that does not require a bachelor's degree. For the students who live outside the area, we offer campus housing and many activities for students. I would recommend SAU Tech to someone seeking a job because it is a good place to work. SAU Tech offers many perks for someone starting their career: insurance, retirement, stable work environment, tuition waiver for employee and family, and sometimes, professional development options.

If I know someone looking to finish a degree or take a few classes, I remind them about SAU Tech. I encourage high school students to consider Tech for a technical "job", quick turn education so that they can be involved in money making sooner.

The University cares for the community and is working hard to close gaps.

Why or why not?

It is a great place to start off your education - we care! People are talking about us in a more positive light, we are growing. We are getting better programs, more transfer agreements, and developing an Athletics program. Lots to shout about!!

Great opportunity's and great experience

The game program is very good

Affordability, Homebased, and approachability of instructors/administrators.

it has helped me greatly

It's cheaper than most other colleges but in my opinion coming from a poor family it costs to much still.

small college easy learning.

Sau Tech gives a quality, well-rounded education with a family atmosphere. The faculty members go above and beyond to help students experiencing difficulties acclimating to academic life. Larger schools do not go to those lengths.

I am in the fire service and it is great that I can transfer credits from the fire academy to my degree.

Great education, great opportunities, and very affordable.

Favorable experiences

This does somewhat feel like a home away from home not that I stay on campus but, the campus has very friendly students and teachers. It feels great having the teachers call you by name because that is what we were use to all throughout school and it prepares us for a bigger University eventually but it also saves the student money and that is always a big win.

Great place to get an education

I feel that SAU Tech is a superior school. You have some great instructors. You are actively searching to improve.

It's cheap and online degree's allow flexible scheduling!

Only for technical degrees to go right into employment. The APS, AAS,AS, and AA are nice to have but our students are mostly looking to go to work. Our minority is looking to transfer to a 4 year.

Good cost.

Its a good school, all in all.

It is a good step to take for certain people. It is affordable and there are sufficient transfer options that make a degree an achievable goal for anyone.

I only have taken online classes but everyone I have come into contact with thus far have been helpfull

Yes, because they have small class sizes and the courses give you lots of information that will help you in your success growth.

Offer the same as a 4 year university

SAU Tech is trending and allowing individuals develop theirselves without the financial stress of going a long distance to college , but still not in their parent house, and the expensive tuition cost. Individuals here can earn degrees and still have the opportunity to enjoy everything that a four year college offers. Future for SAU Tech is unlimited with the trending steps they are taking now.

Good communty college.

Why or why not?

Yes I would recommend Tech to an extent. I would recommend their aviation program. The teachers want you to succeed and are willing to work with you so you can get your certificate. I feel that this is one of the only good things about the school. I live in the off campus dorm and have voiced many complaints and follow up complaints that there is mold and issues with the apartments in the past two years and little to none of them have been addressed. I have talked to other students and this seems to be a common occurrence. For SAU Tech to succeed it needs to put programs in place to answer questions and have people to follow up with problems to ensure they get addressed. I believe right now this is one of the greatest down falls of tech right now.

Even though it is very difficult to get enrolled, once youre in, it is a great learning experience.

We have a lot to offer students. We continue to grow and improve in order to meet the students' needs. We care about the success of our students.

Very affordable.

SAU Tech offers a wide array of online courses at a reasonable cost for the working adult or nontraditional student.

The technical programs and Business program are good programs that are needed in our area and we have a good graduation grate and employment rate for those areas. IF you want to go to school and get to work we are great. However, all the support and all the programs we have will not accomplish anything until our students want to succeed and quit coming to school for the pell money and to get away from home. It is our responsibility to our students to hold them to a high standard and expect more from them than the norm.

They are very helpful and friendly

I love this school.

its a great school to get a two year degree or to get basics out the way to transfer to a four year college.

For students yes, but for employees no because they are not all treated fairly especially regarding pay between administrators and classified staff. Education for administrators gets them a raise. Education for classified staff mean nothing.

I believe SAU Tech is a good school and I recommend the school with reservations. I believe that the institution should focus critically on the type of students they are accepting for admissions. It is not just about getting money for a student, it is also about the quality of a student. A student who is not academically prepared to handle the rigor of college, should not be accepted to the school, until he/she can be successful as a student. The student will have to be capable of handling the academic rigor and other challenges at a 4-year institution of higher learning and beyond.

Good value.

Because it is in my community and anyone wanting to attend school I think it is a great start depending on a persons goals.

great experience

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