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Message from the President

Dear University of Houston Graduates,

It is my joy to congratulate you on reaching this remarkable milestone. Receiving your college degree is an incredible achievement, and today we all celebrate you.

This accomplishment not only reflects your intellect and knowledge, but also signifies your determination, drive and ingenuity. The character you've developed and invaluable life skills you've gained will propel you throughout your career and lifetime. Be confident knowing you are now equipped to reach your full potential.

As you leave this University and embark on a new path, thank your professors, advisors, family and friends who supported you throughout this journey. Moreover, stay connected to your University as a volunteer or student mentor. I know you'll continue to grow and have much to share.

You've earned your degree from a Tier One institution, world-renowned for its academic excellence, cutting-edge research and dynamic athleticism. Today, you join the ranks of thousands of alumni who have achieved incredible success — and I know you will too.

Once again, congratulations, Coogs. The world awaits you!

With warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Renu Khator'.

Renu Khator

President, University of Houston





Message from the Provost

Dear Spring Graduates,

Congratulations! You have traveled a long and demanding road to arrive at this moment, and yet, here you are! It is an honor to congratulate you on earning your degree from the University of Houston.

Whether you are the very first in your family to cross this stage or are continuing a proud tradition as a multi-generational Cougar, today's ceremony marks a major milestone in your life. This day is equally significant for the University of Houston, as your growth and success have been our primary mission from the very first day you stepped onto our campus.

Look back at those who supported you. Reach out to the peers, professors, and staff who guided your path. Most importantly, share your gratitude with the family and friends here today—the spouses, parents, and siblings who provided the daily inspiration you needed to keep going.

While many contributed to your success, please take a moment to truly celebrate the person most responsible for this achievement: you. You balanced the heavy weight of classes, careers, and family obligations. It was a rigorous challenge, but you persevered. You are now ready to reap the lifelong rewards that come with being a UH graduate.

Though you may be leaving this campus, you will always be a vital part of the University of Houston family. You now carry forward the legacy of all the graduates who came before you. As you represent this institution in your future endeavors, carry your “Cougar Pride” with you and let the world know where you started.

Once again, congratulations on this incredible accomplishment!

Sincerely,

Diane Z. Chase

Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, University of Houston

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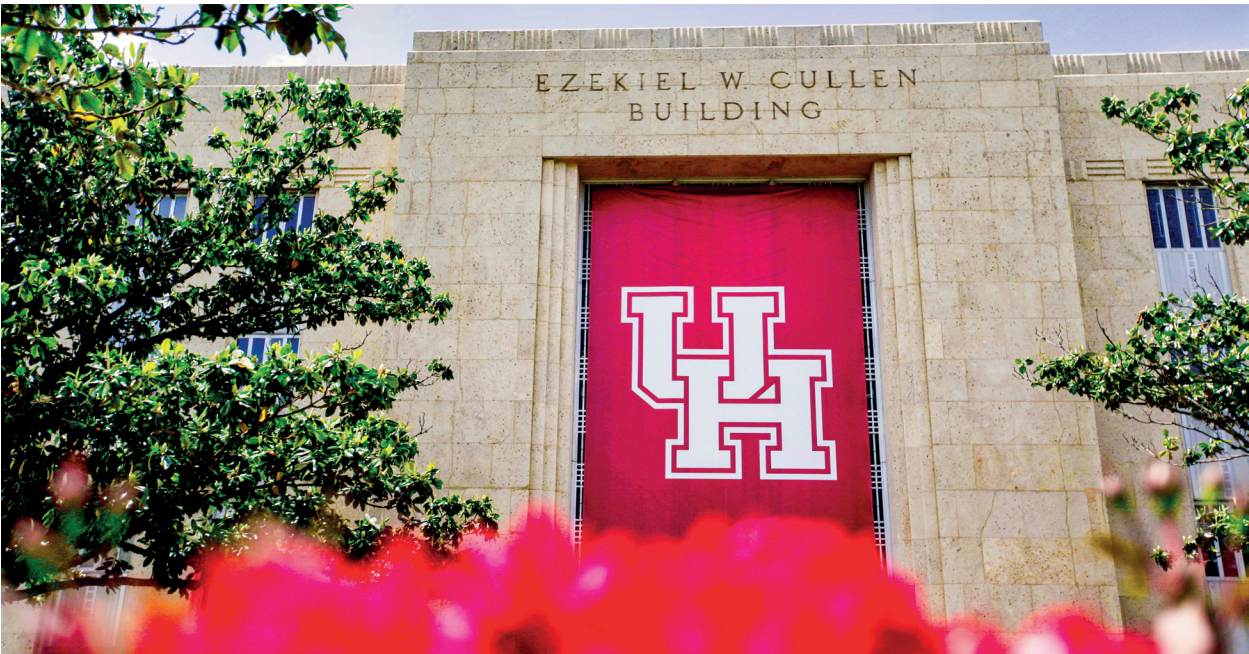
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University of Houston History



The University of Houston was established as the Houston Junior College in 1927. As the college grew, it prospered and officially became the four-year University of Houston in 1934. Two years later, the college attained land for a permanent campus, and in 1939 it constructed its first building, the Roy G. Cullen Building. The University became a state institution in 1963.

The University includes 14 academic colleges, one school and a multidisciplinary Honors College, collectively teaching a wide array of subjects – from math, arts and engineering to law, pharmacy and business. What started as a campus with a single building has grown into a world-class university, offering over 285 undergraduate and graduate programs to more than 48,000 students annually.

The Cougars consistently compete at the highest levels, earning conference championships, bowl game invitations and NCAA Final Four appearances. In 2023, UH joined the Big 12 Conference — a hard-fought mission to join a Power Four conference.

UH is a Carnegie-designated Tier One public research university, and its public service and

community activities, such as cultural offerings, clinical services, policy studies and small business initiatives, serve a diverse metropolitan population. Likewise, the resources of the Gulf Coast Region complement and enrich the University’s academic programs, providing students with professional expertise, practical experience and career opportunities. This unprecedented success has been followed by a string of similar achievements, being awarded a Phi Beta Kappa honor society chapter, the opening of Houston’s first medical school in nearly 50 years, more than tripling the number of National Academy members on the faculty and dramatically improving the graduation rates.

The University consistently earns accolades for its students’ achievements, such as the top 50 of Forbes’ list of America’s Top Colleges and Princeton Review’s “50 Best Value Public Colleges.” It also ranks 36th in the nation on U.S. News & World Report’s 2025 social mobility index ranking and among the top 100 universities in the world for utility patents. Moreover, President Renu Khator is boldly leading UH to become a U.S. News & World Report top 50 public university.

Commencement Traditions

Academic costumes of today have a history of nearly eight centuries. In medieval Europe, all townspeople wore long flowing robes and gowns. The materials and colors were governed by royal decree. Gradually, distinctive gowns were developed for the various professions, trades and guilds. Scholars wore robes and hoods to protect their shaved heads. Later, skullcaps were worn on the head, and the hoods became a cape that could be pulled over the head during unpleasant weather.

As additional universities were founded, distinctive forms of the gown and hood were adapted by their faculties for bachelor's (apprentices of the arts), master's (teachers) and doctoral (teachers who had completed postgraduate studies). When caps and hats came into fashion in the 15th century, the hoods became ornamental, draped over the shoulders and down the back.

The academic hat was first worn as a symbol of the master's degree and existed in various forms. The mortarboard style comes to us from Oxford University. When academic costumes came to America in 1754, styles were quite varied. In Europe, they still are; however, in our country, usage has been standardized by the Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume.

GERALD D. HINES COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

Bachelor's Degree	Tassel: Violet
Master's Degree	Hood: Violet Tassel: Black

KATHRINE G. MCGOVERN COLLEGE OF THE ARTS

Bachelor's Degree	Tassel: Brown
Master's Degree	Hood: Brown Hood (Music): Pink Tassel: Black
Doctoral Degree	Hood: Pink Tassel: Red

C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Bachelor's Degree	Tassel: Dark Blue
Master's Degree	Hood: Drab Tassel: Black
Doctoral Degree	Hood: Dark Blue Tassel: Red

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Bachelor's Degree	Tassel: Light Blue
Master's Degree	Hood: Light Blue Tassel: Black
Doctoral Degree	Hood (Ed.D.): Light Blue Hood (Ph.D.): Dark Blue Tassel: Red

CULLEN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Bachelor's Degree	Tassel: Orange
Master's Degree	Hood: Orange Tassel: Black
Doctoral Degree	Hood: Dark Blue Tassel: Red

CONRAD N. HILTON COLLEGE OF GLOBAL HOSPITALITY LEADERSHIP

Bachelor's Degree	Tassel: Navy
Master's Degree	Hood: Navy, Red and White Tassel: Black
Doctoral Degree	Hood: Dark Blue Tassel: Red

UH LAW CENTER

Master’s Degree	Hood: Purple Tassel: Black
Doctoral Degree	Hood: Purple Tassel: Red

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Bachelor’s Degree	Tassel: Citron
Master’s Degree	Hood: Citron Tassel: Black
Doctoral Degree	Hood: Dark Blue Tassel: Red

TILMAN J. FERTITTA FAMILY
COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

Doctor of Medicine Degree	Hood: Kelly Green Tassel: Red
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COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES
AND MATHEMATICS

Bachelor’s Degree	Tassel: Golden Yellow
Master’s Degree	Hood: Golden Yellow Tassel: Black
Doctoral Degree	Hood: Dark Blue Tassel: Red

ANDY AND BARBARA GESSNER
COLLEGE OF NURSING

Bachelor’s Degree	Tassel: Apricot
Master’s Degree	Hood: Apricot Tassel: Black
Doctoral Degree	Hood: Apricot Tassel: Red

COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY

Master’s Degree	Hood: Gold Tassel: Black
Doctor of Philosophy Degree	Hood: Royal Blue Tassel: Red
Doctor of Optometry Degree	Hood: Seafoam Green Tassel: Red

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

Bachelor’s Degree	Tassel: Olive
Master’s Degree	Hood: Olive Tassel: Black
Doctor of Philosophy Degree	Hood: Royal Blue Tassel: Red
Doctor of Pharmacy Degree	Hood: Olive Tassel: Red

GRADUATE COLLEGE
OF SOCIAL WORK

Master’s Degree	Hood: Citron Tassel: Black
Doctoral Degree	Hood: Citron Tassel: Red

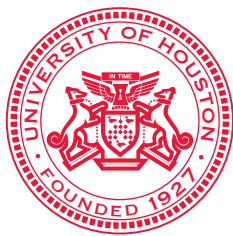
HOBBY SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Bachelor’s Degree	Tassel: Peacock Blue
Master’s Degree	Hood: Peacock Blue Tassel: Black

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Bachelor’s Degree	Tassel: White
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Ceremonial Symbols



THE SEAL

Throughout history, seals have been used to authenticate official documents. The University of Houston and UH System seals both bear the Official Seal of Arms of General Sam Houston, as handed down to him from his noble ancestors. It includes the escutcheon in the center of the seal — consisting of checkered chevrons denoting nobility — and three martlets, gentle lowland birds that symbolize peace and deliverance. A winged hourglass is placed above the shield. Surmounting this is the motto “In Tempore,” meaning “In Time.” The greyhounds indicate speed of giving aid. The UH seal was first adopted in 1938 as the present campus was established. Although the look of the seal has evolved over the years, the first version was etched into the floor of the Roy G. Cullen Building.



UNIVERSITY MACE

The University Mace, which is carried in academic processions, is a staff symbolizing the University’s authority and unity. The tradition of the academic mace began in the late 14th century when two ancient instruments, the royal scepter and the battle mace, were combined to form a university president’s symbol of authority.

THE ALMA MATER

All hail to thee,
Our Houston University.
Our hearts fill with gladness
When we think of thee.
We'll always adore thee
Dear old varsity.
And to thy memory cherished,
True we'll ever be.

Words and music by Harmony Class of 1942

Academic Honors

Academic honors are based on the requirements of the catalog year students entered the University. The final designation for honors is determined by the Provost’s Office upon final completion of all degree requirements.

Undergraduates who have graduated with the stated academic honors have achieved the following grade point averages earned in the last 54 hours completed at the University of Houston.

3.90 TO 4.0	Summa Cum Laude (with Highest Honors)
3.70 TO 3.89	Magna Cum Laude (with High Honors)
3.50 TO 3.69	Cum Laude (with Honors)

This roster does not include the names of degree holders who chose to withhold information under the Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act.

Summa Cum Laude – 4.0 GPA Graduates

The following graduates are recognized for achieving Summa Cum Laude with a 4.0 cumulative grade point average while also completing their degree within four years of starting their first semester in college at the University of Houston.

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Ayman Ahmed <i>Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science</i> COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	Trey Gaw <i>Bachelor of Science in Political Science</i> COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
Amanda Badillo <i>Bachelor of Science in Teaching and Learning</i> COLLEGE OF EDUCATION	Lauren Houck <i>Bachelor of Arts in Psychology</i> COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
Hy Cao <i>Bachelor of Science in Biochemical and Biophysical Sciences</i> COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS	Asiyah Lambay <i>Bachelor of Science in Health</i> COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
Mouykeang Chhour <i>Bachelor of Arts in Economics</i> COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	Bhodi Langford <i>Bachelor of Music in Music Theory</i> KATHRINE G. MCGOVERN COLLEGE OF THE ARTS
Rachel Croom <i>Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance</i> KATHRINE G. MCGOVERN COLLEGE OF THE ARTS	Nancy Luu <i>Bachelor of Science in Computer Science</i> COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS
Kyla Curry <i>Bachelor of Science in Psychology</i> COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	Richard Ma <i>Bachelor of Business Administration in Management Information Systems</i> C.T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
Musa Fareed <i>Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance</i> <i>Bachelor of Business Administration in Supply Chain Management</i> C.T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS	Wisam Minnatullah Mahmoud <i>Bachelor of Arts in Psychology</i> COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

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Arely Martinez
Bachelor of Science in Philosophy
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Jazmin Nguyen
Bachelor of Science in Teaching and Learning
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Vera Ong
Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing
Bachelor of Business Administration
in Management Information Systems
C.T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Dylan Phan
Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting
C.T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Mya Pugh
Bachelor of Science in Psychology
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Isabel Rasmussen
Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance
C.T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Emily Salinas
Bachelor of Business Administration in Management
C.T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Soraya Sato
Bachelor of Science in Health
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Justin Todd Schnitzer
Bachelor of Science in Political Science
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Valeria Serenil
Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance
Bachelor of Business Administration
in Entrepreneurship
C.T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Frida Miranda Trigos
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance
KATHRINE G. MCGOVERN COLLEGE OF THE ARTS

Jonathan Vuong
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS



Honorary Degree

JERICO BROWN, PH.D.

A Pulitzer-Prize-winning poet, Jericho Brown is one of the most celebrated authors of our time. An acclaimed writer, scholar and professor, Brown has received some of the most coveted honors in American literature.

Growing up in Shreveport, Louisiana, Brown found solace at his local library and in writing. As soon as he learned of the prestigious Pulitzer Prize, he dreamed of becoming a writer. In a full-circle moment in 2020, he won the high honor for his third poetry book, “The Tradition.” The work — described by the Pulitzer board as a collection of masterful lyrics that combine delicacy with historical urgency — was also a finalist for the National Book Award.

“The Tradition” is preceded by his first book, “Please,” which won the American Book Award. His second book, “The New Testament,” won the Anisfield-Wolf Book Award. A prolific writer, Brown’s poems have appeared in The New York Times, BuzzFeed, Fence, jubilat, The New Republic, The New Yorker, The Paris Review, TIME and several volumes of The Best American Poetry. He is also the editor of “How We Do It: Black Writers on Craft, Practice and Skill” and of “The Selected Shepherd.”

In 2024, Brown received the MacArthur Foundation’s “genius grant” and was described as a “poet reflecting on contemporary culture and identity in works that combine formal experimentation and intense self-examination.” He has also received distinguished fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation, the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard and the National Endowment for the Arts. In addition, he has won the Whiting Award.

An avid scholar, Brown earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from Dillard University, his Master of Fine Arts from the University of New Orleans and his Ph.D. in creative writing and literature from the University of Houston. He is the Charles Howard Candler Professor of English and Creative Writing and director of the Creative Writing Program at Emory University in Atlanta.

The Doctor of Humane Letters degrees, honoris causa, given for exemplary service to the University of Houston or society at large, is the highest honor UH can bestow.



Honorary Degree

DONALD J. KESSLER

A pioneering leader in astrophysics, Donald J. Kessler is a former NASA scientist whose breakthrough research brought attention to an unrecognized risk to space safety. He is best known for the Kessler Syndrome, which describes how orbital debris could threaten space operations, while proposing strategies to manage and mitigate those risks.

Kessler joined NASA as a University of Houston cooperative education student and, after developing an interest in the risks to spacecraft from meteoroids, recognized the greater risk created by man-made orbital debris from spacecrafts. His 1978 paper, titled “The Collision Frequency of Artificial Satellites: The Creation of a Debris Belt,” predicted an exponential increase in orbiting fragments and increasing risk to spacecraft. In addition, he pioneered mathematical models of collision probabilities.

Following his vital research and calculations, NASA established an orbital debris program with Kessler as lead scientist and a principal in the operation and its outreach. A prolific research scientist, Kessler built the analytical capabilities that remain central to NASA’s approach to debris monitoring, mitigation practices and disposal guidelines. Moreover, he and his colleagues met with leaders from European, Russian and Asian space communities to encourage an international focus on mitigating the increasing amount of debris in Earth’s orbits. This global outreach led to the creation of the Inter-Agency Space Debris Coordination Committee, a coalition of 13 national and international space agencies that develop consensus guidelines used worldwide.

A Texas native, Kessler spent three years in the U.S. Army’s Air Defense Command before enrolling at UH, where he graduated cum laude and with honors in physics in 1965. He retired from NASA in 1996 as chief scientist of the orbital debris program.

Kessler has received numerous awards for his transformational work, including NASA’s Medal for Exceptional Scientific Achievement, the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Losey Atmospheric Sciences Award, the International Association for the Advancement of Space Safety Jerome Lederer Space Safety Pioneer Award, and he has had an asteroid named in his honor. More than four decades after his transformative discovery, Kessler’s research continues to shape global policy and safeguard the long-term sustainability of space operations for the benefit of humanity.

The Doctor of Humane Letters degrees, *honoris causa*, given for exemplary service to the University of Houston or society at large, is the highest honor UH can bestow.





Message from the Dean

Dear Graduates,

Congratulations on this milestone in your academic journey! On behalf of the faculty and staff in the College of Education, we applaud your dedication to dreaming big, working hard and earning your degree. We are proud of your success and hope you reflect fondly on the knowledge you've gained and the memories you've made. Welcome to the Forever Coog family!

As a member of the Class of 2026, you hold a special place in history. From our annual fall kickoff events through Commencement today, you have demonstrated remarkable resilience to reach your goals.

Now, you are ready to take the next step on your professional path. Walk with confidence, but don't be afraid to ask for help. Embrace empathy, empower others and never stop learning. I hope you will continue to fulfill the College's mission to improve education, health and well-being for all people and communities.

I look forward to seeing your impact in the world, through teaching, leadership, health promotion, counseling, research and more. I'm confident you will transform lives in Houston — and beyond.

The Coog network is strong, and you join more than 35,000 alumni from the College of Education. As a fellow alumna, I encourage you to stay involved and give back. Please consider being an active member of our COE Alumni Association (it's free to join) and help future students succeed by supporting scholarships, volunteering your time, and sharing your wisdom.

Thank you for choosing the College of Education. We are forever proud of you! And please keep connected at uh.edu/education/alumni. Go Coogs!

Sincerely,

Cathy Horn, Ph.D.

Dean and Elizabeth D. Rockwell Chair



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Message from the Dean

Dear Graduates,

It is with immense pride that the Undergraduate Student Success team celebrates your graduation from the University of Houston today. You are part of a remarkable group of students earning the Integrated Studies degree, and we are honored to share this occasion with you and your families.

In completing your degree, you have worked hard, seized opportunities, overcome challenges and taken ownership of your educational journey. You also gained valuable knowledge and skills that have prepared you for your next step whether that is entering the workforce or beginning graduate studies.

Support systems are an important component of success, so please acknowledge those who guided you along the way including your family and friends as well as your UH faculty, staff, and peers. Stay connected to your UH community—we would love to hear all about your success and look forward to seeing you at alumni events.

As you walk across the stage today, do so as a proud Cougar knowing that you have achieved a significant milestone. Soak in the applause and carry with you a sense of accomplishment that serves as momentum for your future endeavors.

Congratulations and best wishes!

Sincerely,

Teri Elkins Longacre
Senior Vice Provost and Dean

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PROCESSIONAL	Moores School of Music Honorary Grand Marshal and Associate Marshal Faculty Candidates for Graduation Platform Party
PRESENTATION OF COLORS	Houston Battalion ROTC Color Guard
NATIONAL ANTHEM	Moores School of Music
CALL TO ORDER	Chakema Carmack <i>Associate Professor, College of Education</i> <i>Honorary Grand Marshal</i>
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF PLATFORM PARTY	Mimi M. Lee <i>Associate Dean, College of Education</i>
GREETINGS FROM UH SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS	The Honorable Adrian Caraves <i>Member</i>
GREETINGS	Renu Khator <i>President</i>
HONORING SCHOLARLY IMPACT	Nathan Grant Smith <i>Associate Dean, College of Education</i>
CELEBRATING STUDENT SUCCESS	Tiffany J. Davis <i>Associate Dean, College of Education</i> Teri Elkins Longacre <i>Senior Vice Provost and Dean,</i> <i>Undergraduate Student Success</i>
PRESENTATION OF ACADEMIC HONORS AND DEGREE CANDIDATES	Cathy Horn <i>Dean, College of Education</i>
DOCTORAL CANDIDATES	Dean Horn
SPECIALIST CANDIDATES	Associate Dean Davis
MASTER’S CANDIDATES	Associate Dean Davis
BACHELOR’S CANDIDATES	Melissa Pierson <i>Assistant Vice Provost and Associate Dean,</i> <i>Undergraduate Student Success</i> Associate Dean Davis
CONFERRAL OF DEGREES	President Khator
CLOSING REMARKS	Dean Horn
ALMA MATER	Moores School of Music
RECESSIONAL	Moores School of Music

College of Education

Spring 2026 - Candidates for Graduation

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Curriculum and Instruction

Judy S. Jacob-Mathew
Psychological Safety in First-Line
Responders with Maternal Care
ADVISOR: Dr. Robert Hausmann and
Dr. Sara G. McNeil

Educational Leadership
and Policy Studies

Jennifer Shelagh Franklin
Growing Leaders From Within:
Evaluating District-Based Leadership
Development Programs for Aspiring
and Early-Career Instructional
Specialists through the Lens of Adult
Learning Theory
ADVISOR: Dr. April L. Peters

Clarissa Giddings
A Study to Examine How School
Administrators' Knowledge,
Experience, Attitudes, and Beliefs
Inform Their Practice on How Black
Girls Are Disciplined in School
ADVISOR:
Dr. Virginia Snodgrass Rangel

Lois Lynn Goudeau
Underrepresentation: A Study of
Referral and Selection Processes and
Procedures for the Identification of
Gifted and Talented Students
ADVISOR: Dr. Keith Butcher and
Dr. Detra Johnson

Mario Alexander MacDonald
Addressing Inequities in a Large,
Diverse School District: A
Comparative Analysis of Neighboring
High School Feeder Patterns
ADVISOR: Dr. Bradley Davis

Gerardo Medina
Shifting the Pipeline: The Impact of
Early Childhood Suspension Bans on
Exclusionary Discipline
ADVISOR: Dr. Detra Johnson

Dayanara Ramos
The Referral Process for Special
Education Evaluation: Improving
Referrals for Suspicion of Specific
Learning Disability
ADVISOR: Dr. Jacqueline Hawkins

Kevin Damon Smith
The Perceptions of Students Identified
with an Emotional Disturbance
and the Educational Programs and
Supports that Prepared Them for Life
ADVISOR: Dr. Detra Johnson

John F. Tovar Cortes
Teacher Professional Development in
a Pandemic: A Qualitative Descriptive
Study of Instructional Coaches'
Experiences and Decisions During
COVID-19
ADVISOR:
Dr. Virginia Snodgrass Rangel

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Curriculum and Instruction

Salenah S. Cartier
Urban Teachers and AI: A
Convergent Mixed Methods Study of
Implementation in Practice
ADVISOR: Dr. Sara G. McNeil

Nelson Wilfredo Chavez Cubas
Preparing Preservice Teachers for
Practice: AI-Supported Lesson
Internalization, Mixed-Reality
Teaching, and the Development of
Teacher Self-Efficacy
ADVISOR: Dr. Susie Gronseth

Montrey Jaron Pertile
Black STEM Educators Understanding
of the Power in Makerspaces
ADVISOR: Dr. Mimi Lee

Hien Thi Tran
Empowering Teachers for
Translanguaging in Science Education
ADVISOR: Dr. Jie Zhang

Educational Leadership
and Policy Studies

April Ann Cole
Beyond The Blueprint & Grand
Unveiling: Navigating Strategic Plan
Implementation in Higher Education
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Exploring the Effects of Performance-
Based Funding on Four-Year
Institutions in Texas
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Hope S. Pacheco
Exploring the Leadership Experiences
of Latina Undergraduate STEM
Students in a Peer Mentoring Program
at a Research-1 Hispanic-Serving
Institution
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Shelby Lynne Terral
Understanding Classroom Practices
that Shape College Readiness in Dual
Enrollment Settings
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Psychological, Health,
and Learning Sciences

Kahyun Lee
Changes in Growth Mindsets Among
Adolescents and Adults
ADVISOR: Dr. Allison Master

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The Impact of Cognitive Complexity
of Teacher Talk and Questioning
Before, During, and After Shared
Book Reading on Vocabulary
Outcomes in Latinx Preschoolers
ADVISOR: Dr. Bradley Smith

Shaila Sharmin
Learning Climate, Self-Efficacy, and
Negative Achievement Emotions
Across Instruction Modes: A Latent
Profile Analysis and Latent Change
Score Approach
ADVISOR: Dr. Weihua Fan

Kimberly Diane Smoots
Program Evaluation of an Antiracism
Curriculum for Organizations, Using
a Mixed-Methods Approach
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Minh Hao D. Tran
STEM Identity, Belonging, Academic
Engagement, and Motivational
Pathways Among Undergraduate
STEM Students
ADVISOR: Dr. Weihua Fan

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Sheila Bolanos
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Joy Titilolami Oyeade
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Avery Shimaitis ²
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Joseph Daniel Trapolino
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Blake Anthony Thompson
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The Honors College
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Message from the Dean

Dear Spring 2026 Graduates,

Congratulations on your graduation from the Honors College at the University of Houston! Your talents and motivation have culminated in the impressive achievements we recognize today. Think back to your first semester and how far you have come.

Your Honors courses have asked you to think deeply about the nature of being human, both as individuals and as members of complex societies. You've been challenged to think beyond your major, to integrate perspectives across disciplines, and to carry your learning beyond the classroom into research, leadership, and community engagement. These habits will continue to serve you well long after graduation.

The faculty, staff, and fellow students of the Honors College have been members of your team, and they are now cheering you on as you begin your career or continue your studies in graduate or professional programs. We take pride in your achievements, and take comfort knowing that, though you are leaving on this new journey, the Honors College will always be a part of your story. Stay connected with the College and use your success to inspire future generations of Honors students. Your engagement and support help sustain the programs, opportunities, and scholarships that enriched your own experience.

We know that you are well-prepared to lead in your chosen field and to contribute solutions to the grand challenges of an ever-changing world. As you find your place in a new community, be bold in ethical action and stand strong in the face of adversity. We believe in you and cannot wait to see all that you accomplish!

With pride,

Heidi Appel
Dean of the Honors College
Professor of Biology & Biochemistry



The Honors College Honors

The Honors College at the University of Houston offers students special opportunities to develop their academic abilities. Below are the Honors College designations.

University Honors and University Honors with Honors in Major

Students who complete the Honors College curriculum (36 hours) graduate with University Honors. If students also complete a senior honors thesis, they graduate with University Honors with Honors in Major.

Collegiate Honors and Collegiate Honors with Honors in Major

Students who fulfill the requirements for the honors program in the college of their major, including 21 hours of honors courses; who complete an Honors College minor, or who complete 21 hours of approved honors courses. If students also complete a senior honors thesis, they graduate with Collegiate Honors with Honors in Major.

Membership in The Honors College and Membership in The Honors College with Honors in Major

Students who affiliate with the Honors College during their undergraduate years and complete fewer than 21 hours of honors courses. If students also complete a senior honors thesis and fulfill the requirements of their major with distinction, they graduate with Membership in The Honors College with Honors in Major.

Honors in Major

Students who complete a senior honors thesis but are not members of the Honors College.

University Honors with Honors in Major

Students who complete the Honors College curriculum (36 hours) and complete a Senior Honors Thesis graduate with University Honors with Honors in Major, the highest distinction that an undergraduate can earn at the University of Houston.

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Razan Yousef

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL
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SCIENCES

Nine Abad
Lauren Houck
Hang Nguyen
Annfaye Marrero Sternberg
Arushi Suji
Emme Tomasello

COLLEGE OF NATURAL
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MATHEMATICS

Sachitha Aithal
Naumi Aparanji
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John Eric Richards II
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Collegiate Honors with Honors in Major

Students who complete a Senior Honors Thesis and fulfill the requirements for the honors program in the college of their major with distinction, including 21 hours of honors courses, or by completing an Honors College minor graduate with Collegiate Honors with Honors in Major.

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SCIENCES

Drew Buescher

Membership in The Honors College with Honors in Major

Students who affiliate with the Honors College, complete a Senior Honors Thesis and fulfill the requirements of their major graduate with Membership in the Honors College with Honors in Major.

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL
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Gonzalo Ramirez Pulido

Honors in Major

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