

RENU KHATOR



Chancellor and President
Renu Khator

Renu Khator is Chancellor of the University of Houston System and President of the University of Houston, overseeing a four-university organization that serves nearly 70,000 students, has an annual budget that exceeds \$1.5 billion and generates a \$3.8 billion-plus impact on the Greater Houston area's economy each year.

During her tenure as chancellor, the UH System has grown substantially, including expansion of UH-Clear Lake and UH-Victoria into full four-year institutions. Under her leadership as president, the University of Houston has experienced record-breaking research funding, enrollment and private donations. As part of a \$1-billion campus construction program, UH launched its 74-acre Energy Research Park, opened its new 40,000-seat TDECU Stadium and increased student residence hall capacity to 8,000, the second highest in Texas. Designated as a Tier One research university by the Carnegie Foundation, UH has also been recognized by the Princeton Review for excellence in undergraduate education, by U.S. News & World Report as a top-tier institution and by the Chronicle of Higher Education as an exceptional workplace.

Khator, who was born in Uttar Pradesh, India, completed her graduate studies at Purdue University, earning a master's and doctorate in political science. A noted scholar in the field of global environmental policy, she has authored several books and articles on this subject. The first Indian immigrant to head a comprehensive public research university in the United States, Khator was appointed in 2008. She is the first female chancellor of a Texas higher education system.

Quick Facts

EDUCATION

Ph.D. 1985 Purdue University (Political Science/Public Administration)
M.A. 1975 Purdue University (Political Science)
B. A. 1973 Kanpur University, India (Liberal Arts)

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM

The UH System, the state's only metropolitan higher education system, includes the University of Houston, a doctoral degree-granting, comprehensive research university; UH-Clear Lake; UH-Downtown; and UH Victoria.

In addition, the UH System consists of branch campuses and teaching centers in Katy, Northwest Houston, Pearland and Sugar Land. It also includes KUHT-TV, the nation's first educational TV station, and two radio stations – KUHF-FM, Houston's NPR affiliate and classical music station KUHA-FM.

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

Founded in 1927, UH is Texas' third-largest university and a Tier One public research institution. With an enrollment of 41,000, UH awards 8,000 degrees annually, including approximately 200 Ph.D.'s. Recognized for its diversity, UH has no racial majority on campus and its international student body represents more than 140 countries.

SELECTED AWARDS AND HONORS

Doctor of Social Sciences degree, honoris causa, Purdue University
Honorary Doctorate, Swansea University
President of the Year Award, ACUI
President's Award, NASPA
Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Award (from President of India)
Greater Houston Partnership "International Executive of the Year"
Outstanding American by Choice Award given by the Citizenship and Immigration Services to recognize the outstanding achievements of naturalized U.S. citizens
Women in Science Award, BioHouston
QUASAR Award, Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership

SELECTED APPOINTMENTS

Deputy Chair, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas Board of Directors
Vice Chair, American Council on Education Board of Directors
American Athletic Conference Board of Directors
Business & Higher Education Forum Executive Committee
Greater Houston Partnership Board of Directors



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