Dear College of Natural Sciences
and Mathematics Graduate,

Congratulations! Today we celebrate a milestone in your life; I hope you will reflect on all that this achievement means.

• The degree that will appear on your transcript is an indelible testimony to your hard work and mastery of challenging mathematical and scientific subject matter.

• Your degree is the foundation upon which you will build as you continue to learn throughout your lifetime.

• Most importantly, the degree you have earned represents great potential for secure employment, a better quality of life and the achievement of your goals.

As you leave this campus, you will carry with you the knowledge your professors shared with you, the wisdom you gained as you matured, and the personal experiences, professional connections, and friendships that will last a lifetime.

My best wishes for much success and happiness.

Sincerely,

Dan E. Wells
Dean
University of Houston  
College of Natural Sciences  
and Mathematics  

Convocation  
Thursday, May 14, 2015, 9 a.m.  
Hofheinz Pavilion

- **Processional**: Moores School of Music Brass Quintet  
- **Presentation of the Colors**: UH Army ROTC  
- **National Anthem**: Members of the Moores School of Music Concert Chorale  
- **Welcome and Introductory Remarks**: Dan E. Wells, Dean  
- **Student Address**: Christopher Huynh  
- **Award Presentation**: Dean Wells  
  - John C. Butler Excellence in Teaching Award  
  - Junior Faculty Award for Excellence in Research  
- **Presentation of Academic Honors**: Ian Evans, Associate Dean, Undergraduate Studies  
- **Recognition of 4.0 Students**: Associate Dean Evans  
- **Presentation of Degree Candidates**: Dean Wells  
  - Anne Delcour, Associate Dean, Graduate Studies  
  - Department Chairs  
- **Closing Remarks**: Dean Wells  
- **Alma Mater**: Members of the Moores School of Music Concert Chorale  
- **Recessional**: Moores School of Music Brass Quintet
College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

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Associate Dean, Student Success
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Associate Dean, Research

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David Hoffman, Ph.D.
Chemistry
Jaspal Subhlok, Ph.D.
Computer Science
Hua-wei Zhou, Ph.D.
Earth and Atmospheric Sciences
Matthew Nicol, Ph.D.
Mathematics
Gemunu Gunaratne, Ph.D.
Physics
Academic Regalia

The Costume of the participants in the academic procession dates back to the 14th century. Academic institutions in the United States adopted a code of academic dress in 1895.

**Gowns:** The bachelor’s gown has long pointed sleeves while the master’s gown has an oblong sleeve open at the wrists. The doctoral gown is fuller with full-length velvet panels on the front and three velvet crossbars on each sleeve in black or the color distinctive to the subject of the wearer’s degree.

**Hoods:** The hood, worn by master’s and doctoral degree recipients, drapes over the shoulders and down the back and indicates the subject to which the degree pertains and the university that conferred the degree. The size of the hood indicates the level of the degree.

**Caps:** The black mortarboard is the most common cap used. The tassel fastened in the center is worn in the left front quadrant after the degree is conferred. It is black or the color appropriate to the subject of the degree.

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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
Convocation Banner Bearers

The banners in the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics Convocation are carried by the 4.0 graduation candidates and the students with the highest grade point average for each department.

- **UNIVERSITY BANNER**: Varun Potluri, 4.0 Graduate
- **COLLEGE BANNER**: Christopher Huynh, 4.0 Graduate
- **DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY AND BIOCHEMISTRY**: Nhon Le, 4.0 Graduate
- **DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY**: Vinh Ho
- **DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE**: Anson Jablinski
- **DEPARTMENT OF EARTH AND ATMOSPHERIC SCIENCES**: Daniel Burton
- **DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS**: Khanh Nguyen
- **DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS**: Christina Stegemoller
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.

Pre-Fall 2010 Catalog

Undergraduate students who complete their degree requirements under any catalog prior to Fall 2010 will graduate with the stated academic honors if they achieve the following grade point averages earned in the last sixty-six (66) hours completed at the University of Houston.

- **3.75 TO 4.0**  Summa Cum Laude (with Highest Honors)
- **3.50 TO 3.74**  Magna Cum Laude (with High Honors)
- **3.25 TO 3.49**  Cum Laude (with Honors)

Fall 2010 Catalog to Present

Undergraduate students who complete their degree requirements under, and since, the Fall 2010 catalog will graduate with the stated academic honors if they achieve the following grade point averages earned in the last fifty-four (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)
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CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

Spring 2015

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

**Atmospheric Sciences**
James Houston Trammell  
**ADVISOR:** Xun Jiang, Ph.D.

**Biochemistry**
Sagar Prabhakar Dhamane  
**ADVISOR:** Richard C. Willson, Ph.D.

**Biology**
Nicholes Ray Candelaria  
**ADVISOR:** Chin-Yo Lin, Ph.D.
Huy Duc Vu  
**ADVISOR:** Steven Pennings, Ph.D.
Trang Vu  
**ADVISOR:** Chin-Yo Lin, Ph.D.
Jun Wang  
**ADVISOR:** Cecilia Williams, Ph.D.
Yinhua Wang  
**ADVISOR:** Tim Cooper, Ph.D.
Bingjun Zhang  
**ADVISOR:** Ricardo Azevedo, Ph.D.
Yichen Zheng  
**ADVISOR:** Dan Graur, Ph.D.

**Chemistry**
Ginomartin R. Canlas  
**ADVISOR:** Scott Gilbertson, Ph.D.
Han Ju Lee  
**ADVISOR:** T. Randall Lee, Ph.D.
Chien Hung Li  
**ADVISOR:** T. Randall Lee, Ph.D.
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**ADVISOR:** Randolph Thummel, Ph.D.
Thien Si Nguyen  
**ADVISOR:** Jeremy May, Ph.D.
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**ADVISOR:** P. Shiv Halasyamani, Ph.D.
Ravi Krishna Vallakati  
**ADVISOR:** Jeremy May, Ph.D.
Anh Quan Vo  
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Yang Zhao  
**ADVISOR:** Scott Gilbertson, Ph.D.

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**ADVISOR:** Barbara Chapman, Ph.D.
Tao Feng  
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Mahbubur Rahman  
**ADVISOR:** Marc Garbey, Ph.D.
Nripun Sredar  
**ADVISOR:** George Zouridakis, Ph.D.
Tayfun Tuna  
**ADVISOR:** Jaspal Subhlok, Ph.D.
Roberto Valerio Molina  
**ADVISOR:** Ricardo Vilalta, Ph.D.
Lijuan Zhao  
**ADVISOR:** Fatima Merchant, Ph.D.

**Geology**
Felipe Alberto Lozano  
**ADVISOR:** Julia Wellner, Ph.D.
Shawn Curtis Wright  
**ADVISOR:** Alan Brandon, Ph.D.

**Geophysics**
Yue Du  
**ADVISOR:** Robert R. Stewart, Ph.D.
Christopher Gantela  
**ADVISOR:** Hua-wei Zhou, Ph.D.
Craig William Hyslop  
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Eray Kocel  
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Duan Li  
**ADVISOR:** John Castagna, Ph.D.
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**ADVISOR:** Robert R. Stewart, Ph.D.

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**ADVISOR:** Bernhard Bodmann, Ph.D.
Dhouha Kelibi  
**ADVISOR:** Roland Glowinski, Ph.D.
Zhuo Liu  
**ADVISOR:** Yuri Kuznetsov, Ph.D.

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**ADVISOR:** Don Kouri, Ph.D.

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**ADVISOR:** Mark Tomforde, Ph.D.

Licheng Zhang  
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Ananya Debnath  
**ADVISOR:** Oomman Varghese, Ph.D.

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**ADVISOR:** Alex Freundlich, Ph.D.

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Jihui Wang  
**ADVISOR:** Shuheng Pan, Ph.D.

### Master of Science

#### Chemistry

Yongkai Huang

Latesha Dominique Smith

Patrick Walker Timmons

Tianlang Yu

#### Computer Science

Nikhil Agrawal

Sampath Vinayak Aleti

Praneeth Varma Alluri

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Haripriya Ayyalasomayajula

Tanay Bhargava

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Bachelor of Science

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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 honors designations.

**University Honors with Honors in Major**
Students who complete the Honors College curriculum (36 hours) and complete a senior honors thesis.

**University Honors**
Students who complete the Honors College curriculum and elect not to complete a senior honors thesis.

**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 undergraduates 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.
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THE HONORS COLLEGE

Honors Recipients

University Honors with Honors in Major

Daniel Burton          Nancy Shenoi

University Honors

Anjay Ajodha          Noah Kessler
Mohammed Akter        Kurt Laymon
Hasan Battla          Nhon Le
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