University of Houston Commencement
Fall 2018

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December 2018

Dear University of Houston Graduates:

Congratulations on this, the most memorable day of your college career! The degree you are about to receive represents the tier-one education you have achieved. It is a degree that will continue to increase in value as the University of Houston achieves even greater national and international recognition.

Many factors contributed to the success that brought you to this ceremony, on this day. The support of your parents, families and friends, and the encouragement of your faculty, advisors and staff, played a significant part, of course. But what made it all possible was the personal commitment, drive and resolve that helped you cross the finish line. I have no doubt these same attributes will serve you well as you make your mark in the world.

I know in my heart you are the best prepared, best educated and best equipped individuals of your generation, and that you will walk out today as proud and confident UH alumni, ready and able not just to compete, but to succeed and be leaders in your chosen careers.

Your alma mater is a richer institution thanks in great part to the example you have set for the next generation of students.

With my best wishes for a bright and rewarding future, Go Coogs!

Renu Khator
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University of Houston System

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*College of Pharmacy*

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*Barron Hilton Distinguished Chair*  
*Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management*

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*Greeman-Petty Professor in Vision Development*  
*College of Optometry*

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*College of Medicine*

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*College of Nursing*

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*Cullen College of Engineering*

Antonio D. Tillis  
*M.D. Anderson Professor in Hispanic Studies*  
*College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences*

Dan E. Wells  
*Distinguished Professor of Science*  
*College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics*
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 15 academic colleges and the multidisciplinary Honors College that teach 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 more than 250 undergraduate and graduate programs to more than 44,000 students annually.

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.

In keeping with the University's commitment to excellence, UH recently raised the benchmark of academic achievement. Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest and most prestigious academic honor society, awarded UH the approval to shelter a chapter in 2015. This designation welcomed UH to an elite group of the nation's most esteemed colleges and universities.
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.

**Katherine G. McGovern College of the Arts**

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University of Houston

Commencement Ceremony
Fall 2018

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

College of Nursing

- Bachelor’s Degree
  Tassel: Apricot
- Master’s Degree
  Hood: Apricot
  Tassel: Black

College of Technology

- Bachelor’s Degree
  Tassel: Maroon
- Master’s Degree
  Hood: Maroon
  Tassel: Black

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 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.

**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 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 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)

The roster of graduates and candidates for graduation does not include the names of those students who chose to withhold information under the Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act.
Message from the Dean

Dear Kathrine G. McGovern College of the Arts Graduates,

Congratulations!

You are here today because of all you have achieved at the University of Houston. You have worked tirelessly to master your craft, cultivating skills that position you at the forefront of the performing and visual arts. You have collectively spent thousands of hours rehearsing, researching, performing and designing on the University campus and beyond. You have added to our city’s rich and vibrant culture through community-centric projects and programs designed to promote Houston’s diverse arts community.

Now, as the next generation of creators, performers, artists and collaborators, the world is at your fingertips—just waiting for you to make your mark. My advice to you is to remain curious, investigate your environment and reimagine the possibilities of creative practices in our complex, 21st century world.

As you leave the Kathrine G. McGovern College of the Arts to embark on your career and the next stage of your life, I know your future is bright. I look forward to seeing the impact you will make on our community, our city and our world. Please stay in touch with us! You can contact me at adavis@uh.edu.

Sincerely,

Andrew Davis
Founding Dean and Professor of Music
Cullen Foundation Endowed Dean’s Chair
University of Houston
Kathrine G. McGovern College of the Arts

Commencement Ceremony
Thursday, December 13, 2018, 10 a.m.
Cullen Performance Hall

PROCESSIONAL
Faculty
Banner Bearers
Platform Party

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS
David Bertman
Associate Dean for Special Initiatives and Director of Bands

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Moores School of Music

WELCOME
Andrew Davis
Founding Dean and Professor of Music
Cullen Foundation Endowed Dean’s Chair

GREETINGS FROM THE
UH SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS
The Honorable Paula M. Mendoza
Board Secretary

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
Dean Andrew Davis

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES
Beckham Dossett
Director, School of Art and Interim Associate Dean
Fleurette Fernando
Director, Master of Arts Program in Arts Leadership
Courtney Crappell
Director of the School of Music
Rob Shimko
Director, School of Theatre and Dance

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES
AND CLOSING REMARKS
Dean Andrew Davis

ALMA MATER
Moores School of Music

RECESSIONAL

Event music provided by
Moores School of Music Brass Quintet.
Fall 2018

DOCTORAL DEGREES

Moores School of Music

DOCTOR OF MUSICAL ARTS

Katharina Jackson Dann
  Western and Brazilian Sound in Francisco Mignone’s Valsas Chôro
  RESEARCH CHAIR: Dr. Barbara Rose Lange

Mark Chambers Diamond
  William Flanagan: His Life and Music
  RESEARCH CHAIR: Professor Joseph Evans

Barbara Nicole Kenley
  Voicing Virginia: Adaptation of Woolf’s Words to Music
  RESEARCH CHAIR: Dr. Howard Pollack

Kirk Michael Rich
  To Lift or Not to Lift: Slurs and Articulation in Mendelssohn’s Organ Works
  RESEARCH CHAIR: Dr. Matthew Dirst

MASTER DEGREES

Arts Leadership

MASTER OF ARTS

Carolyn Casey Figueroa
Kara Elizabeth Cothern
Emily McWilliams

School of Art

MASTER OF ARTS

Katherine Morris Boeckman

Moores School of Music

MASTER OF MUSIC

Rhea M. Bumpass
Carlos Alberto Cordero Garcia
Loanny Hernandez
Michael Anthony Woodard

School of Theatre and Dance

MASTER OF ARTS

Brittany Rogers Bourque
Samantha Kate Dunaway
Sarah Nichole Harvey
Courtney Brooke Hess
April Lynn January-Cox
Chad Allen Moore
Alisha Moore
Ben Parker
Dustin Kyle Pence
Edna Lisa Priester
Julia M. Rucker
Katrina Constance Tarson

MASTER OF FINE ARTS

Kristie Shackelford

BACHELOR DEGREES

School of Art

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Art
Ashley R. Addison
Isis C. Garcia
Kelsey Elizabeth Johnson
Ngoc Diep Khuu
Sahibah Zehra Kugshia
Kevin Emanuel Lemus
Belem Lopez
Alicia McPhaul
Irvin Ortiz
Ariana M. Ramirez
Samantha A. Ruvalcaba
Lilian Andrade Vazquez

Art History
Catherine Miles Butler
Megan L. Dentler
Cristin Maybeth Hernandez
Daniel James Holub
Sheri Michelle Schrader

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Painting
Kevin Aregbe
Katherine Jisselle Cano
Jamie L. Forrester
Naomi Esther Lemus

Sculpture
Heather Renee Benson
Diego Efrain Bonilla

Candidates for Graduation

1 Summa Cum Laude - 2 Magna Cum Laude - 3 Cum Laude - 4 Banner Bearer (highest GPA)
University of Houston
Kathrine G. McGovern College of the Arts
Candidates for Graduation

Moores School of Music

**BACHELOR OF MUSIC**

*Applied Music*
- Timothy Sohn Ahn
- Rebecca Jiun Ying Chua
- Jarrell Comeaux
- Richard Javon Craig
- Adam Valdez

*Music*
- Anyelo De Jesus Aguilera
- Martin Anthony Andrada
- Michael Edward Galvan
- Michael Evan Gonzales
- Austin D. Humphrey
- Andrew Christian Lynch
- Yajayra Berenice Soria
- Jamie L. Taylor
- Charlie Nam Hai Tran
- Daniel Alejandro Vila
- Elizabeth Marie Weinmann
- Kevin R. Wilson

School of Theatre and Dance

**BACHELOR OF ARTS**

*Dance*
- Ashley Rose Boykin
- Liannet Madrazo
- Hasina Kasim Sadiwala

**BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS**

*Theater*
- Justin R. Thomas

1 Summa Cum Laude · 2 Magna Cum Laude · 3 Cum Laude · 4 Banner Bearer (highest GPA)
Message from the Dean

Dear Graduates,

Today, you join the ranks of nearly 60,000 alumni of the C. T. Bauer College of Business. As you celebrate your graduation, know that your degree has great value.

In fulfilling the requirements of your program, you have demonstrated not only your academic capability, but also the personal discipline and commitment necessary to complete such an educational endeavor. I congratulate you on this achievement.

Bauer College is more than a degree-granting institution. Yes, to begin with, it is a college of business. At a higher level, this is a place where we change lives and make a difference.

We do this by helping you learn, gain confidence, develop support networks and create opportunities for yourselves and for others — yes, for you and for others around you. I am very blessed to have the opportunity to see you learn, grow, succeed and help others grow in the process. This is why Bauer College is described as a place “Where Awesome Happens” – you make it so. Seeing this happen firsthand is the best part of my job.

This ceremony marks the beginning of a lifelong relationship with the Bauer College of Business. The Bauer faculty and staff are proud to join your family and friends in honoring your accomplishment.

On behalf of the faculty and staff of the Bauer College, please accept our best wishes for your future success!

Sincerely,

Thomas J. George
Interim Dean and Bauer Professor of Finance
University of Houston  
C. T. Bauer College of Business

Commencement Ceremony  
Friday, December 14, 2018, 9:00 a.m.  
NRG Arena

The audience may remain seated during the Processional and Recessional.  
Family may take photographs and videos from their seats.
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Vanessa Durner
Can Threats and Fear Foster Security?
Cognitive and Emotive Forces of Fear Appeals on Information Security Behavior
FACULTY ADVISOR: Dr. Randolph Cooper

Yu Li
Three essays on Derivatives
FACULTY ADVISOR: Dr. Kris Jacob

Yang Luo
Essays in Empirical Asset Pricing
FACULTY ADVISOR: Dr. Raul Susmel

Daria Reader
Essays on Energy Pricing
FACULTY ADVISOR: Dr. Craig Pirrong

Jia Yu
Newcomer Entry and Team Creativity: The roles of Coworkers, Leaders, and Newcomers
FACULTY ADVISOR: Dr. Leanne Atwater

Robert Hansen
Marlon Hill
Andrew Donald Hill
Mary Hogan
Uchenna Kenneth Ikediobi
Devon Ann Jones
Andrew Clark Lopez
Sarah Luther
Samuel Edward Maciel
Kavita Manak
Glenn Martin
Michelle Mellado
Tatsiana Mikitsionak
Andrew G. Minks
Kyle R. Navel
Ashley R. Norton
Ugojoh Odumag
Oluwamoyi A. Oyedele
Rusabh Subin Patel
Nicholas Rendon
Rohit Sancheti
Navied Sadeghi
Armin Sakipour
Salim H. Salim
Vinoth Sankarapani
Puja Sarkar
Natalya Sek
Ivan Betoncourt Serrano
Jasma Singh
Hannah Kathryn Swenson
Artem Tarasenko
Jeffrey Terinois
Kristina Carla Villarin
Christopher H. Vu
Albert Hoang Vu
Lu Wang
Xiaoxi Zhang
Yichen Zhang

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Mayank Agrawal
Faraz Ahmed
Alexander Amador
Joshua Jordan Armstead
Harry S. Bethune
Dawn Lynell Bey
Tedric Edward Breed
Hayley T. Brown
Dennis M. Cahill
Ashley Charmaine Clark
William Taylor Clayton
Douglas Cooper
Jalpa Ishwarbhai Desai
Kenan Rasih Dokuyucu
Aaron S. Dominy
Kristen Eide
Scott Patrick Ellisor
Kevin John Forsch

Sheetal Manhar Asodia
Mikaela M. Austin
Ricardo Jonathan Bourne
Bianca Mai Bui
Khanh Lam Ngoc Bui
Cameron Zachary Croft
Oscar Cruz
Elizabeth Ann Drury
Connor Evan Duncan
Reynaldo Fajardo
Chenxi Fu
Aaron Michael Garza
Gary M. Gay
Jack Alexander Graham
Hannah Kathryn Holloway
Shannon Xiuhui Huang
Tianran Jin
Emily A. Johnson
Kevin J. Kimbrough
Cheng Kong
Lida Liang
Shirley Lin
Yuyu Liu
Kristen Lu
Sergio Luis
Wenjia Mao
Azim M. Momin
Alejandro Montano
Jocelyn M. Myles
Anh Chau Hoang Nguyen
Hoang Anh Phuong Nguyen
Hanh Kieu Nguyen
Aiqi Pang
Douglas L. Phillips
Alix Nicole Pivetta
Xin Qian
Guojun Qin
Fei Qin
Taha S. Razzak
April Nicole Reed
Su Rodriguez-Zhang
Prescott Alastair Roe

1 Summa Cum Laude - 2 Magna Cum Laude - 3 Cum Laude - 4 College Banner Bearer (highest GPA) - 5 Dean’s Award
Harees Samad
Emily R. Scranton
Warren Boyd Shepherd
Olga Simon
William Simpson
Meilin Song
Jacob R. Stults
Tilly Thuy Tran
Trang Thi Xuan Tran
Eric Khoi Tran
Muhammad Usama
Thalia Andrea Valdivinos
Quyen Thi Hanh Vo
Qian Wang
Chih Han Wang
Haida Wu
Jingjing Wu
Kendra Wu
Haixin Yu
Zeyu Zhang
Danwei Zhang
Yuhan Zheng
Yousef E. Ziadan
Jin Zuo
Naairah Lubna Lott
Christian C. Merenu
Jessie Kate Neuendorff
Bradley Dwight Parker
Kathryn Grace Schmeltz
Donte L. Washington

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT**

Randy Evan Glynn
Xiao Han
Hanna Leonova
Gen Li
Kenyon K. Terrell

**BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

Omid Abaei
Mohammad M. Abdel-Aziz
Rama Abdo
Abdulrahman Abou-Harb
Chris Mamkunnel Abraham
Sana Acharaf
Sohinee Adhikary
Qasim Ahmad
Sana Ahmad
Maryum Ayadh M. Ahmed
Walid Ahmed
Akachukwu J. Akuchie
Ahmed Jamil Ali Nasser Al Zadjali
Salam Talia Al-Rai
Damian Alanis
Ariel B. Alaniz
Jason Albiter
Monet Marla Alexander
Imani Chenzira Alexcee
Nouf Khalid A. Alhawas
Sarah Khalid Alhawas
Ali Samdaan Ali
Moonis N. Ali
Nabil Ali
Rida Ali
Sehar Irfan Ali
Sheraz Ali
Hajar Almuwhanna
Diana Feliciania Alvarado
Anissa Alvarez
Eric Alvarez
Luis E. Alvarez
Victor Jose Alvarez
Kayla G. Alvineda
Gilbert D. Arias
Joanna Julia Arias
Eric A. Arrambide
Sebastian Arras Garza
Abdon Manuel Arredondo
Ruby Arredondo
Ana Maria Arzate
Zakaria Ateyaa
Kevin Richard Ayala
Liliana Ayala
Roman E. Ayala
Syed Zoha Aziz
Eleazar Azucena
Jad A. Azzam
Chantal Badillo
Elissa B. Bahm
Bibiugul Baimagambetova
Ruben J. Balli
Yonas Ammanuel Baraki
Havalle J. Barazi
Jake Barksdale
Ismenia Claribet Barraza
Zachary Bell
Selena P. Bentancur
Lucila Bernabe
Sania U. Bhatti
Mandep S. Binning
John David Blum
Kathrine Carol-Lynn
Bohorquez-Ortega
Tristan Lynn Born
William Garcia Bowman
Kilroy E. Bracey
Raymond Lee Brandon III
Sydney Nicole Braunreiter
Bianca Broussard

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University of Houston
C. T. Bauer College of Business
Candidates for Graduation

Commencement Ceremony

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C. T. Bauer College of Business

Candidates for Graduation

Chase Ryan Hegemeyer 3
Brandon Scott Henderson
Steven C. Heng
Chelsey S. Henriques
Berenice Hernandez
Lisbet Hernandez
Brianna Paige Herrmann 3
Juliana Lee Hess 1
Rocio Judith Hidalgo Lopez
Scotti Higgins
Tariq Hill
Nicholas Hillman
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Fatima Zehra Hyder 1
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Sumaiya Jawaid
Jinshu Jiang 3
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Oswaldo Jimenez
Balie A. Johnson
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Jacob A. Kardanimothagadam 3
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Pooja Kaur 2
Simran Kaur 3
Ariel M. Keith 3
Augustine Sylvie Kenfack Sonfack
Kevin Nabil Kerdahi 2
Afnan Ahmed Khan 3
Ghanya Khan
Hira Khan 1
Mohammed Anwar Khan 2
Shahrose Khan
Zain A. Khan 3
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Muhammad Annas Kothawala
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Tyler Michael Lamarr
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Thoa Kim Le
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SuJuung Lee
Skyler Howgard Lester
Chenmin Li 3
Steven Lim 3
Jhonattan Lima 2
David Lopez 3
Javier R. Lopez
Karely Lopez Duran
Dushani Dilrukshi Lorensuhewa 1
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Azeema Salim Momin
Nancy Mondragon
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Jackmairy Montas Mota
Erica Lynn Montelongo
Kayla Victoria Montgomery 3
Bryan Scott Moon 3
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Trevor Randall Morris
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Yousuf Moton
Vera Mulbah
Sakshi Multani
Aman Kaur Mundi
Justin Nash 3
Neha Nasimuddin 3
Jose G. Negrete 3
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Billy Sumarta Ng
Nhi T. Ngo
Trong Vu Ngo 7
Anh Tuong Nguyen 7
Anh Phuong Nguyen
Anthony T. Nguyen 3
Bill Le Nguyen
Brandon Nhan Nguyen
Catherine Thien-Phuong Nguyen
Hannah Nguyen 2
Hoa The Nguyen 3
Hoang-Phuc Thi Nguyen Vo
Juliane Ngoc Nguyen
Kien Trung Nguyen 2
Lan Thi Hoang Nguyen
Lani Ngoc Nguyen
Nancy Thi Nguyen 2
Penny T. Nguyen 3
Pierce Austin Nguyen 3
Tan Do Minh Nguyen 2
Thao P. Nguyen 7
Tiffany Trang Nguyen 2
Tram Tran Hue Nguyen
Trieu Hai Nguyen 1

Trung Dinh Nguyen 3
Uyen N. Nguyen 7
Vivian Nguyen 3
Vu Quang Nguyen 3
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Shiming Pan
Jeff Paredes
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Noyan Rehman 3

Shaikh Hammad Rehman 3
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Jackelin Rodriguez
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Juan Jose Sanchez Mata 3
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Jazmin B. Santiago
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Rabbiha Z. Sheikh  
Kristi Marie Shelton  
Sundus Sheraz  
Mehak Masood Sherwani  
Matthew R. Sheu  
Timothy E. Shortland  
Kyle Thomas Shunka  
Ayesha Siddiqui  
Eva Silva  
Diana Laura Silva Aguirre  
Trasee Alexandria Simien  
Joel Stephen Simon  
Macey Taylor Sims  
Ashlynn Nicole Smith  
Karim Sobh  
Bisma Sohail  
Humza A. Sohail  
Abigail Solis  
Melissa E. Solis  
Isaac Soliz  
Ryan Austin Spadt  
Christy Marie Sperling  
Pratana Spradley  
Tad Srethaphunlarp  
Chloe Margaret Stagner  
Seth Drake Studer  
Maria Camila Suarez  
AriAnna Swaab  
Abdullah T. Syed  
Raza Syed  
Samar Fatima Taqvi  
James Taravella  
Montel Q. Taylor  
Nareekarn Thanatumchokchai  
Nicholas Matthew Thomas  
Landon Thompson  
Tanner G. Tilghman  
Carlo Toffano  
Alejandra Carolina Torres  
Jeremy Allen Torres  
Christopher Jonathan Tran  
Lindsey Linh Tran  
Lucy Tran  
Ngoc Thi My Tran  
T’Anh-Hang T. Tran  
Theresa Tran  
Leann H. Trang  
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Celeste Alexandra Uresti  
Hamilton Luciano Manuel Valerio  
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Tiffany Lauren Varacalli  
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Ulises Venegas  
Anibal Vergara  
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Mabel Vicente  
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Andrew Michael Vo  
Tu Luong Vo  
Van Q. Vo  
Deyja Vu  
Maila Farhan Wali  
Maryam Wasi  
Alexis Rose Wendes  
Matthew William Williams  
Dekarai Reshad Williams-Watson  
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Zachary H. Witten  
Rakeb G. Wogayehu  
Autumn Woldtvedt  
King Fung Wu Mai  
Mario Jose Yang  
Shana Ilan Yarow  
Stephanie Yasin  
Nathalie Yii  
Ashley Marie Young  
Christopher Thomas Yovanovic  
Aaron Kwok-Yu Yuen  
Deborah Yuma Sakina  
Michelle Zhang  
Xiaoshuang Zhang  
Zheyuan Zhang  
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David Andres Buchuk Gomez 5
Essays in Dynamic Corporate Finance
FACULTY ADVISOR: Dr. Praveen Kumar
Myungsun Kim 5
FACULTY ADVISOR: Dr. Leanne Atwater
Sung Sil Lee
Does Accounting for Uncertain Tax Positions Affect Lenders' Tax Risk Evaluations?
FACULTY ADVISOR: Dr. Kaye Newberry
Alexander William Tawse 5
The Impact of Middle Manager Leadership on Strategy Implementation Effectiveness
FACULTY ADVISOR: Dr. Leanne Atwater
Chunxiao Xue 5
How does the past cast a shadow over present? Evidence from corporate tax avoidance.
FACULTY ADVISOR: Dr. Gerald Lobo

EXECUTIVE MASTERS IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Jamie Sullivan 5

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Karly S. Albert 5
Nicholas Bell
Lindsey Ben-Ezra 5
Josh D. Bird 5
Richard William Campo 5
Christian Chase Capdeville
Ryan Chabala 5
Ravi Shankar Chandrasekar
Megan Frazier Davies 5
Melissa Ann DeGrand 5
Garett Holden Duncan
Michael Fisher
Guozhong Gao 5
Joseph Gardner 5
Brett Thomas Harwell 5
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Ju Yeon Kim 5
Jiayi Li 5
Nathan T. McGuire 5
John Jarrett Miller 5
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Christopher Thomas O’Connor 5
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Jacob Phillip Roberts 5
Drew Aaron Smith 5
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Bobbie Jo Harper 5
Megan Marilyn Johnson
Mitty Jose Kandathiparampil
Hamza Muhammad Khan
Minwoo Kim
Tea Kim
Kirk D. Leban
Laura Layne Lewey 5
Tiffany Yee Ma
Camden Ramesh Mahbubani 5
Feisi Meng
Rabiya Minhas
Kim Thien Nguyen
Jinwoo Oh 5
Lanajha Porter
Elisabeth Lenora Ramsey
Ruth Nohemy Reyes
Jin Koung Ryou
Ran Wei
Lan Yao
Ziqiao Zhang
Cory Austin Zunker 5

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Wilson M. Boren 5
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Toshinori Fukui
Christopher Michael Gibson 5
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**MASTER OF GLOBAL ENERGY MANAGEMENT**
Andrew Cochran

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MARKETING**
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Jordan Semone Hill

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Hassaan Alam
Alejandro Alejandro
Hassan Ali
Muhammad Afzal Ali
Bonnie Zamora Amaris
Adam Jordan Arafat
Stephanie Baca
Humza Tariq Baig
Kirstin Ashley Batcho
Yvonne G. Betancourt
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Margaret Brown
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Iliana L. Carreon
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Connor M. Colorado
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Andres Ernesto Cruz
Chemise La'Shelle Dede
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Daniel Jose Flores Herrera
Isaias Anthony Gallegos
Lauren Galleymore
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Saqib Hussain Hamani
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Willie A. Kidd
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Samuel S. Ngu
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Suliman Nureldeen
Zhaniya Nurseiit
Sameer Mehboob Parpia
Eunice A. Pena
Mario Peralta
Franklin Perez
Ainho Pham
Khanh Minh Pham
Jenny Phan
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Dillon Edward Piper
Yasi Rashidi
Juan Carlos Reyes
Jenyfer Rivera
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Kati Yunuen Rodriguez
Luis O. Sanchez
Itzayana Serna
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Message from the Dean

Graduation marks a milestone in your educational career. On behalf of our faculty and staff, I want to congratulate you on this significant achievement. As dean of the College of Education, I am proud of your academic success and look forward to seeing your impact in our communities — through teaching, leadership, health promotion, counseling, research and more.

As an alumnus and donor, I want to encourage you to stay involved and to participate with the College of Education Alumni Association. There are multiple ways to give back, including supporting scholarships to help future students graduate. I invite you to learn more and to stay connected at uh.edu/education.

Thank you for choosing the College of Education. Many of you are the first in your families to graduate from college, and I know you will inspire future generations. I’m confident that all our graduates will continue to transform lives in Houston and beyond. You are the pride.

Go Coogs!

Bob
Robert H. McPherson, Ph.D.
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Platform Party

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**DOCTOR OF EDUCATION**

**Curriculum and Instruction**

Marsha Pleshette Heard  
**Transition Experience: Are We Getting it Right?**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Laveria Hutchison

Sofia A. John  
**Evaluating Student Outcomes for the Early Alert System Used for At-Risk Nursing Student Remediation**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Robert Hausmann

Engin Karaduman  
**General Science Textbooks: Do These Textbooks Meet the Cognitive Need of Talented Students?**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Cameron White

Sharon Garcia Pepper  
**Factors Related to Value Creation in Social Networks**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Robert Hausmann

Katherine T. Ralph  
**Remediation Policies and Strategies Used by Nursing Programs in Texas**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Sara McNeil

Claudia Patricia Siller Garcia  
**Pre-service Teacher’s Perceptions of their Preparedness to Teach English Language Learners: Implications for a Teacher Preparation Program**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Nicole Andrews

John E. Smith  
**Black Men in Medicine Matter: An Empirical Study on Factors Influencing African-American Men’s Motivation to Apply to Medical School**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Sara McNeil

**Educational Leadership and Policy Studies**

Jay Berckley  
**What are the Observable Correlates of the Aha! Moment, and How does this Moment Relate to Moving from Surface to Deep Thinking?**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. April Peters-Hawkins

**Curriculum and Instruction**

Samantha Brooks  
**The Tipping Point: Examining the Predictable Stages of School Decline Through a Campus Case Study**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Bradley Carpenter

Michelle E. Hall  
**How Much Does Teacher Turnover Matter? The Mediating Impact of Teacher Turnover Upon Student Socio-Economic Status and Student Achievement**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Virginia Snodgrass Rangel

Deborah Carol Harris  
**Ten African American Women’s Advancement in Public Education: Houston Phenomenological Study**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Bradley Carpenter

Lauren R. Hobbs  
**Developing Culturally Responsive Mathematics Teachers: Understanding Equity and Access in Math Education**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. April Peters-Hawkins

Camedra Loree Jefferson  
**Leaders Bridging the Achievement Gap: The Implementation of a District-wide Literacy Initiative in an Urban School District**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Keith Butcher

**Doctor of Philosophy**

**Curriculum and Instruction**

Misty Rochelle Black  
**Applying Design Based Research to Measure the Knowledge of Phonics Among Preservice Teachers within the Teacher Preparation Program of a Large Urban University**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Laveria Hutchison

Marguerite Patricia Kallman  
**Exploring the Impact of Student Engagement on Dropout Warning Signs**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Jerome Freiberg

**Psychological, Health and Learning Sciences**

Lauren Elizabeth Irwin  
**The Role of Self-Regulation in STEM Student Retention to Graduation**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. April Peters-Hawkins

Amber Kamdar-Sharif  
**Decision Making and Life Satisfaction in Asian and Non-Asian STEM**  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Margit Wiesner

Julie J. Neisler  
**Associations of Rape Myth Belief and Perceived Campus Support with the Likelihood of Reporting Sexual Assault**  
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Alexandria Marisol Posada  
**Associations Between Stress, Dietary Intake, Emotional Eating, and Stress Coping**  
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Melissa Gomez
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Edgar Jose Hernandez
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Sana Jalali
Samantha Renee Kalmick
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Miriam Lizette Luna
Taylor Kha-Tu Luu
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Ayodele Adebola Shofolulu
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Janet Izaguirre
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Syed Hussain Abbas Naqvi
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Kyle Brandon Tweedie
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Summer 2018

**DOCTOR OF EDUCATION**

**Curriculum and Instruction**

Philemona N. Agu
- Efficacy Beliefs of Texas Composite Science and Subject-Specific Certified Biology Teachers
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. John Ramsey

**Educational Leadership and Policy Studies**

Viviana Barreiro
- Motivating English Language Learners: A Study of Teacher Perceptions and Implications for Student Achievement in an Urban School
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Cameron White

Matthew R. Campbell
- Exploring Teacher Perceptions of Underrepresented Students in Advanced Placement Classes
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Cameron White

Aylin Rivera Martinez
- Teacher Perceptions of the Learning By Doing Program
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Cameron White

Heather Ann Morrison
- Psychomotor Clinical Skills Learning: Using Self-Monitored Video Feedback as an Adjunct to Traditional Learning
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Bernard Robin

Michelle Renae Parker
- A Case Study on Administrative Perspectives of Student Relationships on a Rural Middle School Campus
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Laveria Hutchison

Frecia Todd
- Perceptions of Urban Youth Regarding Service Learning: Development of Skills to be Prepared for Their Professional and Daily Life
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Cameron White

Kimberly Jade Tripp
- An Examination of the Personal Cancer Screening Behaviors of Oncology Health Care Professionals and the Factors that Influence Their Cancer Screening Decisions
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Robert Hausmann

Stephen Joel Winton
- A Case Study on Video-based Professional Development
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**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**

**Psychological, Health and Learning Sciences**

Elizabeth Allain
- Perceived Developmental Delays in Children Born Preterm and Parental Stress
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Milena Keller-Margulis

Sonia Babu
- Parent and Teacher Perceptions of Gifted African American and White Students: Is There a Difference?
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Jorge Gonzalez

Jennifer Bahrman
- Unrecognized PTSD in Severe Mental Illness: Prevalence and Treatment Outcomes
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Jonathan Schwartz

Lucia Cavanagh
- Autonomic Nervous System Reactivity and Addiction Vulnerability in the African American Community
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Ezemenari Obasi

Erin Lynne Faith
- Using Early Literacy Skills Screening and Behavior Risk Status as Predictors of Later Literacy Screening Scores and Year Long Growth in Kindergarten
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Milena Keller-Margulis

Mijin Kim
- An attachment theory perspective on the college adjustment of international students
  **ADVISORS:** Dr. Roberta Nutt and Dr. Frederick Lopez

Allison Marie Sawyer Verhaak
- The Effect of Pre-Operative Anxiety and Depression on Quality of Life in Glioma Patients
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Consuelo Arbona

Katherine Elizabeth Winderman
- Minority Stress and TV Viewing Behaviors among Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Adults
  **ADVISOR:** Dr. Nathan Smith

**MASTER OF EDUCATION**

**Curriculum and Instruction**

Gina E. Boss
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- Geoffrey Morgan Hart
- Waneta Suzanne Hebert
- Kasey Theresa Henson
- Rachel Anne Kelm
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- Kristen Liyan Lau
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- Michael R. Bennett
- April Marie Bernard
- Cindel Blackmer
- Britanny E. Carr
- Stefanie G. Dean
- Karen Anylu Drexlmer
- Timothy William Feges
- Karla Sagastegui Guevara
- Steeve Felice Hart
- Michael Wayne Henry, Jr.
- Mudithani Maheshika Hettiarachchi
- Misty Marie Hummel
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- Madeleine Jones
- Lizeth Martinez
- Cierra Bernice Mitchell
- Kimberly Josephine Schwaebel
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Karina Lopez

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Nathalie Simone Turnquest

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Message from the Dean

Dear Engineering Graduates,

By nature of you being here today, you are among the best, brightest and hardest working engineers the world has to offer.

You have made it through one of the most rigorous engineering programs in the country. During your time as an engineering student, you have collectively spent thousands of hours researching, volunteering and interning in the city of Houston, adding to the strength and vibrancy of our community. When you leave our labs and classrooms to embark on your careers, your professional contributions will have a resounding impact here, in the city of Houston and around the world.

You are the thinkers, doers and creators of our modern world. You will be the designers, builders, problem solvers and inventors of our tomorrow. Although you represent a wide variety of backgrounds and disciplines, as you walk across the stage to accept your diploma, you all have one thing in common: you are world-class engineers.

From here, the world is at your fingertips. Work hard, give back and trust in the knowledge you have acquired during your time as a student at the UH Cullen College of Engineering. Everything else will fall into place.

Congratulations, Cougar engineers! I look forward to seeing the impact your bright careers will have on our future and our world. Please stay in touch and fill me in on all of your successes: dean@egr.uh.edu.

Sincerely,

Joseph W. Tedesco
Dean and Professor
Elizabeth D. Rockwell Endowed Dean’s Chair
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Commencement Ceremony
Thursday, December 13, 2018, 6 p.m.
NRG Arena

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WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS
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Executive President, Bilfinger North America, Inc.

PRESENTATION OF BEST DISSERTATION AWARDS
Suresh Khator
Associate Dean for Graduate Programs and Computing Facilities

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Frank Claydon

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Mike Lejeune
Presenter

PRESENTATION OF MASTER’S CANDIDATES
Mike Lejeune

PRESENTATION OF BACHELOR’S CANDIDATES
Mike Lejeune

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES
President Khator

CLOSING REMARKS
Dean Tedesco

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TERRANCE N. IVERS
Executive President, Bilfinger North America, Inc.

Terrance (Terr) N. Ivers joined Bilfinger SE to lead the forming North America Region on December 1, 2016. Most recently a member of the executive leadership team of SNC-Lavalin’s Resources, Environment & Water group, Ivers provided perspective on the company’s broader strategic vision, development and execution. In the role of Executive Vice President, he was responsible for leading oil and gas regional centers in the USA, Middle East, Canada, Latin America and Europe. Ivers’ drive and business acumen strengthened business growth, particularly in the Middle East and new markets. He departed SNC-Lavalin in August 2015 after the successful integration of the 2014 acquired company, Kentz Oil & Gas.

Ivers was previously Chief Executive Officer of Oil and Gas, Compression and Solutions for Siemens. From 2011 thru 2013, he was responsible for the global compression manufacturing and oil and gas solutions businesses, with key execution hubs in Germany, Norway, Singapore, Brazil, China, the United Arab Emirates and the United States.

Ivers has over 36 years of extensive international project and business management experience in the global oil and gas sector. He has worked for a number of world-renowned engineering and construction companies. In addition to SNC-Lavalin, he served as President of AMEC Paragon Inc. from 2007 to 2011, where he was responsible for Natural Resources Americas’ oil and gas operations. He also served as Chief Operating Officer of Alliance Wood Group Engineering from 2004 to 2007. Ivers began his career at Brown & Root, where he remained for 27 years, developing a comprehensive and extensive knowledge of the oil and gas industry, rising to the role of Vice President of Offshore Engineering for KBR.

He is the current Chairman of the Engineering Leadership Board (ELB) at the University of Houston Cullen College of Engineering. Ivers has a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Houston and is a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Texas. Ivers’ unwavering commitment to the University of Houston Cullen College of Engineering earned him a Distinguished Engineering Alumni Award in 2016 from the UH Engineering Alumni Association.

Both lifetime Houstonians, Ivers and his wife, Mary, celebrated 36 years of marriage in 2017. Mary is also a UH graduate with a degree in political science. They have four grown children and two grandchildren. Travel and children are a shared passion for Ivers and Mary, with golf being a key recreational activity.
Fall 2018

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

Zohreh Karbaschi
Visual-Search Model Observers in Assessing CT Acquisition Parameters
ADVISOR: Dr. Howard Gifford

Renee Keller
ADVISOR: Dr. Metin Akay

Thinh Truong Nguyen
EEG-fMRI Integration Analysis and Brain Connectivity in Studying Dynamic Cognitive Processes
ADVISOR: Dr. Yingchun Zhang

Sanam Soomro
The Screening and Application of Biomarkers in Autoimmune Disease
ADVISOR: Dr. Chandra Mohan

Kian Torabian
Microfluidic Devices for the Diagnosis and Filtration of Aberrant Red Blood Cells
ADVISOR: Dr. Sergey Shevkoplyas

Chen Wu
Optical Coherence Tomography and Elastography for Tissue Imaging and Biomechanical Characterization
ADVISOR: Dr. Kirill Larin

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

Shaza Abnouf
ADVISOR: Dr. Navin Varadarajan

Jay R. Adolacion
Quantifying the Kinetics of Immune Responses to Cancer: Applications in Serum Profiling and Single-Cell Biology
ADVISORS: Dr. Navin Varadarajan and Dr. Richard Willson

Bryan Alamani
Crystal Growth and Nucleation Modifiers of Calcium Oxalate Mineralization
ADVISOR: Dr. Jeffrey D. Rimer

Tianluo Chen
Multi-GPU Based Lattice Boltzmann Flow Simulations in Porous Media
ADVISOR: Dr. Guan Qin

Wendy Lang
CO and Hydrocarbon Oxidation on Pd/Ceria-Zirconia/Alumina Three-way Catalysts
ADVISOR: Dr. Michael P. Harold

Yufeng Shen
Rational Design of Zeolite Catalysts for Methanol to Hydrocarbons Reaction
ADVISOR: Dr. Jeffrey D. Rimer

Yuying Song
Rational Design of Metal Alloy Catalysts for Engine Emission Abatement and Biofuels Production
ADVISOR: Dr. Lars C. Grabow

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

Mahmoud Reda Thabt Manaa
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Fangfang Sheng
Dynamic Modeling of Multiple Line Structures Subject to Large Deformation and Elongation Using an Absolute Nodal Coordinate Formulation (ANCF) Approach
ADVISOR: Dr. Keh-Han Wang

Witarto
Periodic Materials for Seismic Base Isolation: Theory and Applications to Small Modular Reactors
ADVISORS: Dr. Yi-Lung Mo and Dr. Kalyana B. Nakshatrala

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Yongtian He
Neural Decoding of Walking in Stroke
ADVISOR: Dr. Jose L. Contreras-Vidal

Hengyang Lu
Student on Single-Cell Dynamics in Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T-Cell Immunotherapy using Time-Lapse Microscopy in Nanowell Grids (Timing) and Deep Neural Nets
ADVISOR: Dr. Badrinath Roysam

Chenhao Xie
User-Centric Architecture Design For Computer Graphics
ADVISOR: Dr. Xin Fu

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

Pooya Jafari
Simulation of NAPL Source and Plume Transport Characteristics Following Release of Fuel Alcohols
ADVISOR: Dr. William G. Rixey

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN GEOSENSING SYSTEMS ENGINEERING AND SCIENCES

Nima Ekhtari
Land Cover and Impervious Surface Mapping Using Multispectral Airborne Laser Scanner Data
ADVISOR: Dr. Craig Glennie

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING

Seon Jin Kim
Optimization Framework for Drone Operations under Constrained Battery Duration
ADVISOR: Dr. Gino J. Lim

Nasrin Nouri
Fractionated Treatment Planning of Radiation Therapy Considering Biological Response
ADVISOR: Dr. Gino J. Lim
Doctor of Philosophy in Materials Engineering
Matthieu Simon Maxime Aumand
Advisor: Dr. Kenneth White
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Doctor of Philosophy in Mechanical Engineering
Sonika Gahlawat
Characterization of Temperature-Dependent Mechanical Properties of Half-Heusler Thermoelectric and Microstructural Evolution of Reactively-Brazed Half-Heusler/Incusil ABA/Copper interfaces
Advisor: Dr. Ken White
Oussama Hattab
Observer-Based Parameter Estimation for Linear Uncertain Discrete-Time Systems
Advisor: Dr. Matthew A. Franchek
Peyman Irajizad
On Physics of Durable Ice Phobic Surfaces
Advisor: Dr. Hadi Ghasemi
Ehsan Irajizad
Consequences of Asymmetric Environment on the Mechanics of Lipid Bilayer
Advisor: Dr. Ashutosh Agrawal
Sana Krichen
Soft Multifunctional Materials: From Dielectric Elastomers to Biological Cells
Advisor: Dr. Pradeep Sharma

Doctor of Philosophy in Petroleum Engineering
Ye Guo
A Connectivity-based Hierarchical Model for Naturally Fractured Reservoir Simulation
Advisor: Dr. Guan Qin
Zhengfan Liu
Application of Raman Spectroscopy and Transmission Spectroscopy for Shale Reservoir Characterization: Thermal Maturity Correlation and Organic Matter Type Differentiation
Advisor: Dr. Lori A. Hathon
Chen Yu
Effective Gas Densities of Shale Formations in North America
Advisor: Dr. Ahmad Sakhaee-Pour
Tao Yuan
Numerical Modeling and Simulation of Mineral Dissolution in Fractured Carbonate Formations
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Master of Science in Aerospace Engineering
Aidan Corrigan
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Master of Science in Biomedical Engineering
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Lakshmi Sri Harsha Kodali
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Venkata Rama Adithya Nalluri
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Master of Electrical Engineering
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Masters of Science in Materials Science and Engineering

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**Master of Petroleum Engineering**

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**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN BIOENGINEERING**

Zuantao Lin
Polymeric Signal Amplifiers in Biosensing  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Tianfu Wu

Samantha Stanley
Identification and Quantitation of Novel Urinary Biomarkers of Lupus Nephritis  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Chandra Mohan

Tianxiao Jiang
The Use of High-density ECoG for Functional Mapping and Neural Decoding  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Nuri Firat Ince

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN CHEMICAL ENGINEERING**

Tyler List
Advanced Pulsed Plasma Techniques  
**ADVISORS:** Dr. Vincent Donnelly and Dr. Demetre Economou

Tianyu Ma
Plasma Wall Interactions and Recombination Coefficients  
Measurement on Yttrium-based Coated Chamber Wall Surfaces  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Vincent Donnelly

Fong Shu Jao
Development of Finite Analytic Algorithms for Solute Transport  
Modeling and Non-Negative Solutions of Advection-Diffusion-Reaction Equations  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Keh-Han Wang

Prakash Poudel
Flexural Behavior of CFRP-Pretensioned Girders  
**ADVISORS:** Dr. Abdeldjelil Belarbi and Dr. Bora Gencturk

Seyedeh Hanie Seyed Joodat
Theoretical and Computational Study of Flow Through Porous Media with Double Porsity/Permeability  
**ADVISORS:** Dr. Kalyana Babu Nakshatrala and Dr. Roberto Ballarini

Hamidreza Tahsiri
Evaluation of Prestress Losses, Transfer Length and Harping Characteristics of CFRP Systems  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Abdeldjelil Belarbi

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING**

Uday Kiran Karlapudi
High Range Portable Bioimpedance Spectrometer with Four Electrode Analog Front End for Characterization of Mitochondria Bioenergetics  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Wanda Wosik

Shiva Shahrokhi
Controlling a Swarm of Simple Robots Using Global Inputs  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Aaron T. Becker

Amin Kiaghadi
Longitudinal Characterization and Modeling of Hydrodynamics and Water Quality Impacts Post Hurricanes and Severe Storms  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Hanadi Rifai

Krishna Rishi Vijay Saladi
Aqueous-Based Processes for Enhanced Dissolution and Displacement/Removal of NAPLs  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. William G. Rixey

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING**

Saeedeh Abbasi
An Optimization Framework for Resilience-based Power Grid Restoration  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Gino Lim

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN MATERIALS SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING**

Zeinab Alameh
Magnetoelectromechanical Coupling Mechanisms in Soft Materials  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Pradeep Sharma

Mohammad Khodadadi
Ultrasonically Enhanced Magnetometry for the Quantitation of Magnetic Assays  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Dmitri Litvinov

Yongkuan Li
Epitaxial Growth of Single-Crystalline-Like Ge Templates with Conductive Buffers on Low-Cost, Flexible Substrates for Thin Film III-V Solar Cells, and Methods for Texture Improvement and Defect Reduction  
**ADVISOR:** Dr. Venkat Selvamanickam

Kyoseung Sim
Materials and Manufacture of Soft and Curvilinear Electronics  
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Enhancing Interfaces in Solid Polymer Electrolyte-Based Flexible Lithium-Ion Batteries  
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Christian Anthony Garza
Luke Andrew Haskins

Antonio De Jesus Hernandez
Armando Isaac Ibarra
Patrick Scott Kielkowski
Patrick William Maschek
Vincent Ngo
Tamaramiebi Ebenezer Ogun
Minh Le Pham
Paolo Andrea Pissani
Serrae Reed
Mark A. Sanchez

Bachelor of Science in Petroleum Engineering

Hasnain Alam
Nnamdi Declan Emebo
Paola Andrea Quintero Moreno

Best Ph.D. Dissertation Award

Summer 2018 and Fall 2018 Graduates

A plaque and a check for $1,000 will be given to the following:

Kyoseung Sim
Ph.D. in Materials Science and Engineering

Dissertation Title: Materials and Manufacture of Soft and Curvilinear Electronics
Dissertation Advisors: Dr. Cunjiang Yu
Message from the Dean

Dear Graduates,

Today marks a major milestone in your lives—the day you officially transition from students to alumni. You have accomplished so much in your time at the Conrad N. Hilton College, and now you will build upon those experiences as you launch your careers.

Several factors have contributed to your success at the University of Houston: the support of your families and friends; encouragement from faculty and staff; and—most importantly—your own determination to learn, grow and accomplish your goals.

You are now part of a global network of close to 8,500 Hilton College graduates, and the friendships you have made as students will serve as the foundation for great professional relationships in the coming years. Wherever your journey takes you, I encourage you to stay connected to your college. This is one of the finest hospitality programs in the world, but we need your support to continue to build upon that legacy.

The Fall Class of 2018 is among the best the College has ever produced, and I know you will continue to serve as outstanding ambassadors for our program in all of your professional endeavors. On behalf of the entire Hilton College family, I offer my sincere congratulations to all of you.

Best wishes … and Go Coogs!

Dennis Reynolds
Dean,
Barron Hilton Distinguished Chair
University of Houston
Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management

Commencement Ceremony
Friday, December 14, 2018, 10 a.m.
Cullen Performance Hall

PROCESSIONAL
College Banner Bearer
Candidates for Graduation
Faculty
Platform Party

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Moores School of Music

WELCOME AND OPENING ADDRESS
Dennis Reynolds, Ph.D.
Dean, Barron Hilton Distinguished Chair

GREETINGS FROM THE UH SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS
The Honorable Andrew Z. Teoh
Member

STUDENT SPEAKER ADDRESS AND INTRODUCTION OF COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER
Dylan C. Dornbusch ('18)

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
Mike Waterman
President and CEO, Visit Houston
Chief Sales and Marketing Officer, Houston First Corporation

PRESENTATION OF DOCTORAL AND MASTERS DEGREE CANDIDATES
Ki-Joon Back, Ph.D.
Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies
Eric Hilton Distinguished Chair

PRESENTATION OF GLOBAL MASTERS DEGREE CANDIDATES
Inès Blal, Ph.D.
Executive Dean
École Hôtelière de Lausanne

PRESENTATION OF UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC HONORS AND BACHELOR’S DEGREE CANDIDATES
Mary Dawson, Ed.D.
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs
Donald H. Hubbs Professorship

ALUMNI ADDRESS AND PRESENTATION OF ALUMNI AWARD FOR SCHOLASTIC EXCELLENCE
Kaitlyn Venable-Valdez ('12)
Board President
Conrad N. Hilton College Alumni Association

PRESENTATION OF GLOBAL MASTERS AWARDS
Catherine Cheung, Ph.D.
Associate Dean
Hong Kong Polytechnic University

PRESENTATION OF DEAN’S AWARDS AND CLOSING REMARKS
Dean Reynolds

RECESSIONAL
Mike Waterman

President and CEO, Visit Houston
Chief Sales and Marketing Officer, Houston First Corporation

Mike Waterman became President and CEO of the Greater Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau (GHCVB), also known as Visit Houston, in May 2015. The hospitality veteran, with more than 30 years in the industry, also serves as Chief Sales and Marketing Officer of Houston First Corporation.

Waterman joined the GHCVB/HFC from Marriott International, where he served as vice president of sales for the Western region overseeing 100 properties, including a grouping of Marriott hotels in Los Angeles’ convention district known as L.A. Live. Waterman has held a series of executive positions within Marriott International over the last 20 years.

Houston is the 13th city Waterman has lived in since graduation from the University of New Hampshire.

Waterman currently serves on the following boards: US Travel, Destination International, Hotel Lodging Association of Greater Houston and is an officer of the Texas Travel Industry Association (TTIA).

His wife, Bridget, and three boys reside in Katy, TX.
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Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management
Candidates for Graduation

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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY
Elizabeth Ann Whalen

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT
Yanjun Cai
Ka chi Chan
Yu Ting Huang
Arfa Jawad Ali Khan
Jawad Ali Khan
Xiao Li
Kunyi Ma
Meijia Pan
Carlos Ramon Rodriguez
Haley Ware Elliott
Yukai Zhang

MASTER OF HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT
Matthew J. Fatheree
Jocelyn Elaina Moore
Randall Kenneth Oaks
Michael David Schuster

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN GLOBAL HOSPITALITY BUSINESS
Melissa Nicole Bassoo
Mai Phuong Bui
Sarah Cesari
Ning Chen
Rena Cukurova
Reza Ramadhansyah Daryan
Sofia Debs Sayah
Diego Elzir
Ruiyu Feng
Nicolas Julien Gendrot
Alessandro Groppelli
Christoph Herren

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HOTEL AND RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT
Toan Henri Jarnier
Shanshan Jiang
Shena Shama Khan
Sin Man Kwok
Alexandre Luis Lau Machial
Fang Li
Xinyu Li
Yoojin Lim
Gianluca Marinelli
Lola Leslie Marseguerra
Abhijit Binod Menon
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Benjamin Naimark Btesh
Auguste Henri Jean Joseph Rouquier
Remy Steinhiber
Max Guillaume Julien Uveling
Georgios Valsamis
Pauline Erminia Magdalena Vayrac
Yuan Yuan Wu
Johyun Yun
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Brianna Louise Daniels
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Benjamin Kromer Ebers
Thai Pharanyoo Eckley
Natalie El Danaf
Rose Lucille Fineberg
John Angel Flores
James G. Fos
Jessica Zara Galvez
Cassady Layne Ganders
Sarah Megan Giordano
Yiyong Gu
Fabrizio Guerini
Diana Elizabeth Guevara
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Penny Michelle Hamilton
Zachary Harper
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Francisco Hernandez
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Cindy T. Hoang
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Travis Kilway
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Commencement Ceremony

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Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management

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Patricia Montemayor
Kaylah Zarriél Moore
Kayse Nicole Morales
Mary Kaitlyn Morrison
Aliesa Chrissy Morrow
Morgan Dolores Mushinski
Devin Nichole New
Lindsay Kaye Newman
Cory Khanh T. Nguyen
Linh Dao Nguyen
My Vu Truc Nguyen
Tatianna Nguyen
Trinh Van Nguyen
Vy Vu Truc Nguyen
Jonathan Norris

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An Elizabeth Peyton
Nhung Thi Tuyet Pham
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Abigail I. Platt
Jacob W. Pratt
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Jennifer M. Reybal
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Naomi Alexa Rosales
Michelle Marie Rouillon Paredes
Arben Sadiku
Gisella Karina Salazar Ramirez
Ida Chantal Sawadogo
Jacob Robert Sernecc
Emma Xiaozhou Sinclair

Farid Alejandro Solis
Abigail Rose Stercula
Ngoc Thuc Anh Tang
Nuray Emma Taylor
Yilei Tian
Esperanza Carolina Torres
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Ivan Terrion Waller
Vicky Maoyuan Wan
Brandis J. Washington
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Shekinah Michelle Williams
Antonette Darnella Williams-Wright
Chuying Yu
Micaela Zegarra Sahurie
Qingjia Zeng

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Letter from the Dean

Dear Graduates,

Congratulations on your graduation from the University of Houston! Earning a college degree represents an important milestone in your life, one that required dedication, discipline and perseverance. As Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, together with the entire faculty and staff of the College, I applaud your accomplishment. We are so pleased to recognize and honor all our fall graduates in our College Commencement.

The qualities you demonstrated in completing your degree will serve you well as you enter this new phase of your life. We hope that your education at the University of Houston and in this College forms a solid foundation for your future personal and professional life. We have aimed to challenge your thinking, enhance your understanding and deepen your appreciation of the world in all its complexity and diversity. As a new graduate, you now have the opportunity to contribute to society the knowledge and skills you have acquired here.

The College is delighted to welcome you into the ranks of our alumni. I hope you will keep in touch with your classmates and maintain strong ties with the University of Houston. We truly need the energy and support of all our graduates as the University of Houston joins the ranks of the nation’s leading urban universities.

Please accept my best wishes for your continued success.

Sincerely,

Antonio D. Tillis
Dean
PRELUDE AND PROCESSIONAL MSM Quintet
PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS UH ROTC Air Force/Army
NATIONAL ANTHEM MSM Concert Chorale or soloist
WELCOME ADDRESS Antonio D. Tillis
M. D. Anderson Professor in Hispanic Studies
Dean of the College
INTRODUCTION OF PLATFORM PARTY Dean Tillis
GREETINGS FROM THE The Honorable Andrew Z. Teoh
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Professor Emeritus
RECOGNITION OF HONORS Lawrence Curry
RECOGNITION OF GRADUATE CANDIDATES Ann Christensen
Associate Dean, Graduate Studies
PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION Mike LeJeune
JACK J. VALENTI SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION Temple Northup
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION SCIENTIES AND DISORDERS Peggy Blake
DEPARTMENT OF COMPARATIVE CULTURAL STUDIES Nick De Genova
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS Dietrich Vollrath
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH James Kastely
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE Daniel O’Connor
DEPARTMENT OF HISPANIC STUDIES Anadeli Bencomo
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY Philip Howard
DEPARTMENT OF MODERN AND CLASSICAL LANGUAGES Hildegard Glass
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY David Phillips
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE Kent Tedin
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION James Thurmond
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY Jack Fletcher
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY Amanda Baumle
WOMEN’S, GENDER & SEXUALITY STUDIES Elizabeth Gregory
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Fall 2018

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Department of English

Creative Writing
Dylan Michael Walsh
Love Week and Other Stories
ADVISOR: Professor Alex Parsons

Department of Health and Human Performance

Lyle W. Babcock
The Role of Membrane Cholesterol Content on Insulin-Stimulated Glucose Uptake in a Tissue Culture Model of Skeletal Muscle Myofibers
ADVISOR: Mark S.F. Clarke, Ph.D.

Rakshatha Kabbaligere
Adaptive Changes in Gait and Balance Control to Unloading
ADVISOR: Charles Layne, Ph.D.

Craig David Workman
The Influence of Dopaminergic Medication on Gait and Balance Automaticity and Nonlinear Regularity in Parkinson’s Disease
ADVISOR: T. Adam Thrasher, Ph.D.

Department of Hispanic Studies

Maira Elizabeth Alvarez
La sensatez y la muerte: el Bildungsroman de la Posrevolución Mexicana (1931-1951)
ADVISOR: José Guillermo de los Reyes, Ph.D.

Yolanda Coronado Carrillo
Estudio fonético sobre las consonantes palatales del español en Waco, Texas (Phonetik Study of Consonant Palatals in the Spanish of Waco, Texas)
ADVISOR: Elizabeth Goodin-Mayeda, Ph.D.

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Epistemología de lo cursi: Género, sexualidad, identidad y nación en el mundo hispano, XIX-XXI
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Cortesia convencional versus cortesia interpretada: Estudio del habla de Colombia
ADVISOR: Manuel Gutiérrez, Ph.D.

Department of History

Samantha Marie Rodriguez
Carving Spaces for Feminism and Nationalism: Tejana Activism in the Matrix of Social Unrest, 1967-1978
ADVISOR: Monica Perales, Ph.D.

Joseph Lee Thompson
Something Like a Failed War: Major League Baseball’s Unwinnable Conflict Against Drugs
ADVISOR: Linda Reed, Ph.D.

Ezell L. Wilson
Environmental Impact of African Quillombos in Brazil, 1550-1800
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ADVISOR: Jennifer H. Clark, Ph.D.

Department of Psychology

Clinical Psychology
Jennifer Cowie Jansen
Does Post-Exposure Napping Augment Fear Reduction in Phobic Youth
ADVISOR: Candice A. Alfano, Ph.D.

Charles Benjamin Jardin
Personalized Feedback to Reduce HIV Transmission Risk Behavior Among Young, Gay Males
ADVISOR: Michael Zvolensky, PhD

Developmental, Cognitive and Behavioral Neuroscience Psychology

Brandin A. Munson
An Exploration of Variability due to Low Power in Structural MRI Studies of Bilingualism
ADVISOR: Arturo E. Hernandez, PhD.

Karen A. Vaughn
The Role of the DLPFC in Bilingual and Monolingual Switching: Evidence from MVP 
ADVISOR: Arturo E. Hernandez, Ph.D.

Industrial/Organizational Psychology

Bobbie A. Dirr
Occupational Injuries among Burnt-out Workers: Interplay of Physical and Emotional Exhau...
William Daniel Presson
Toward a Proposed Cross-Cultural Core Competency Model: Exploring Consensus and Confirmation of Competency Model Ratings Across the Globe
ADVISOR: James Campion, Ph.D.

Kimberly Therese Silva
Employee Reactions to Perceived Political Motives in Performance Appraisal
ADVISOR: James Campion, Ph.D.

Sonya M. Stokes
Social Drivers of Performance Appraisal: An Interactive, Interpersonal Examination of Dyadic Performance Ratings
ADVISOR: Alan Witt, Ph.D.

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Exercise Science
Raul Amador

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Gabriel Lara
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Tyler C. Webb
Dan Wythers

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Isaacnoter Berger
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David Ryan Dean
Marion Kay Horn
Meghan Elizabeth Lindinger
Ryan Stern
Pelin Unal

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Applied Mathematics
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Yating Hou
Patrick H. Messina
Kaylee Nguyen
Basanta Raj Pahari

Biochemistry
Jose Manuel Torres Gonzalez

Chemistry
Mahsasadat Boraghi
Yu Zhang

Computer Science
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Anudeep Krishna Maturi
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Manju Visvanathan
Marcus Aaron Washington
Yuting Zhang

Geology
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Paul Fears
Michelle Therese Gibeau
Andrew Russell Gilfillan
Atif Rafic Hariz
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Christopher Viens

Geophysics
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Wen Hu
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Earth Science
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Message from the Dean

Dear Nursing Graduates,

You are exemplary nursing graduates from the University of Houston! You have earned the BSN or MSN degree and are now UH Nurses ready to be pinned with a UH Nursing pin. Thank you for being a student at the University of Houston, and thank you for choosing to be a nurse!

Your education at the College of Nursing has equipped you to embark upon your career as a nurse leader and nurse clinician. During your time at the University of Houston as a nursing student, you have collectively spent thousands of hours in clinical, classroom, simulation labs and volunteering, thus adding to the strength and vibrancy of our community and our profession. I am especially proud of those who volunteered through civic engagement opportunities. Thank you.

I look forward to seeing the impact your careers and professional contributions will have on the future of health care and nursing. You will have many experiences and opportunities in your career, and I look forward to hearing about them all as you practice nursing in the city of Houston, our state, the nation and around the world.

As lifelong learners, I invite you to stay connected with your College of Nursing. We welcome and invite you to become “life members” of the UH Nursing Alumni Association. You will always have a special honor of being a UH Nurse. You will be reminded of this distinct honor each time you wear your nursing pin, engage with the College of Nursing or the University of Houston.

Congratulations Cougar Nurses!

Sincerely,

Kathryn Tart, EdD ('99), MSN, RN
Founding Dean and Professor
Humana Endowed Dean’s Chair in Nursing
University of Houston
College of Nursing

Commencement and Pinning Ceremony
Friday, December 14, 2018, 2 p.m.
Cullen Performance Hall

PROCSSIONAL
“Four Seasons” by Vivaldi

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
Kathryn M. Tart, EdD (’99), MSN, RN
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GREETINGS FROM THE
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Paula Myrick Short, PhD
Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost
Theresa M. Monaco Chair

DESCRIPTION OF PIN
Dean Tart

PINNING OF BACHELOR CANDIDATES
Patricia Schrader, PhD, MSN, RN, CMRSN
Assistant Clinical Professor
Second Degree BSN Track Manager

PINNING OF MASTER CANDIDATE
Kathleen Reeve, DrPH, ANP-BC, FNP-C
Associate Dean and Clinical Professor
and College of Nursing Faculty

PRESENTATION OF BACHELOR
AND MASTER CANDIDATES
Dean Tart

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES
Provost Short

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE PLEDGE
Sonya Wade, DNSc, APRN, FNP-BC, RN

AND LIGHTING CEREMONY

FAREWELL FROM THE FACULTY
Dr. Reeve

ALMA MATER
Moores School of Music

RECESSIONAL
“Radetzky Waltz” by Strauss
Commencement Ceremony

Paula Myrick Short, Ph.D.

Paula Myrick Short is the Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs for the University of Houston System and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost at the University of Houston.

Dr. Short is the Director of the Center for ADVANCING UH Faculty Success, funded by a $3.3 million grant from the National Science Foundation to address gender equity and diversity issues related to moving more women and women of color forward with careers in science, technology, engineering and math. She has been credited with raising retention and graduation rates and increasing the number of students studying abroad through her many initiatives. Prior to joining UH, Dr. Short served 12 years as Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs for the Tennessee Board of Regents, where she directed nationally acclaimed reforms in higher education.

Dr. Short has received more than $2.5 million in Federal grants and foundation funding. She is a national expert on college completion, serving as a consultant to a number of institutions of higher education. In 2014, Dr. Short was named one of 50 of the most influential women in Houston and was appointed to the Texas Medical Center’s Women’s Leadership Board. In 2013, Dr. Short was honored with a Master Professor Award by the University Council for Educational Administration. In 2009, she was the recipient of the Paul A. Elsner International Excellence in Leadership Award. In 2008, she received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Southern Regional Council on Educational Administration. In 1993, she was the recipient of the Jack A. Culbertson Award, given by the University Council for Educational Administration, for research contributions to the field of administration.

Dr. Short has served as a tenured faculty member at Auburn University, The Pennsylvania State University, the University of Missouri and currently is tenured Distinguished Professor of Education at UH’s College of Education. Dr. Short received her Ph.D. in Administration in the Department of Organizational Development and Institutional Studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
Fall 2018

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Penny Ann Parish

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Angela F. Baldon
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Brooke Leanza Boarman
Kristen Nicole Brown
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Tarik D. Devic
Orevaoghene Otivbo Eleyae
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Second Degree BSN Clinical Affiliations

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Fort Bend Independent School District
Harris County Psychiatric Center
Texas Medical Center
Harris Health System Ben Taub and LBJ Hospitals
Texas Medical Center
Mental Health America of Fort Bend County
Houston Independent School District
Houston Methodist Hospital
Texas Medical Center
Houston Methodist Sugar Land Hospital
Houston Methodist West Hospital
Houston Methodist Willowbrook Hospital
Katy Independent School District

MD Anderson Cancer Center
Texas Medical Center
Memorial Hermann
Memorial City Hospital
Memorial Hermann
Sugar Land Hospital
Shriner’s for Children Hospital
Texas Medical Center
St. Peter’s Preschool
Texana Early Childhood Development Center
Texas Children’s Hospital
Texas Medical Center
West Houston Medical Center
Westpark Springs Hospital
The Women’s Hospital of Texas

RN to BSN Clinical Affiliations

Fort Bend County
Public Health Department
Memorial Hermann
Greater Heights Hospital
Pearland Medical Center

Houston Hospice
Texas Medical Center
University of Houston Charter School
West Houston Medical Center

MSN Practicum Affiliation

CHI St. Luke’s Sugar Land Hospital
Florence Nightingale Pledge

“I solemnly pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly to faithfully practice my profession of nursing. I will do all in my power to make and maintain the highest standards and practices of my profession.

I will hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping in the practice of my calling. I will assist other healthcare providers and will devote myself to the welfare of those committed to my care.

I will endeavor to fulfill my rights and privileges as a good citizen and take my share of responsibility in promoting the health and welfare of the community.

I will constantly endeavor to increase my knowledge and skills in nursing and to use them wisely. I will zealously seek to nurse those who are ill wherever they may be and whenever they are in need.

I will be active in assisting others in safeguarding and promoting the health and happiness of humankind.”

— Author Unknown
Message from the Dean

Dear Graduates,

Many congratulations to you on your graduation from the University of Houston College of Technology. This is an outstanding achievement and one which you, and your families, will be justifiably proud.

But make no mistake, this is just the start of a lifelong process of learning as you continue to develop in your chosen careers – careers which will have a direct impact on the nation’s economy and the standard of living of people worldwide. What we – YOU – will be doing will have an impact that goes beyond those around you … and it will continue to excite and interest you throughout your career.

The faculty and staff in the College of Technology are proud of who you are and enjoyed the time you spent with us. We hope that you will stay in touch with us personally and also through the Alumni Association—we need your feedback as our alums about new opportunities and how we may better serve you as you advance in your careers.

Above all, we hope that you will look back with pride at your time here in the College of Technology and say “That’s MY College.”

Congratulations – may your achievements in life be many and fulfilling.

Anthony P. Ambler, Ph.D.
Dean
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College Banner Bearers
Assistant Marshals
Faculty
Candidates for Graduation
Platform Party

**PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS**
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Moores School of Music

**WELCOME**
Jonathan P. Schwartz, Ph.D.
Associate Dean of Graduate Studies, College of Education

**INTRODUCTION OF PLATFORM PARTY**
Anthony P. Ambler, Ph.D.
Dean and Professor, College of Technology

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**BACHELOR’S CANDIDATES**
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**CONFERRAL OF DEGREES**
President Khator

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MASTER OF SCIENCE

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Srimedhna Kanumarla
Sathish Mamidi
Sriram Sekar
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Oluwagbemiga Bankale
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Technology Project Management
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Congratulations on your graduation from the University of Houston! You now become one of over 276,000 proud UH alumni. You are graduating from a University, with nationally recognized programs and alumni networks that can help you take the next steps in your life and career.

The University of Houston holds a special place in all of our hearts and as you move into your alumni role, please remember that we all need to find our place and our role in continuing to help it grow and prosper in the coming years.

I’m often asked by alumni, “What can I do for UH?” I always answer the same way – get involved! We have nearly 45 UHAA alumni associations waiting for you. If you’re not ready to get involved, show that UH spirit – continue wearing Cougar Red on Fridays. Put a “University of Houston Alumni” license plate holder or sticker on your car. The ultimate show of pride is to become a Life Member of your Alumni Association.

But most importantly, congratulations! We are proud of your accomplishments as a student at this outstanding university. We look forward to continuing your relationship with UH for many years to come as alumni.

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