





University of Houston
Andy and Barbara Gessner College of Nursing

Commencement and Pinning Ceremony
Friday, May 12, 2023, 2:00 p.m.
Cullen Performance Hall

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Message from the President

Dear University of Houston Graduates,

Congratulations, class of 2023! Today you graduate with a first-class education from one of the nation's leading universities. We are so proud of you for reaching this important milestone.

Over the years, you've made new memories and friends, and grown in character and wisdom. And now it's time to take what you've learned and go chart a new course in the world. I know in my heart that you will do well and make a positive impact on our society.

The support of your family and friends, and the encouragement of your UH faculty, advisers and staff have also played a significant part in your success. Thank them for their contribution, as we thank you for choosing our university.

UH is the home of world-renowned researchers and professors, award-winning sports and academic programs. The knowledge and experience you've gained here have prepared you to rise to the top in your field. Many graduates who have come before you have earned national recognition and highly esteemed awards and honors for their work. And now you're joining this great class of alumni. Congratulations! I know you will make us proud.

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

Warmest regards,

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

Renu Khator
President, University of Houston





Message from the Provost

Dear Spring Graduates,

You've traveled a long road to reach this moment, but here you are! Congratulations on earning a degree from the University of Houston.

Whether you're the first in your family to graduate from college or perhaps a second-generation Cougar, today's ceremony marks a significant moment in your lives. It's also special for the University of Houston as your success has been our priority since you first stepped foot on campus.

Now, you embark on new journeys. Some of you may be entering the workforce. Others may be headed to graduate school. No matter your destination, please remember those who helped you get to this point.

Stay in touch with peers, professors and staff members and remind them that their guidance supported your academic journeys. Also, thank your spouses, siblings, parents, grandparents and others in attendance today for their daily inspiration.

Of course, be sure to truly recognize the one person responsible for today's celebration—you! You balanced classes, work, family and other obligations. It wasn't easy, but you did it. Now, you are poised to reap the rewards of a degree from UH.

Although you are leaving this wonderful campus, you will remain a member of our University family. You now carry the proud tradition of past UH graduates and will represent our institution in your professional endeavors. Be proud of your time here, and let others know that you are now and forever a Cougar.

Once again, congratulations!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Diane Z. Chase', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Diane Z. Chase

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

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Founding Dean

TILMAN J. FERTITTA FAMILY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

Kathryn M. Tart

Founding Dean

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Distinguished Professor of Science

COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

University of Houston

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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 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 270 undergraduate and graduate programs to more than 46,000 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 raised the benchmark of academic achievement when Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest and most prestigious academic honor society, awarded UH the approval to start 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.

GERALD D. HINES COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Violet</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Violet Tassel: Black</i>

KATHRINE G. MCGOVERN COLLEGE OF THE ARTS

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

C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Dark Blue</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Drab Tassel: Black</i>
Doctoral Degree	<i>Hood: Dark Blue Tassel: Red</i>

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

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

CULLEN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Orange</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Orange Tassel: Black</i>
Doctoral Degree	<i>Hood: Dark Blue Tassel: Red</i>

CONRAD N. HILTON COLLEGE OF GLOBAL HOSPITALITY LEADERSHIP

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

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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

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

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

Master's Degree: *Hood: Peacock Blue*
 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 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.

SPRING 2023

Maryam Alghafir

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

Alyssa R. Gomez

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

Catelyn C. Huynh

Bachelor of Science in Global Hospitality Leadership
CONRAD N. HILTON COLLEGE OF GLOBAL HOSPITALITY LEADERSHIP

Natalie Madeline Kubosh

Bachelor of Science in Global Hospitality Leadership
CONRAD N. HILTON COLLEGE OF GLOBAL HOSPITALITY LEADERSHIP

Elaine Thuy Duyen Le

Bachelor of Science in Global Hospitality Leadership
CONRAD N. HILTON COLLEGE OF GLOBAL HOSPITALITY LEADERSHIP

Lauren Taylor Lyles

Bachelor of Arts in Human Development and Family Sciences
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Psychology

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Ankit A. Maurya

Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance
Bachelor of Business Administration in
Supply Chain Management
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Ajmain Bashar Mustafa

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

Saad Nadeem

Bachelor of Science in Health
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science

Bachelor of Science in Human Nutrition and Foods
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Brenda T. Nguyen

Bachelor of Science in Teaching and Learning
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Dan T. Nguyen

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

Marangelly D. Rangel

Bachelor of Science in Health
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Emily B. Reyna

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

Neha Sunkara

Bachelor of Science in Biology
COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS
Bachelor of Science in Economics
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Ryan Trejo

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





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College of Nursing
UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

Message from the Dean

Dear Nursing Graduates,

You are exemplary nursing graduates from the University of Houston! You earned the BSN this Spring or MSN degree this Summer and will 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!

You are the first graduating class under the Andy and Barbara Gessner College of Nursing which has equipped you to begin upon your career as a nurse leader and nurse clinician. During your time at the University of Houston as a nursing student, you, your classmates and faculty collectively spent thousands of hours on Zoom, in clinical, classroom, simulation labs, or volunteering, thus adding to the strength and vibrancy of our community and our profession.

I am especially proud of each of you as you navigated the ever challenging landscape of health care. You are prepared to embrace the future of nursing. As you graduate, you enter a work environment where nurses are incredibly needed, trusted and respected.

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 Gessner College of Nursing. We welcome and invite you to become “life members” of the 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 Gessner College of Nursing or the University of Houston.

Congratulations Cougar Nurses!

Sincerely,

Kathryn M. Tart, EdD ('99), MSN, RN
Founding Dean and Professor
Humana Endowed Dean's Chair in Nursing
Fulbright Specialist

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PROCESSIONAL	<i>“Four Seasons” by Vivaldi</i>
NATIONAL ANTHEM	Moores School of Music
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS	Kathryn M. Tart <i>Founding Dean and Professor Humana Endowed Dean’s Chair in Nursing Fullbright Specialist</i>
GREETINGS FROM THE UH SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS	The Honorable Durga D. Agrawal <i>Secretary</i>
SPEAKER	Hope A. Reeves, MSN, RN <i>Clinical System Educator, Core Clinicals ITG Learning Center of Excellence, HCA Healthcare</i>
DESCRIPTION OF PIN	Dean Tart
HOODING OF GRADUATE CANDIDATES	Dean Tart
PINNING OF GRADUATE CANDIDATES	Carol Dwyer <i>Clinical Assistant Professor</i>
PINNING OF BACHELOR CANDIDATES	Shermel Edwards-Maddox <i>Traditional BSN Track Manager/Clinical Assistant Professor</i>
PRESENTATION OF BACHELOR AND MASTER CANDIDATES	Shermel Edwards-Maddox
CONFERRAL OF DEGREES	Dean Tart
FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE PLEDGE AND LIGHTING CEREMONY	Kelle Phan <i>Clinical Assistant Professor</i>
FAREWELL FROM THE FACULTY	Cheryl Brohard <i>Associate Professor</i>
UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON ALMA MATER	Moores School of Music
RECESSIONAL	<i>“Radetzky Waltz” by Strauss</i>



Commencement Speaker

HOPE A. REEVES

Clinical System Educator, Core Clinicals
ITG Learning Center of Excellence, HCA Healthcare

HOPE REEVES left her home in Bermuda as a teenager to pursue a nursing degree at the Community College of Philadelphia, where she earned her associate's degree in nursing. She practiced nursing in Philadelphia and Bermuda for several years before obtaining her bachelor's degree in nursing from Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia.

Over the past 20 years, Hope has worked tirelessly to build her personal practice as a nurse mentor and educator with organizations such as TPAPN, GNSA, ANA, and Sigma Theta Tau. She also serves as the University of Houston Nursing Alumni President and the co-chair for The Voice Black College networking in the HCA Gulf Coast division.

Houston has been her home for the last 15 years. She considers herself blessed to have her two children, Aramis and Schi.

In 2020, Hope earned a Master of Science degree in Nursing Administration from the University of Houston. Hope serves her community as Rodeo Houston Volunteer, a mentor for Sistahz Full Circle, and currently oversees the Children's Ministry at her church. She currently works as a Clinical Systems Educator for HCA Healthcare. This year marks her 10th year with the organization.

In her spare time, Hope enjoys traveling with her family and watching Korean dramas.

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Spring 2023 – Traditional BSN Candidates for Graduation

Chidera Alice Rachel Azie²
Sarah Bereket³
Chloie Anne Calderon
Angela Choi
Brooke Elizabeth Cone^{2,4}
Devon Elizabeth Kiehne^{2,4}
Jessica N. Lee

Anthony H. Nguyen²
Jico D. Nguyen
Jolie B. Nguyen
Vincent H. Nguyen^{3,4}
Ardee Josh A. Noble
Rishita Shah^{3,4}
Simarpreet K. Shahi^{3,4}

Adriana J. Shanar
Loreal Breanna Shedrick^{3,4}
Kelly Lynn Tran^{3,4}
Maria I. Vidal^{3,4}
Emery White⁴

Summer 2023 – MSN Candidates for Graduation

Cecilia Nicole Bell
Samjhana Rajbhandari

Tricia J. Smith
Princess A. Uluocha

1 Summa Cum Laude Honors - 2 Magna Cum Laude Honors - 3 Cum Laude Honors - 4 Sigma Theta Tau International Member

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BSN Clinical Affiliations

HCA Houston Healthcare Pearland Hospital
Houston Methodist Sugar Land Hospital
Houston Methodist Hospital Texas Medical Center
Houston Methodist West Hospital

Children's Memorial Hermann Hospital Texas Medical Center
Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital
Memorial Hermann Sugar Land Hospital
Texas Children's Hospital Texas Medical Center

MSN Clinical Affiliations

Burns Family Practice
Bottenfield Pediatric Associates
Brazosport Women's Health
Christ Clinic
Diamond Women's Healthcare
Ella Family Medicine PA
Express Family Clinic
Main Street Medical Clinic
Medical Colleagues of Texas LLP

Medwin Family Practice
Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital
Millennium Physicians
Obstetrix Maternal Fetal Medicine
Peekaboo Pediatric Clinic
Neonatology & Pediatrics Associates
Woodlands Internal Medicine
ZAK Medical Group PA

Scholarship Donors

Anonymous Donor Nursing Scholarship
Blomstrom Nursing Scholarship
College of Nursing Dean's Fund
Gessner Family Nursing Scholarship
G & M Hamman Foundation
The George Foundation
Gulf Coast Medical Foundation

The Hamill Foundation
HCCS Endowed Scholarship in Honor of Dr. Sophie Lin Rydin
Fred & Mabel R. Parks Foundation
Nancy L. McKenna Nursing Endowment
Vivian L. Smith Foundation
F. W. Bert & Mae Dean Wheeler Foundation

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

Congratulations, Class of 2023!

We are excited to gather and celebrate you and your successful journey through the University of Houston and the Honors College.

By persevering through a world pandemic, each of you has made history – never losing sight of the goal! But the pandemic did not deter you despite unprecedented difficulties.

I've been affiliated with the Honors College for more than 45 years of my 48-year career as a faculty member at the University of Houston. My association began before it was even a college as you know it today – it began as the Honors Program in the 1970's. Since those initial beginnings, I have seen unprecedented growth, both in numbers of students and programs, and in overall quality. I believe that the Honors College provides exceptional opportunities to our students and has become increasingly important to the University.

You have thrived and grown with the guidance of outstanding faculty and staff as you navigated your way through the Honors College's exceptional academic experiences, real-world service to the community, and outstanding opportunities in research.

You are not in the same place you were when you began this journey, and neither is the College. During your time in Honors, you have been a part of its dynamic growth and development with the addition of new minors, a record-breaking number of awardees of scholarships and major awards, and expanded opportunities for co-curricular engagement and research.

As you begin your careers or continue your studies through graduate or professional programs, we know you are well prepared to lead in your chosen field and continue contributing solutions to the grand challenges of tomorrow.

Although you're graduating, the Honors College will always be a part of your life. Stay connected with the College as an alum and I hope you will support the College's programs and scholarships for future generations that will come behind you.

Go Coogs!

Stuart Long
*Interim Dean
and Associate Dean, Undergraduate Research*



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

C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Joseph David Royer

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Caitlyn M. Foret
Tatiana Haddad
Alfonso Morgan Reyes
Alexandra Rafaela Samperio
Esraa Wasel

KATHRINE G. MCGOVERN COLLEGE OF THE ARTS

Erin Colleen Satterwhite

CULLEN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Arturo De La Barcena
Kevin Fleming
Shanzeh Imran
Veera Venkata Ramprajwal Vempatti
Iva Jane Wagner

COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

Daniel Lim
Maxximus Ganesh Ramsaroop
Ritu Ranganath Sampige

University Honors

GERALD D. HINES COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

Akanksha S. Bhatia
Pooja K. Desai
Jessica I. Merhav

C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Turab Abbas
Aisha Adebisi
Kiana Akhlaghi
Allysa Nadine Aquino
Jared-Daniel Garcia Blanco
Jordan Cavarrubio
Abhaya Chopra
Hannah Collins
Carissa Denise Daniels
Kathy Marisol De Leon
Ishaan Desai
Ashley Dhaliwal
Jose Diez
Taylor Marie Diggs
Britney Phuong Dzu
Lee Ecat
Michaela Camille Edwards

Atika Fatima
Giselle Galletti
Amrutha Sreya Gorthi
Patricia Estefania Hernandez
Gerald Charles Howard
Poornima Harikrishnan Iyer
Joaquin Emmanuel Jamerlan
Salma Kadrie
Tara Nur Kamal
Jacob Myoung-Koo Kang
Dhruv Kini
Zayd Latheef
Lauren Elizabeth Lattin
Ariana Lee
November Lee
Phinesa Anne Malroy
Caitlin Mantei
Aniq Maredia
Miguel Martinez
Mark Douglas Mcmillan
Drew Thomas Middleton
Katherine Miranda Brizuela
Alexander Mosqueda
Vincent Thanh Nguyen
Ayah Obeid
Jessica Obispo
Vivek Patel

Angeline Pham
Anna Minh Pham
Brianna Marie Pham
Francheska Quintanilla
Hala Faisal Rawas
Manasi Reddy
Nicholas Thomas Renfro
Claudia Rodriguez
Oscar Rovira
Aysha Saif
Dewan Muhammed Ariyan-Bin Sayeed
Zachary Schroeder
Sabah Shaikh
Abby Shelenhamer
Amritha Siby
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