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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'. The signature is written in a cursive, slightly informal style.

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 flourish extending to the right.

Diane Z. Chase  
*Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, University of Houston*

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## University of Houston System

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Dan E. Wells

*Distinguished Professor of Science*

*COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS*

## University of Houston

### Commencement Ceremony

## University of Houston History

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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

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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

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

### KATHRINE G. MCGOVERN COLLEGE OF THE ARTS

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

### C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

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

### COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

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

### CULLEN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

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

### CONRAD N. HILTON COLLEGE OF GLOBAL HOSPITALITY LEADERSHIP

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

# University of Houston

## Commencement Ceremony

### 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

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### 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 14<sup>th</sup> 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*





### Message from the Dean

Dear Graduates,

On behalf of the University of Houston College of Pharmacy family, I extend a sincere congratulations and best of luck to the College's Class of 2023. You have been exceptional representatives of the College and University. I have no doubt that you will continue to serve as worthy ambassadors for the college by building upon our reputation for excellence.

I believe that graduates of the College of Pharmacy are unique in that, regardless of your chosen area of practice, all of you have the opportunity to enrich the lives of those around you. As you embark upon and progress through your careers, I urge you to always remember why you chose your respective field and the sacrifices that you endured in order to make it happen: to serve our communities and improve the quality of life and health of its members with compassion, honesty and integrity.

I would also like to give special thanks to the parents, spouses, children and friends of our graduates for their patience, understanding, sacrifices and support – both moral and financial - during these challenging, but rewarding, years at the college. Although your guidance, comfort and encouragement certainly will continue to be sought and appreciated in the years to come, you can rejoice in the gradual return to “normalcy” with no more long nights of studying, get-togethers unattended and trips untaken. Yet, even more so, you can relish the shared feeling of pride in what your graduate has accomplished and the abundant opportunities ahead.

In the coming years, I would ask that you not forget your College, former professors, and fellow and future Cougars. I encourage you to not only give back to the College by supporting College activities, programs and scholarships, but also by keeping us updated on the many achievements you will experience in your careers and personal lives. We will always take great pride in your achievements.

Congratulations again to the graduates of our professional and graduate programs. The entire UH College of Pharmacy Family is very proud of you.

Take care,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "F. Lamar Pritchard". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

F. Lamar Pritchard, Ph.D.  
Dean

**University of Houston**  
College of Pharmacy

Commencement Ceremony  
Thursday, May 11, 2023, 9:00 a.m.  
Cullen Performance Hall

<b>PROCESSIONAL</b>	Pomp and Circumstance: March No.1 <i>Sir Edward Elgar</i>
<b>NATIONAL ANTHEM</b>	Moore School of Music
<b>COMMENCEMENT MARSHALS</b>	Elizabeth Coyle <i>Associate Dean for Academic Affairs</i> Louis Williams <i>Associate Professor</i>
<b>GOLDEN COUGARS</b>	Class of 1973
<b>BANNER BEARER CANDIDATES</b>	Leslye Esthela Echeverria Priya Jasmin Patel Tien Pham
<b>PLATFORM PARTY</b>	
<b>WELCOME</b>	F. Lamar Pritchard <i>Dean</i>
<b>GREETINGS FROM THE UH SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS</b>	The Honorable Edward Carrizales <i>Board Member</i>
<b>GREETINGS</b>	Diane Z. Chase <i>Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost</i>
<b>STUDENT RESPONSE</b>	Jeanette Lahoud <i>Pharm.D. Candidate</i>
<b>PRESENTATION OF PH.D. CANDIDATES</b>	Dean Pritchard
<b>CONFERRAL OF PH.D. DEGREES</b>	Provost Chase
<b>PRESENTATION OF M.S. CANDIDATES</b>	Dean Pritchard
<b>CONFERRAL OF M.S. DEGREES</b>	Provost Chase
<b>RECOGNITION OF HONORS</b>	Paige Pitman <i>Executive Associate Dean</i>
<b>PRESENTATION OF PHARM.D. CANDIDATES</b>	Dean Pritchard
<b>CONFERRAL OF PHARM.D. CANDIDATES</b>	Provost Chase
<b>RECOGNITION OF GOLDEN COUGARS CLASS OF 1973</b>	Dean Pritchard
<b>OATH OF A PHARMACIST</b>	Executive Associate Dean Pitman
<b>RECESSIONAL</b>	



## Oath of a Pharmacist

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I promise to devote myself to a lifetime of service to others through the profession of pharmacy.

In fulfilling this vow:

***I will*** consider the welfare of humanity and relief of suffering my primary concerns.

***I will*** promote inclusion, embrace diversity, and advocate for justice to advance health equity.

***I will*** apply my knowledge, experience, and skills to the best of my ability to assure optimal outcomes for all patients.

***I will*** respect and protect all personal and health information entrusted to me.

***I will*** accept the responsibility to improve my professional knowledge, expertise, and self-awareness.

***I will*** hold myself and my colleagues to the highest principles of our profession's moral, ethical and legal conduct.

***I will*** embrace and advocate changes that improve patient care.

***I will*** utilize my knowledge, skills, experiences, and values to prepare the next generation of pharmacists.

I take these vows voluntarily with the full realization of the responsibility with which I am entrusted by the public.

*The revised Oath was adopted by the AACP Board of Directors and the APhA Board of Trustees in November 2021.*

## Summer 2022 – Graduates

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### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICAL HEALTH OUTCOMES AND POLICY

Ravi Kumar Goyal

Impact of Cyclin-Dependent Kinase 4 and 6 Inhibitors on Chemotherapy Utilization and Overall Survival in Women with HR+/HER2- Metastatic Breast Cancer in the United States

ADVISOR: Dr. Michael Johnson

Sorochi Iloanusi

Clinical and Epidemiological Analyses of Mental Illness, Substance Use and Health Outcomes of People Living with HIV in Texas

ADVISOR: Dr. E. James Essien

Anjana Mohan

Estimating the Impact of Adherence to Direct Oral Anticoagulants on Health Outcomes Among Patients with Atrial Fibrillation

ADVISOR: Dr. Susan Abughosh

Swarnava Sanyal

Monitoring and Management of Metabolic Adverse Effects in Children and Adolescents Treated with Second Generation Antipsychotics (SGAs)

ADVISOR: Dr. Hua Chen

Soham Dilip Yande

Comparative Effectiveness of Direct Oral Anticoagulants versus Low Molecular Weight Heparins in Cancer Associated Thrombosis (CAT)

ADVISOR: Dr. Michael Johnson

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICS

Xue Zhou

Development of Novel Peptide-Drug Conjugates for Targeting Brain Tumors and Brain Metastases

ADVISOR: Dr. Xinli Liu

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACOLOGY

Hanan Qasim

AKAP12 Signalosome Regulates Cardiac  $\beta$ 2-Adrenergic Receptor Signaling

ADVISOR: Dr. Bradley McConnell

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACOLOGY, MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY CONCENTRATION

Patrick T. Chuong

Inhibiting Smurf1: Biological and Mechanistic Approach

ADVISOR: Dr. Alexander V. Statsyuk

### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHARMACY LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION

Lily Hoang Tran

Pharmacy Technician Turnover Rates During a Pandemic at a Children's and Women's Health-System

ADVISOR: Dr. David A. Wallace

### DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

Amania Yousuf Ahmed

Diem Mya Bich Nguyen <sup>2</sup>

Samar M. Tarazi

Anahita Zini

## Fall 2022 - Graduates

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### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICAL HEALTH OUTCOMES AND POLICY

Precious A. Anyanwu

The Development of the Patient-Reported Outcome Measure: Measuring Opioid Use Disorder-Financial Toxicity (MOUD-FiT)

ADVISOR: Dr. J. Douglas Thornton

Yinan Huang

Comparative Effectiveness of Methotrexate-based Combinations for Rheumatoid Arthritis

ADVISOR: Dr. Rajender Aparasu

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICS

Lu Wang

Investigation into the Disposition of Hydroxyflavones and Their Glucuronides

ADVISOR: Dr. Ming Hu

Zuoxu Xie

Developing Locally Active COX-2 Inhibitors for Relieving Keen Osteoarthritis Pain Safely

ADVISOR: Dr. Ming Hu

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACOLOGY

Noor Mazin Abdulla Abdulkareem

The Pharmacology and Molecular Mechanisms of ADGRF1 (GPR110) in Human Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor 2-Positive Breast Cancer

ADVISOR: Dr. Meghana Trivedi

## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACOLOGY, MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY CONCENTRATION

Haowen Zhang

Novel Peptoid Targeting Cell Surface  
Vimentin for Lung Cancer Treatment

ADVISOR: Dr. Gomika Udugamasooriya

## Spring 2023 – Candidates for Graduation

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## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICAL HEALTH OUTCOMES AND POLICY

Russell Wilson

cGMP Training Programs: Understanding  
the Effects of Cognitive Load

ADVISOR: Dr. Sujit Sangiriy

## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACOLOGY

Kalyani Arun Kulkarni

Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms of  
AT2R Mediated Anti-proteinuric Activity

ADVISOR: Dr. Tahir Hussain

## MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHARMACY LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION

Alfred Awuah

Development of a Medication Override  
Process for Obstetrics and Newborn Care  
at a Large Academic Medical Center

ADVISOR: Dr. Matthew Wanat

Hannah Jeter

Impact of Multistep Order Transmittal  
(MSOT) within a Non-340B Specialty  
Pharmacy at a Comprehensive Cancer  
Center

ADVISOR: Dr. Divya Varkey

Alan Gia-Thanh Luu

Integration of a Health-System Specialty  
Pharmacy into an Employee Plan

ADVISOR: Dr. Kevin Garey

Yolanda Martinez

Impact of System Wide Implementation  
of Vancomycin-to-Dose per Pharmacy  
and AUC-based Bayesian Dosing  
Software

ADVISOR: Dr. Kevin Garey

Eileell Alin Nguyen

Impact of a Multidisciplinary Team  
Medication Administration Appointment  
Reconciliation on High-Cost Drugs  
Expenditure, Patient Appointments and  
Employee Satisfaction

ADVISOR: Dr. Divya Varkey

Demetria Marie Peroulas

Impact of Gamification Strategies Applied  
to Pharmacy Department Education

ADVISOR: Dr. Shane Tolleson

Ashley Marie Sidebottom

Medication Reconciliation Accuracy  
Assessment of Pharmacy versus Non-  
pharmacy Services on Patients Admitted  
Through the Emergency Department

ADVISOR: Dr. David A. Wallace

## DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

Mahshid Abbasi

Sarah Aamer Abdulrazzaq<sup>2</sup>

Hala T. Aljijakli<sup>1,4</sup>

Summer Virginia Alvarez

Jalon Thomas Barnes<sup>1,4</sup>

Prathusha G. Bethala

Cassadi Dlo Cazares

Anu George Cherayil<sup>2</sup>

Alex Kottackal Cherian

Reena A. Cherian

Will Chollett<sup>3</sup>

Blake Lars Christensen<sup>2</sup>

Christina Elizabeth Cisar<sup>1,4</sup>

Amy N. Co<sup>5</sup>

An H. Dang

Andy Dang<sup>2</sup>

Lorri Mai Anh Dao

Laura Diaz

Vu H. Do<sup>5</sup>

Andrew Duc-Thong Doan<sup>5</sup>

Leslye Esthela Echeverria<sup>1,4,6</sup>

Reef Moayad Elazem<sup>2</sup>

Dana Leigh Elder<sup>5</sup>

Stephanie Georgette Fakes<sup>3</sup>

Tara Jean Fleshner<sup>2,5</sup>

Kara Meghan Franzen<sup>3</sup>

Cameron Fulbright

Alec Christopher Garza<sup>3</sup>

Julian Matthew Garza<sup>1,4</sup>

Alexandria Ianat Gomez<sup>3</sup>

Michael Nicolas Gomez<sup>3</sup>

Lacey Lee Gotcher<sup>3</sup>

Avnesha Gupta<sup>3</sup>

Kunhee Han<sup>2,4</sup>

Ian Harvey

Marcus Holt Hayner<sup>1,4</sup>

Tracy Ann Heffes<sup>1,4</sup>

Chloe Elizabeth Hudson<sup>3</sup>

Aroge Imran<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Summa Cum Laude Honors – <sup>2</sup> Magna Cum Laude Honors – <sup>3</sup> Cum Laude Honors

<sup>4</sup> Rho Chi Academic Honor Society – <sup>5</sup> Phi Lambda Sigma Leadership Society – <sup>6</sup> College Banner Bearer

Commencement Ceremony

Jean P. Kim <sup>2</sup>  
Connor Michael Kudrick  
Jeanette Lahoud <sup>2,4,5</sup>  
Kevin Dinh Le <sup>3</sup>  
Lauren Lynn Lee <sup>5</sup>  
Emmeline Fan Li <sup>2</sup>  
Josephine Luu <sup>2</sup>  
Jose F. Magana  
Falguni Maisuria  
Sukaina Makzoumi  
Trina Mercado <sup>3,5</sup>  
Matthew A. Merta <sup>2,5</sup>  
Nisha Mohiuddin <sup>1,4</sup>  
Essra N. Mtwaly <sup>1</sup>  
Atir Nandwani <sup>3</sup>  
Andrew Ngo <sup>2</sup>  
Tuan Duc Ngo  
Alexis N. Nguyen <sup>1,4</sup>  
Cindy Tuyet Chinh Nguyen  
Dung Minh Tri Nguyen  
Lindsey Nhu Nguyen <sup>2</sup>  
Mi T. Nguyen <sup>3</sup>  
Nhưng Jenny Nguyen  
Phuong Thi An Nguyen <sup>1,4</sup>  
Thao Thanh Nguyen  
Tom Nguyen  
Van Binh Tran Nguyen

Irene Hyunmin Oh <sup>2,4</sup>  
Francesca Isabel G. Oleta <sup>5</sup>  
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## College Administration

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Pharmacy Honor and Leadership Societies

## Rho Chi

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The Rho Chi Society, Pharmacy's academic honor society, was established in 1922 to encourage and recognize excellence in intellectual achievement, foster fellowship among its members, encourage high standards of conduct and character, and advocate critical inquiry in all aspects of pharmacy. The fundamental objective of Rho Chi is to promote the advancement of the pharmaceutical sciences through the encouragement and recognition of sound scholarship by bringing professional students, graduate students, and faculty members together in fraternal and helpful association. High standards of intellectual and scholarly attainment have been demanded for election to membership.

The Society's insignia, the Greek letters, "Rho" and "Chi," were originally selected because, when placed in the relative position in which they are found on the Rho Chi Key, they are emblematic of the prescription sign. The colors attached to the seal of membership were chosen to indicate the royalty of purple and the loyalty of white. The eight sides of the Key represent chemistry, biology, physiology, pharmaceuticals, pharmacology, and the biomedical, social/administrative, and clinical sciences.

### Rho Chi Graduating Members

Hala T. Aljijakli  
Jalon Thomas Barnes  
Christina Elizabeth Cisar  
Leslye Esthela Echeverria  
Julian Matthew Garza  
Kunhee Han  
Marcus Holt Hayner  
Tracy Ann Heffes

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## Phi Lambda Sigma

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Phi Lambda Sigma, Pharmacy's leadership society, was established in 1965 to honor and promote the development of leadership qualities, especially among pharmacy students. Members are selected by peer recognition. No greater honor can be bestowed upon an individual than to be recognized as a leader by one's peers. Such recognition instills and enhances self-confidence, encourages the less active student to a more active role and promotes greater effort toward the advancement of pharmacy.

The insignia of the Society is the key pin, which bears a mortar and pestle and the Greek letters "Phi", "Lambda" and "Sigma". A wreath of laurel surrounds the mortar and pestle. The colors of the Society are green and gold.

### Phi Lambda Sigma Graduating Members

Amy N. Co  
Andrew Duc-Thong Doan  
Vu H. Do  
Dana Leigh Elder  
Tara Jean Fleshner  
Jeanette Lahoud

Lauren Lynn Lee  
Trina Mercado  
Matthew A. Merta  
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## College of Pharmacy Class of 1973 - Golden Cougars

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The University of Houston College of Pharmacy's faculty, staff, and students salute the Class of 1973 on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of their Commencement.

Paul Dalton  
Jesse Flores  
Nancy Herman  
Carlanne Hickman  
Joe Ickes, Jr.  
Douglas Roger Jaeger  
Rick Michael Johnston

Gaylon Woodie Jones  
Charles W. Lindhout  
John Leslie Lowery  
Vincent Anthony Luparello  
Kaye Luparello  
Carolyn Kutac Ohrt  
Randell Joseph Richard

Randy Short  
Kathy Bosholm Smith  
Gary Frank Spradling  
Jerry Raymond Stone  
Christine Yep  
Jewelry Lim Yep





**Message from the UH Alumni Foundation Board President**

Congratulations 2023 Graduates!

Let me be the first to welcome you to the UH Alumni Association. You are joining a global network of over 305,000 Cougars. With your participation, we can only grow stronger. As you embark on this next chapter, know that your Alumni Association is here to help you stay connected with your beloved alma mater. From volunteering, using your UH Go app to login as an alumnus, joining a group, coming to events, to becoming a Life Member, the opportunities to engage are endless.

To start your journey as an alumnus, please scan the QR code below so you can enjoy all the activities that soon await you. In the meantime, enjoy this moment and continue to soar.

True we'll ever be and Go Coogs!

Wayne Lockett ('74)  
*UH Alumni Association Foundation Board President*

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