University of Houston
College of Technology

Commencement Ceremony
Friday, December 17, 2021, 6 p.m.
Fertitta Center

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Message from the President

December 17, 2021

Dear University of Houston Graduates,

Congratulations! The moment you’ve long dreamed of today becomes a reality. Today, you become a college graduate. The long hours, late nights and countless sacrifices have all been worth it. Your hard work has prepared you for a rewarding and successful career.

You are a class of graduates that didn’t allow a global pandemic to stop you from achieving your goals. Staying the course during these trying times is a testament to your resilience and tenacity. I have no doubt these same attributes will serve you well as you make your mark in the world. You leave here today educated, equipped and prepared to succeed.

The support of your parents, families and friends, and the encouragement of your UH faculty, advisers and staff have also played a significant part in your success. Remember to thank them for their contribution.

You’ve received a first-class education here at UH. This is the home of “genius grant” winners, nationally top-ranked academic programs, world-renowned faculty, an NCAA Final Four basketball team, Carnegie-designated Tier One research and so much more. Now, go forward as proud graduates and take the world by storm. I know in my heart that you are now ready and able to be the leaders that our society needs. You are the future we have been waiting for.

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

Warmest regards,

Renu Khator
President
Message from the Provost

Congratulations, Cougars!

I would like to personally congratulate each of you on this momentous achievement. You have worked hard to be here today, and that effort shows.

Your family, friends, mentors and peers have supported you and helped you to arrive at this great time in your life. So, I thank them, as I am sure you also do, for all they have contributed.

I would like to remind each of you to be proud of your time at the University of Houston. You graduate today as future intellectual leaders, researchers, entrepreneurs, healers and artists. Do not forget that you are bound together by your alma mater, and that bond is a strong one. Many of your predecessors have gone on to achieve great success in their professional lives. I wish the same for you.

Whether you are receiving your bachelor’s, master’s, professional or doctoral degree, you have achieved a major milestone in your life. We are proud of you, and we are proud you are now Tier One University of Houston alumni.

On behalf of all the University faculty and college deans, I congratulate you on your achievements. You are our best and brightest, and we are honored to have been a part of your lives.

Warm regards,

Paula Myrick Short
Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost
University of Houston System

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*College of Technology*

Leonard M. Baynes  
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*Maconda Brown O’Connor Endowed Dean’s Chair*

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*Dean*

*Hobby School of Public Affairs*

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*Elizabeth D. Rockwell Endowed Dean’s Chair*

*University of Houston Libraries*

Robert McPherson  
*Elizabeth D. Rockwell Endowed Dean’s Chair*

*College of Education*

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Patricia Belton Oliver  
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*Cullen Distinguished Chair*

*C. T. Bauer College of Business*

F. Lamar Pritchard  
*Humana Endowed Dean’s Chair in Pharmacy*

*College of Pharmacy*

Dennis Reynolds  
*Barron Hilton Distinguished Chair*

*Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management*

Stephen J. Spann  
*Founding Dean*

*College of Medicine*

Kathryn M. Tart  
*Founding Dean*

*Humana Endowed Dean’s Chair in Nursing*

*College of Nursing*

Joseph W. Tedesco  
*Elizabeth D. Rockwell Endowed Dean’s Chair*

*Cullen College of Engineering*

Michael Twa  
*Humana Endowed Dean’s Chair in Optometry*

*College of Optometry*

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, 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 47,000 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: Tassel: Violet, Hood: Violet
- Master’s Degree: Tassel: Black

**Kathrine G. McGovern College of the Arts**
- Bachelor’s Degree: Tassel: Brown, Hood: Brown
- Master’s Degree: Hood (Music): Pink, Tassel: Black
- Doctoral Degree: Hood: Pink, Tassel: Red

**C. T. Bauer College of Business**
- Bachelor’s Degree: Tassel: Dark Blue, Hood: Drab, Tassel: Black
- Master’s Degree: Hood: Dark Blue, Tassel: Red
- Doctoral Degree: Hood: Dark Blue, Tassel: Red

**College of Education**
- Bachelor’s Degree: Tassel: Light Blue
- Master’s Degree: Hood: Light Blue, Tassel: Black

**Cullen College of Engineering**
- Bachelor’s Degree: Tassel: Orange
- Master’s Degree: Hood: Orange, Tassel: Black
- Doctoral Degree: Hood: Dark Blue, Tassel: Red

**Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management**
- Bachelor’s Degree: Tassel: Navy
- Master’s Degree: Hood: Navy, Red and White, Tassel: Black
- Doctoral Degree: Hood: Dark Blue, Tassel: Red
### University of Houston

**Commencement Ceremony**

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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.
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.

**FALL 2021**

Ryan Chang  
*Bachelor of Science in Biology*  
*College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics*

Rabia Gadrab  
*Bachelor of Business Administration in Supply Chain Management*  
*C.T. Bauer College of Business*

Julia Nguyen  
*Bachelor of Business Administration in Supply Chain Management*  
*C.T. Bauer College of Business*

Kelly Nguyen  
*Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance*  
*C.T. Bauer College of Business*

Kimberly Nguyen  
*Bachelor of Business Administration in Supply Chain Management*  
*C.T. Bauer College of Business*

Jacob Olsen  
*Bachelor of Business Administration in Supply Chain Management*  
*C.T. Bauer College of Business*

Precious Amber Vargas  
*Bachelor of Business Administration in Supply Chain Management*  
*C.T. Bauer College of Business*

Istvan Wang  
*Bachelor of Science in Computer Science*  
*College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics*

Shehzad Yousaf  
*Bachelor of Science in Computer Science*  
*College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics*
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
University of Houston
College of Technology

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Moores School of Music
Honorary Grand Marshal and Associate Marshals
College Banner Bearer
Assistant Marshals
Faculty
Candidates for Graduation
Platform Party

PRESENTATION OF COLORS
UH Army ROTC Color Guard

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Moores School of Music

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF PLATFORM PARTY
Anthony P. Ambler
Dean and Professor

GREETINGS FROM UH SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS
The Honorable Derek Delgado
Member

OPENING ADDRESS
Dean Ambler

PRESENTATION OF ACADEMIC HONORS AND DEGREE CANDIDATES
Heidar Malki
Associate Dean of Academic Affairs
George Zouridakis
Associate Dean of Research and Graduate Studies

MASTER’S CANDIDATES
Associate Dean Malik
Lingguang Song
Chairperson, Department of Construction Management
Fatima Merchant
Interim Chairperson, Department of Engineering Technology
Barbara Stewart
Interim Chairperson
Department of Human Development and Consumer Sciences
Amaury Lendasse
Interim Chairperson
Department of Information and Logistics Technology

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES AND CLOSING REMARKS
Dean Ambler

ALMA MATER
Moores School of Music

RECESSIONAL
Moores School of Music
Summer 2021 – Graduates

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Engineering Technology Department

Engineering Technology
Nathaly Andrea Castaneda Quintero

Human Development and Consumer Sciences Department

Human Resource Development
Sherea Denise Cary
Jennifer Renee Flores
Taylor Cyerra Johnson
Amanda Kite
Adan Morales
Carmen Carolina Young

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Construction Management Department

Construction Management
Misael Alvarez
Shaun Andrew Bellamy
Rey Benavides
Cory James Branham
Kai C. Burden
Conner Joseph Clark
Eduardo Contreras
Eric Jesus Diaz
Jose Estrada
Ian M. Fink
Mohammed Iqbaluddin Fraaz
Tyson Chase Freeman

Pedro Garcia
Oliver Garcia, Jr.
Caelan Gof
Christopher Paul Gosselin
Jordan Ulises Guerra
Victor Hugo Hernandez
Francesco Hernandez
Bethany Christine Jackson-Price
Hudson Kleinpeter
Seung-Jong Lee
Ricardo Luviano
Marcos Mendoza
JB Gerona Olicia
Celia Pacheco
Chetan Vijaykumar Patel V
Jeremy P. Prunther
Saul Rodriguez
Adriana Guadalupe Ruiz
Jonathan Saenz
Daniel J. Samick
Rhett Aaron Schmitz
Bryce Allan Schwab
Reginald B. Smitherman
Daniel John Wiseman

Supply Chain and Logistics Technology

Luis Alfredo Acevedo
Sultan Nidal Al-Sao
Matthew Issac Alvarez
Michael A. Barrera
Kiera M. Buckley
Daniel Ford
Michael Jiang
Edgar Martinez

Leif Moleksi
David Monarrez
Diego Osmaro Nieto Batres
Nancy Aide Nolasco
Rodney Pollard
Alexus Ciara Tann
Luis R. Ventura

Engineering Technology Department

Biotechnology
Chet A. Ball IV
Marissa Hughes
Luis Enrique Perez
Tien Phong Pham
Daniela B. Vanderpool

Computer Engineering Technology

Bryan Davila
Biatris Patino

Human Development and Consumer Sciences Department

Human Resource Development
Yahia Zaid Al-Shamayleh
Joey Maxwell Aoun
Rachel Nicole Dixon
Jacquelyn E. Garcia
Catherine Hardman
Shahrukh Sarwar Malick
Marc Anthony McGuire
Carolina Merino
Veronica Guadalupe Munoz
Chinaza Chiemelie Nwokike
Kaitlin Hope Packard

1 Summa Cum Laude • 2 Magna Cum Laude • 3 Cum Laude • 4 College Banner Bearer
Kendall Nicole Renfro  
Gustavo Adalid Reyes  
Ivonne Briseida Rivera  
Cameron Eli Robicheaux  
Vanessa L. Ruiz  
Shehryar Shahid  
Yasmine Rami Shami  
Bailey Lloyd Tam  
Lauren A. Weaver  

**Retailing and Consumer Science**  
Kamryn Marie Bogumil  
Hannah M. Feltrop  
Brandon Alexander Renteria  

**Information and Logistics Technology Department**  
**Computer Information Systems**  
Navin R. Ali  
Madison Leigh Boubenider  
Jared Metty  
**Digital Media**  
Carlos Alexander Duarte  
Bryan Noe Mejia  
Antony Anh Khoa Nguyen  
Christopher Tuong-duy Nguyen  
Sabrina Micaela Oquendo  

**Technology Leadership and Innovation Management**  
Lulit Mesfin Ketsela  
Dale Kuykendall  
Jibril Ali Newton  
Edin Jama Sam  

**Fall 2021 – Candidates for Graduation**

**Master of Science**

**Construction Management Department**
- Keegan Gregory Droxler
- Jared Hellums
- Brandon Hernandez
- Erica Elaine Lien
- Gabino Moreno III
- Jayesh Vishamber Odhroni
- Syed Muhammad A. Rizvi
- William Thomas Robinson

**Construction Management**
- Keegan Gregory Droxler
- Jared Hellums
- Brandon Hernandez
- Erica Elaine Lien
- Gabino Moreno III
- Jayesh Vishamber Odhroni
- Syed Muhammad A. Rizvi
- William Thomas Robinson

**Supply Chain and Logistics Technology**
- Christen Mishelle Abington
- Bijitha Bashir
- Poorva Dangayach
- Leticia De Castro Leandro
- Walter B. Dobbins IV
- Chidera Audrey Ebisi
- Agha S. Haider
- Markell H. Heath
- Elridge James Miller
- Tabinda Mushtaq
- Mazhar Ud Din

**Technology Project Management**
- Ramya Hemant
- Yared Kasahun
- Brian Lee Pitman
- Maria A. Romero

**Engineering Technology Department**

**Engineering Technology**
- Meron Kidanemariam
- Xiaoxue Liu
- Ethan Reid Mason
- Rumana Mustafa
- Nahom Yosef Tekle
- Jennifer Nicole Tzoc
- Ratnamani Venisetty

**Human Development and Consumer Sciences Department**

**Foresight**
- Parker J. Eichenberger
- Angela Miller

**Global Retailing**
- Rebecca Marie Schulte
- JoVanni Stewart

**Human Resource Development**
- Fatima Queen Atoke Agoro
- Diana Clark

Loredana Alexia Cykala
Ganiat Oyindamola Disu
Madeleine Frazier
Teresa Lucia Garcia
Jami F. Giandelone
Ginny Grotholson
Ana Lucia Gutierrez Silva
Brenda Hernandez
Leland Hopkins
Autumn Frances Kirk
Nora Monie
Munir Nathani
Adeline Uzoma Onwuamaegbu
Trisha Diandra Rose
Erika Michelle Sanchez
Taylor Scaife
Brittany Smith
Aida Tursumbayeva
Virginia Zapien

**Information and Logistics Technology Department**

**Cybersecurity**
- George Anthony Baez
- Luis Gabriel Carrillo Jacques
- Rishi Abishek David Ravi
- Tooba Hashmi
- Chenyang Kan

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Biruk Bizualem Mersha
Kawanski Nichols
Humuani Bibiloye Oyebode
Eugenio Saenz III
Salma Shaik
Terince J. Stephens
Ashley N. Tillman

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Construction Management Department

Construction Management
Kevin Isvan Abdelnur-Ayala
Jacob Aguierre
Jiovanni Moises Alatorre
Karim Magdy Alhakim
Leonardo Enrique Alvarez
Leonardo E. Anez
Carlos M. Ayala
Danielle Therese Baumgardner
Isaac Alejandro Campirano
Antonio Casillas
Arturo Javier Castillo
Stephanie Chavez
Ross Collins
Josue Contreras
Dominique Deion Crawford
Hector J. De La Cruz
Nguyen Song Duong
Morgan Ruth Early
Christopher Lee Ellender
Rondell D. Evans
Jesus J. Favela
Carlos Garcia
Travius Lashawn Garrett
Mario Alberto Gomez
Yordano Gutierrez
Reginald Harris
Jose De Jesus Hernandez Rocha, Jr.
Chase Daniel Hill
Kiet T. Hoang
Hector Rolando Iglesias
Mike Alan Jimenez
Muhammad Ishaq Khan

Amber Ollivette Larry
Nathan Lee Linhart
Eduardo Macias
Michael R. Marler
Samuel Marquez
Roman Isaac Marquez Solis
Mario A. Martinez, Jr.
Roberto Miranda, Jr.
Eduardo Morales-Hernandez
Alex Joseph Muniz
Alejandro S. Muñoz
Alexis Ulises Muñoz
Kevin Matthew Munson
Bernadine A. Nicholls
Kevin William Ovalle
Rin Pleng
Franklin Quintanilla
Judith M. Reyna
Davon Christopher Riddick
Aaron Rocha
Edgar Amilcar Rodriguez
Felipe Angel Rodriguez
Julian A. Rojo
Kevin Romero
James Carson Rybak
Gerardo Javier Sanchez, Jr.
Hector Miguel Sandoval
Erick Serrano
Wilfredo Jose Serrano
Clayton Smith
Vinoth Subramanian
William Ulises Taboada
Cristian Torres
Alvaro Alonso Turcios, Jr.
Aldo Vaglienty
Nathanial Gregory Vaselakos
Christian Armando Vazquez
Angel Blas Velasquez
Ismael Damien Velez
Roger Vilchis
Eduardo Zeni

Supply Chain and Logistics Technology
Emad M. Aboudawoud
Samin Isharak Alam
Aleah Christine Allen
Shaan Amin
George Aragon
Henry Lee Archibald
Salman R. Aslam
Arnab Austin Barua
Timothy J. Beringer
Paarth Arvind Bhakta
Garrett A. Brunson
Kimberley Mechelle Carcana
Salvador Carreon
Hugo Manuel Castro
Ruben Castro
Gabriel Elias Cedeno Kuffo
Andres R. Charles
Chen Cong
Jason Matthew Congram
Camila C. Contreras
Ksenia Delova
Alex Lowrance Doyle
Dennis Hoang Duong
Prince Nathan Ezulike
Princelee Valencio Fernandes
Juan A. Galaviz
Edgar Gustavo Garcia
Aj Singh Gill
Kevin Alberto Gonzalez
Dalia J. Guerrero
Oswaldo Guerrero
Ramadhani Haji Hamisi
Brandon John Ho
Rebecca Antonia Hutchinson
Riley C. Jewell
Ethan Ali Khwaaja
Sebastian Lam
Kyle Wayne Lawson
Bryan H. Le
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Message from the Dean

December 17, 2021

We think of commencement as an end, a finish line, yet the word proclaims that this moment is a new beginning, that “today is the first day of the rest of your life” as the old posters and new memes remind us. Our graduation ritual of “walking” has been revived, despite the challenges familiar to us all, thanks to a promise and a commitment from Chancellor Khator. Walking is treasured by students and their families because it conveys in motion, symbol, and photograph the fact that you are literally taking next steps on a new journey into a new world.

Then-Senator Barack Obama, however, in a definitive speech entitled “A More Perfect Union,” quoted this famous line from a William Faulkner novel: “The past is never dead. It’s not even past.” And a great teacher and scholar, R.J. Kaufmann, had this insight about what we read, say, write, do, and experience: “Nothing is ever lost.” So, to understand a person in midlife, you need to know what they were doing between the ages of 18 and 24 and what was going on in the world during those years. To anticipate the person you will become, you might well reflect on what you have been doing over the last four or five years, inside and outside the classroom, and what has been going on in the world.

We are confident that what you have been reading, writing, and doing during your undergraduate years, the tonic tasks that you have undertaken, will not be lost. Breaking through to that hard-won epiphany in a Human Sit paper; taking your first oral exam and killing it (or vowing to kill it next time!); presenting your poster, virtually or in person, at Undergraduate Research Day; making the transition from mentee in year one to mentor in year three; developing a partnership with a middle school whose students could really use some Honors College tutors; developing cultural competencies and medical skills so you can responsibly serve a refugee community in Jordan; representing UH in a Model Arab League simulation in Washington or Cairo; becoming certified as a Community Health Worker in order to assist Third Ward families; completing a competitive application for a major award, and then interviewing for and perhaps winning a Fulbright, a Goldwater, or a Critical Language Scholarship. Despite the many challenges—or perhaps because of them—your generation has the opportunity to become a great generation, perhaps the greatest generation of the 21st century.

Our hope is that the past four or five years have prepared you for deep satisfactions in your professional lives, and beyond your professional lives. This week you are commencing, you are walking on in your journey. We are proud of you, and we hope that you will not be a stranger to joy or a stranger to us in the years to come.

Be safe and be well,

Bill Monroe
The Honors College
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**
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**Collegiate Honors and Collegiate Honors with Honors in Major**
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