Welcome to UH, one of the most diverse Tier One research institutions in the nation! Despite the pandemic, the University hit record enrollment in fall 2020, with more than 47,100 students. Over the last 12 years, UH has transformed under the leadership of President Renu Khator.
The College of Education, located in Farish Hall, has undergone a similar transformation under Dean Bob McPherson — adding three research institutes and centers, creating two more Ph.D. programs, increasing research activity and strengthening our community partnerships.
The 175 faculty and staff members in the College of Education are united around our mission to end inequities in education. We believe that diverse perspectives fuel excellence and that transformation requires challenging and valuing ourselves and others.
The College of Education enrolls more than 3,300 students, and more than half are students of color. Among our undergraduates, roughly half are first-generation college students. Our graduates benefit from a strong alumni network. One in six Houstonians with a college degree is a Coog.
You can’t beat the view outside our building! Students gather on the grass on nice days, and the fountains often display different colored lights at night.
According to UH tradition, rubbing the paw of the cougar statues in front of the administration building brings good luck.
Follow the walking path to MD Anderson Library, one of four UH libraries. Combined, they provide access to more than 3.2 million physical and digital volumes.
Admire UH’s extensive public art collection as you stroll.
Grab lunch, buy a UH T-shirt or hold a meeting at Student Center North.
Enjoy a latte from Cougar Grounds, a student-run coffeeshop in the Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management.
Cheer on UH’s football, basketball or other teams, and don’t forget to wear red!
UH is located in Houston’s Third Ward, a historically African American community with a rich cultural legacy. Project Row Houses, encompassing five city blocks, serves as home base to art programs and other community initiatives.
The College of Education partners with six schools in Third Ward, including Blackshear Elementary, which features this mural by Houston-based artist Reginald Adams. The greater Houston area is home to 1.5 million public schoolchildren. Across the city, more than 145 languages are spoken.
Head to the East End on the edge of downtown to check out an array of murals, live music and fajitas at the famous Ninfa’s on Navigation.
Hop on the light rail to enjoy Houston’s downtown, home to Minute Maid Park (where the Astros play), Toyota Center (where the Rockets play) and the theater district (where you can catch a world-class play, symphony or dance performance).
Put on your walking shoes and visit Houston’s Museum District, with 19 museums, including the Museum of Fine Arts, the Houston Museum of Natural Science and Children’s Museum Houston (where an alumna serves as education director). Next, stroll through Hermann Park’s 445 acres.
Houston is a great place to build up an appetite, with its melting pot of cuisines. UH alumna Christine Ha (pictured), the first blind contestant on “MasterChef” and winner of the third season, spoke about perseverance at the College’s annual First Lecture event in August.
Head 25 miles south of campus to tour Johnson Space Center, home to the nation’s astronaut corps and the International Space Station mission operations.

(Insider fun fact: The famous line from Apollo 13 is actually “Houston, we’ve had a problem.”)
From campus, you can be relaxing on the beach in Galveston in about an hour!
Perfectly put...

“I enjoy the bold vision of UH’s leadership, the students and the city — the culture, the ethnic diversity, the yummy eats and treats, and the easy access to the beach and other getaways!”

— Clinical Assistant Professor Tiffany J. Davis
Director, M.Ed. in Higher Education
Houston makes a great HOME.
Learn More

A profile of President Khator: https://uh.edu/magazine/2017-fall/feature/trail-blazer.php (slide 2)

‘A Story of Transformation’: https://uh.edu/education/transformation/ (slide 3)

Video: Hear from faculty in their own words
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NuqR85Gfh7g&feature=youtu.be (slide 4)

Video: Hear the inspiring stories of two students who received scholarships
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pc-tkWDvIr8&feature=emb_title (slide 5)

How our students served the community amid COVID-19:
https://stories.uh.edu/2020-covid-coe-students/index.html (slide 5)

UHCOE Fast Facts: https://uh.edu/education/about/coe-fast-facts.pdf (slide 5)

Find a virtual tour of campus at https://uh.edu/ (slide 6)

Video: See more UH moments in this 2019 year in review
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZDkhghhQuFg (slide 12)
Learn More

About Third Ward: https://uh.edu/third-ward/third-ward-map/ (slide 13)

UH’s Third Ward Initiative: https://www.uh.edu/third-ward/ (slide 14)

About the East End: https://www.eastendhouston.com/history/ (slide 15)

Video: A quick walk through downtown with the Houston soul band The Suffers
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h26oHs41PJM (slide 16)

About the Museum District: https://houmuse.org/ (slide 17)

Houston Chronicle’s Top 100 Restaurants of 2019: https://www.houstonchronicle.com/flavor/top100/ (slide 18)

Explore Galveston: https://www.galveston.com/ (slide 20)

Read more testimonials from faculty: https://www.uh.edu/education/hiring-faculty/ (slide 21)