



UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

RENU KHATOR

President



May 2011

Dear Graduate:

On this the happiest and most important day of your academic career, you are also making history, because you are a member of the *first* graduating class to earn a diploma from the *newest* Tier One university in Texas – one of only 109 institutions thus classified nationwide.

An added value to your degree is the recent inclusion of the University of Houston in *The Princeton Review's* "Best 376 Colleges: 2012 Edition," which places UH in the top eight percent of all 4,700 colleges and universities in America!

As we reflect on this achievement, always remember that the University of Houston is a very special place. It is the place that welcomed you, helped you grow intellectually, and encouraged you on your journey. It is the place that, thanks to our incredible diversity, has provided you with the experiences to work, feel at home, and succeed anywhere in the world. And it is the place where your dreams of a top-tier college education have become a reality with the support and guidance of your parents, families, friends, and professors.

As you leave here today – proud alumni of the nationally ranked University of Houston – you will do so in the knowledge that you are a member of the *best* prepared, *best* educated, and *best* equipped class this university has ever produced. You will carry with you the knowledge your professors have shared with you, the wisdom you have gained as you matured, and the personal experiences and friendships that will last you a lifetime.

With warmest regards and best wishes,

Renu Khator

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HISTORY & TRADITION



THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

The University of Houston, Texas' premier public metropolitan research and teaching institution, is home to more than 40 research centers and institutes and sponsors more than 300 partnerships with corporate, civic and governmental agencies. UH stands at the forefront of education, research and service. The largest and most comprehensive component of the University of Houston System, UH offers a full range of undergraduate, graduate, doctoral and special professional degrees. UH 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. UH has awarded more than 230,000 degrees, and approximately 75 percent of our alumni remain in the Houston area.

THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM

The University of Houston System is the state's only metropolitan higher education system, encompassing four universities, two multi-institution teaching centers and the largest university distance learning program in Texas. With more than 54,000 students and 3,000 faculty, it is the largest metropolitan public system of higher education in Texas. The UH System universities include the University of Houston, a nationally recognized doctoral degree-granting, comprehensive research university; the University of Houston-Downtown, a four-year undergraduate university beginning limited expansion into graduate programs; and the University of Houston-Clear Lake and the University of Houston-Victoria, both upper-division and master's-level institutions. The UH System brings the resources of its four universities in partnership with area community colleges to offer bachelor's and master's degrees at the UH System at Cinco Ranch and UH System at Sugar Land teaching centers.

HISTORY & TRADITION

ACADEMIC REGALIA

Academic costume of today has a history of nearly eight centuries. In medieval Europe, all townspeople wore long flowing robes and gowns. The materials and colors used 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, skull caps were worn on the head and the hood 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 bachelors (apprentices of arts), masters (teachers) and doctors (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.

UH LAW CENTER

Master's Degree

Hood: Purple

Tassel: Black

Doctoral Degree

Hood: Purple

Tassel: Red

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

Doctoral Degree

Hood: Olive

Tassel: Red

GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

Master's Degree

Hood: Citron

Tassel: Black

Doctoral Degree

Hood: Citron

Tassel: Red

HISTORY & TRADITION

CEREMONIAL SYMBOLS



THE SEAL

Throughout history, seals have been used to authenticate official documents. The University of Houston's and UH System's seals bear the Official Seal of Arms of General Sam Houston, as handed down to him from 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 above the shield. Surmounting this is the motto “In Tempore” (In Time). The greyhounds indicate speed in giving aid. The UH seal was adopted in 1938 in conjunction with the establishment of the present campus. The first official 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

GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2011 • 1:00 P.M. • CULLEN PERFORMANCE HALL

OPENING PROCESSION

WELCOME

Ira C. Colby, D.S.W.
Dean and Professor

GREETINGS

Jarvis V. Hollingsworth
Member, University of Houston System Board of Regents

SPECIAL GUEST

Walter Kase
Holocaust Survivor & Honorary Degree Recipient

AWARDS

Ivy Crank and Luz Macias
GCSW Student Association Awards Presenters

SPEAKER

Frances Tarlton Farenthold, J.D.
Human Rights Advocate, Educator and former Legislator

FIELDS OF PRACTICE RECOGNITION

Paul R. Raffoul, Ph.D.
Associate Dean for Administration and Information Technology

PRESENTATION OF DOCTORAL CANDIDATES

Dean Colby

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

Regent Hollingsworth

HOODING OF PH.D. CANDIDATES

Dissertation Advisers

PRESENTATION OF M.S.W. CANDIDATES

Dean Colby

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

Regent Hollingsworth

HOODING OF M.S.W. CANDIDATES

Louis Torres, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor

CLOSING REMARKS

Dean Colby

RECESSIONAL

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

MAY AND AUGUST 2011

GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Loro Sherée Ahart
Energy and Anti-energy Drinks: Beliefs, Norms and Drug Use Among College Students
Dr. Susan P. Robbins, Chair

Larry Eugene Hill Jr.
Green Collar Economy, Metropolitan Universities, and their Neighboring African American Communities
Dr. Ira Colby, Chair

Eili Kaganoff
Assessment of Cue-Induced Nicotine Craving Using Virtual Reality: Clinical and Laboratory Implications
Dr. Patrick Bordnick, Chair

Brett S. Needham
Integrative Multidisciplinary Treatment: An Intervention for Complex Mental Health Patients in a Public Sector; Teaching Hospital Setting
Dr. Susan Robbins, Chair

Corrine M. Waljarvi
Grief and/or Growth among Bereaved Adults
Dr. Maxine W. Epstein, Chair

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK

Christina Alanis
Amy Aragon
Tammy Arrington
Tracy Atkins
Kelli Black Ayers
Meghan Baker
Larissa Barnhart
Elisha Bess
Troy Binegar
Abigail Bohn
Jasie Peltier Boyd
Jessica Braziel-Carroll
LaTandra Brown
Jeffrey Burgert
Rebecca Butler
Cynthia Cedillos
Whitney Chapman
Beth Christopherson
Ashley Class
Felicia Coffman
Jennifer Connatser
Codi Court
Katherine Marie Dilger
Christen Dobbs
Haley Druian
Marianne Dublado
Claudia E. Duran
Rebecca Cole Dutcher
Stephanie Eguia
Matthew Estey
Laura Evanoff
Dany Federman
Aimee McAndrew Fernandez
Tatiana Alexis Fincham
Linda Arciniega Fulgham
Brianna Garrison
Daniel Garza Jr.
Dafna Gerber
Tabinda Ghani
Melanie Godkin

Elizabeth Perales Gonzalez
Jessica Shields Gottschalk
Sarah Goza
Michael K. Grady
Flor Guebara
Amanda Haacker
Carolyn Owens Hall
Donna Hanks
Kimberly Hargrove
Alicia B. Hicks
Blair Hix
Tehmina Hyder
Meghaan Jarrell
Angelle Johnson
Armentha Johnson
Lakeisha Jones
Emily Schwartz Kemper
Acasha Kerr
Majeda Khan
Emily Koehn
Debra Konopik
Renatta F. Kost
Greta Langley
Jennifer Lea
Sherry LeBlanc
Mary R. Lively
Anna Lopez
Angela Marks
Jenie Mathew
Roxana Mayer
Sophie McCollum
Barbara McCoy
Myra Mesa
Jane Ellen Miller
Jamie Milward
Ashley Montondon
Mary Muhammad
Claudia Iris Clark Mullin
Tuan Nguyen
Erin Kate McKinney Orona
Holly Case Oxhandler

Danielle Price
Dana Priesmeyer
Erick Rainosek
Keisha Ralliford
Arthur Daniel Ramirez
Diana Reyes
Frances Rosebush
Nicole Rochelle Royal
Jorge Ruiz
Leslie Saccomanno
April Salinas
Katherine Saunders
Karla Kay Sehnert
Helen Shaghoury
Taylor Shaw
Alison Smith
Mikeicia Dawnay Smith
Allison Stasney
Elizabeth Steen
L. Shea Stoffregen
Shirley Ann Swab
David Swendsen
Sarah Phuong Ta
Linda Mays Talbot
Terika Latrice Taylor
Diane Thixton
Michelle Thompson
Ana Torres Thornton
La Keisha M. Thurman
Ha Tran
Nicole Trevino
April Vasquez
Kylie Watzka
Sara White
Rochelle Laura Williams
Michael Williamson
Ophelia Wong
Ruth Idalia Wright
Terry Wyche
Annika Ziegler
Morgan Zeringue

GRADUATES

DECEMBER 2010

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK

Renee Austin
Pearl Baiden
Gargi Bhowmick
Lori-Lynn Dalley
Cassandra Davis
Joyce Davoy
Michael Ekoh
Nicole Elders
David Flores
Mary Flowers
Rhonda Harvey

Venecia Johnson
Carmichael Khan
Nora Law
Lai Lee Scarlet Lee
Harry Low
Sharon Mitchell
Jessica Moreno
Christine Nelson
Mary Ann Nguyen
Brande Nolen
Emmanuel Ojeniyi
Nancy Perkins

Kimberly Robison
Alandria Sharp
Erin Sivil
Nicole Smith
Synell Smith
Katie Tate
Jeremy Tatum
Carly Wagenheim
Jennifer Walden
Sarah Elizabeth Wenk

GCSW MILESTONES

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| Graduate School of Social Work is established by the Texas Legislature | 1967 | 1968 First class of 26 students is admitted |
| GSSW is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education | 1970 | 1972 GSSW Alumni Association is established |
| 50 students admitted; total enrollment reaches 106 | 1973 | 1974 Part-time social work admissions becomes a reality; 500 applications are received |
| Enrollment exceeds 500 and nearly 450 degrees have been awarded | 1978 | 1980 March 23 dedication of the 63,000- square-foot Social Work Building |
| First curriculum specialization is offered in Health Care; 40 students enroll | 1985 | 1986 First Social Work Future's Conference is held |
| Office of Community Projects is established at the GSSW | 1992 | 1992 Revised curriculum includes: Health Care, Mental Health, Gerontology, Children and Families and Political Social Work |
| GSSW's AH program sponsors the first Underwood Lecture | 1996 | 1993 American Humanics (AH) joins GSSW with focus on nonprofit management |
| Inaugural GSSW Scholarship Gala | 2001 | 2000 GSSW inaugurates the first Jenkins Lecture; GSSW's first formal international exchange agreement signed |
| GSSW inaugurates the first Gerson David Lecture; <i>Perspectives on Social Work</i> , first GSSW Doctoral Student Journal published | 2003 | 2002 UH celebrates its 75th Anniversary; GSSW confers 150 M.S.W. and 4 Ph.D. degrees |
| Launching of Legislative Internship Program; First Doctoral Student Symposium; 3,000 M.S.W. degrees have been awarded | 2005 | 2004 Jody Williams, 1997 Nobel Laureate for Peace, joins GSSW faculty; GSSW's first endowed professorship established, The Kantambu Latting College Professorship |
| GCSW turns 40 | 2006 | 2008 GSSW becomes the Graduate College of Social Work |

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.

GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK AWARDS

BARBARA JORDAN UNITY AWARD

This award is in the name of the first Black woman elected to the Texas Senate and the first W. S. Representative for Houston's 18th District, known for her tenacity and perseverance. The recipient of this award is a part-time or Advanced Standing student who has demonstrated discipline, determination, and a high standard of excellence.

THE JANE ADDAMS AWARD

This award is named for one of the social work profession's founders and examples of conviction put into practice. This award is given to the student who best demonstrates service to the GCSW, professionalism, scholastic achievement, leadership and the ability to establish and maintain faculty-student support and rapport.

MAHATMA GANDHI PEACE AWARD

Gandhi provides the inspiration for the GCSW's un-official motto, "We must become the change we want to see." This award is given to the student who most exemplifies the power of this principle. This student is innovative in leadership style, thought and character and is known as someone who embodies the change they work to achieve.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARD

This award is named for one of society's greatest contemporary examples of advocacy, empowerment and the championing of social justice and is given to the student who embodies these same principles. As a leader, this award recipient has shown the power to cooperatively determine goals and unite others behind their causes.

MARY RICHMOND AWARD

This award is given in honor of one of the social work profession's community practice pioneers. The student who receives this award has performed exceptional community service beyond employment or field practicum. Additionally, the recipient of this award represents the epitome of social work values and ethics and supports a traditional casework philosophy.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION AND CHANGE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE FACULTY AWARD

This faculty has demonstrated dedication to building a movement of vulnerable population by working with the people to effect change. Through education, this faculty has engaged students and inspired commitment and action to attain social justice.

OUTSTANDING FACULTY AWARD

This award was initiated by the Student Association to honor and recognize a member of the GCSW faculty who demonstrates exceptional class performance, supportive student interaction, professional role modeling and advocacy on behalf of students. The faculty member chosen for this award will have the honor of placing Master's degree hoods on candidates for graduation at today's ceremony.

OUTSTANDING STAFF AWARD

This award is given to honor a staff member who has provided outstanding friendship and support to students throughout the academic year. Although this person may not have instructional interaction with students, he/she is chosen based on their commitment to the GCSW and the promulgation of social work education, values and ethics.

GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK FACULTY

W. Andrew Achenbaum, Ph.D.
Professor

Dale Alexander, Ph.D.
Associate Professor

Steven R. Applewhite, Ph.D.
Associate Professor

Jennifer Battle, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Patrick Bordnick, Ph.D.
Professor

C. Brene Brown, Ph.D.
Visiting Assistant Professor of Social Work

Brian Carter, Ph.D.
Research Professor

Ada Cheung, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Monit Cheung, Ph.D.
Professor

Kathy Clark, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Ira Colby, D.S.W.
Professor

Dernay Coley, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Annemarie Conlon, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Travis J. Courville, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Tawanna Cummings, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Will Dickey, M.S.W., JD
Lecturer

Maxine Weinman Epstein, Dr. PH
Professor

Robert Fleming, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Karen Holmes, Ph.D.
Professor Emerita

Sharona Jacobs, M.S.W.
Associate Director of Field Practicum

Nadia Kalinchuk, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Dennis Kao, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor

Charles Kaplan, Ph.D.
Professor

Gayle Klaybor, Ph.D.
Lecturer

Alicia LaChapelle, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Jean K. Latting, Dr. PH
Professor Emerita

Rev. William Lawson
*Distinguished Community
Scholar in Residence*

Roberta Leal, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Jan Leger, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Lynn Lenert, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Patrick Leung, Ph.D.
Professor

Mary R. Lewis, Ph.D.
Professor Emerita

Sandra A. Lopez, M.S.W.
Clinical Associate Professor

Marki McMillan, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Brett Needham, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Jamie Parker, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Danielle Parrish, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor

Rhonda Patrick, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Suzanne Pritzker, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor

Paul Raffoul, Ph.D.
Professor Emeritus

Cynthia Reibenstein, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Susan P. Robbins, Ph.D.
Associate Professor

Virginia Cooke Robbins, M.S.W. - AP
Clinical Professor

Alexis Rose, M.S.W.
Lecturer

McClain Sampson, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor

Kay Schiller, M.S.W.
Lecturer

William B. Schnapp, Ph.D.
Lecturer

Cache Steinberg, Ph.D.
Lecturer

Ellen S. Steven-Roseman, D.S.W.
Associate Professor

Michael Taylor, M.S.W.
Lecturer

Patricia Taylor, Ph.D.
Lecturer

Luis Torres, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor

Avelardo Valdez, Ph.D.
Professor

Jody Williams, Ph.D.
*Distinguished Professor of Social Work
Nobel Laureate for Peace, 1997*

Sheara Williams, Ph.D.
Associate Professor

Brunessia Wilson, M.S.W.
Lecturer

UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON

Graduate College of Social Work
Alumni Association

May 13, 2011

Dear 2011 GCSW Graduate,

Today is a remarkable milestone in your life. What an outstanding accomplishment to be crossing the stage with your Master of Social Work degree from the University of Houston Graduate College of Social Work! It is my sincere hope that your time in graduate school rewarded you with many learning and growing experiences, some perhaps life-changing. Today is remarkable, not only because it symbolizes all your hard work and dedication, but because it is the beginning of the next chapter in your life, where you now get to facilitate life-changing moments. Congratulations!

As President of the UH Graduate College of Social Work Alumni Association, it is an honor to welcome you to the social work community as an alumnus of the Graduate College of Social Work. You are joining the ranks of a prestigious group of individuals. I look forward to hearing about your contributions to our university, our college, and our community, just as all alumni that have gone before you.

Today, you received a UH lapel pin during the "Michael Roberts Pinning Ceremony." Michael was a UH GCSW Class of 2002 alumni, who served on the GCSW Alumni Board for many years and particularly enjoyed personally congratulating each new graduate. We hope you wear your pins with Cougar Pride!

On behalf of the GCSW Alumni Association Board of Directors, I'd like to personally invite you to join the alumni organization. Becoming a member of the GCSW Alumni Association is the best way to stay in touch with the University of Houston, the Graduate College of Social Work, incoming and current students, and fellow alumni. The Graduate College of Social Work Alumni Association (GCSW-AA) was created to strengthen the relationship between alumni and the GCSW and to advance the interest and promote the welfare of the GCSW, its graduates, and the clients they serve.

Your membership dues support our efforts providing programs for networking, continuing education (remember, you need 30 hours every 2 years!), student outreach through financial support to the GCSW Student Association, and the Charlotte Campbell Scholarship. Joining the GCSW-AA gives you the opportunity to engage in professional development, mentor social work students, and support both our university and our college. The GCSW-AA is a constituent group of the University of Houston Alumni Association (UHAA); so, when you pay your membership dues to UHAA, you are automatically accorded membership in the GCSW-AA.

Please visit www.houstonalumni.com to join today! As a new graduate, your first year of membership is only \$10.00. Believe me, the benefits you will reap from joining the Graduate College of Social Work Alumni Association are worth every penny. You can learn more about additional benefits, like library access and an alumni parking pass, on-line when you submit your application. The Board of Directors looks forward to having you as a member of our outstanding organization. Your active involvement is encouraged!

Again, I say, welcome to our newest alumni members! Please feel free to contact me for additional information, any interest you have in serving on a committee or the Board of Directors, and suggestions for alumni events/activities at allison.harter@gmail.com or 713.725.2609.

Best wishes,

Allison Harter, LMSW
Class of 2009
President, GCSW-AA

YOU ARE THE PRIDE

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2011 • 9:00 A.M. • CULLEN PERFORMANCE HALL

OPENING PROCESSION

Commencement Marshall Barbara Lewis
Assistant Dean for Student and Professional Affairs
Commencement Marshall Louis Williams
Associate Professor
Golden Cougars Class of 1961
Mr. Bruce Biundo
Ms. Wellesley Chu Lee
Mr. Harold Pieratt
Graduates
Platform Party

WELCOME

F. Lamar Pritchard
Dean

GREETINGS

Andrew Cobos
Member, University of Houston Board of Regents

ADDRESS TO STUDENTS

Dennis Golden, O.D.
Member, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

PRESENTATION OF PH.D. GRADUATES

Dean Pritchard

CONFERRING OF PH.D. DEGREES

Regent Cobos

PRESENTATION OF M.S. GRADUATES

Dean Pritchard

CONFERRING OF M.S. DEGREES

Regent Cobos

RECOGNITION OF HONOR PHARM.D. GRADUATES

Shara Zatopek
Associate Dean for Operations

PRESENTATION OF PHARM.D. GRADUATES

Dean Pritchard

CONFERRING OF PHARM.D. DEGREES

Regent Cobos

RECOGNITION OF HONOR BSPTS GRADUATES

Louis Williams

PRESENTATION OF BSPTS GRADUATES

Dean Pritchard

CONFERRING OF BSPTS DEGREES

Regent Cobos

RECOGNITION OF GOLDEN COUGARS CLASS OF 1961

Dean Pritchard

OATH OF A PHARMACIST

Andrea Smesny

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

OATH OF A PHARMACIST

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

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

I will accept the lifelong obligation to improve my professional knowledge and competence.

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.

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

MAY 2011

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICS

Fady Makram Louiz Ibrahim
*Formulation of Lazaroid U-74389G for Organ
Targeting and Potential Chemotherapy*
Adviser: Dr. Diana Chow

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHARMACY ADMINISTRATION

Brian Fase
*Impact of a Lean Rapid Process Improvement
Project in a High Volume Outpatient Pharmacy*
Advisers: Drs. Kevin Garey
& Rajendar Aparasu

Linda Ann Haines
*Outcomes Associated with a Pilot Involving
Aspects of a Patient-Centered Comprehensive
Pharmacy Practice Model*
Advisers: Drs. Kevin Garey
& Rajendar Aparasu

Becky Jane Natali
*The Impact of a Real-Time, Dynamic,
Pharmacotherapy Alerting System to Provide
Feedback During Order Verification in an Acute
Care Setting*
Advisers: Drs. Kevin Garey
& Rajendar Aparasu

Wan-Yu Tseng
*The Rates of Discontinuation, Switching,
Persistence, and Hospitalization of Fluoxetine,
Sertraline, and Citalopram among Children
and Adolescents with Major Depressive
Disorder in Texas*
Adviser: Dr. Hua Chen

Phillip Jon Zweifel
*The Role of Procalcitonin to Alter Antimicrobial
Therapy; A Meta Analysis*
Advisers: Drs. Kevin Garey
& Rajendar Aparasu

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

Sibyl Philip Abraham
Jigar Nikhil Amin³
Bernadette De Leon Asias²
Remya Susan Babu²
Mar Elvin D. Barao
Kristi Marie Barger³
Tiffany Lynn Barrios
Kristin Ashley Beard³
Jana Lynn Bittlebrun
Brandon Wayne Blake
John David Adam Blee
Aaron F. Bohn³
Christopher Aaron Bransford³
Mary B. Brinkman
Brian Michael Butler
Mary-Helen Pomikiolani Chaplin¹
William Chau
Ramesh Chandra Cheruvu
Eileen Jina Chon
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Hillary Claire Janes³
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*Comparative Safety of Stimulants and
Atomoxetine in Children with Attention-Deficit/
Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)*
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*Comparative Safety Outcomes of Atypical
Antipsychotics in Older Adults: A Retrospective
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*Evaluating Health Technology Intervention—
Bedside Barcode Administration Process in an
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*New FDA Organ-Specific Warning Requirements
for Over-The-Counter Acetaminophen Product
Label: Impact on Consumer Risk Perception*

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*Antidepressant Persistence and Associated
Healthcare Expenditures in Children With
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*Attitudes of Physicians Towards the Role of
Pharmacists in the Patient-Centered Medical
Home*

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*Preparedness Regarding the Issue of Escalating
Pharmaceutical Demand Due to Aging
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Racial Disparity in Anti-Obesity Medication Use

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*Quality of Care in Hypertensive-Diabetic
Patients.*

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*Cardiovascular and Neurological Adverse Event
of Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitor and
Atypical Antipsychotic Combination in Medicaid
Children and Adolescence*

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*Consumer's Awareness, Attitude and Intention to
Fill a Prescription Using Generic Drug Discount
Programs*

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*Age Specific Prevalence, Determinants and Costs
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*Effective Format and Sequence of Over-The-
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*Drug Utilization and Adverse Drug Reaction of
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Invitation

*Immediately following the Convocation,
the College of Optometry will hold a reception
in honor of its 2011 graduates at the*

*University of Houston
College of Optometry - J. Davis Armistead Building*

All graduates and their guests are cordially invited to attend.

HONORS

Doctoral students who complete their degree requirements will graduate with the stated academic honors if they achieve the following grade point averages earned in the Doctor of Optometry program at the University of Houston..

3.75 to 4.0 Summa Cum Laude

3.50 to 3.74 Magna Cum Laude

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Carol Ann Aune
Carla Hanson Carter
Eric Lee Ketchum
Nicole Dawn Leroux
Lauren Rinando Nelson
Tyler Charles Smith
Rebecca Marie Williams

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Kelly David Fallin
Stephanie Nicole Grabowski
Erin Belgard Pitts
Amanda Catherine Quelly
Michael Joseph St.Peter
Stephanie Kiyomi Turk
Katie Lynn Wicks

2011 GOLD KEY INTERNATIONAL

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Brandon Leon Smith
Alireza Somji
Diane Thi Minh Chau Ta
Erin Marie Tongoun
William Wesley White

2011 BETA SIGMA KAPPA

Honor Graduates

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Taylor Kate Ballard
Clay Barnett
Shelly Buyn
Anita Bianca Carleo
Carla Hanson Carter*
Ryan Antonio Cazares
Fan Chen
Nick Chu
Amy Annette Clem
Kelly David Fallin*
Michelle Lee Flint
Stephanie Nicole Grabowski*
John Brandon Guillory
Kathryn Hengst
Sandy Huynh
Emily Suzanne Jordan
Eric Lee Ketchum*
Nicole Dawn Leroux*
Ryan P. Malone
Lauren Rinando Nelson*

Anny Nguyen
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Thao Thien Nguyen
Leigha Mishelle Nielson
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Erin Belgard Pitts
Jin Qian
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Samina Sanwari
Ryan Thomas Self*
Brandon Leon Smith
Lacey Nicole Smith
Tyler Charles Smith*
Michael Joseph St. Peter*
Erin Marie Tongoun*
Jessica Rachel Totten
Thu Khanh Tran
Stephanie Kiyomi Turk
Katie Lynn Wicks*
Rebecca Marie Williams*

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CLINICAL EXCELLENCE SPECIALTY AWARDS

Low Vision

Daanya Noor

Optics

Lauren Rinando Nelson

Pediatrics

Summer Giana Lara

Cornea and Contact Lens

Amy Annette Clem

Primary Care

Michael Joseph St. Peter

Medical Eye Service

Carla Hanson Carter

Zelda Schiffman Neuro-Ophthalmology Award

Amanda Marie Troupe

FOURTH-YEAR PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

Alcon Laboratories Excellence Award

Bryan Nathan Kuder

Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award

Amy Annette Clem

College of Optometrists in Vision Development

Nicole Dawn Leroux

Digital Corneal Reflex Pupilometer Award

Christopher Robberts Brownlee

Eschenbach Low Vision Award

Matt Sin Valdes

William Feinbloom Low Vision Award

Joy Ohara, O.D.

GP Lens Institute Clinical Excellence Award

Tyler Charles Smith

David J. Kerko Low Vision Award

Sarabjeet K. Singh

Marchon Eyewear Practice Management Award

Summer Giana Lara

MiraMed Tech 20/20 Digital Software

Kelly David Fallin

Metro Optics Excellence Award

Lacey Nicole Smith

Ocular Instruments Award of Excellence

Anita Bianca Carleo

Tyler's Quarterly Excellence in Cornea and Contact Lens

Lauren Rinando Nelson

Varilux Student Grant Award

Lauren Rinando Nelson

Vistakon Award of Excellence in Contact Lens Patient Care

Katie Lynn Wicks

UHCO CLASS OF 1961

The University of Houston College of Optometry's faculty, staff, students, and alumni salute the Class of 1961 on the 50th Anniversary of their Commencement.



Glenn Drew A. Browne, O.D.

Lewis A. Landsman, O.D.

Graham F. Lantz, O.D.

George M. Lipshy, O.D.

Frank S. Lobaccaro Jr., O.D.*

Elmer L. Nossaman, O.D.

Joseph Stewart Webb, O.D.

**Deceased*

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.

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Tiffany Robinson

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THE OPTOMETRIC OATH

WITH FULL DELIBERATION, I FREELY AND SOLEMNLY PLEDGE THAT:

- I *will* practice the art and science of optometry faithfully and conscientiously, and to the fullest scope of my competence.
- I *will* uphold and honorably promote by example and action the highest standards, ethics and ideals of my chosen profession and the honor of the degree, Doctor of Optometry, which has been granted me.
- I *will* provide professional care for those who seek my services, with concern, with compassion and with due regard for their human rights and dignity.
- I *will* place the treatment of those who seek my care above personal gain and strive to see that none shall lack for proper care.
- I *will* hold as privileged and inviolable all information entrusted to me in confidence by my patients.
- I *will* advise my patients fully and honestly of all which may serve to restore, maintain or enhance their vision and general health.
- I *will* strive continuously to broaden my knowledge and skills so that my patients may benefit from all new and efficacious means to enhance the care of human vision.
- I *will* share information cordially and unselfishly with my fellow optometrists and other professionals for the benefit of patients and the advancement of human knowledge and welfare.
- I *will* do my utmost to serve my community, my country and humankind as a citizen as well as an optometrist.
- I *hereby* commit myself to be steadfast in the performance of this my solemn oath and obligation.

DOCTORS OF OPTOMETRY ARE:

Primary health care professionals who diagnose and treat eye health and vision problems.

OPTOMETRY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON:

The four-year Post-Baccalaureate Professional Program includes:

- 3,216 hours of lectures and laboratories in optics, advanced human physiology, gross human and ocular anatomy, neuroanatomy, systemic and ocular pathology, general and ocular pharmacology, and vision and clinical sciences.
- 500 eye health and vision care experiences in the University Eye Institute's family practice, cornea and contact lens, pediatric, low vision and medical services.
- 1,200 eye health and vision care experiences during two externships (32 weeks) at vision and health care centers. These centers include military hospitals, Indian Health Hospitals, community health centers, surgical centers, Veterans Administration Hospitals and multidisciplinary vision care centers and institutes.

LICENSING AND CREDENTIALING INCLUDE:

- National Board Examinations
 - Basic Science
 - Clinical Science
 - Treatment and Management of Ocular Disease
 - Comprehensive Patient Care and Clinical Examinations
- State Licensure Examination
 - Optometric Jurisprudence Examination

UH LAW CENTER

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2011 • 2:00 P.M. • HOFHEINZ PAVILION

PRELUDE

Selection performed by the Houston Lyric Brass

OPENING PROCESSION

Triumphal March from Aida (Verdi)

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Sung by Shari Wilkins ('93)

WELCOME AND RECOGNITION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

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PRESENTATION OF CLASS GIFT

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Class of 2011

CLOSING REMARKS

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MAY 2011

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Allow me to leave you with this parting advice: keep your Cougar connection strong! Whether your destiny takes you around the corner or around the world, always remember that you're a Cougar, and always show it. UHAA membership is one of the best ways to do that, and we promise to make you as proud of your alma mater as we already are proud of you.

With best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Reece Rondon'.

Reece Rondon ('93, J.D. '95)
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