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UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

RENU KHATOR

President



May 2013

Dear Graduates:

Congratulations on one of the happiest, most memorable, and most important days of your life – the day of your graduation!

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 life experiences to work, feel at home, and succeed anywhere in the world.

You are graduating at a time of great triumphs for UH, from the Tier One designation by the Carnegie Foundation two years ago, to our inclusion by the Princeton Review on its list of best colleges in the nation, to being ranked by U.S. News and World Report for the first time in our history.

Several factors contributed to your success. The support of your parents and families, and the encouragement of your faculty, advisors, and staff played a significant part. But the most important factor is you, and the motivation, determination, and drive that brought you to this day, and will continue to serve you as you make your mark on your community and the world.

As you leave here today as proud alumni, know that you are a member of the best prepared, best educated, and best equipped class the University of Houston has ever produced.

With my best wishes for a successful career and a bright future,

Renu Khator

Renu Khator

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM

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PRESIDENT

Renu Khator

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Interim, College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

THE HISTORY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON



THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

The University of Houston's proud heritage dates back to its founding in 1927. In the beginning, UH was known as Houston Junior College. Classes for the first 230 students were held at San Jacinto High School and were taught by a faculty of eight. Over the years, the junior college grew and prospered, officially becoming the University of Houston in 1934. Two years later, the institution acquired land for a permanent campus and its first building, the Roy G. Cullen Building, opened in 1939. The university became a state institution in 1963.

Today, the University of Houston is a Carnegie-designated Tier One public research university, serving more than 40,000 students with more than 300 undergraduate and graduate programs. UH stands at the forefront of education, research and service with more than 40 research centers and institutes and sponsors more than 300 partnerships with corporate, civic and governmental agencies. 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 268,000 degrees, and approximately 80 percent of our alumni remain in the Houston area.

THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM

Throughout the 1960s and 1970s, teaching centers offering University of Houston degrees and classes opened in Clear Lake, downtown Houston and Victoria. Over time, these teaching centers became free-standing universities, offering education and opportunity to their communities. The University of Houston System was legally established in 1977. Today, the UH System is the region's largest provider of comprehensive university services from the baccalaureate to the doctorate. The UH System plays a primary role in meeting the higher education needs of the Houston metropolitan area and Texas. It is comprised of four universities and six teaching centers. The accredited universities in the UH System are: University of Houston, UH-Downtown, UH-Clear Lake and UH-Victoria. The teaching centers are UH Sugar Land, UHS at Cinco Ranch, UH Northwest, UHD Northwest, UHCL Pearland and UHS at Texas Medical Center.

COMMENCEMENT TRADITIONS

ACADEMIC REGALIA

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 bachelors (apprentices of the 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.

GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

Master's Degree

Hood: CITRON
Tassel: BLACK

Doctoral Degree

Hood: CITRON
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

Doctor of Philosophy Degree

Hood: ROYAL BLUE
Tassel: RED

Doctor of Pharmacy Degree

Hood: OLIVE
Tassel: RED

UH LAW CENTER

Master's Degree

Hood: PURPLE
Tassel: BLACK

Doctoral Degree

Hood: PURPLE
Tassel: RED

CEREMONIAL SYMBOLS



THE SEAL

Throughout history, seals have been used to authenticate official documents. The University of Houston's and UH System's 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 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

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2013 · 9:00 A.M. · CULLEN PERFORMANCE HALL

OPENING PROCESSION

Commencement Marshals

Barbara Lewis
Assistant Dean for Student and Professional Affairs

Louis Williams
Associate Professor

Golden Cougars Class of 1963

Max D. Berry
Jerry Don Evans
Harold Fisher
George M. Harris III
Daniel Hrna
John A. Hruska
Ron Kuehnle

Oran Mobley
William Morgan
Jerry Philmon
William Pierce
Shelby Rash
Jerry Rudloff
Agnes Jacqueline Fritz Schoppe

Richard W. Schultz Jr.
Robert Sorrels
John Svboda
Charles Trahan
Clinton Voelkel
Donald Yapp

Graduates

Platform Party

WELCOME

F. Lamar Pritchard
Dean

GREETINGS

The Honorable Nandita V. Berry
Member, University of Houston System Board of Regents

Elwyn C. Lee
Vice President for Community Relations and Institutional Access

ADDRESS TO STUDENTS

Robert Robbins, M.D.
*President and Chief Executive Officer
Texas Medical Center*

PRESENTATION OF PH.D. GRADUATES

Dean Pritchard

CONFERRING OF PH.D. DEGREES

Regent Berry

PRESENTATION OF M.S. GRADUATES

Dean Pritchard

CONFERRING OF M.S. DEGREES

Regent Berry

RECOGNITION OF HONORS

Shara Zatopek
Associate Dean for Operations

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

PRESENTATION OF PHARM.D. GRADUATES

Dean Pritchard

CONFERRING OF PHARM.D. DEGREES

Regent Berry

RECOGNITION OF GOLDEN COUGARS CLASS OF 1963

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.

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

SPRING 2013

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACOLOGY

Abeer Rababa'H

Human Signaling Scaffold Protein (mAKAP)

Polymorphisms: Role in Heart Failure

Advisor: Dr. Bradley McConnell

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHARMACY ADMINISTRATION

Collin Roland Beatty

The Effect of Risk Information Communicated

in Plain Language Combined With

Natural Frequencies on Individual Risk

Perception of Medication Side Effects

Advisor: Dr. Sujit Sangsri

Melanie Brooke Bernhardt

Agreement Among Measurements

and Estimations of Glomerular

Filtration in Children with Cancer

Advisor: Dr. Kevin Garey

Mallory Elaine Gessner-Wharton

Pharmacists' Perception of Non-Traditional

Pharmacy Practice Residency Programs

in Veterans Affairs Medical Centers

Advisor: Dr. Santhi Masilamani

Christy Mary Gorbach

Identifying Pharmacist Risk Factors

to Commit Medication Errors in

Hospital Pharmacy Operations

Advisor: Dr. Kevin Garey

Gift K. Nweke

Evaluation of Pharmacists' Perspectives

Towards Peer Review

Advisor: Dr. E. James Essien

Shreya Parekh

Value of a Post-Discharge Heart Failure Clinic

Advisor: Dr. Kevin Garey

Jennifer Trang Pham

Daptomycin Versus Vancomycin for

Empiric Treatment of Methicillin-Resistant

S. Aureus Among Hospitalized Patients:

A Cost-Effectiveness Analysis

Advisor: Dr. Kevin Garey

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

Ngosi Nkechinyere Ahaiwe ¹

Omar G. Al-Kazzaz ³

Chukwuebuka Echezona Ananti

Ericka Renee Andrus

Allan Ray Tambaoan Barizo ³

Collin Roland Beatty ³

Rachael Alyssa Bedard ²

Vaidehi N. Bhatt ²

Lindsey Kate Boyd

Jessica Nicole Bradley ¹

Hung-Ya Chen ³

Cassandra Kit Ying Cheng

Uduak Udom Chiobi

Shao-Yu Chiu ¹

So Ra Choi

Trey L. Crandall

Phong Thanh Dang

Bo Michael Davis

Adam Huu Thong Do

Dawna Emmanuel

Laura Diane Endres ³

Leslie D'Ann Finney ³

Anna Duffey Foster ²

Lea Danielle Garcia

Andrew Spencer Haeggquist

Aimee Vu Hang

Christopher Michael Henges

Nhu Mai Ngoc Huynh

Courtney Taylor Jackson ¹

Tranole Dramel Joseph

Jin Won Kang ³

Christine Elizabeth Keefe ³

Jennifer L. Kelm ³

Sahrish Khawaja ¹

Mason Karl Kovar ³

Stephy Rosey Kuriakose ³

Noble Baby Kuruvilla

Khanh Chuong Nguyen Le ³

Yeun-Ju Michelle Lee ²

Mark Timmy Leu

Zhijun Li ³

Yao Hua Lin ³

Megan Elyse Littlefield ³

Lauren Ruth Lyon ³

Kwan Yin Marcus Ma

Anh Truc Mai

Carly Shane Mason ²

Adrian Mata ³

Matthew Ryan Matetzschk

Ezequiel Lee Medina ³

Gregg Harston Morgan ²

Holly Marie Murray ²

Amelia Anne Myers ³

Nora Nassri ³

Chester Nguyen ³

Tung Hoang Nguyen

Otsanya Ifeanyi Ochogbu ¹

Neal Dipak Patel

Twisha Patel ¹

Jennifer Trang Pham ³

Linh My Pham

Sunaina Harsha Rao

Kylee B. Richard ¹

Jayvin Castro Sampana

Heather Louise Schoeneberg ¹

Alexander K. Sek

Janoo R. Shah ³

Samuel Robert Stafford ²

Ashton F. Stinnette ¹

Jessica Thibodeaux Stover ³

Zheng Sun

Sangeetha Sundararaju

Sharifah Nurshazwani Syed Zamaruddin ³

Kathryn Anne Dean Taylor ³

Danny Thai

Sumin Sleeba Thomas

Bryant Tran

Jennifer Hao Tran

Kieu Thuy Tran ³

Tricia Camtu Tran ³

Quynh Anh Ngoc Trang ³

Kelly Chiao Trinh

Theresa Thanh-Thuy Uong ³

Dau-Fan Wang

I Ting Wang

Terri C. Wang

Lauren Louise Williams ²

Lauren Woo ³

Feng Ye

Shiva Zangeneh ²

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

GRADUATES

DECEMBER 2012

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

Brandon Bailey³

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICS

Kamilia M. Rasheed Abdelraouf
*Characterization of Pharmacokinetics
and Nephrotoxicity of Polymyxin B*
Advisor: Dr. Vincent Tam

Dong Dong
*Sustained Delivery of CZ48, a Lactone-Stabilized
Camptothecin, by Nanosuspensions*
Advisor: Dr. Diana S-L. Chow

Jie He
*Pulmonary Target Delivery of Polymyxin
B for Enhanced Efficacy*
Advisors: Dr. Diana S-L. Chow and Dr. Vincent Tam

Yang Teng
*Impacts of Spinal Cord Injury and Formulation on
Riluzole Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacokinetics/
Pharmacodynamics (PK/PD) Correlation*
Advisor: Dr. Diana S-L. Chow

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACOLOGY

Ashley Nicole Guillory
 *β -Adrenergic Receptor Signaling
in Gravin Knockout Mice*
Advisor: Dr. Bradley McConnell

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACY ADMINISTRATION

Debajyoti Bhowmik
*Safety and Effectiveness of Antidepressants
in Pediatric Bipolar Depression*
Advisor: Dr. Hua Chen

Abhishek Chitnis
*Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme Inhibitors/
Angiotensin Receptor Blockers, Statins and
Dementia in Patients with Heart Failure*
Advisor: Dr. Michael Johnson

Nilanjana Dwibedi
*Parents Expectations to Receive
Antibiotic Prescription for Children*
Advisor: Dr. Sujit Sangsiry

Pravin S. Kamble
*Concurrent Stimulant and Atypical
Antipsychotic Drug Use in Children and
Adolescents Diagnosed with Attention
Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)*
Advisor: Dr. Rajender Aparasu

Sandhya S. Mehta
*Dementia in Elderly: Predicting
and Preventing Risk*
Advisor: Dr. Rajender Aparasu

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHARMACY ADMINISTRATION

Mark David Hatfield
*The Impact of Computerized Provider
Order Entry (CPOE) on Medication Order
Processing and Workflow Efficiency by
Pharmacists: A Time and Motion Study*
Advisor: Dr. Sujit Sangsiry

GRADUATES

AUGUST 2012

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

Oluwadamilol O. Oso
Leon Tz Liang Yuan

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICS

Adarsh Subhash Gandhi
*Role of Inflammation in Metabolism and
Hepatotoxicity of Prototypical Drugs*
Advisor: Dr. Romi Ghose

Ghazi Muhammad Sayedur Rahman
*Identification of the Activator Binding Residues
in the Second Cysteine-Rich Regulatory
Domain of Protein Kinase C Theta (PKC θ)*
Advisor: Dr. Joydip Das

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHARMACY ADMINISTRATION

Shweta Niwrutti Kakad
*The Association of Guideline Recommended
Medications and Health-Related Quality
of Life in Patients with Heart Failure*
Advisor: Dr. Michael Johnson

Aily Liem
*The Impact on 30-Day Readmission Rates Using
a Community Pharmacy Discharge Medication
Bedside Delivery Within an Acute Care Setting*
Advisor: Dr. Santhi Masilamani

Sneha D. Sura
*Prevalence, Predictors and Impact of
Anticholinergic Medication Use in the
Elderly and Dementia Patients*
Advisor: Dr. Rajender Aparasu

Digvijay Chandrakant Yeola
*Utilization Pattern of Mood Stabilizers
and Psychostimulants in Patients with
Comorbid ADHD and Bipolar Disorder*
Advisor: Dr. Hua Chen

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

PHARMACY HONOR AND LEADERSHIP SOCIETIES



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.



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 of Phi, Lambda and Sigma. A wreath of laurel surrounds the mortar and pestle. The colors of the Society are green and gold.

RHO CHI GRADUATING MEMBERS

PharmD:

Ngozi Nkechinyere Ahaibe
Brandon Bailey
Rachael Alyssa Bedard
Jessica Nicole Bradley
Shao-Yu Chiu
Anna Duffey Foster
Courtney Taylor Jackson
Jin Won Kang
Sahrish Khawaja
Yeun-Ju Michelle Lee
Holly Marie Murray
Nora Nassri
Otsanya Ifeanyi Ochogbu
Twisha Patel
Kylee B. Richard

Heather Louise Schoeneberg
Ashton F. Stinnette
Lauren Louise Williams
Shiva Zangeneh

Graduate:

Kamila Abdelraouf
Nour Al-Sawalha
Mallory-Wharton Elaine Gessner
Ashley Guillory
Mark Hatfield
Smruti Jadav
Nandita Kachru
Rohan Medhekar
Gift K. Nweke
Odochi Ohia
Xin Wang

PHI LAMBDA GRADUATING MEMBERS

Hung-Ya Chen
Phong Thanh Dang
Christopher Michael Henges
Yeun-Ju Michelle Lee
Yao Hua Lin
Ezequiel Lee Medina
Chester Nguyen
Twisha Patel
Linh My Pham
Sunaina Harsha Rao
Jessica Thibodeaux Stover
Kelly Chiao Trinh

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION

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Executive Vice Dean for Research

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Associate Dean for Operations

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Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

Nancy Ordonez
Assistant Dean for Experiential Programs

Barbara Lewis
Assistant Dean for Student and Professional Affairs

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Assistant Dean for Assessment

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Director, Business Operations

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Doug Eikenburg
Pharmacological and Pharmaceutical Sciences

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Louis Williams

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Barbara Lewis
Shauna Owens
Barbara Burke

GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2013 · 1:00 P.M. · CULLEN PERFORMANCE HALL

OPENING PROCESSION

WELCOME

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

GREETINGS

The Honorable Tilman Fertitta
Secretary, University of Houston System Board of Regents

AWARDS

Emmony Pena & Roberta Robinson
GCSW Student Association Award Presenters

SPEAKER

Brené Brown
Research Professor

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 Fertitta

HOODING OF PH.D. CANDIDATES

Dissertation Advisors

PRESENTATION OF M.S.W. CANDIDATES

Dean Colby

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

Regent Fertitta

HOODING OF M.S.W. CANDIDATES

Sandra Lopez, M.S.W.
Clinical Professor

CLOSING REMARKS

Dean Colby

RECESSIONAL

GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Graduates

Felina C. Franklin

Identifying the Legacy in Patients with Co-occurring Disorders and Examining Changes in Life Satisfaction and Self-Efficacy

DISSERTATION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON: Dr. Monit Cheung

Saralyn McIver

Navigating Uncertainty: A Grounded Theory of Public Transportation Dependence

DISSERTATION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON: Dr. Susan Robbins

Candidates for Graduation

Hyosu Kim

Meta-analysis of Turnover among Child Welfare Workers

DISSERTATION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON: Dr. Dennis Kao

Monique Renae Pappadis

A Mixed Methods Investigation of the Impact of Neurocognition, Gender Role Conflict, and Self-Identity on Psychosocial Adjustment to Traumatic Brain Injury

DISSERTATION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON: Dr. Patrick Leung

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

DECEMBER 2012

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK

Alejandra Alvarado

Christine Bakos-Block

Rachel Barajas

Noa Ben-Yehuda

Tasha Boudreaux

Veronica Bowler

Kristin Brockington

Shirley Brown

Alecia Dailey

Gerald Eckert

Toluwalase Ekundayo

Pamela Ellis

Angelina Emanuel

Asia Gibson

Colleen Hanratty

Catherine Hunter Horne

Sarah Jackson

Esther Jacob

Angelique Jones

Tamra Josephson

Michael Kutosi

Juan Macias

Synnove Marlow

Sherin Mathew

Stacy Mayberry

Paris Meltzer

Ashante Montero

Michelle Nolen

Ashton Paetzold

Shaneka Postell

Kristina Sadler

Marilyn Scott

Jasmine Walls

Rebecca Wiersma

Ada Lai Man Yip

GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

MAY AND AUGUST 2013

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK

Ashley Agers
Joselyn Anderson
Danielle Antaki
Haley Arizmendi
Cristal Atilano
Scarlett Badal-Oroumieh
Amanda Baker
Mary Baldon
Roicia Banks
Alicia Ann Barrens
Liza Ann Barros
Iliana Bazan
John Betancourt
Eva Briones
Han Bui
Jamall Carter
Amy Carvalho
Amanda Cherry
Nena Jessica Chima
Jamie Morgan Chinn
Jennifer Clark
Richard Davis
Vicky Gentry Davis
Stephanie Day
Amanda DeLoy
Dalen Di Lieto
Brittany Dixon
Kimberly Duncan
Stephanie Ebarb
Scott Evans
Martina E. Faulkner
Jillian Faustino
Stefanie Fisher
Christine Foster
Priscilla Francis
Luz Freestone
Gloria Garcia
Doris Gardner
Thelma Loila George
Janelle Gibbs
Vanessa Gluzman
Crystal Gomez
Jeniece Goudeau

Yvonne Green
Sarah Grudier
Danielle Guillory
Kristina Hall
Chamara Harris
Jerrilyn Hayes
Steven Hayes
Yolanda Henderson
Lindsey Herferth
Emilio Herrera III
Richard Holst
Whitney Hosey
Dawnesha Houston
Sarah Howell
Theresa Isikwe
Candice Jackson
Vernadette Jarmon
Muna Javaid
Holly Johnson
Lolita Jones
Orangegy V. Jones
Adrienne Jordan
Monique Juliangarza
Brian Kelly
Katie Keyser
Tatiana Kostereva
Suzanne Largo
Michael Lassoff
Yana Lavrik
Kristen Macaluso
Allison Clare Marek
Kellé Martin
Crystal Kay-Baune McCown
Nikaria McCray
Javier Medina
Rakel Melvin
Vernon Merrell
Gabrielle Montoya
Justine L. Moore
Allison Moulder
Nancy Ngo
Olanike Oguntodu
Lizet Orozco
Monica Ortiz-Holtkamp
Grace O'Toole

Angela Palacios
Steven Parks
Meredith Parsley
Andrea Pedraza
Kevin Perkins
Kara Perry
Teresa Petersen
Tiffany Nicole Purnell
Dania Ramirez
Gabriel Ramirez
Mallory Rathnau
Crystal Reid
Deborah Renneker
Victoria Reyes
Maria Adriana Reyna
Courtney Reynolds
Amber Tariq Riaz
Meghan Rodriguez
Elizabeth Melamed Rubinsky
Lisa San Miguel
Hope Saucedo
Joyce Sauter
Juan Pablo Sazo
Sharoma Scurry-Graves
Constance Seré
Daphne Sherrard
Shelly Simpson
Alicia Andrea Smith
Jennifer Stanley
Juria Taylor
Larry Taylor
Elisabeth Whitcomb Terpening
Kristin Thames
Christina Michelle Veillon
Jane Cam Vo
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GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK STUDENT ASSOCIATION AWARDS

BARBARA JORDAN UNITY AWARD

This award carries 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," and 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.

HUMANITARIAN AWARD

This award is given to an individual from the community that exemplifies social work through their dedication and efforts to promote social justice and equality. This community leader embodies the core components of social work by promoting the well-being of individuals and communities through social change, and honors a person's right to self-determination.

Immediately following the Convocation, the GCSW Student Association will hold a reception in honor of all 2012 December and May 2013 graduates and August 2013 graduation candidates at the

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All graduates and their guests are cordially invited.

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May 10, 2013

Dear 2013 GCSW Graduate,

As President of the GCSW Alumni Association (GCSW AA) and its Board of Directors, I am thrilled to congratulate you on this momentous accomplishment. Today marks an incredible milestone in your life. You set the goal to earn a Master of Social Work (MSW) degree, and you have sacrificed, endured and persevered to attain that goal. It is an honor to welcome you to the social work community as an alumnus of the Graduate College of Social Work (GCSW). You are indeed joining the ranks of a prestigious group of more than 4,000 individuals. You should be extremely proud of yourself!

As you begin this next chapter in your life, I encourage you to embrace the wonderful opportunities that are presented to you. Keep an open mind. There are so many ways to do work that is personally gratifying, makes a positive impact on the community and promotes the values and ethics of the social work profession. Although there may be some uncertainty regarding what you will do next, be confident in the fact that the education and experiences you acquired during your time at the GCSW have prepared you to succeed.

In order to remain connected, I personally invite you to become an active participant in the GCSW Alumni Association. The alumni association enhances alumni loyalty and pride by developing life-long relationships with one another and the Graduate College of Social Work. Active participation allows you to remain connected to those graduating with you today while having the opportunity to meet and develop relationships with those who have graduated before you.

Again, it is my honor to welcome you as one of the newest GCSW alumni members. I wish you the best in all you pursue. Feel free to contact me at rosalind.rolls@sbcglobal.net or 713.213.0882 for more information about the alumni association.

Very sincerely,

Rosalind Rolls, LMSW
Class of 2009
President, GCSW AA

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Classical Arrangement

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Pomp and Circumstance
by Sir Edward Elgar

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Dean and Greeman-Petty Professor

GREETINGS

The Honorable Mica Mosbacher
Member, University of Houston System Board of Regents

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Summa Cum Laude

Magna Cum Laude

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Associate Dean for Professional Studies and Associate Professor

Beta Sigma Kappa

BSK Silver Medal Award

Lanny Shulman, O.D., Ph.D.
Clinical Associate Professor

Gold Key International Memberships

Ralph J. Herring, O.D., M.H.A.
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Clinical Excellence Awards

Nicky R. Holdeman, O.D., M.D.
Associate Dean for Clinical Education and Professor of Optometry

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Volunteer of the Year

Vissett Sun, O.D.
Class of 1995

Cora and J. Davis Armistead Faculty Teaching Award

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Signature Eye Care, Cypress, TX

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Sharp Eye Consultants, San Antonio, Texas

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York Eye Associates, Gainesville, Texas

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INVITATION

Immediately following the convocation, the College of Optometry will hold a reception in honor of its 2013 graduates.

**UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON
HEALTH AND BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES BUILDING
DOCTORS OF TEXAS STATE OPTICAL ALUMNI EDUCATION CENTER**

All graduates and their guests are cordially invited to attend.

COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY

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 3.75	Magna Cum Laude

SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Krista Beach
Christine Chen
Shama Essa
Alyssa Baevich Ford
Stephanie McMillen
Nicole Renee Miller
Lili Ngo
Courtney Danae Perry
Krystal Leigh Schulle
Jacquelyn Claire Sugianto

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Rayan A. Abilmouna
Byron Eric Advent
Cassandra Noel Benedick
Audrey Hall Brumley
Daniel Cha
Vinita Chiranand
Paola Diaz
Eric Chapman Dollar
Lindsay Claire Duarte
Nelly Gendelman
Amanda Kanwischer Gutierrez
Nathan Thomas Hatridge
Stephanie Kim LeSage
Napoleon Cabaguio Lovero II
Kim Anh Nguyen
Theresa Quyen Nguyen
Edward Ryan Nicholls
Negin Nikahd
Bimal Patel
Sarah Elaine Quelly
Jeslyn Roy Sabol
Pankil Shah
Thanh Quoc Tran

2013 GOLD KEY INTERNATIONAL

Audrey Hall Brumley
Amidemebie Dechavez Casis
Mary Beth Emmick
Emily Evans Horn
Napoleon Cabaguio Lovero II
Bimal Jayprakash Patel
Jeslyn Roy Sabol
Krystal Leigh Schulle
E. Michelle Baxter Shosa
Jacquelyn Claire Sugianto
Jamel D. Vaughn

2013 BETA SIGMA KAPPA HONOR GRADUATES

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Byron Eric Advent
Shazeen Ali
Mary Katherine Alsup
Krista Beach
Cassandra Noel Benedick
Audrey Hall Brumley
Daniel Cha
Christine Chen
Vinita Chiranand
Amalia Michelle Picus Davis
Paola Diaz
Eric Chapman Dollar
Lindsay Duarte
Lambert Duong
Shama Essa
Muriel Martinez Ferreira
Alyssa Baevich Ford
Justin Elliott Ford
Shannon Friedmeyer
Nelly Gendelman
Amanda Kanwischer Gutierrez
Nathan Thomas Hatridge

Reed Hopping
Emily Evans Horn
Sarah Rodriguez Hunter
Jaclyn Lacy Hutchins
Jason Joseph Idiculla
Alicia Kellogg
Brooke Kibel
Heather Marie Latimer
Stephanie Kim LeSage
Sarah Kwon Lee
Napoleon Cabaguio Lovero
Marcus Landon Mclean
Stephanie McMillen
Nicole Miller
Lili Ngo
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T.K. Oliver Tran
Bereket Tsegai
Tyler Jeremy Zellers

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CLINICAL EXCELLENCE SPECIALTY AWARDS

Cornea and Contact Lens

Shama Essa

Dry Eye Center

Jared Michael Decker

Medical Eye Service

Sarah Rodriguez Hunter

Low Vision

Jeslyn Roy Sabol

Medical Eye Service

Sarah Rodriguez Hunter

Optics

Courtney Danae Perry

Pediatrics

Audrey Hall Brumley

Primary Care

Alicia Ann Kellogg

Zelda Schiffman Neuro-Ophthalmology Award

Faraz Haghghi

Pontea Azandaryani Momeni

FOURTH-YEAR PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

Alcon Laboratories Excellence Award

Waqas Tufail

Canela Software 20/20 Vision Digital Acuity Software Award

Bimal Jayprakash Patel

College of Optometrists in Vision Development

Muriel Martinez Ferreira

Digital Corneal Reflex Pupilometer Award

Taylor Mark Hutchins

Eschenbach Low Vision Award

Pankil Suresh Shah

William Feinbloom Low Vision Award

Eric Chapman Dollar

Good-Lite Co. Pediatrics Award

Courtney Danae Perry

GP Lens Institute Clinical Excellence Award

Napoleon Cabaguio Lovero II

Marchon Eyewear Practice Management Award

Edward Ryan Nicholls

Metro Optics Excellence Award

Shama Essa

Ocular Instruments Award of Excellence

Courtney Danae Perry

Odyssey Dry Eye Excellence Award

Emily Evans Horn

Vistakon Award of Excellence in Contact Lens Patient Care

Bimal Jayprakash Patel

Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award

Alexander Joseph Reed

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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 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:

- 3216 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.
- 1200 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 INCLUDES:

- 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

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MILESTONES

1950s

In 1952, UHCO officially opens. Charles R. Stewart, O.D., Ph.D. is named first dean of the college.

The Foundation for Education and Research in Vision is established to increase and promote awareness of vision and its care.

UHCO graduates the first class with 11 O.D.s entering the optometric profession in 1955.

Mildred Carlile, O.D. is UHCO's first female graduate.

1960s

Faculty member Chester H. Pfeiffer, O.D., Ph.D. assumes duties as dean of the college.

The Texas Commission on Higher Education confirms the offering of optometry at UH, making the college eligible for state support.

Charles M. Stephens, O.D. becomes UHCO's 100th graduate.

1970s

The graduate program is established in physiological optics (vision science) with the MS degree in 1970 and the Ph.D. in 1972. The first MS graduate is Norman E. Leach, O.D., a current UHCO faculty member. The first Ph.D. is awarded to Pierette Dahaw-Barker, a current faculty member at Salus University.

James K. Donovan, O.D. becomes the 500th graduate.

The J. Davis Armistead Building is completed with state and federal assistance. The state-of-the-art, \$9.6 million building remains UHCO's home.

UHCO establishes a formal partnership with the Good Neighbor Healthcare Center, and on-site optometric services begin.

William R. Baldwin, O.D., Ph.D. becomes UHCO's dean.

The UHCO Reading Room becomes an official UH recognized library.

The Nelson Reber, O.D., Eye Open Golf Tournament is established to raise funds for student scholarships and emergency loans. Dr. Reber died this past October, but the tournament tradition continues every fall and is now known as the FERV Fall Classic.

1980s

Dan Patterson, O.D. becomes UHCO's 1,000th graduate.

UH Downtown formally names the vision clinic the Herbert H. Moore Vision Care Clinic in honor of the popular UHCO optometry professor.

The Texas Optometry Career Opportunities Program (TEXOCOP) is created with grant funds contributed from the US Department of Health and Human Service Administration.

1990s

Karen M. Conway, O.D. becomes the 2,000th graduate.

The Weston A. Pettey Library is dedicated to honor Dr. Pettey's tireless efforts on behalf of UHCO and the profession. The Reading Room is named to honor Dr. Irvin M. Borish for his achievements in the profession.

The college building is formally named the J. Davis Armistead Building in recognition of Dr. Armistead's enduring efforts benefitting the college, university and the profession. Dr. Armistead is known for being the optometrist to singer Buddy Holly and had a hand in selecting the famous black frames.

Jerald W. Strickland, O.D., Ph.D. is named UHCO's dean.

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2000s

Seren D. Ngin, O.D. becomes UHCO's 3,000th graduate.

UHCO caps off the 50th Anniversary celebration with a gala celebrating Visions of the Past, Present and Future.

Earl L. Smith III, O.D., Ph.D. becomes dean of the college.

UHCO and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society form an official affiliation to establish the MS Eye Care Center. The clinic is dedicated to the early diagnosis and treatment of MS, to the delivery of comprehensive eye care to patients with MS and to groundbreaking research.

UHCO debuts its Mobile Eye Institute designed specifically to provide eye care to the greater-Houston area. MEI is equipped with the latest in ophthalmic technology and brings comprehensive on-site vision services to patients in need of optometric care.

UHCO hosts a Groundbreaking Celebration on the site that will become the UH Health and Biomedical Sciences Center featuring the UHCO Vision Institute in November 2010.

The Topping Out Ceremony and pillar signing event is held to mark the occasion when construction on the new building reaches the highest point in September 2011.

Bridget Ducote Guidry, O.D. becomes the 4,000th UHCO graduate at the May 2012 graduation ceremony.

The UH Health and Biomedical Sciences Center, featuring the Molly and Doug Barnes Vision Institute, officially opens in November 2012, and the formal dedication ceremony celebrates this milestone in February 2013.

Pierette Dahaw-Barker, a current faculty member at Salus University and UHCO's first Ph.D. recipient, receives the Distinguished Alumna Award at the May 2013 commencement ceremony.

**The University of Houston College of Optometry's faculty, staff, students and alumni salute
the Class of 1963 on the 50th Anniversary of their Commencement.**

William Bauscher, O.D.
Harold Codianne, O.D.
Charles Cooper, O.D. *
Richard Diefenbaugh, O.D.
James Hartin, O.D.
Thomas Heard, O.D. *
Dr. Boyace Holland, O.D. *
Harry Liggett, O.D.
Louis Love, O.D.

Jerome McAllister, O.D.
Nelson Reber, O.D. *
Merle Schroeder, O.D.
Charles Stephens, O.D.
Ronald Swift, O.D.
Moris Treadwell, O.D. *
Jack Vaughan, O.D.
Morris Webb, O.D.
Martin Weintraub, O.D.

**deceased*

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ACADEMIC HERALDRY

The academic costume in America consists of three components: a cap, gown and hood. The cap is the beret or mortarboard type with a colored tassel (black or gold) that represents the graduate level of education-the professional doctorate.

The doctor's gown is an elaborate costume marked with velvet panels down the front and around the neck, as well as three bars on the bell-shaped sleeves. The hood design is unique to the profession of Optometry. The velvet trim of the hood is seafoam green, the color that represents the academic discipline of Optometry. The length of the hood depicts the doctoral level of education while the field of the hood is specific for the University of Houston, red with a reverse white chevron.

The hooding ceremony and the formal conferring of the degrees by the Dean or the President represent the final acts of academic endorsement by the faculty of the College and the University.

UH LAW CENTER

SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2013 · 2:00 P.M. · HOFHEINZ PAVILION

PRELUDE

Selection performed by the Houston Lyric Brass

PROCESSIONAL

Triumphal March from Aida (Verdi)

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Sung by Shari Wilkins ('93)

WELCOME AND RECOGNITION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Interim Dean Richard M. Alderman

GREETINGS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS

The Honorable Jarvis V. Hollingsworth (J.D. '93)
Vice Chair

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Renu Khator
President

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Melanie Lawson (Columbia University, J.D. '80)
News Anchor, KTRK-TV

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

President Khator

HOODING

Meredith Duncan
George Butler Research Professor of Law

Douglas Moll
Beirne, Maynard & Parsons, L.L.P.
Law Center Professor of Law

WELCOME FROM ALUMNI

Bill Jackson ('92)
President, Law Alumni Association

CLASS SPEAKER

Russell Gifford
Class of 2013

CLOSING REMARKS

Dean Alderman

RECESSIONAL

Rondeau (Mouret)

A reception in honor of the graduates will be held at the Law Center immediately following the commencement. All graduates, their guests, faculty, and other distinguished guests are cordially invited to attend.

UH LAW CENTER

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MAY 2013

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Collin Kneale Brodrick
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Peter Christie
John Ryan Cochran
Christopher Conatser
Joshua Alden Daniels
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Peter Drought Danysh
Caleb Thomas Davis
Briana Lynn Deane
Crystal Del Toro
Christopher Derrick
Justin Brian Dibbern
Annie Elizabeth Dishman
William J. DuBose
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Stephanie Marie Eberhardt
Julia Etinosa Edenaru

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Leah Martine Fiedler
Michael James Fillingame
Aman Zerizghi Fissahaie
David Emanuel Flores
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Emiliano Fragoso
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Rochelle Mercedes Garza
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Peter Joseph Giesecking
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We need alumni who are active, we need alumni who are involved, and we need alumni who take advantage of all the alumni association has to offer: show up to one of our networking events and maybe find a new job or a new client; stop by the alumni tailgate before football games to enjoy food and drinks with fellow Cougars; take advantage of discounted ticket offers to events at the Moores School of Music. Also, as a new grad, you are entitled to short-term medical insurance discounts. We make it easy for you to be an active Cougar.

As an active alumnus, not only will you receive many perks, but you'll also help put dollars back into the university – dollars to fund scholarships, dollars to hire exceptional faculty, and dollars to upgrade the image and face of our institution.

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. Being an active alumnus is one of the best ways to do that, and we promise to make you as proud of your alma mater as we are proud of you.

With Best Wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "jclarke". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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