





Letter from the Dean

Salutations and congratulations!

The past year has seen us reach many milestones in our journey together.

The 2017 class is the largest in the history of the Honors College, and with it we mark a number of firsts: the first graduates of the Honors Biomedical Sciences Program, including those who are also completing their first year of medical school; the first graduates who have participated in the Bonner Leaders Program, a service learning cohort that has transformed the way we conceive a college education; the first graduates of the new Kathrine G. McGovern College of the Arts. To these firsts we proudly add that we are graduating not one but two regents of the University of Houston System!

Shortly after the historic milestone of March 2016, the installation of the University's Phi Beta Kappa Chapter, the Honors College was invited to compete with the best honors programs and colleges at the best universities in the country. We hoped to crack the top fifty and we put that metric in our strategic plan. Not only did we make the top fifty, UH Honors was rated among the top ten in the nation, one of only two programs so recognized in Texas. At this point, no one could blame you for thinking, "We are graduates of a Tier One, Phi Beta Kappa institution and a Top Ten Honors College . . . we have arrived!"

Tremendously important milestones, to be sure, and in January the University announced another: the billion dollar "Here, We Go" campaign to make UH even better. Honors graduates engage both classic and experiential learning opportunities, the great books and grand challenges activities that will benefit from the Honors College portion of the campaign. The great books of Human Sit are augmented with the experience of service locally with community partners such as New Hope Housing and service abroad in Honduras, Haiti, and India; with study away to Taos and Santa Fe, the Mississippi Delta, and Washington, DC, and with study abroad to Britain, Ireland, Greece, Rome, Israel, Russia, Peru, Ecuador, and the Galapagos Islands. Insights developed in the lecture hall and the seminar room are enhanced by informal but indispensable learning opportunities in the form of mentored research, reading groups after hours, dinners with profs, and trips to theaters and museums that bring the honors curriculum to life.

Such engagements have given you the margin of courage, confidence, and creativity to become leaders in your fields and in your communities. Ahead of you is a lifetime of success and giving back. You made it, you are here, and the journey continues. Here, We Go.

Go, Coogs.

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

William Monroe

University of Houston
The Honors College

Convocation

Thursday, May 11, 2017, 6:30 p.m.
The Houstonian Hotel, Club, & Spa

RECEPTION	Foyer of the Grande Ballroom
WELCOME	William Monroe
GREETINGS	Paula Myrick Short
ARETÉ AWARDS	Brenda Rhoden
STUDENT GOVERNING BOARD AWARDS	Monica Marin
SALUTATIONS	Patty Godfrey
DINNER	The Grande Ballroom
PRESENTATION OF THE GRADUATES	William Monroe Paula Myrick Short Stuart Long Christine LeVeaux-Haley Brenda Rhoden
SENIOR HONORS THESIS AWARDS	Stuart Long Karen Weber
CLOSING REMARKS	William Monroe

Honors College Administration

William Monroe
Dean

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English-Creative Writing

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Biology/Biochemistry

Jeffrey Church
Political Science

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History

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Energy and Sustainability

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Biology

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Center for Public History

John Hofmeister
Energy and Sustainability

Laurie Lambeth
Medicine & Society

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English-Creative Writing

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English-Creative Writing

Peggy Lindner
Data Analytics in Student Hands

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English-Creative Writing

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English-Creative Writing

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Olivia Miljanic

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Philosophy

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Russian History

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English-Creative Writing

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University Honors with Honors in Major

Students who complete the Honors College curriculum (36 hours) and complete a senior honors thesis graduate with University Honors with Honors in Major, the highest distinction that an undergraduate can earn at the University of Houston. The thesis title follows each graduate's name.

KATHRINE G. MCGOVERN COLLEGE OF THE ARTS

Anna Montgomery
Applied Music
Josephine Lang, The Forgotten Songs
THESIS DIRECTOR: Joseph Evans

C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Cinnie Lin
Finance
Quantitative Effect of Luxury
Brand Extensions
THESIS DIRECTOR: Edward Blair

Priyanka Ajay Savant
Management Information Systems/
Supply Chain Management
The Impact of Implementing Smart
Solutions in the Oil and Gas Industry
THESIS DIRECTOR: Richard Scamell

CULLEN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Rawan Hussein Almallahi
Chemical Engineering
Degradation of Bio-Based Epoxy Resins
THESIS DIRECTOR: Megan Robertson

Vikash Patel
Chemical Engineering
Catalytic Partial Oxidation of Methane to
Synthesis Gas Over Nickel-Palladium Catalysts
THESIS DIRECTOR: Lars Grabow

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Shifa Asma Abuzaid
Political Science
Art and Activism in Palestine: An analysis of
Palestinian art as activism and cementation of
self-directed individual and collective identity
THESIS DIRECTOR: Dina Al-Sowayel

Rachel Elaine Cecil
English - Literature
"She Said Inadequately": Domestic
Anxieties and Miscommunications
in the Novels of Shirley Jackson
THESIS DIRECTOR: Aaron Reynolds

Maria Eugenia Ferreira
Liberal Studies/Political Science
Ideology and Candidate Selection in
Latin American Political Parties
THESIS DIRECTOR: Francisco Cantu

Joshua A. Freed
Political Science/Economics
Old Rome, New Rome, and New Babylon:
Comparing Founding Narratives in
Roman and Christian Historiography
THESIS DIRECTOR: Jonathan Zecher

Billy Graves
Economics/Political Science
Wage and Educational Differences Dependent
on Immigration Status: Data from Texas.
THESIS DIRECTOR: John Antel

Diana Faleh Hindi
Communication Sciences and Disorders
Speech Therapy Provision In Texas Public
Schools: An Analysis of Public Policy
THESIS DIRECTOR: Martha Dunkelberger

Samantha Nicole Noel

Communication Sciences and Disorders
Intra-Word Variability in Bilingual Children
With Hearing Loss Who Use Cochlear
Implants and Their Normal Hearing Peers
THESIS DIRECTOR: Ferenc Bunta

Deepa Raj Patel

Communication Sciences and Disorders
Comparing Differences in Expressive
Language Quantity and Quality between
School-Aged Children Playing with
Traditional and Electronic Toys
THESIS DIRECTOR: Michelle Ivey

Ariana C. Peruzzi

Philosophy/Liberal Studies
Consequentialism and the Challenge of Love
THESIS DIRECTOR: D. Justin Coates

Shane A. Smith

Economics
Asset Valuation by Major League
Baseball Executives
THESIS DIRECTOR: John Antel

Chloe Mirelle Stowell

Anthropology/Political Science
Cosmopolitanism and the Right to Education
THESIS DIRECTOR: Jeffrey Church

COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

Radhini Elizabeth Abeysekera

Honors Biomedical Sciences
Investigating the Effect of Stable
MicroRNA-509-3p Overexpression
on Osteosarcoma Migration
THESIS DIRECTOR: Preethi Gunaratne

Sareema Adnan

Honors Biomedical Sciences
Alterations in the Gut Microbiota
Can Elicit Hypertension in Rats
THESIS DIRECTOR: Dr. Robert Bryan
Jr., Baylor College of Medicine

Francisco Alejandro Blanco Bandres

Biochemical and Biophysical Sciences
Bryostatin-1 Effects on Mammalian Unc13
Isoforms in Hippocampal Derived HT22 Cells
THESIS DIRECTOR: Joydip Das

Katherine Marie-Cecile Chase

Mathematics/Geophysics
Trace Elemental Abundances in Crude
Oils from the Central Sumatra Basin
THESIS DIRECTOR: John Casey

Macey Elise Crockett

Geophysics
Ground-based hyperspectral mapping of
gold-bearing hydrothermal alteration zones
in the Goldstrike Mining District, Utah
THESIS DIRECTOR: Shuhab Khan

Maha Khalid

Honors Biomedical Sciences
SPEG Isoform β Binds Ryanodine
Receptor Type 2 Calcium Channel
THESIS DIRECTOR: Dr. Xander H. T. Wehrens,
Baylor College of Medicine

David Lankford-Bravo

Geology
Effect of the changing strike of the step-up
fault marking the continent-ocean boundary
on the structure of the overlying foldbelts
in the northwestern Gulf of Mexico
THESIS DIRECTOR: Paul Mann

Kayla Tran Mai

Biology
Effects of Nematodes on Plant Community
Diversity and Microbial Symbioses
THESIS DIRECTOR: Kerri Crawford

Fatemeh Al-Sadat Mirghassemi

Biology
From Leviticus 4 to Post-Modern Literature:
Reevaluating Sacrifice as a Lofty Framework
for Human Identity Transcending Blood Rites
THESIS DIRECTOR: Christian Eberhart

Nayana Ramachandra
Honors Biomedical Sciences
Urinary Biomarkers of Oxidative Stress and
Insulin Resistance in Childhood Obesity
THESIS DIRECTOR: Dr. Sridevi Devaraj,
Baylor College of Medicine

Beatriz H. Thames
Honors Biomedical Sciences
Comparing Coefficient of Friction
at the Fingertips Between Type II
Diabetics and Healthy Adults
THESIS DIRECTOR: Dr. Stacey Gorniak

Peter Duy Vu
Honors Biomedical Sciences
When Physicians Terminate Patients;
Assessing the Effects of Termination on
Health Disparities, the Benefits of Cultural
Competency, and Viable Solutions
THESIS DIRECTOR: Jessica Roberts

Collegiate Honors with Honors in Major

Students who complete a senior honors thesis and fulfill the requirements for the honors program in the college of their major with distinction, including 21 hours of honors courses; or by completing an Honors College minor; or by completing 21 hours of approved honors courses graduate with Collegiate Honors with Honors in Major. The thesis title follows each graduate's name.

CULLEN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Tam Nguyen
Mechanical Engineering
Investigation towards
Thermogalvanic batteries
THESIS DIRECTORS: Haleh
Ardebili and Hadi Ghasemi

Luc Hoang To
Mechanical Engineering
PI Controller Tuning for Automated
Vasopressor Drug Infusion in
Critical Patient Resuscitation
THESIS DIRECTOR: Karolos Grigoriadis

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Camila Escobar
Political Science/Religious Studies
Responding to God's Calling: The Preaching
of Purpose in Modern Christianity
THESIS DIRECTOR: Christian Eberhart

Talia Mergi
Psychology
A Correlational Study: Relationship
between role-taking measures and
academic achievement scores of
fifth and sixth grade students
THESIS DIRECTOR: Marco Mariotto

Cheryl Lauersdorf Ross
English - Literature
The Maceo Brothers: Changing Galveston
Sands to Diamonds and Gold Dust
THESIS DIRECTOR: Debbie Harwell

Membership in The Honors College with Honors in Major

Students who complete a senior honors thesis and fulfill the requirements of their major with distinction graduate with Membership in the Honors College with Honors in Major. The thesis title follows each graduate's name.

GERALD D. HINES COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

Robert Hillyard
Architecture
Detroit; The Ideal
THESIS DIRECTOR: William Truitt

KATHRINE G. MCGOVERN COLLEGE OF THE ARTS

Glen Ackerman
Music
Cross-pollination: The effects of electric instruments on jazz as an acoustic art form in the late 1960's and early 1970's
THESIS DIRECTOR: Noe Marmolejo

Derrick Coffin
Music
Punta-Rock: Breaking Down the Barriers of Bigotry and Racism
THESIS DIRECTOR: Noe Marmolejo

Mai Kolkailah
Art History
The Arts of Islamic Spain: Functionality and Virtuosity
THESIS DIRECTOR: Rex Koontz

Liia Thrasher
Art History/Anthropology
"Return to the Lord, that He may return to us.": The Crescent Moon and the Other in the Visual Language of Hieronymus Bosch
THESIS DIRECTOR: H. Rodney Nevitt

C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Aminat Muibi
Supply Chain Management/
Communications - Public Relations
The Role of Intuition in Strategic Decision Making
THESIS DIRECTOR: Dale Rude

John Ryan Reader
Finance
Commodity Price Influence in Energy M&A
THESIS DIRECTOR: Dr. Vijay Yerramilli

CULLEN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Vijay Arjun Dharmaraj
Biomedical Engineering
A Computational Model for the Development of Orientation Selectivity in Mammalian Primary Visual Cortex
THESIS DIRECTOR: Bhavin Sheth

Tarek Ghoneim
Mechanical Engineering
Effect of orientation and defects on bending deformation of Copper nanowires by molecular dynamics simulations
THESIS DIRECTOR: Yashashree Kulkarni

Munib A. Hasnain
Mechanical Engineering
Magnetic extreme icephobic surfaces
THESIS DIRECTOR: Hadi Ghasemi

John R. Prince
Mechanical Engineering
A Novel Approach to Capturing Microorganisms from the Atmosphere
THESIS DIRECTOR: Ralph Metcalfe

Minahil Binte Samee
Mechanical Engineering
Optimization of Race Track Trajectories
to Minimize Lap Completion Time
THESIS DIRECTOR: Ralph Metcalfe

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

James P. Barclay
Psychology
Age of Disclosing Gender Identity
in Transgender Youth
THESIS DIRECTOR: Carla Sharp

John Anthony Brundrett
History
Mickey Leland: Houston's Activist
and Africa's Humanitarian
THESIS DIRECTOR: Kairn Klieman

LeeAnne Carlson
English - Creative Writing
The World is No Better Than Its Places
THESIS DIRECTOR: Kimberly Meyer

Brandi Demars
English - Creative Writing
Writing in Color: How Literature
Aided in the Advancement of the Black
Lesbian Community in America
THESIS DIRECTOR: Cedric Tolliver

Christina Escamilla
English - Creative Writing
Exploring Horror Narratives in
Contemporary Literature
THESIS DIRECTOR: Sarah Ehlers

Elizabetha Stravoski
English - Literature
Reading Mark Twain's Religion
THESIS DIRECTOR: Barry Wood

Shelby L. Ivy
Psychology
The Mediating Role of Avoidance
on the Association between Social
Constraints and Psychological Distress
THESIS DIRECTOR: Qian Lu

Aminat Muibi
Communications - Public Relations/
Supply Chain Management
The Role of Intuition in Strategic
Decision Making
THESIS DIRECTOR: Dale Rude

Stephen Michael Netzley
Psychology
Linking Safety Climate to Risk Perceptions:
A Moderated Model of Accidents, Safety
Climate, and Risk Perceptions
THESIS DIRECTOR: Christiane Spitzmuller

Alex Paul
History
The First World War Hunger
Blockade of Germany
THESIS DIRECTOR: Irene Guenther

Andrew Pearson
Psychology
Understanding Obsessive and Harmonious
Passion as a Mediator between
Smartphone Use and Life Satisfaction
THESIS DIRECTOR: Clayton Neighbors

Almog Porat
Psychology
The effects of sleep extension
on adolescent impulsivity
THESIS DIRECTOR: Candice Alfano

Gloria Marissa Ramos
Communication Sciences and Disorders
Parent-Reported Beliefs, Practices, and
Outcomes of Dual Language Learning in
Hispanic and Non-Hispanic Families
THESIS DIRECTOR: Anny Castilla-Earls

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GRADUATES OF THE HONORS COLLEGE

2016 – 2017

Guadalupe Gabriel San Miguel

Psychology

Exploring Distress Tolerance as an Underlying Mechanism in the Relation Between Negative Affectivity and Anxiety/Depression Among Persons Living with HIV/AIDS

THESIS DIRECTOR: Michael Zvolensky

Chance Allen Smith

Sociology

College Students' Opinions on Salient Social Issues: Thesis, Theory, & Pilot Study

THESIS DIRECTOR: Gary Dworkin

Amy Rose Thomas

Psychology

Stress by Order: a study of the interaction between self-esteem and stress, mediated by generational status

THESIS DIRECTOR: Rheeda Walker

Liia Thrasher

Anthropology/Art History

"Return to the Lord, that He may return to us": The Crescent Moon and the Other in the Visual Language of Hieronymus Bosch

THESIS DIRECTOR: H. Rodney Nevitt

COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

Rasheed Abioye Ajala

Geophysics

Gravity-based study of flexure and crustal structure at the Niger and Mississippi deltas

THESIS DIRECTOR: Paul Mann

Evans Anware Onyango

Geophysics

Application of Spaceborne, Airborne and Ground-based Hyperspectral Imaging to Detect Methane

THESIS DIRECTOR: Shuhab Khan

Karissa S. Pepin

Geophysics

Rayleigh and Love wave phase velocity maps in Alaska from ambient noise tomography

THESIS DIRECTOR: Aibing Li

Rafael Polo Prieto

Biology

Characterization of the evolutionary dynamics of the tiger gene family in *Dictyostellium discoideum*

THESIS DIRECTOR: Elizabeth Ostrowski

Ane Slabic

Geology

U-Th-Pb Chronology of Fish Bone in Petroleum Source Rocks: An Example from the Eagle Ford Group, Texas

THESIS DIRECTOR: Thomas Lapen

Lili Zhang

Geology

Tithonian to recent, post-rift cooling and subsidence history of the southeastern margin of Brazil and correlation to Late Cretaceous-Cenozoic phases of the Andean orogeny

THESIS DIRECTOR: Paul Mann

COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

Roland Rodriguez

Mechanical Engineering Technology

A Computational Study of Pipeline Pigging

THESIS DIRECTOR: Raresh Pascali

University Honors

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Industrial Design

Benjamin Lueders
Architecture

Travis Neal Mohle
Architecture

Christine Thuy-Vi Nguyen
Architecture

John Gabriel Perez
Environmental Design

Jorge Eliezer Rebellon Blandini III
Architecture

Sarah Joy Yockey
Architecture

KATHRINE G. MCGOVERN COLLEGE OF THE ARTS

Jose A. Castejon
Music

Katherine Pepin
Theatre

Hannah C. Pitrie
Music/Applied Music

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Michael Peter Andrada
Accounting

Siddiq Bacchus
Marketing

Sarah Backer
Accounting/English - Creative Writing

Zain A. Battla
Accounting/Finance

Jonathan Scott Beilowitz
Accounting

Sakinah Omotola Bello
Accounting

Courtney Brown
Management

Elizabeth Butler
Marketing

Linda Castellanos
Marketing/Finance

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Accounting/Finance

Esha Chakrabarti
Supply Chain Management/Finance

Nicole Renae Churbock
Supply Chain Management

Christopher Scott Collum
Management Information Systems

Andrew Layton Cox
Supply Chain Management

Kylie Morgen Dawson
Accounting

Chris Dealba
Accounting

Niti Desai
Accounting

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2016 – 2017

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Marketing

Vidha Dixit
Management/Marketing

John Patrick Dowling
Entrepreneurship

Samuel Stephen Ellison
Accounting

John David Fields
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Maycie G. George
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Christopher Gervasio
Accounting

Dave Giang
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Courtney Faith Gigant
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Karina Giron
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Lauren Olivia Hauser
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Blake Hees
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Connor W. Hollis
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Anchit Rajeev Khanna
Finance

Anastasiya Evgenevna Kopteva
Marketing

Arlen Kestra L'Anglois
Supply Chain Management

Kimberly S. Lenmark
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Systems/Management

Christian Andrew Madison
Entrepreneurship

Laura K. Mahaney
Entrepreneurship/Marketing

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Alyssa Marie Michlin
Accounting

Jacqueline Montgomery
Supply Chain Management/Marketing

Cesar A. Muniz
Accounting

Iram H. Nandolia
Accounting

Noor Nemry
Management

Kim Thien Nguyen
Accounting/Finance

Leah Nguyen
Marketing/Management

Sarah M. Nguyen
Supply Chain Management/Marketing

Stacey Nguyen
Accounting

Chimere A. Nwabara
Finance

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Accounting/Finance

Javier A. Perea
Marketing

Megan Nicole Prather
Accounting /Psychology

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Management Information Systems

Jacob C. Reynolds
Management Information Systems

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Management Information Systems

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Accounting

Canyon Sanford
Management

Michael H. Scheinthal
Finance

Rohith Daya Selvarajan
Management Information Systems

Alondra Serrano
Finance

Asit Rajiv Shah
Management Information Systems/
Supply Chain Management

Kourtelynn K. Smith
Accounting

Marian R. Smith
Supply Chain Management

Aamir Syed
Supply Chain Management

Stephanie Tran
Management Information Systems

Giona Vodo
Finance

Tram Thuy Vuong
Management Information Systems

Mable Michele Wan
Entrepreneurship/Electrical Engineering

Michaela Ivory Nashae Washington
Accounting

Forest Wharton
Entrepreneurship

Amanda T. Wilkinson
Accounting

Brianna D. Williams
Supply Chain Management

Nourhan Younis
Marketing/Management

Ashti Zaidi
Accounting

Kristin Zitka
Management Information Systems

Leslie Alexandra Zorzi
Supply Chain Management

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2016 – 2017

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Abel Chacko
Health

Andrea A. Cruz
Teaching and Learning

Sabrina J. Galloway
Teaching and Learning

Amy Lu
Teaching and Learning

Yasmine Moharer-Sanaei
Health

CULLEN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Pablo Aguilar
Computer Engineering

Ashwin P. Antony
Chemical Engineering

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Civil Engineering

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Mechanical Engineering

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Chemical Engineering/Economics

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Electrical Engineering

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Marshall David Anderson
Kinesiology

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Sciences and Disorders

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English - Creative Writing

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Maha Khalid

Kyle Knight

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