



University of Houston Spring 2022 Commencement

College of Pharmacy

Thursday, May 12, 2022 • Cullen Performance Hall





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Message from the President

May 12, 2022

Dear University of Houston Graduates,

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

Over your college journey, you've grown in knowledge and skill, character and stature. Reaching this cherished milestone is a testament to your resilience and tenacity. Having done so in a pandemic shows your strength and resolve. I have no doubt these same attributes will serve you well as you make your mark in the world. You leave here today educated, equipped and prepared to succeed.

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

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

With my best wishes for a bright future, Go Coogs!

Warmest regards,

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

Renu Khator
President



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Message from the Provost

Congratulations, Cougars!

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

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

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

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

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

Warm regards,

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

Paula Myrick Short
Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost

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University of Houston System

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COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

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University of Houston History



The University of Houston was established as the Houston Junior College in 1927. As the college grew, it prospered and officially became the four-year University of Houston in 1934. Two years later, the college attained land for a permanent campus, and in 1939 it constructed its first building, the Roy G. Cullen Building. The University became a state institution in 1963.

The University includes 15 academic colleges, one school and the multidisciplinary Honors College that teach a wide array of subjects – from math, arts and engineering to law, pharmacy and business. What started as a campus with a single building has grown into a world-class university, offering more than 270 undergraduate and graduate programs to more than 47,000 students annually.

UH is a Carnegie-designated Tier One public research university, and its public service and community activities, such as cultural offerings, clinical services, policy studies and small business initiatives, serve a diverse metropolitan population. Likewise, the resources of the Gulf Coast Region complement and enrich the University's academic programs, providing students with professional expertise, practical experience and career opportunities.

In keeping with the University's commitment to excellence, UH raised the benchmark of academic achievement when Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest and most prestigious academic honor society, awarded UH the approval to start a chapter in 2015. This designation welcomed UH to an elite group of the nation's most esteemed colleges and universities.

Commencement Traditions

Academic costumes of today have a history of nearly eight centuries. In medieval Europe, all townspeople wore long flowing robes and gowns. The materials and colors were governed by royal decree. Gradually, distinctive gowns were developed for the various professions, trades and guilds. Scholars wore robes and hoods to protect their shaved heads. Later, skullcaps were worn on the head, and the hoods became a cape that could be pulled over the head during unpleasant weather.

As additional universities were founded, distinctive forms of the gown and hood were adapted by their faculties for bachelor's (apprentices of the arts), master's (teachers) and doctoral (teachers who had completed postgraduate studies). When caps and hats came into fashion in the 15th century, the hoods became ornamental, draped over the shoulders and down the back.

The academic hat was first worn as a symbol of the master's degree and existed in various forms. The mortarboard style comes to us from Oxford University. When academic costumes came to America in 1754, styles were quite varied. In Europe, they still are; however, in our country, usage has been standardized by the Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume.

GERALD D. HINES COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Violet</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Violet Tassel: Black</i>

KATHRINE G. MCGOVERN COLLEGE OF THE ARTS

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Brown</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Brown Hood (Music): Pink Tassel: Black</i>
Doctoral Degree	<i>Hood: Pink Tassel: Red</i>

C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Dark Blue</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Drab Tassel: Black</i>
Doctoral Degree	<i>Hood: Dark Blue Tassel: Red</i>

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Light Blue</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Light Blue Tassel: Black</i>
Doctoral Degree	<i>Hood (Ed.D.): Light Blue Hood (Ph.D.): Dark Blue Tassel: Red</i>

CULLEN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Orange</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Orange Tassel: Black</i>
Doctoral Degree	<i>Hood: Dark Blue Tassel: Red</i>

CONRAD N. HILTON COLLEGE OF GLOBAL HOSPITALITY LEADERSHIP

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Navy</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Navy, Red and White Tassel: Black</i>
Doctoral Degree	<i>Hood: Dark Blue Tassel: Red</i>

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UH LAW CENTER

Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Purple Tassel: Black</i>
Doctoral Degree	<i>Hood: Purple Tassel: Red</i>

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Citron</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Citron Tassel: Black</i>
Doctoral Degree	<i>Hood: Dark Blue Tassel: Red</i>

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

Doctor of Medicine Degree	<i>Hood: Kelly Green Tassel: Red</i>
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COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Golden Yellow</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Golden Yellow Tassel: Black</i>
Doctoral Degree	<i>Hood: Dark Blue Tassel: Red</i>

COLLEGE OF NURSING

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Apricot</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Apricot Tassel: Black</i>

COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY

Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Gold Tassel: Black</i>
Doctor of Philosophy Degree	<i>Hood: Royal Blue Tassel: Red</i>
Doctor of Optometry Degree	<i>Hood: Seafoam Green Tassel: Red</i>

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Olive</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Olive Tassel: Black</i>
Doctor of Philosophy Degree	<i>Hood: Royal Blue Tassel: Red</i>
Doctor of Pharmacy Degree	<i>Hood: Olive Tassel: Red</i>

GRADUATE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Citron Tassel: Black</i>
Doctoral Degree	<i>Hood: Citron Tassel: Red</i>

COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

Bachelor's Degree	<i>Tassel: Maroon</i>
Master's Degree	<i>Hood: Maroon Tassel: Black</i>

HOBBY SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Master's Degree:	<i>Hood: Peacock Blue Tassel: Peacock Blue</i>
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Ceremonial Symbols



THE SEAL

Throughout history, seals have been used to authenticate official documents. The University of Houston and UH System seals both bear the Official Seal of Arms of General Sam Houston, as handed down to him from his noble ancestors. It includes the escutcheon in the center of the seal — consisting of checkered chevrons denoting nobility — and three martlets, gentle lowland birds that symbolize peace and deliverance. A winged hourglass is placed above the shield. Surmounting this is the motto “In Tempore,” meaning “In Time.” The greyhounds indicate speed of giving aid. The UH seal was first adopted in 1938 as the present campus was established. Although the look of the seal has evolved over the years, the first version was etched into the floor of the Roy G. Cullen Building.



UNIVERSITY MACE

The University Mace, which is carried in academic processions, is a staff symbolizing the University’s authority and unity. The tradition of the academic mace began in the late 14th century when two ancient instruments, the royal scepter and the battle mace, were combined to form a university president’s symbol of authority.

THE ALMA MATER

All hail to thee,
 Our Houston University.
 Our hearts fill with gladness
 When we think of thee.
 We’ll always adore thee
 Dear old varsity.
 And to thy memory cherished,
 True we’ll ever be.

Words and music by Harmony Class of 1942

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Academic Honors

Academic honors are based on the requirements of the catalog year students entered the University. The final designation for honors is determined by the Provost's Office upon final completion of all degree requirements.

Undergraduates who have graduated with the stated academic honors have achieved the following grade point averages earned in the last 54 hours completed at the University of Houston.

3.90 TO 4.0 Summa Cum Laude (with Highest Honors)

3.70 TO 3.89 Magna Cum Laude (with High Honors)

3.50 TO 3.69 Cum Laude (with Honors)

This roster does not include the names of degree holders who chose to withhold information under the Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act.

Summa Cum Laude – 4.0 GPA Graduates

The following graduates are recognized for achieving Summa Cum Laude with a 4.0 cumulative grade point average while also completing their degree within four years of starting their first semester in college at the University of Houston.

FALL 2021

Ryan Chang
Bachelor of Science in Biology
COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

Rabia Gadrab
*Bachelor of Business Administration
in Supply Chain Management*
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Julia Nguyen
*Bachelor of Business Administration in Supply Chain
Management*
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Kelly Nguyen
Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Kimberly Nguyen
*Bachelor of Business Administration
in Supply Chain Management*
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Jacob Olsen
*Bachelor of Business Administration
in Supply Chain Management*
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Precious Amber Vargas
*Bachelor of Business Administration
in Supply Chain Management*
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Istvan Wang
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

Shehzad Yousaf
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

SPRING 2022

Hanan AbdelGilil
Bachelor of Science in Biology
COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

Polina Maksimovna Bandrovskaya
Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Alex R. Botelho
Bachelor of Science in Teaching and Learning
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Alexander Xavier Eddings
*Bachelor of Business Administration
in Supply Chain Management*
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Zoe Elliot Hearnberger
*Bachelor of Business Administration
in Supply Chain Management*
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Roger M. Hoang
Bachelor of Science in Hotel and Restaurant Management
CONRAD N. HILTON COLLEGE OF
GLOBAL HOSPITALITY LEADERSHIP

Tammy Thanhtam Lam
Bachelor of Science in Mathematics
COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

Ana Crystelle Angela Manda
*Bachelor of Business Administration
in Management Information Systems*
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Alexandria D. Martinez
Bachelor of Science in Hotel and Restaurant Management
CONRAD N. HILTON COLLEGE OF
GLOBAL HOSPITALITY LEADERSHIP

Rachel Thao-Mi Pham
*Bachelor of Business Administration
in Management Information Systems*
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Sebastian Poggi
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Kristen N. Rollins
Bachelor of Science in Communication Disorders
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Giovani Solis
Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

David Andrei Tatchin
Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting
C. T. BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Morgan E. Thomas
Bachelor of Arts in History
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Alina Mai Thao To
Bachelor of Science in Biochemical and Biophysical Sciences
COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

Jorge L. Vaca
Bachelor of Science in Economics
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Honorary Degree



KATHRINE G. MCGOVERN

A lover of arts and the humanities, Kathrine G. McGovern is an exemplar of a life well-lived in service to others. The John P. McGovern Foundation, which she and her late husband Dr. John P. McGovern established, is a legendary philanthropic institution in Houston. Through its magnanimous support, the foundation has transformed the city's arts, health care, park and higher education systems for the benefit of all Houstonians.

From 1957 to 1961, McGovern studied art and design at the University of Houston under noted professor and Texas artist Don Snell. Although she made the difficult decision to leave the University to marry Dr. McGovern before completing her degree, her passion for the arts never ceased. In the

1960s, she continued her studies at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston under renowned Texas painter Dorothy Hood and became an accomplished painter in her own right.

She believes "the arts play a very vital role in our society as artists convey their interpretations of beauty, performance and concept to the viewer, often opening minds to new appreciations of the world around us." Motivated by her lifelong love for the arts and UH, in January 2017, she gave a historic \$20 million gift to create a permanent endowment for the University's newly established College of the Arts. In recognition of the transformational gift, UH renamed the college the Kathrine G. McGovern College of the Arts and McGovern made history by becoming the first alumna and first woman at UH to have a college bear her name. The gift was one of two leading, eight-figure gifts in the \$1.24 billion "Here, We Go" campaign and is one of the three largest gifts to the visual and performing arts in the history of the University.

She has served as president of The John P. McGovern Foundation since her husband's passing in 2007 and is always looking to the future with a focused interest in improving the quality of life throughout Houston. In addition to UH, McGovern has given generous support to The University of Texas Health Science Center; The Houston Zoo; The Ronald McDonald House; the Houston Parks Board; The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston; and individuals and families in need throughout the Houston and Galveston region, among others.

The Doctor of Humane Letters degrees, honoris causa, given for exemplary service to the University of Houston or society at large, is the highest honor UH can bestow.







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COLLEGE of PHARMACY

Message from the Dean

Dear Graduates,

On behalf of the University of Houston College of Pharmacy family, I extend a sincere congratulations and best of luck to the College's Class of 2022. You have been exceptional representatives of the College and University. I have no doubt that you will continue to serve as worthy ambassadors for the college by building upon our reputation for excellence.

I believe that graduates of the College of Pharmacy are unique in that, regardless of your chosen area of practice, all of you have the opportunity to enrich the lives of those around you. As you embark upon and progress through your careers, I urge you to always remember why you chose your respective field and the sacrifices that you endured in order to make it happen: to serve our communities and improve the quality of life and health of its members with compassion, honesty and integrity.

I would also like to give special thanks to the parents, spouses, children and friends of our graduates for their patience, understanding, sacrifices and support – both moral and financial - during these challenging, but rewarding, years at the college. Although your guidance, comfort and encouragement certainly will continue to be sought and appreciated in the years to come, you can rejoice in the gradual return to “normalcy” with no more long nights of studying, get-togethers unattended and trips untaken. Yet, even more so, you can relish the shared feeling of pride in what your graduate has accomplished and the abundant opportunities ahead.

In the coming years, I would ask that you not forget your College, former professors, and fellow and future Cougars. I encourage you to not only give back to the College by supporting College activities, programs and scholarships, but also by keeping us updated on the many achievements you will experience in your careers and personal lives. We will always take great pride in your achievements.

Congratulations again to the graduates of our professional and graduate programs. The entire UH College of Pharmacy Family is very proud of you.

Take care,

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

F. Lamar Pritchard, Ph.D.
Dean

University of Houston
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PROCESSIONAL	Pomp and Circumstance: March 1 <i>Sir Edward Elgar</i>
NATIONAL ANTHEM	Moore School of Music
COMMENCEMENT MARSHALS	Elizabeth Coyle <i>Associate Dean for Academic Affairs</i> Louis Williams <i>Associate Professor</i>
GOLDEN COUGARS CLASS OF 1972	Sylvia Davila, Ben Fry, Albert Garcia, Patsy Glantzberg, Larry McClagherty, Richard McNurlen, Gary Pillers, Evelyn Shelton
BANNER BEARER CANDIDATES	Leah H. Kobeissi Jason Levy Kush P. Modashia Summer K. Naser
PLATFORM PARTY	
WELCOME	F. Lamar Pritchard <i>Dean</i>
STUDENT RESPONSE	Erin Montejo <i>Pharm.D. Candidate</i>
PRESENTATION OF PH.D. CANDIDATES	Dean Pritchard
CONFERRING OF PH.D. DEGREES	Dean Pritchard
PRESENTATION OF M.S. CANDIDATES	Dean Pritchard
CONFERRING OF M.S. DEGREES	Dean Pritchard
RECOGNITION OF HONORS	Paige Pitman <i>Executive Associate Dean</i>
PRESENTATION OF PHARM.D. CANDIDATES	Dean Pritchard
CONFERRING OF PHARM.D. CANDIDATES	Dean Pritchard
RECOGNITION OF GOLDEN COUGARS CLASS OF 1972	Dean Pritchard
OATH OF A PHARMACIST	Executive Associate Dean Pitman
RECESSIONAL	

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.

Spring 2021 - Graduate

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICS

Ashley Nguyen

Pharmacokinetics and
Pharmacodynamics of Riluzole in Acute
Spinal Cord Injury Patients

ADVISOR: Dr. Diana S-L. Chow

Summer 2021 – Graduates

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICAL HEALTH OUTCOMES AND POLICY

Ee Vien Low

Physical and Mental Health Among
Mexican American Children and
Adolescents Living On The Texas-Mexico
Border

ADVISOR: Dr. Hua Chen

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICS

Sujit Biswas

Nose-to-Brain Delivery and
Pharmacokinetics of Lapatinib
Nanoemulsions Targeting HER-2 Positive
Breast Cancer Brain Metastases

ADVISOR: Dr. Xinli Liu

Dinh Truong Bui

Biopharmaceutical and Pharmacokinetic
Studies of a Botanical Drug – Antitumor
B – as a Chemopreventive Agent Against
Oral Cancer

ADVISOR: Dr. Ming Hu

Kwang Bog Cho

Histone Variant H2A.Z.1 Promotes
Proliferation and Invasion of Lung
Cancer Cells

ADVISOR: Dr. Bin Guo

Xiang Gao

Cancer Preventive Agent 3,3' –
Diindolylmethane Inhibits MDM2 in
Colorectal Cancer

ADVISOR: Dr. Bin Guo

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACOLOGY

Nicole Prodan

Direct Reprogramming of Myocytes
into Cardiac Purkinje-like Cells for the
Treatment of Heart Failure

ADVISOR: Dr. Bradley McConnell

Craig Thomas Vollert

The Effect of Heterozygous Loss of
Progranulin on Alzheimer's Disease

ADVISOR: Dr. Jason Eriksen

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACOLOGY, MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY CONCENTRATION

Seunghoon Lee

Inosine-5'-Monophosphate
Dehydrogenase and Aspartyl Protease
Inhibitors for Cryptosporidium Parvum

ADVISOR: Dr. Greg Cuny

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

Alexis Nicholle Hicks

Anh Thuy Phan

Caroline Elizabeth Smith

Fall 2021 – Graduates

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICAL HEALTH OUTCOMES AND POLICY

Benjamin Lewing ⁴

Understanding Inadequate Care During
Management of Type-2 Diabetes
Mellitus: Examining Patient and Health
System Factors

ADVISOR: Dr. Sujit Sansgiry

Prajakta Masurkar ⁴

Adverse Outcome Associated with
Individual Cholinesterase Inhibitors in
Older Adults with Dementia

ADVISOR: Dr. Rajender Aparasu

Abhishek Anil Nair

Opioid Analgesic Utilization in Pediatric
Population with Acute Pain

ADVISOR: Dr. Hua Chen

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICS

Westley Davis Eure

Pharmacokinetics and
Pharmacodynamics of Riluzole and
Etoricoxib Combination Therapy in
Traumatic Brain Injury

ADVISOR: Dr. Diana S-L. Chow

Li Li

Selective Cyclooxygenase-2 Inhibitors
and Familial Adenomatous Polyposis
(FAP): Investigation of Colonic COX-2
as a Target for Chemoprevention in
Pirc Rats

ADVISOR: Dr. Ming Hu

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACOLOGY

Emilio Yaroslav Lucero Garcia Rojas

Fusion Proteins as Selective Inducers
of Constitutive Activity and Tools to
Discriminate the Biased Signaling Profile
of β 2 Adrenoceptor Ligands

ADVISOR: Dr. Richard Bond and
Dr. Bradley McConnell

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACOLOGY, MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY CONCENTRATION

Elise M. Waldron-Young ⁴

Pyridopyrimidinones as Cryptosporidium
parvum Calcium Dependent Protein
Kinase 1 (CpCDPK1) Inhibitors

ADVISOR: Dr. Greg Cuny

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHARMACOLOGY

Wei Zhao

Acid Sphingomyelinase Deficiency
Prevents AdipoRon-induced
Transcription Factor EB activation
and Differentiation in Arterial Smooth
Muscle Cells

ADVISOR: Dr. Yang Zhang

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

Jolie Quyen Nguyen

¹ Summa Cum Laude Honors – ² Magna Cum Laude Honors – ³ Cum Laude Honors

⁴ Rho Chi Academic Honor Society – ⁵ Phi Lambda Sigma Leadership Society – ⁶ College Banner Bearer

Spring 2022 – Candidates for Graduation

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICAL HEALTH OUTCOMES AND POLICY

Suma Gopinathan

Aromatase Inhibitors and
Musculoskeletal Symptoms: Prevalence,
Predictors, and Impact on Adherence
and Persistence to Therapy Among Older
Women with Early-stage HR+/HER2-
Breast Cancer

ADVISOR: Dr. Michael Johnson

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACOLOGY

Elizabeth Alana Gray

Nepriylsin Inhibition in Combination
with AT2R Agonist Provides Novel Reno-
protective Approach

ADVISOR: Dr. Tahir Hussain

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHARMACEUTICS

Guanyu Tao

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Rho Chi



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.

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

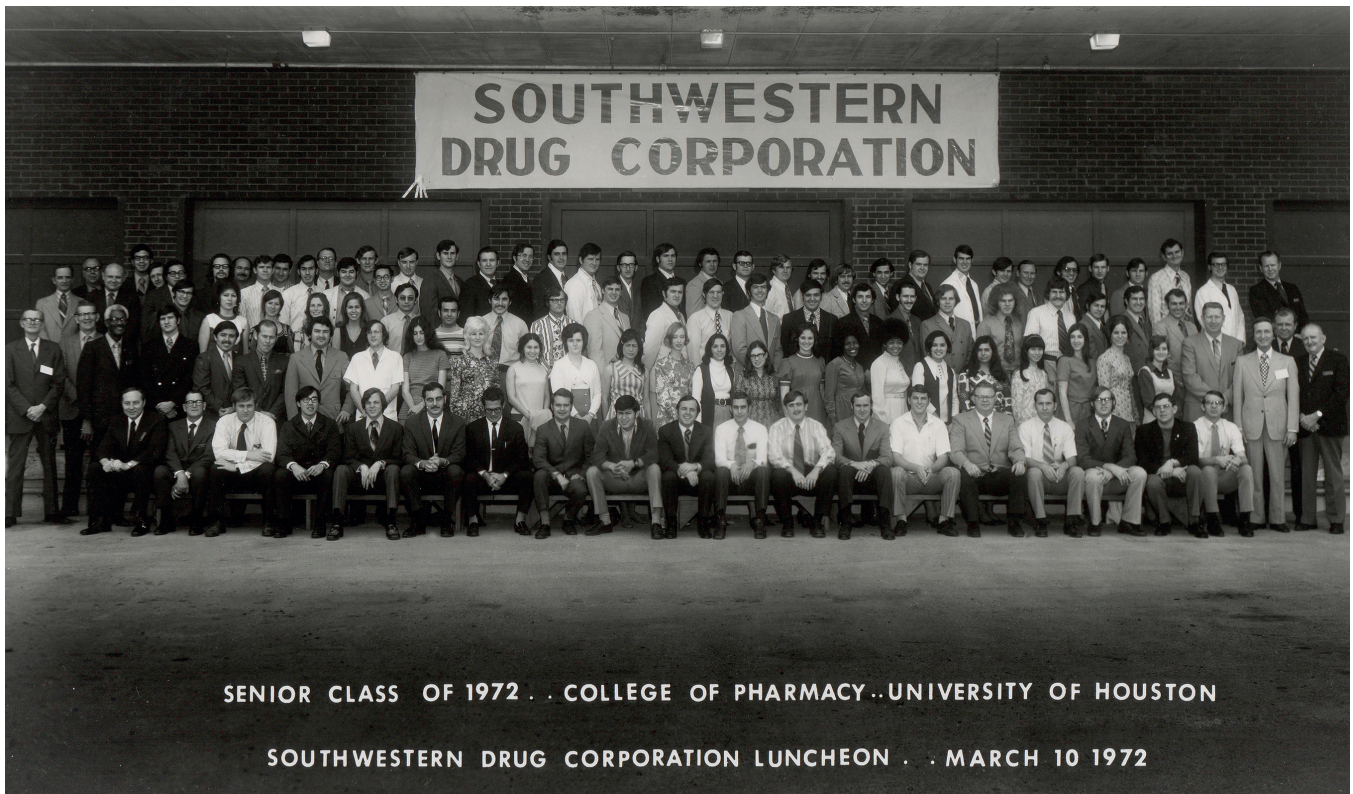
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Congratulations 2022 Graduates!

Let me be the first to welcome you to the UH Alumni Association (UHAA). You are joining a global network of over 300,000 Cougars. With your participation, we can only grow stronger. As you embark on this next chapter, know that UHAA is here to help you stay connected with your beloved alma mater. From volunteering, joining a group, coming to events, to becoming a Life Member, the opportunities to engage are endless. To get started, click on the QR code below and make a gift in honor of the Class of 2022 so you

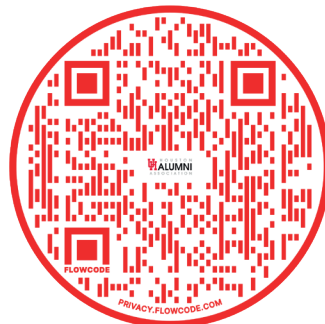
can enjoy all the activities that soon await you. In the meantime, enjoy this moment and continue to soar. True we'll ever be and Go Coogs!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Drue DaSilva".

Drue DaSilva ('93, M.S. '99)

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