SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY
COMMENCEMENT FALL 2016
BERNARD G. JOHNSON COLISEUM

The Platform Party enters first; the faculty enter in the following order:

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2016
Morning Ceremony • 9:30 am
COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Dr. Raymond Teske will be Mace Bearer.
Ms. Penny Hasekoester will introduce the graduates.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2016
Morning Ceremony • 9:30 am
COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS AND MASS COMMUNICATION
Dr. Donald Bumpass will be Mace Bearer.
Dr. Michael Pass will introduce the graduates.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2016
Afternoon Ceremony • 2:30 pm
COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES
Dr. Max Coleman will be Mace Bearer.
Dr. G. Kevin Randall will introduce the graduates.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2016
Afternoon Ceremony • 2:30 pm
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
Dr. Jerry Bruce will be Mace Bearer.
Dr. Donna Desforges will introduce the graduates.

Presiding • Richard F. Eglsaer, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

PROCESSIONAL

Pomp & Circumstance [Edward Elgar] ................................................................. SHSU Brass and Percussion Ensemble
Aric Schneller, Conductor  • Wesley Lawrence, Song Leader

The audience will stand for Posting of the Colors and remain standing respectfully until the ROTC Color Guard has exited the auditorium.

Posting of the Colors ......................................................................................... SHSU ROTC Color Guard

The Star Spangled Banner [Text: Francis Scott Key, Music: John Stafford Smith] .................................. Wesley Lawrence, Song Leader

Introduction of the Speaker ................................................................................. Dana G. Hoyt, President, Sam Houston State University

Commencement Address • Friday, December 9, 2016................................................................. Nan McRaven
Commencement Address • Saturday, December 10, 2016 .......................................................... Kenneth R. Ross

Alma Mater [Allen R. Hightower III/Anonymous] .......................................................... Wesley Lawrence, Song Leader

Conferring of Degrees .......................................................................................... Dana G. Hoyt, President, Sam Houston State University

Remarks to the Graduates .................................................................................. Roland Black, President, Alumni Board of Directors

Auld Lang Syne [Robert Burns] .............................................................................. Wesley Lawrence, Song Leader

RECESSIONAL

Rondeau .................................................................................................................. Wesley Lawrence, Song Leader

Audience seated for Processional and Recessional
As a courtesy, please refrain from using noise makers during the graduation ceremony.
MESSA GE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Graduate,

We at Sam Houston State University are pleased and honored to share such a wonderful milestone with you today. Your degree represents a significant accomplishment in your life, and I congratulate you on the attainment of this goal.

When you first began your college career, I’m sure you had dreams of what you wanted to achieve. Your degree is tangible evidence of your success in making those dreams reality, and we are happy to have been a part of your education. We hope your association with us will continue, and as an alumnus you will feel the same pride for our university that you felt when you were here as a student.

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DR. NAN MCRAVEN

Dr. Nan McRaven, owner of McRaven Consulting, a public relations and governmental affairs firm in Austin, has more than 25 years of experience in communications, media and public affairs, government relations, strategic issues management, public policy development and advocacy, and fundraising.

She also has served for 13 years on the Austin Community College’s Board of Trustees, helping to lead the college through many changes and making it one of the premier colleges in Texas.

Dr. McRaven earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in government from SHSU, Master of Public Affairs degree and doctorate from The University of Texas at Austin, graduating in 2015 from the Community College Leadership Program.

While at SHSU in the early 1970s, Dr. McRaven was president of the Delta Kappa chapter of Alpha Chi Omega. In 1972, she was a recipient of the Pennybacker Award, presented to an outstanding student.

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Before starting her firm, Dr. McRaven held positions in the private, non-profit and governmental sectors, including Texas state director of The Trust for Public Land; senior director of Freescale Semiconductor; vice president of communications and public affairs for Motorola, Inc.; vice president of the Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce; personnel and budget director for Travis County.

She also worked with the Breast Cancer Project and the Breast Cancer Resource Center to bring representatives together to share information and best practices. Because of her hard work and dedication, she was appointed to the BCRC board, where for three years she helped to raise the group’s visibility in the community.

KENNETH R. ROSS

Kenneth R. Ross, an agent with State Farm Insurance, was appointed by former Texas Gov. Rick Perry to the board of the Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority in 2008.

A family man and community leader, Ross has dedicated his life to various service organizations.

The SHSU Alumni Association is a member of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors; 100 Black Men of America, Inc.; a life member of Alpha Phi Alpha; and a founding member of the 100 Black Men of Houston Metropolitan, which mentors young African American males.

He has served on the board of directors for the El Dorado Social Club, which provides food and toys during Christmas to families in the Fifth Ward area. His accolades include 2015 Congressional recognition for outstanding service, being voted “Best Business Entrepreneur” in La Marque from 2009-2015 and inclusion in the June 2011 Texas Monthly for his “Professionalism in Auto and Home Insurance.”

In 2015, he was recommended by Texas representatives to be appointed to the board of the Harris County Northwest Municipal Utilities District No. 20.

The academic costume worn at official functions today originated in the Middle Ages, when a warm gown and hood were useful to university scholars and clerics in unheated buildings. Through the years, in the growth in the number of universities caused confusion about the proper regalia so a Code on Academic Costume was established. Today, The American Council on Education reviews and updates these traditions.

The four-sided mortarboard is recommended for both men and women. The cap is always black and should match the material of the robe.

Gowns are generally black. The bachelor’s gown is simple, with long pointed sleeves. The master’s gown will have either long sleeves with narrow wrist opening or long sleeves with the hand emerging from the sleeve at elbow length. The doctor’s gown is fullest in cut with velvet panels down the front and around the neck, as well as three velvet bars on the bell-shaped sleeves.

Length of the hood represents degree level: the master’s hood is three and one-half feet long and the doctor’s hood is four feet long. The velvet trim on the edge of the hood is three inches wide for the master’s degree and five inches wide for the doctor’s degree. The color indicates the field of study. A color or pattern between the trim indicates the university awarding the degree.

which he was instrumental in getting the Student Health and Counseling Center building named after the first African American administrator, William R. Powell.

HOOD TRIM COLORS INDICATE THE FOLLOWING FIELDS:

MAIZE AGRICULTURE
WHITE ARTS, LETTERS, HUMANITIES
DRAB BUSINESS, ACCOUNTING, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
GRAY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION
LILAC DENTISTRY
COPPER ECONOMICS
LIGHT BLUE EDUCATION
ORANGE ENGINEERING
BURGUNDY FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES
GOLDEN YELLOW SCIENCE
MAIZE AGRICULTURE
CREAM SOCIAL SCIENCE
SAGE GREEN HEALTH AND KINESIOLOGY
CRIMSON JOURNALISM
PURPLE LAW
LEMON LIBRARY SCIENCE
GREEN MEDICINE
PINK MUSIC
APRICOT NURSING
SEA FOAM GREEN OPTOMETRY
SILVER GRAY ORATORY (SPEECH)
OLIVE GREEN PHARMACY
BLUE PHILOSOPHY
PEACOCK BLUE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION & FOREIGN SERVICE
SALMON PINK PUBLIC HEALTH
HOT PINK PSYCHOLOGY
GOLDEN YELLOW SCIENCE
CREAM SOCIAL SCIENCE
CITRON SOCIAL WORK
SCARLET THEOLOGY
GRAY VETERINARY SCIENCE
Veterans and military members with a specially designed undergraduate academic excellence receive a gold cord at
To reflect their achievement, graduates who have earned
minimum of thirty-two semester hours earned in residence
Cum Laude reflect an outstanding grade point average with a
Degrees conferred Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, and Summa
Laude, Cum Laude, With Academic Distinction, Alpha Chi,
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BACCALAUREATE GRADUATION WITH SPECIAL RECOGNITION

To reflect their achievement, graduates who have earned undergraduate academic excellence receive a gold cord at
graduation plus an appropriate notation on their academic
transcript. The gold cord indicates one of the following academic achievements: Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum
Laude, Cum Laude, With Academic Distinction, Alpha Chi, and
Honors Program.

Degrees conferred Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, and Summa
Laude reflect an outstanding grade point average with a
minimum of thirty-two semester hours earned in residence
(residential classroom instruction). The distinction and
corresponding grade point averages are: Cum Laude 3.50 - 3.66;
Magna Cum Laude 3.67 - 3.85; Summa Cum Laude 3.86 - 4.00.
The Department Academic Distinction Program is an
individualized learning experience that provides qualified
students with a comprehensive introduction to meaningful
research under the guidance of a designated faculty advisor.

Alpha Chi, a national honor society organized to recognize and
promote scholastic excellence, is open to all University seniors
graduating with a bachelor’s degree who have met the following
requirements:

1. Have completed the requirements for a baccalaureate degree at
Sam Houston State University.
2. Maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.50 on all college-level course work.
3. Participate in the academic honors program.
4. Complete at least 60 semester hours of undergraduate course work at Sam Houston State University.
5. Be in good academic standing with no grade lower than a C in any course.
6. Have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.50.
7. Be a full-time student.
8. Be in good standing with the Student Affairs Office.

GUIDELINES FOR GUESTS

Commencement is a significant and solemn event, the occasion of a lifetime for many students. To make it meaningful for all guests, participants are requested to avoid all unnecessary conversation and movement during the exercises.

Only the official photographer is allowed on the floor in the stage area.

Candidates will cross the stage as listed on the program.

Veteran designation on the left. On behalf of the entire Sam Houston State University community, President Dana G. Hoyt and the SHSU Administrative Officers extend their deepest gratitude and congratulations to these graduates.

HONOR GRADUATES

Numerals Denote Academic Honors as of the 12th Day of Graduation of Fall 2016
1 = Summa Cum Laude 2 = Magna Cum Laude 3 = Honors with Highest Honors/College 4 = Honors with College 5 = Honors in Academic Distinction in an Academic Discipline

Academic honors are designated only for undergraduate students completing their baccalaureate degree.

The only honors recognized on-stage at commencement are Latin Honors, Honors College, and Academic Distinction in a specific discipline.

The list includes all students who applied through 10/21/2016

Records protected by Confidentiality are not listed.
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College of Business Administration congratulate you on this significant milestone. Please stay in contact with us and the many friends you have made during your time at SHSU. The faculty and staff at Sam Houston is a great name in education and we are proud that you have joined the thousands of quality graduates who are fulfilling their dreams. Please provide you with many opportunities to position yourself to help your family, friends, and society as well as gain financial independence. Pursue your professional dreams, please remember to seek a balance in your life and pursue excellence. The pursuit of excellence will continue to play a prominent role in your life. Your ability to learn, your work ethic, your willingness to be a productive member of a team, your acceptance of constructive criticism, and your communication and interpersonal skills will serve as a solid foundation for a successful career.

Today’s commencement marks the end of one journey and the beginning of another. As you pursue your professional dreams, please remember to seek a balance in your life and pursue excellence. The pursuit of excellence will provide you with many opportunities to position yourself to help your family, friends, and society as well as gain financial independence. Sam Houston is a great name in education and we are proud that you have joined the thousands of quality graduates who are fulfilling their dreams. Please stay in contact with us and the many friends you have made during your time at SHSU. The faculty and staff at the College of Business Administration congratulate you on this significant milestone.

Dr. Mitchell J. Muehsam, Dean

DEGREES AWARDED IN THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Accounting BBA, MS
Banking and Financial Institutions BBA, MBA
Business Administration MBA
Economics BBA
Entrepreneurship BBA
Finance BBA
General Business Administration BBA
Human Resource Management BBA
International Business BBA
Management BBA
Management Information Systems BBA
Marketing BBA
Project Management MS

The globe represents the international economy and the development of international trade and exchange. The handshake represents the human commitment to teamwork, leadership, diversity, and ethical business practices. The bar and line graphs represent the financial markets and the use of data in the pursuit of quality, efficiency, and effectiveness.

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Congratulations on this important milestone. If credit for this accomplishment is shared in some way by your parents, spouse, significant other, or children—as so often is the case—congratulations are extended to them as well. As suggested by the term, “commencement,” you are now about to go forth in the world and begin the next chapter of your life’s journey. Equipped with knowledge from your chosen field in criminal justice and your critical thinking skills, you are prepared to chart your own course as 100,000 Sam Houston State University alumni before you have done.

You are undertaking that journey at a truly remarkable time. Buckminster Fuller determined that, in the early 1900s, human knowledge doubled every 25 years. Now it doubles every 13 months. Many of the textbooks you purchased when you started your program are already out of date. The earth beneath our feet is spinning at 1,000 miles per hour, but gravity allows us to keep up without effort. The same cannot be said of our understanding of the world and the people who inhabit it.

On behalf of the other faculty and staff of the College of Criminal Justice, I wish you happiness and success in what lies ahead. We will always consider you to be one of ours and hope you will always consider us to be yours.

Dr. Phillip M. Lyons Jr., Dean

DEGREES AWARDED IN THE COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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The scale represents the spirit of the Latin proverb, Jus est ars boni et aequi, Justice the art of the good and fair. The oak bough with 16 leaves symbolizes strength, while the olive branch with 20 leaves represents peace. The number of leaves recalls the year, 1620, when the pilgrims signed the Mayflower Compact, the first American political document, whose purpose was to preserve order by means of the principle of rule of law.

DOCTORAL DEGREE
Mary Elizabeth Smith, PhD
Age-Graded Thrill Seeking, Camouflage, and Informal Social Control Among the Clients of Street Prostitutes
Chair: Dr. Jurg Gerber
Committee Members: Dr. Leana A. Bouffard, Dr. Janet Mullings

BACHELOR DEGREES
Patricio Acevedo, BS
Daniela Marie Aguive, BS
Lauren Ashley Alesna, BS
Densil P. Alas, BS
Ethan William Allen, BS
Bryan Almaraz, BS
Mercedes Gabriella Alvarado, BS
Mansol Ana Alvarez, BS
Erica Natalie Amaya, BS
Melisa Gayle Appleton, BS
Nathaniel Lee Arnold, BS
Jodi Lynn Atkinson, BS
Alessandra Aviles, BA
Amanda Vanessa Baboolal, BS
Kelsea Jeanette Baker, BS
Lindsey Reed Baker, BS
Shelby Dana Barger, BS
Cade Michael Barlow, BS
Charnelle Barnes, BS
Chelsea Danielle Belfano, BS
Angelica Michelle Benavides, BA
Ashley Nicole Bennett, BS
Mercedes Bianca Beyer, BS
Chani Rai-Vall Blar, BA
Blake Jane Blakeney, BS
Matthew S. Blevins, BS
Troy Alex Bohac, BS
Justyna Michele Bollenberg, BS
Stephan M. Bond, BS
Blake Forrest Bondurant, BS
Jeffery Dean Boyd, BS
Matthew Darrin Bradshaw, BS
Raven Brantley, BS
Kaylan Danyelle Brown, BA
Kerrika Janay Bryant, BS
Thomas Leland Bunting Jr., BA

DOCTORAL DEGREE
Elishewah Rose Weiss, PhD
Stolen Valor: The People Who Commit Military Impersonation
Chair: Dr. Mitch P. Roth
Committee Members: Dr. Steven Cuvelier, Dr. Willard Oliver

Christopher Henry Burbridge, BS
Ter. Jo Butcher, BS
Josephine Marie Cano, BS
Marco Andres Cantu, BA
Tyler Allan Carey, BS
Daniel Joseph Carpenca, BS
Channing Rose Carpenter, BS
Gladya Vanessa Carreon, BS
Perla Castillo, BS
Cynthia Samantha Castro, BA
Kira Rashele Cauley, BA
Michael Anthony Cavazos, BS
Alma Ruth Cedillo, BS
Diazmond Latesh Chambers, BS
Charles R. Clare, BS
Thomas Oran Clay, BA
Myrandra Fay Cong, BS
Timothy Kolton Coppock, BS
Yessenia Marie Cortina, BS
Sean David Coughlin, BA
Chelsea Noel Craft, BS
Ryan Michael Creech, BS
Clausanur Markes Curtis, BS
Jesse Lee Davenport III, BS
Brandon Connor Davis, BS
Allysa Laura De Lezra, BS
Rogelio De La Cruz, BA
James Justis De La Rosa, BS
Jessica E. De Lira, BA
Veronica Del Valle, BA
Chenslee J. Delgado, BS
Chandler Faith Dobson, BS
Evelyn Dominguiez Brown, BS
Mary Ellender Donavon, BS
Deseree Danielle Dotson, BS
Jordan Leanna Dulaney, BS
Latifah S. Eginlin, BS
Amber M. Escobedo, BS

SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT FALL 2016
On behalf of the College of Education, it is my pleasure to congratulate you on your graduation. You have achieved a great milestone, and we applaud you for this accomplishment. We recognize the hard work, commitment, and discipline that you have put forward in order to reach this point. We also want to thank the parents, friends, and other special people in your life who contributed to this accomplishment.

As you pursue your career in the field of education, know that you have chosen one of the most important, impactful professions our country has to offer. We commend you on this choice and know that you will have a positive influence on the future of our nation, our communities, and our children. As an educator you will face a variety of challenges. You will also possess limitless opportunities to truly touch the future and to make a difference. Our hope for you as you graduate from the College of Education is that you always dare greatly, that you move forward after your graduation celebrations today and begin a career marked by caring, service, and integrity.

We challenge you to embrace this responsibility and use the tools and skills you have developed at Sam Houston State University to give to this accomplishment.

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Stacey L. Edmonson, Dean

Dr. Stacey L. Edmonson, Dean

DOCTORAL DEGREES

Tamika R. Alford-Stephens, EdD
Differences in Mathematics Skills of Texas High School Boys as a Function of Ethnicity/Race and Economic Status: A Multiyear Statewide Study
Chair: Dr. John R. Slate
Committee Members: Dr. Frederick C. Lunenburg, Dr. George W. Moore

Pamela Bennett Anderson, EdD
Differences in Mathematics and Science Performance by Economic Status, Gender, and Ethnicity/Race: A Multiyear Texas Statewide Study
Chair: Dr. George W. Moore
Committee Members: Dr. Cynthia Martinez-Garcia, Dr. John R. Slate

Tammy Jane Bishop, EdD
Subsequent Course Pass Rates in Modularized Developmental Mathematics Courses in Select Community Colleges in North Carolina
The Differences Between Teacher-Centered, Student-Centered, and Computer-Centered Delivery
Chair: Dr. Nara Martirosyan
Committee Members: Dr. Forrest Lane, Dr. D. Patrick Saxon

Catherine Nicole Holden, EdD
Differences in College-Readiness Rates for Students Who Were Enrolled in Special Education in Texas: A Multiyear, Statewide Investigation
Chair: Dr. John R. Slate
Committee Members: Dr. Wally Barnes, Dr. Frederick C. Lunenburg, Dr. George W. Moore

Jessica Michelle Lilly, EdD
Social Capital Experiences of Solo Middle School Librarians at a Public School District in South Texas: A Phenomenological Study
Chair: Dr. George W. Moore
Committee Members: Dr. Stacey L. Edmonson, Dr. Karin Perry

Sharese McNeil Martin, PhD
Relationships and Predictors of Mental Health and Stress among African American and Caucasian Parents of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder
Chair: Dr. Rebecca Robles-Pina
Committee Members: Dr. David Lawton II, Dr. Jeffrey Sullivan

Jenny Anne Mary Mc Gown, EdD
Differences in Reading Performance of Texas Elementary School Students as a Function of Economic Status, Gender, and Ethnicity/Race: A Multiyear Statewide Study
Chair: Dr. John R. Slate
Committee Members: Dr. Frederick C. Lunenburg, Dr. George W. Moore

David Paitson, EdD
Assessment of Leadership Traits Required for the Intercollegiate Athletic Director Position
Chair: Dr. Matthew B. Fuller, Dr. George W. Moore
Committee Members: Dr. Ryan K. Zapalac, Dr. James J. Zhang

Lisa Rodriguez Pateronette, EdD
Perceptions of Latino Students in the Academic Achievers Program Regarding Non-Cognitive Factors for College Enrollment and Graduation
Chair: Dr. Rebecca A. Robles-Pina
Committee Members: Dr. Cynthia Martinez-Garcia, Dr. Nara Martirosyan

Angelas Mercedes Perez, EdD
Differences in Graduation Rates and Postsecondary Enrollment in Texas as a Function of Ethnicity/Race, School Poverty, and School Size: A Multiyear Investigation
Chair: Dr. John R. Slate
Committee Members: Dr. Wally Barnes, Dr. Frederick C. Lunenburg, Dr. George W. Moore

Sara Jaye Ranau, EdD
Teacher Perceptions of Drama Pedagogy as a Teaching Tool
Chair: Dr. Melinda Miller
Committee Members: Dr. Donna Cox, Dr. Rosalind Horowitz, Dr. Robert Maninger

Joseph Luis Rodriguez, EdD
High School Size and Differences in the Academic Achievement of English Language Learners: A Texas Statewide, Multiyear Investigation
Chair: Dr. Cynthia Martinez-Garcia, Dr. John R. Slate
Committee Member: Dr. George W. Moore

Lawrence K. Taylor, PhD
A Qualitative Inquiry into the Lived Experiences of Absent Fathers: Perspectives, Rationales, Factors
Chair: Dr. Richard Herrenknis, Jr.
Committee Members: Dr. Hayley Stulmaker, Dr. Richard Watts

Kristin Nicole Tiger, EdD
Inequities in Disciplinary Consequence Assignment to Elementary Students: A Texas Statewide Investigation
Chair: Dr. John R. Slate
Committee Members: Dr. Cynthia Martinez-Garcia, Dr. George W. Moore

Rolando Trevino, EdD
Latino School Superintendents in Large Urban School Districts: A Phenomenological Study
Chair: Dr. Rebecca Buttmane
Committee Members: Dr. Stacey L. Edmonson, Dr. Ricardo Montelongo
On behalf of the College of Fine Arts and Mass Communication, I offer a hearty congratulations on your accomplishments as a new graduate of Sam Houston State University. As graduates you have practiced and sharpened your intellect and expanded your understandings of the arts or media in a global context. You are ready for your future and we challenge you to find and live your passions.

This graduation ceremony marks a clear transition in your life as you continue your journey towards your life goals—every ending becomes a beginning. We urge you to take time today to pause and send thanks to your supportive family and friends, faculty and staff, those individuals who “went the extra mile” to help you balance your student workload and life responsibilities.

Robert Frost reminds us that life teaches a hard lesson: We have to “learn to let go of the hands” as we move from one stage of life to the world at large. In these images the important meaning-making functions of the Fine Arts — Visual Art, Music, Theatre and Dance — are merged with the many modes of communication that are studied and practiced in the field of mass communication.

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Dr. Ronald E. Shields, Dean
On behalf of the College of Health Sciences, I wish to congratulate you for this achievement and significant milestone in your professional life. We are proud of your accomplishment and are confident that the knowledge, skills, habits, and attitudes acquired at Sam Houston State University will provide you with the foundation necessary for a successful career in the health sciences.

The demand for health sciences professionals across our nation and globally continues to rise and the importance of earning a university degree for entry into this dynamic profession has never been greater. You will be entrusted to promote health and well-being to an increasingly diverse population or provide quality healthcare as a caring and compassionate professional. Your responsibilities will be great, but you are ready!

Commencement marks the end of your formal university education, and the beginning of your professional life. That life will be filled with many challenges and opportunities to impact the lives of others. Your advancement and success will require a lifetime of learning and we believe you are well prepared for that journey.

With Commencement you join the thousands of Bearkats who have come before you and who have left their mark on society. The value of your education from Sam Houston State University will be measured not by whether you have earned this degree, but how you use the degree to impact our world. We wish you great happiness and success and hope to see you again in the classroom.

Dr. Rhonda Callaway, Interim Dean

DEGREES AWARDED IN THE COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

- Athletic Training BS
- Bilingual Health Care Studies BA
- Dietetics MS
- Family and Consumer Science BA, BS, MS
- Food Science and Nutrition BS
- Food Service Management BA, BS
- Fashion Merchandising BA, BS
- Health BS, MA
- Health Care Administration BS
- Health Care Quality and Safety MS
- Health Sciences BS
- Interior Design BA, BS
- Kinesiology, BA, BS, MEd, MS
- Nursing BSN
- Public Health BS
- Sport Management MS
- Wellness Management BS

The simple shape represents a water droplet or the flicker of a flame. When duplicated, the droplet becomes a lotus flower bud symbolizing long life and purity, while growth is demonstrated by the progression from small to large. The final mark demonstrates the connection of organic and inorganic, moving beyond natural, suggesting science, digital and data. These are all direct representations of our mission.
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### UNIVERSITY MACE

The University Mace is symbolic of the authority of the Board of Regents, The Texas State University System, and the Office of the President of Sam Houston State University. The senior tenured faculty member carries it during academic convocations. It was first used at summer commencement on August 20, 1988.

The mace was designed and hand crafted by the late Charles R. Jedlicka, Associate Professor of Industrial Technology. The crown is a circular casting bearing the name of the University and date of establishment, 1879. The circle features the lone star, the state emblem, in the center. Names of past University presidents with their completion date of the mace. The holder base or stall is six-sided to match the mace head. The mace is made of hand-forged brass and a hexagonal head with inlays of pecan for the state tree, recessed brass medallions cast with designs for General Sam Houston, Austin Hall, Old Main, Beekle, and the completion date of the mace. The holder base or stall is six-sided to match the mace head.
DOCTORAL DEGREE

Brian S. Bitting, PhD

Latent Profile Analysis of Personality Assessment Inventory (PAI) Scores from Sexual Offenders Referred for Civil Commitment: Can Class Membership Predict Recidivism?

Chair: Dr. Craig E. Henderson
Committee Members: Dr. Marcus T. Boccaccini, Dr. Holly A. Miller, Dr. Jorge G. Varela

Sundae Ann Lewis, MPA
Lenda Lee Martinez, MA
Rebecca Lorraine McManamy, MA
Sincerce Nicole Meche, MA
Jenny Marie Mondragon, MA
Hai Trieu Thi Nguyen, MA
Jon George Paulos, MA
Brittany Nicole Ramos, MA
Nicholas Rizzi, MA
Miguel Rodriguez, MA
Maddison C. Schaffo, MA
Klaudie Kaye Stone, MA
Tacy Dionne Thornton, MA
Eric Lee Toblieman, MA
Michael Scott Wylie, MPA

BACHELOR DEGREES

Danielle Ashley Abrant, BS
Taylor Nicole Adams, BS
James Cranston Auivasat, BA
Damaris Allgarin, BA
Antoinette Joy Anderson, BS
Denzel Tremount Archie, BS
Jason Michael Ashcraft, BA
Karen Elizabeth Avis, BA
Jessica Louise Babcock, BA
Coy Paul Bailey II, BA
Mildred Samantha Barahona, BS
Brooke Larae Barber, BA
Lauren Elaine Beatty, BA
Brandon William Becker, BA
Esma Sarie Marie Belhymer, BS
Madeleine Frances Beridon, BS
Samuel Bernal Jr., BA
Kiedric Lenard Berry, BS
Kenze Briann Billeter, BS
Kaylin Danielle Blakley, BS

DEGREES AWARDED IN THE COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Clinical Psychology MA, PhD
Communication Studies BA, BS, MA
Creative Writing, Editing, and Publishing MFA
English BA, MA
History BA, BS, MA
Philosophy BA
Political Science BA, BS, MA
Psychology BS, MA
Public Administration MPA
School Psychology SSP
Sociology BA, BS, MA
Spanish BA, MA

The quill connotes the importance of creative endeavors while the ruler along the rooftops illustrates a concern with the scientific method. The arched lines represent communication and its wide-reaching effects, hovering over the home, which emphasizes the importance of human bonds and of the family’s formative role for the individual. Overlooking all of the other symbols are four face profiles representing the measure of a life is its service.

Dr. Abbey Zink, Dean

Congratulations! Today is the beginning of the next exciting chapter of your life. The faculty, staff, students, and administration of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences are proud of you and your accomplishments.

Great success in life rarely is a solo effort. Rather, success most often is the culmination of hard work, perseverance, and a strong support network. As we mark your accomplishments, we also want to recognize your family and friends whose encouragement made the difference along the way.

The academic degree that you earn today will carry you into the future. As you chart the way forward, we urge you to keep the university’s motto in mind: “The Measure of a Life is its Service.”

Again, congratulations! We’re honored to have been your academic home at Sam Houston State University and wish you the best with your future endeavors.

We look forward to staying in touch in the coming years.

Dr. Abbey Zink, Dean
The three columns represent the concept of civilization based on knowledge of the sciences, humanities, and arts. The purple triangles around the edge represent the disciplines taught in the College of Science and Engineering Technology. The stepped levels represent the bachelor and master’s degree programs offered by the College of Science and Engineering Technology.
The Alumni Association is your Bearkat connection. Your ability to connect with your alumni network is your most valuable SHSU asset—right up there with your degree. Ultimately, a strong alumni network enhances the value of your SHSU degree. With more than 125,000 living alumni, the best way to stay connected and show your Bearkat pride is to join the alumni association.

In addition to such tangible benefits as the Kat Konnection Newsletter, lapel pin, and automobile decal, one of the primary benefits of membership is knowing that you are making a difference in the lives of students, faculty, and staff here at Sam Houston State University. Each year the association provides financial support for student scholarships.

Advantages of Alumni Association membership:
- Invitation to special events
- Alumni publications
- Alumni networking
- Monthly Sam e-newsletter
- Alumni discounts (check alumni.shsu.edu for discount listings)
- Regional Alumni Clubs and Special Interest groups

The Alumni Association exists to serve and sustain the Sam Houston State University alumni network. Serving the best interest of our members is a top priority, and it is our hope that you find your membership worthy of continuing for years to come. Whether you become a life member or choose to renew your membership each year, you are important to the Alumni Association and the university. We need your continued support each year to ensure SHSU remains an outstanding public university.

To contact the SHSU Alumni Association, call 800-283-7478. Or visit us online at alumni.shsu.edu.