SATURDAY, JULY 31, 2021
Morning Ceremony | 9:30 a.m.
COLLEGE OF ARTS & MEDIA
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES
COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES
Dr. G. Kevin Randall, Introduction of Graduates
Dr. Rob Adams, Mace Bearer

SATURDAY, JULY 31, 2021
Afternoon Ceremony | 2:30 p.m.
COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
COLLEGE OF SCIENCE & ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY
Dr. William Edgington, Introduction of Graduates
Dr. David Burns, Mace Bearer

PROCESSIONAL
The Presidential Party enters.
POMP & CIRCUMSTANCE (Edward Elgar)
Pre-recorded by Sam Houston State University Bands

WELCOME
Dr. Michael T. Stephenson,
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
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]
Dr. Emily Heilman, Song Leader

INTRODUCTION OF PLATFORM PARTY
Dr. Michael T. Stephenson,
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER
Dr. Alisa White
President, Sam Houston State University

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
Dr. Kelly Damphousse

ALMA MATER
[Allen R. Hightower III/Anonymous]
Dr. Emily Heilman, Song Leader

CONFERRING OF DEGREES
Dr. Alisa White,
President, Sam Houston State University

REMARKS TO THE GRADUATES
Scott McCarley,
President, Alumni Board of Directors

AULD LANG SYNE
[Robert Burns]
Dr. Emily Heilman, Song Leader

RECESSIONAL
RONDEAU (Jean-Joseph Mouret)
Pre-recorded by Sam Houston State University Bands
Audience seated for Processional and Recessional.
As a courtesy, please refrain from using noise makers during the graduation ceremony.
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Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And never bro’t to mind?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And days of auld lang syne?

Chorus:
For auld lang syne, my dear,
For auld lang syne,
We’ll tak’ a cup o’ kindness yet,
For auld lang syne.
And here’s a hand, my trusty frien’,
And gie’s a hand o’ thine,
We’ll tak’ a cup o’ kindness yet,
For auld lang syne.

Chorus:
For auld lang syne, my dear,
For auld lang syne,
We’ll tak’ a cup o’ kindness yet,
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Robert Burns

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Graduate,

Congratulations on behalf of the Sam Houston State University faculty, staff, and administration. You are now alumni, and we are delighted you will represent your University in your careers of choice and in your communities. No doubt you have had many opportunities here, and I am looking forward to seeing how you will use what you learned and experienced to meet the challenges and opportunities of the future.

Our University motto is emblazoned on a wall in The Yard (formerly Bearkat Plaza), but more importantly, it is visible in how you, the Bearkats we are recognizing today, live your lives. Our motto, “The measure of a Life is its Service,” provides a meaningful standard by which we can evaluate ourselves as people of purpose who provide value to others. You put the motto in action when you volunteered your time and energy on and off campus in support of organizations and causes you value. You demonstrated your commitment to others when you encouraged your colleagues, friends, and family members during the strange and uncertain times of 2020 and 2021. Thank you for helping us have a successful academic year. You will always have opportunities to add value by engaging in your communities, and I am confident you will do so in ways that will make the world a better place and bring pride to your alma mater.

Many important people supported you on your educational journey. Your family members, friends, mentors, faculty and staff are applauding for you as you reach this milestone, and I celebrate you and your achievements with them.

Sincerely,
Dr. Alisa White

SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY ALMA MATER

Hail to Sam Houston,
School we love best,
Mighty in battle,
True to the test.
Bearkats so loyal,
Ever we’ll be,
Orange and white will lead
Us to victory!

First verse sung at August 9, 2003 commencement by composer Allen R. Hightower III. Second verse, Anonymous.

SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT SUMMER 2021
Kelly Damphousse was raised in a small fishing village in northern Canada, and became the first member of his extended family to attend college when he enrolled at Lethbridge Community College in 1980. Just after his 19th birthday, he earned an associate’s degree in law enforcement in 1982 from LCC, and then began a three-year stint in the Alberta Correctional Service as a correctional officer.

His dream, though, was to become a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. One of his LCC instructors had established a transfer arrangement with Sam Houston State University for his students to complete their four-year criminal justice degree. With his instructor’s encouragement, Damphousse sold almost everything he had, bought a motorcycle, filled a duffel bag, and rode to Huntsville, Texas, in 1985 to continue pursuing his law enforcement dream. While at SHSU, he worked as a poster maker in the print shop, as a janitor at the Baptist Student Union, and as a resident assistant in Adams Hall. Also at Sam, he met his future wife (nee Beth Smith ’87), who convinced him to stay in the states. Following graduation in 1987, he worked as a security manager for Macy’s in Atlanta and New Orleans, before Beth encouraged him to begin graduate school.

After completing his doctorate at Texas A&M University, he began his academic career at the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 1994, before joining the SHSU faculty in the College of Criminal Justice in 1996.

Damphousse moved to the University of Oklahoma in 1997, where he directed several research projects, most notably the “American Terrorism Study” and the National Institute of Justice’s Arrestee Drug Abuse Monitoring project in Oklahoma City and Tulsa. As an administrator, he served as OU’s Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and as the university’s Faculty Athletics Representative to the NCAA.

In 2007, he was named the Chancellor at Arkansas State University, the state’s second largest university. His “Every Red Wolf Counts” mantra has become a guiding principle for the A-State community. It focuses on widening the door to the life-changing experience of a four-year college degree for all students, and on improving the opportunities for access for A-State’s students, faculty, and staff. His reputation as a collaborative and inclusive leader with expertise in collegiate athletics recently resulted in his being unanimously elected as President of the Sun Belt Conference’s Board of Directors and to the NCAA Board of Directors.

He and Beth have been married for 33 years, and they have two daughters: Kayleigh Damphousse leads new student orientation at the University of Texas and Dr. Kristen Howell is a scientist at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. 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 belt-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.

### ACADEMIC REGALIA

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, 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.

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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 Cum Laude reflect an outstanding grade point average with a minimum of 32 semester hours earned in residence (resident 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 who accept membership and have achieved a 3.6 or higher grade point average on all college-level course work. Participation in the Honors College is based on a competitive selection process and provides outstanding academic opportunities and distinct undergraduate college experiences. Upon successful completion of the requirements of the Honors College—24 semester hours of Honors courses and two special seminars—the student’s academic transcript will indicate graduation “With Honors” and the student may wear an Honors medallion with academic regalia. To be designated as having graduated “With Highest Honors,” the student must also successfully complete a special senior project involving original research and/or an effort of creative expression.

NOTE: Semester credit hours earned in correspondence courses are not considered “resident classroom instruction” hours and are not used in determining the minimum semester credit hour requirement for academic honors: Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, Summa Cum Laude, Dean’s List, and President’s Honor Roll. However, the semester credit hours and grade points earned for correspondence courses included in the calculation of the overall grade point average.

VETERANS AND MILITARY MEMBERS

Sam Houston State University is proud to recognize graduating Veterans and military members with a specially designed veterans stole. The orange stole features camouflage tips bearing the SH logo on the right and the American flag with veterans stole. The orange stole features camouflage tips bearing the SH logo on the right and the American flag with veterans stole. The orange stole features camouflage tips bearing the SH logo on the right and the American flag with veterans stole.

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

GUIDELINES FOR GUESTS

Commencement is a ceremonious occasion honoring important educational accomplishments. Decorum and courtesy are important to you and your family, as well as your fellow degree candidates and their families. Students and guests are expected to maintain a measure of decorum consonant with the occasion.

The official photographer is allowed on the floor by the stage. Candidates will cross the stage as listed in the program.

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

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 06/25/2021.

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DR. RONALD E. SHIELDS, DEAN

On behalf of the College of Arts and Media, 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 next. This graduation marks one of these times of letting go. Fortunately, the poet also reminds us that we are never forced to “let go of the heart” as we journey forward through life. With this sentiment, I urge you to keep in touch. Let us know what life brings as you explore your future and don’t be afraid of new beginnings and challenges.

Remember you will always have a home at Sam Houston State University and within the classrooms and stages, rehearsal rooms, production shops, and media studios of the College of Arts and Media.

Ronald E. Shields, Dean

MASTER DEGREES

James W. Bogs, MM
Joseph Cherwink, MA
Treyvontae Dayshawn Christ Clark, MM
James Earl Debose Jr., MA
Jerrinal Jerome Dillard, MA
Kenya Rachelle Drake, MA
Marshall W. Gonzales, MA
Margaret A. Granado, MA
Ray Dickson Hilley, MA
Thomas Harry Macias, MA

BACHELOR DEGREES

James W. Bogs, MM
Joseph Cherwink, MA
Treyvontae Dayshawn Christ Clark, MM
James Earl Debose Jr., MA
Jerrinal Jerome Dillard, MA
Kenya Rochelle Drake, MA
Marshall W. Gonzales, MA
Margaret A. Granado, MA
Ray Dickson Hilley, MA
Thomas Harry Macias, MA

DEGREES AWARDED IN THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND MEDIA

Animation BFA
Art BA
Art and Social Practice MFA
Band Studies MA
Dance BFA, MFA
Digital Media MA
Digital Media Production MFA
Film and TV Production BFA
Graphic Design BFA
Mass Communication BA
Music BA, BM, MM
Music Therapy BM
Musical Theatre BFA
Photography BFA
Studio Art BFA
Theatre BFA

The hands hold and present the flame of human creativity. The blue radiant circle represents the dissemination of creative endeavor to the world at large. In these images the important meaning-making functions of the Arts—Visual Art, Music, Theatre, and Dance—are merged with the many modes of communication that are studied and practiced in the field of media.
Congratulations. The faculty and staff of the College of Business Administration are proud of you and are pleased to welcome you to our family of Bearkat alumni. We are confident that you know the knowledge and skills sets you have acquired will serve you well in your future endeavors. Just as important, the personal traits that contributed to your success at Sam Houston State University 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 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
Supply Chain Management BBA

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 the data in the pursuit of quality, efficiency, and effectiveness.

Bachelor’s Degrees

Kathryn D’Ann Burrell, MBA
Gregory Michael Curatolo, MBA
Brooklyn Dunn Devine, BBA
Sara Dinmitt, MBA
Tyler A. Dockery, MBA
Alyssa Duetsch-Sipple, MBA
Martha Navarro Flores, MBA
Angel Daniel Galindo, MBA
Michael Ryan Gehrke, MS
Arthur Lewis Gordon, MBA
Cassidy Elizabeth Halloran, MBA
Amanda Michelle Hammons, MS
Amanda Michelle Hsieh, MBA
Jadyn Michele Jaras, BBA
Gerardo Jasso, MBA
Jasbeth Mooney, BBA
Kariisa E. Jazwiak, MS
Jessica Ann Kay, MBA
Elizabeth Loraz, BBA
Christopher D. Mahlen, MBA
Enonce Mcclain-Davis, MBA
Zane Matthew Mccarthy, MBA
Rebecca Lynn McDonald, MBA
Edward Cole McKown, MBA
Austin Reyes Medina, MS
Thomas Wayne Mershaw, MBA
April Marie Odel, MBA
Elly Joelynn Orellana, MBA
Sherwin Saad Osheida, MBA
Lindsey K. Parks, MBA
Kamer Lorac Patton, MS
Helen Christine Pope, MBA

Master’s Degrees

Jonathon Michael Crosby, BBA
Alia Nichelle Crawford, BBA
Jordan Eugene Cravens, BBA
Ondria Denese Collins, BBA
Marsalis Laurent Clark, BBA
Reid Douglas Clanton, BBA
Amisha J. Chudasama, BBA
Stephanie Prasad, MS
Syed M. T. Razvi, MBA
Kari Franklin Rawlinson, MBA
Emily Grace Sanders, MBA
Brandi Lee Sanford, MS
Joseph Michael Schioldanew, MBA
Gabriel C. Smith, MS
Irma Suarez, MBA
Adam Thomas Sumrell, MBA
Alexandra Jesus Talbott, MBA
Kimberly Ann Upham, MBA
Hunter Juovencio Vazquez, MS
Allison Grace Williams, MS
Jared Reuben Wolf, MBA

Amanda Michelle Hammons, MBA
Griffen Dean Elja, BBA
Guadalupe Espinoza, BBA
Trevon Markel Estes, BBA
Falony Eugene, BBA
Sydney Deana Everhart, BBA
Manuel Figueroa, MBA
Sheena Kathleen Fitzgerald, MBA
Auryn Nicole Flores, MBA
Harrison David Foulekas, BBA
Hayley Rachel Fairworth, BBA
Tyler Daisheme Freeman, BBA
Karle Flores, BBA
Emily Diane Gardner, BBA
Nicole Hope Geick, BBA
Gabriel P. Germain, MBA
Vivian Ashley Gibson, BBA
Graham Edward Girmons, BBA
Lucas Xochitl Gonzalez, BBA
Denise A. Guevara, BBA
Dominick I. Hamilton, BBA
Michael Lewis Harmon, Jr., BBA
Adrianna K.Brianna Haynes, MBA
Anita Hernandez, MBA
Brantley Wayne Hinnant, BBA
Audrey Guzina Hirsch, BBA
Blake Daniel Holifield, MBA
Riley Anderson Holland, BBA
Emily Harezlak, BBA
Alexander Charles Horton, MBA
Shelby Lynn Houptienne, BBA
Dechanille Nickay Howell, MBA
Kelli Victoria Hudson, MBA
Wesley V. Huff, MBA
Rachel Larane Hunter, BBA
Ramse Victoria Hurst, BBA
Jason Anthony Matthew Jeabba, MBA
Joshua James Jenkins, BBA
Ashley Jeremigan, BBA
Britt Thomas Johnson, MBA
Madeline Victoria Jones, BBA
Austin Kimiec, BBA
Winston Gerard Kien, MBA
Megan Greenwood Landis, MBA
Stephanie Nichol Lebouff, MBA
Allwyn Ryan Lee, MBA
Clayton Scott Long, BBA
Conor Sterling Lowry, MBA
Madison Bailey Lynch, BBA
Charlane Masca, MBA
Camilo Marques, MBA
Lizbeth Martinez, BBA
Justin Michael Mason, MBA
Charles Marshall Mason, MBA
Xavier A. Mata-Figueroa, MBA
Jeremiah David Mccullough, MBA
Brian Keith Mccutchion, Jr., BBA
Laura Mandania, BBA
Luis Miguel Marques, BBA
Ron Ernest Martin, BBA
Dylan N. Moses, MBA
Madeline Munoz, MBA
Margaret Anaysha Murphy, MBA
Aliyah Renee Outland, MBA
Emilee Oviedo, MBA
Blake Allan Pace, MBA
Stephen Miciclan Parker, BBA
Donazee Demond Peacock, BBA
Liliana Isabel Perez, BBA
Cameron Dean Philips, MBA

Sam Houston State University Commencement
Summer 2021
Congratulations to you and yours on this important accomplishment. The faculty, staff, and thousands of fellow College of Criminal Justice alumni are enormously proud you have achieved this personal milestone. We understand how hard you had to work to get here and the significance of your degree for you and your future. Your future is brighter and we are both proud and pleased.

We are also hopeful, not only for your future, but also for our own. Because you have developed skills in critical thinking, an orientation toward life-long learning, and a commitment to service, we know that our communities and society will benefit from your contributions as you go out into the world. If you are among the vast majority of our graduates who will continue in the field of criminal justice, we know that your education and values will be applied in ways that make our communities safer and improve the quality of our lives. SHSU’s College of Criminal Justice confers more degrees in the field in this state by far. You and your fellow Bearkats will shape the future of criminal justice in Texas and beyond like no one else.

As you open the next chapter of your lives, we wish you well and hope to see you again soon. Just as we know you will be there for us, so you should know we continue to be here for you. As you embark upon your career, know we are ready to assist in your professional development through our various institutes within the Criminal Justice Center. And if graduate school may be in your future, you should consider our nationally-ranked programs targeted toward working professionals.

Again, congratulations!

Dr. Phillip M. Lyons Jr., Dean

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 DEGREES

Sarah Rose Bostrom, PhD  
“Community Type in Context: Expectations of Guardianship and Victimization Experiences on College Campus”  
Chair: Dr. Ryan Randa

Amber Dawn Griffin, PhD  
“The Association Between Justice System Contact, Psychological Distress, and Physical Illness: An Examination of Illicit Drug Use.”  
Chair: Dr. Elisa L. Toman

Ryan Matthew Gutierrez, PhD  
“Alternative Sample Processing Techniques for Rootless Hair Shafts and Other Challenging Samples.”  
Chair: Dr. Rachel Houston

Sun Yi Li, PhD  
“The Effects of Reported Crime and Neighborhood Context on Citizens’ Perceptions of Neighborhood Crime and Disorder in Houston”  
Chair: Dr. Jihong Solomon Zhao

Gyteongeok Oh, PhD  
“Predicting Life-Course Persistent Offending Using Machine Learning.”  
Chair: Dr. Yan Zhang

Kaitlyn Bethany Palmquist, PhD  
Chair: Dr. Madeleine Swortwood

Xinting Wang, PhD  
“Development of Magnetic Carbon Nanotubes Facilitated Dispersive-Micro Solid Phase Extraction (Mag-CNTs/d-µSPE) for Forensic Applications.”  
Chair: Dr. Jorn Yu

DOCTORAL DEGREES

BACHELOR DEGREES

Alex Adams, BS  
Raul Isaac Aguire, BS  
Kyle Albrighton, BS  
Joshua Lyndon Alexander, BS  
Almugarah Alaabadi, BS  
Rosa Ivela Alano, BS  
Gicell Alvaredo Sandoval, BS  
Ta’Kirra Iyonna Anderson, BS  
Aaron Michael Arcos, BS  
Jennifer Beatrice Arnao, BS  
Meredith Averitt, BS  
Adriana Bassa, BA  
Marjeta Ganeva-Rose Barrette, BS  
Alexis Marie Bell, BA  
Ariael A. Bradshaw, BS  
Brandon Eugene Brewer, BA  
Hunter Cole-Michael Briggs, BA  
Jovani Salvador Calderon, BS  
Mary G. Calle, BA  
Maria Cantales, BS  
Mackenzie Danielle Caputo, BS  
Kira Alberto Casas, BS  
Madison Alexander Cockey, BS  
Crystal Elena Chadwick, BA  
Shalinda Marie Chappell, BS  
Tara Marie Elizabeth Chavez, BA  
Travis James Craig, BS  
Ethan Lawrence Corso, BS  
Hailey Lorene Cox, BA  
Ashley Dominique Davis, BA  
Dorne E. Davis, BS  
Taylor Erin Davis, BS  
Justin Michael Eldred, BS  
Alisha Rachelle Eugen, BS  
Megan Rae Ewalsuk, BS  
Nadia Alejandro Francesca, BA  
William C. Fuchi, BS  
Angelica Garcia, BA  
Edwin Garcia Bonilla, BA  
Makayla Renee Gottwood, BS  
Donna Jo Gillind, BS  
Karina Manuela Gonzalez, BS  
James Matthew Goulding, BS  
Pedro Jahn Guerreo, BS  
Crisyana Hall, BS  
Gabrielle Nayoma Antonette Hammond, BS  
Erica Nicole Harris, BS  
Christina Michelle Harston, BS  
Loretta L. Head, BS  
Rdney James Hearns, BA

SUNY HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY  COMMENCEMENT  SUMMER 2021

BACHELOR DEGREES

Alexa Adams, BS  
Raul Isaac Aguire, BS  
Kyle Albrighton, BS  
Joshua Lyndon Alexander, BS  
Almugarah Alaabadi, BS  
Rosa Ivela Alano, BS  
Gicell Alvaredo Sandoval, BS  
Ta’Kirra Iyonna Anderson, BS  
Aaron Michael Arcos, BS  
Jennifer Beatrice Arnao, BS  
Meredith Averitt, BS  
Adriana Bassa, BA  
Marjeta Ganeva-Rose Barrette, BS  
Alexis Marie Bell, BA  
Ariael A. Bradshaw, BS  
Brandon Eugene Brewer, BA  
Hunter Cole-Michael Briggs, BA  
Jovani Salvador Calderon, BS  
Mary G. Calle, BA  
Maria Cantales, BS  
Mackenzie Danielle Caputo, BS  
Kira Alberto Casas, BS  
Madison Alexander Cockey, BS  
Crystal Elena Chadwick, BA  
Shalinda Marie Chappell, BS  
Tara Marie Elizabeth Chavez, BA  
Travis James Craig, BS  
Ethan Lawrence Corso, BS  
Hailey Lorene Cox, BA  
Ashley Dominique Davis, BA  
Dorne E. Davis, BS  
Taylor Erin Davis, BS  
Justin Michael Eldred, BS  
Alisha Rachelle Eugen, BS  
Megan Rae Ewalsuk, BS  
Nadia Alejandro Francesca, BA  
William C. Fuchi, BS  
Angelica Garcia, BA  
Edwin Garcia Bonilla, BA  
Makayla Renee Gottwood, BS  
Donna Jo Gillind, BS  
Karina Manuela Gonzalez, BS  
James Matthew Goulding, BS  
Pedro Jahn Guerreo, BS  
Crisyana Hall, BS  
Gabrielle Nayoma Antonette Hammond, BS  
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Rdney James Hearns, BA

SUNY HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY  COMMENCEMENT  SUMMER 2021
Dr. Stacey L. Edmonson, Dean

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 is that 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 of yourself in the greatest way possible. Be the type of educator that, when the next generation of students is asked who made a lasting difference in their lives, the person they think of is you. The opportunity is yours, and we know you are ready. Enjoy the journey!

Dr. Stacey L. Edmonson, Dean

DEGREES AWARDED IN THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Comparative and Global Education MEd
Counseling MA
Counselor Education PhD
Curriculum and Instruction MEd
Developmental Education Administration EdD
Education BA, BS
Educational Leadership EdD
Higher Education Administration MA
Higher Education Leadership EdD
Instructional Leadership MA, MEd
Instructional Systems Design and Technology MEd, EdD
Library Science MLS
Literacy EdD
Reading/Language Arts MEd
School Counseling MEd
School Leadership MEd
Special Education MA, MEd
Teaching and Learning MEd
TESOL MEd

The open book and the lamp of knowledge represent the departments, which embody the value of literacy and education. The yellow represents Library Science. The royal blue at the bottom represents the PhD degree. The light blue at the top signifies the EdD degree, and is the hood color for education in general.
**DOCTORAL DEGREES**

Kathleen Crowley Gilbert, EdD
“College Student Perspectives of Food Insecurity During the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Photo-Elaboration Narrative Inquiry”
Chair: Dr. Richard Henriksen Jr.

Clotilda Kaewaweenkit, EdD
“The Effects of Computer-Mediated Peer Review on Pre-Service EFL Teachers’ Writing Ability and Self-Efficacy: A Case Study”
Chair: Dr. Debra Price

**MASTERS DEGREES**

Anthony Marquise Anderson, MEd
Chair: Deidre Armstrong, MEd

William D. Arrants, MA
Mildred Samantha Barahona, MA
Carolina Marisol Barrera, MEd
Janna Lynn Basra, MEd
Emily A. Batelaan, MEd

Mila Demetra Batelaan, MEd
Lydia Nicole Bennett, MEd
Mayra Edith Blanco, MLS
Cori-lynne Bond, MLS

Amaka Chinedo, MA
Claire Kathleen Chabot, MLS

Margarita Castillo, MLS
Claire Kathleen Chabot, MA
Amalia Chinedo, MA

Timothy Edward Cifelli-Volmer, MEd
Chair: Dr. Richard Henriksen Jr.

Law Enforcement Couples.”

Krystin Leigh Holmes, PhD
“Where My Girls At?: A Phenomenological Study of The Lived Experiences of Lesbian Law Enforcement Couples.”
Chair: Dr. Richard Henriksen Jr.

Chotika Kaewaweenkit, EdD
“Through Authentic Project-Based Learning at Public Institutions Experiencing Financial Instability in Texas.”
Chair: Dr. Peggy Holzweiss

Dayna Lynn Lau, EdD
Chair: Dr. Laureta Nickson, Dr. Melinda Miller

Jill Saundra Pagels, EdD
“Approaches to Executive Decision-Making at Public Institutions Experiencing Financial Instability in Texas.”
Chair: Dr. Peggy Holzweiss

Pamela S. Laughlin, EdD
“College to Encore Career: Baby Boomer and Gen X Undergraduate Women’s Perceived Challenges and Barriers While Moving in and Through a Select 4-Yr University.”
Chair: Dr. Peggy Holzweiss

**BACHELOR DEGREES**

Tania Santos, MEd
Heidi Agapudani Smith, MEd
Shelby Nicole Smith, MEd
Maeve Nicole Sossebee, MA
Christopher Joseph Valansky, MEd
Sherry Jo Van Fleet, MEd
Mayra Lisset Vasquez Marin, MEd
Emily Melissa Velaquez, MEd
Abagail Leigh Walters, MEd
Lora Marie White, MLS
Karmatina Yvette White Benard, MEd
Alexandra Lynn Wojendi, MEd
Ruby Zamudio, MEd
The demand for health sciences’ professionals increases across our local, state, and global communities. You are entrusted with promoting health, well-being, and sustainability to an increasingly diverse population. Your responsibilities are great, but you are ready!

With commencement you join the thousands of Bearkats who came before you, leaving their marks on society. The value of your education from Sam Houston State University is measured not by the degree earned, but how you leverage that degree to positively impact our world. We wish you health and success, and hope you come back to visit us in the near future!

Dr. Rodney C. Runyan, Dean
Dear graduates:

Congratulations on completing your chapter of life. We’re proud to have been your academic home at SHSU and wish you the best in your future endeavors. As you go through life, pay it forward. “The measure of a Life is its Service” isn’t just a hollow phrase. Take it to heart and make it part of your daily life.

The quill connotes the importance of creative endeavors while the ruler hovering over the home, which emphasizes the importance of human bonds and of the family’s formative role for the individual. Overlooking all along the rooftops illustrates a concern with the scientific method. The diversity that strengthens each of the disciplines within the college.

Again, congratulations on completing your chapter of life. We’re proud to have been your academic home at SHSU and wish you the best in your future endeavors.

Best regards,
Dr. Chien-pin Li, Dean
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DEGREES AWARDED IN THE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

Agricultural Business BS
Agricultural Communications BS
Agricultural Engineering Technology BS
Agriculture MS
Animal Science BS
Applied Arts and Sciences BAAS
Biology BA, BS, MA, MS
Biomedical Sciences BS
Chemistry BS, MS
Composite Science BS
Computing and Information Science MS
Computing Science BS
Construction Management BS
Cybersecurity BS
Digital and Cyber Forensic Science PhD
Digital Forensics MS
Electronics and Computer Engineering Technology BS

Engineering Design Technology BS
Engineering Technology BS
Environmental Science BS
Forensic Chemistry BS
Geographic Information Systems MS
Geography BA, BS
Geology BS
Information Assurance and Security MS
Interdisciplinary Agriculture BS
Mathematics BA, BS, MA, MS
Mechanical Engineering Technology BS
Physics BS
Plant and Soil Sciences BS
Software Engineering BS
Statistics MS
Sustainable Agriculture and Food Environment MAG

On behalf of the College of Science and Engineering Technology, I extend congratulations to you on your significant accomplishment of completing the requirements for graduation. This is a milestone in your life and an achievement in which you can always take pride.

The College of Science and Engineering Technology incorporates the philosophy of a liberal arts education with the training for a position in the scientific community. Thus, your education provides you with the skills of critical thinking and the understanding of diverse cultures along with the knowledge of your scientific field. You are well equipped to become a valuable professional in our society and take with you the knowledge, experience, and history of this university. I am sure that you will use this association well and continue to enhance the reputation of our institution.

It is with great pride that the College of Science and Engineering Technology and Sam Houston State University confer upon you a degree. You are now a professional representative of the College of Science and Engineering Technology and I am sure that our reputation is in good hands.

Dr. John B. Pascarella, 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, master’s, and doctoral degree programs offered by the College of Science and Engineering Technology.
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- Alumni publications and e-newsletters
- Traveling Bearkats program
- Networking and volunteer opportunities
- Regional clubs and special interest groups
- Alumni exclusive pre-game tailgates

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