



Commencement

Winter 2026

The Tenets of Tech

tenet /ˈtenət/ *n.* An opinion, doctrine, or principle held as being true by a person or especially by an organization.

A college or university is often defined by the traditions, values, and principles established by its leaders over the course of many years and how effective those leaders were in infusing these concepts into the culture of the institution. Over time, these concepts become the cornerstone of the institution's identity and the pillars upon which its mission and vision is built. They should also comprise a large part of the students' personal character and serve as a guideline for future generations.

Louisiana Tech University has developed 12 guiding principles — the Tenets of Tech — that exemplify the qualities that students should possess upon graduating from the institution. It is expected that students will conduct themselves according to these Tenets during their academic careers at Tech and, after graduating, continue to personify these Tenets in their personal and professional lives. In essence, these Tenets become more than ideas to be learned; they become a moral and ethical compass with which to navigate through life.

As each student exits the stage, they will receive a commemorative medallion inscribed with the 12 Tenets to remind them of their days at Tech and the guiding principles that will be invaluable as they begin the next chapter of their life.

CONFIDENCE
EXCELLENCE
COMMITMENT
KNOWLEDGE

INTEGRITY
RESPECT
LEADERSHIP
LOYALTY

ENTHUSIASM
CARING
HOPE
PRIDE



To Our Guests

Commencement is a happy and dignified occasion. It is a meaningful time to recognize our graduates. Therefore, guests and participants are requested to maintain proper decorum throughout the ceremony by avoiding unnecessary movement in the seating area and by withholding applause until designated times to be indicated during the program.

Following the awarding of degrees, audience members are requested to stand for the alma mater and then to be seated until the recessional is completed.

**We heartily welcome you
to the commencement exercises of
Louisiana Tech University.**

Louisiana Tech University

Three Hundred and Fifty-Fifth Commencement
Saturday, March 7, 2026

Processional “Pomp and Circumstance” **Sir Edward Elgar**
Shayla Blake, Pianist/Organist
Instructor of Music

Marshals: Ms. Stacey Black, Mr. Reggie Jeter, Dr. Timothy Reeves,
Dr. Heath Tims, and Mr. Andy Yepson

National Anthem “The Star-Spangled Banner” **Francis Scott Key**
Music by John Stafford Smith
Ashton Thomas, Vocalist

Invocation Jake Handley, Student Ministry Director
The Bridge Community Church, Ruston

Greetings and Commencement Introduction Dr. Donna Thomas
Provost

Commencement Dr. James B. Henderson, President

Commencement Address Dr. Stephanie Murphy
PhD Class of 2015

Presentation of Candidates for Academic Degrees

College of Applied and Natural Sciences Dr. Gary A. Kennedy
College of Business Dr. Christopher L. Martin
College of Education and Human Sciences Dr. Henrietta Williams Pichon
College of Engineering and Science Dr. Collin D. Wick
College of Liberal Arts Mr. Karl S. Puljak
Graduate School Dr. Leland W. Weiss

Conferring of Degrees and Awarding Diplomas Dr. James B. Henderson
Assisted by: Mr. Joshua A. Chovanec, University Registrar
Announcer: Mr. Douglas R. Postel

Presentation of Commemorative Medallions Academic Deans

Alma Mater **John P. Graham**
Ashton Thomas

Recessional “Celebration in G Major” **Shayla L. Blake**
Shayla Blake

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



DR. STEPHANIE MURPHY
*Vice President of Culture and Experience
UnitedHealth Group*

Vice President of Culture and Experience at UnitedHealth Group, Stephanie Murphy guides enterprise employee listening, culture, and experience strategy that impacts more than 400,000 employees globally. With more than 15 years of experience in people analytics, assessments, and organizational research, she is nationally recognized for advancing employee experience through data-driven leadership.

Murphy grew up in LaPlace, graduated from East St. John High, then earned her Bachelor of Science in Psychology from the University of New Orleans in 2009 before pursuing her doctoral degree at Tech where “the faculty was welcoming and the quarter system made it easier to complete the work more efficiently without sacrificing the learning and knowledge attained,” she said.

She completed her PhD in Industrial-Organizational Psychology from Tech in 2015.

Besides her work with UnitedHealth Group, Murphy is the Founder and Executive Director of the Society for People Analytics (SPA), a global nonprofit community of more than 8,000 members dedicated to strengthening the people analytics profession. She has also held leadership roles at Dell Technologies and has experience across public and private sector organizations, including the U.S. Department of Treasury, Louisiana State Police, and Lumen Technologies.

A frequent keynote speaker at national conferences, she has been recognized as a Top 10 Data Analytics Professional, Top 20 People Analytics Influencer, Top 100 HR Influencer, Top 25 Emerging Culture Creator, and an Austin 40 Under 40 Finalist. She also serves as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Texas at Austin McCombs School of Business.

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

The names in this program were candidates for graduation as this program went to press. The names of those awarded degrees "in absentia" will not be called but may be noted on the program. The right-pointing triple angle symbol (»») indicates the candidate earned three degrees concurrently. The right-pointing double angle symbol (») indicates the candidate earned two degrees concurrently. The double solid square symbol (**) indicates the candidate earned a double major. Those with the diamond symbol (♦) earned a perfect 4.0 GPA. Baccalaureate degree candidates with the lozenge symbol (◊) next to their name completed the University Honors Program.

COLLEGE OF APPLIED AND NATURAL SCIENCES Dr. Gary A. Kennedy, Dean

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE NURSING

Caden Cole Adcock, Shreveport
Crawford Emery Finley Alexander,
Calhoun
Lauren Nicole Aulds, Ruston
Emma Lynn Bishop, Shreveport
Anna Grace Brooks, Calhoun
Ally Kate Byars, Dyersburg, TN
Sara Liner Cagle, Simsboro
Brianna K Delhommer, Prairieville
Gracie Lee Dupont, Blanchard
Alisha Nicole Eppinette, West Monroe
Sarah Abigail Glover, Monroe
Claudia Elizabeth Hayes, Ruston
Joe Black Hayes IV, Bossier City
Emily Kay Hildebrant, Vivian
Kellie Tierra Latson, Shreveport
Kila L Littleberry, West Monroe
Naomi Keyes Logan, Ruston
Damaris Nain Marcelino, West Monroe

Haley Anne Mayon, Morgan City
Molly Catherine Mcdowell, Shreveport
Kaitlyn Kay Medaries, Bossier City
Kaleigh G Nale, El Dorado, AR
Sophia Claire Parkman, Ruston
Savannah Grace Pesnell, Choudrant
Luca Milena Rieger, Zellerberg, Bavaria,
Germany
Sadie Eyllien Rowe, Jonesboro
Kyle Russell, Ruston
Taylor Grace Snowden, West Monroe
Josephine Leigh St Dizier, Lake Charles
Addie Victoria Stokes, Sterlington
Jaden C Taylor, Bossier City
Brittney Albritton Whitlock, Calhoun
Cason R Womack, Quitman
Clara Elizabeth Womack, Quitman
Luke Conner Wood, Harahan

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Lydia Kaylee Soileau, Baton Rouge

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

James Michael Basco, Shreveport
Jordan Akaydien Beasley Frost, Nashville,
TN
◊Shelby Anne Bratton, Benton, AR
**◊Kaylie Claire Canerday, Winnfield
♦◊Anna Catherine Coleman, Natchitoches
Owen Diket, Belle Chasse
Macy E Eads, Strong, AR
◊Traxtyn Nicole Finney, Alexandria
Stephenie Lorrell Fuller, Shreveport
Elizabeth Marie Gatschenberger,
Shreveport
Michael David Gordy, Monroe
Carlie Danielle Grayson, Sterlington
Kameron Jamaal Griffin, Monroe
Cassidy Hampton, West Monroe

Arwen Savannah Haynes, Blanchard
Luke Hays, West Monroe
Connor Flynn Humphreys, Homer
◊Kaylee Anne Kessler, Pineville
Olivia G Lancaster, Waterproof
Malificent Jaree Lewis, Shreveport
Landry Elayne Malone, Haughton
Taylor C Moore, Ruston
Stormie Dawn Morris, Monroe
Nicholas William Nalepa, Zachary
Luke Isaac Nichols, Bertrand, MO
Salvatore Gabriele Nuzzolillo, Ponchatoula
Kylie Mae Offerding, Kilgore, TX
Hannah Lynn Ogden, Arnaudville
◊Landon A Ossman, West Monroe
Laurel Naomi Pinckley, Natchitoches
Bre Alyse Pitre, Houma

Emilee Kate Powell, West Monroe
Mary Michael Richmond, Baton Rouge
Aidan Romo, Patterson
Malory Ann Segura, Loreauville

William P Smith, Springhill
Nia Alese Wiley, Rockwall, TX
Cassie Elizabeth Wingate, Slidell

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Matthew C Stigall, Baton Rouge

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Gracie E Brown, Saline
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Landrie Clare Clark, Mer Rouge
Joshua Gilmore, Choudrant

Dekenzy T Jackson, Shreveport
Santana Nicole Lang, Bush
Miley Kimbrell Lee, Ruston
Piper D Rodie, Shreveport

<p>COLLEGE OF BUSINESS Dr. Christopher L. Martin, Dean</p>
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Connor Mccoy Nation, Madison, MS
David Phillip Nida, Minden
♦Jordan Christian Osborne, Ruston
Jake Dwaine Patton, Quitman
Grant Charles Payne, Amite
Liam Joseph Purifoy, Ruston
Jessica Jane Ramey, Durban, South Africa
Ethan Lane Rugg, Ruston
Andrew Paul Sanders, Jena
Braden Joseph Small, Baton Rouge
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Austin Michael Stephenson, Bossier City
Chloe Elizabeth Streeter, West Monroe

Max P Turpin, West Monroe
Ashton T Tyler, Napoleonville
Jalyn Walsworth, Ruston
Benjamin Matthew Weaver, Little Rock,
AR

Matthew Karlton Weiner, Baton Rouge
Jack Alan Weinreber, Haughton
♦Elizabeth Nicole Whitton, Shreveport
Ali Nicole Wilson, Gilliam

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SCIENCES
Dr. Henrietta Williams Pichon, Dean

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Emily Ann Glover, Junction City
Erin Margaret Glynn, Folsom
William Dale Green, Dubach
♦Ella Jameson Hampton, West Monroe
Emily R Harner, Shreveport
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Madeline Grace Jones, Henderson, TX

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Troy Michael Lefort,
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Lauren Marie Mccollum, Shreveport
Mckenzie Rae Mcfadden, Ruston
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Jamiya Danielle Robinson, Monroe
Haylee Belle Shoemaker, Ruston
Venzell Lanier Thompson, Shreveport
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Dr. Collin D. Wick, Dean

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Brock L Moore, West Monroe
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Brendan Ray Slayter, Colfax
Randi Lynae Smith, Caldwell
Nicholas R Stevens, Covington
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Tucker Tedeton, Calhoun
Brandon Wade Terrance, Baton Rouge
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COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
Mr. Karl Puljak, Dean

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Carson Calvert Arrington,
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Dalaysia Niru Gray, Farmerville
Mckinna Renee Hitefield, Lake Charles
Kaylyn Brazzel Hoenke, Ruston
Kimberly Nicole Danforth Lawrence,

Athens
Haley Elizabeth Roebuck, Ruston
Heather Brooke Stewart, Sibley
Savannah Brooke Stewart, Alexandria
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◆Parker Jude LeBlanc, Delcambre

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GRADUATE SCHOOL
Dr. Leland Weiss, Dean

MASTER OF HEALTH INFOMATICS
College of Applied and Natural Sciences

Sasi Eraveeda, Troy, MI

Nista Khanal, Pendleton, IN

MASTER OF SCIENCE
College of Applied and Natural Sciences

Jennifer Rosemary Ford, Ruston

Kirsten P Thiels, Pineville

MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY
College of Business

Allen Chen, Shreveport
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Mackenzie Leann McDonald, Ball
Cole Michael Richerson, Deville

Jau'Kizah Janae' Rogers-Simmons,
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MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
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Daniel Alvarado, Highland, CA
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Garrison Tyler Berkley, Aledo, TX
Harrison James Breland-Triche, Baton
Rouge
Landry K Burback, Stonewall
Caleb Tyler Carson, Charleroi, PA
Grace Marie Caskey, Goldonna
Miranda Costin, Utica, NY
Thomas Marshall Craft, Monroe
Stephen Joseph-James Cummings,
Tucson, AZ
Kennedy Lynn Darr, Covington
Sean Durand, Oconto, WI
Gillian Rebecca Giannetti, Warrenton, VA
Maria Huard, Bedford, NH
Grant Christian Hubka, Gretna, NE
William Solomon Jeffress Jr., Erie, PA
Morgan Kellie Kunath, Benton
Dalton Jacob Lauser, Philadelphia, PA
Chih-Ang Lin, Poway, CA
Tyler George Lubben, Fort Mill, SC
Max Leonard Mallach, Woodworth

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Andrew Blaine McClure, St. Francisville
Xavier Jordan Morales, Austin, TX
Landon Michael Nelson, Underwood, IA
Lauren Grace Niten, Keatchie
Brandon Christopher Oramous, Covington
John Gerald Parker, North Adams, MI
Cameron Blake Prokopf, Bossier City
Jeffrey Louis Riggelman, Portage, MI
Maggie Roa, Yorba Linda, CA
Larry Joshua Rogers III, West Monroe
Jon Ryan, Naperville, IL
Emma Elizabeth Sarradet, Addis
Kaley Dean Savant, Lake Charles
Katherine Laurel Shannon, Redding, CA
Graham William Skinner, Tatum, TX
Scott Joel Snochowski, Granger, IN
Sydnee Mashea Stewart, Grand Prairie, TX
Libby Noel Strimbu, Katy, TX
Tranchell Marie Watson, Tallulah
Mackenzie Hope Westbrooks, Iva, SC
Patricia Anne Rombach, Baton Rouge

MASTER OF ARTS
College of Education and Human Sciences

Janis Johnson, Shreveport
Mariah Ann Jones, Fayetteville, NC

Sami LeJune, Sulphur

MASTER OF SCIENCE
College of Education and Human Sciences

Carson Davis, Woodruff, SC

MASTER OF SCIENCE
College of Engineering and Science

Musefiu Yemi Adediji, Iragberi, Nigeria
Adnan Ahmed, Karachi, Pakistan
Cordus Era Bailey IV, Shreveport
Bivek Basnet, Birtamod, Nepal
Rajinder Kumar Bhasin, Yamuna Nagar,
India
Cameron Jude Cormier, Opelousas
Crystal Joy Duhon, Geneva, IL
Amjed Hassan Yousif Elysed, Abu Dhabi -
United Arab Emirates
Soumya Gaddam, Hyderabad, India
Sanjana Saraswathi Gangineni, Ruston
John Michael Garrison, Choudrant
Md Aminul Islam, Dhaka, Bangladesh
Ramanshu Jha, Ruston
Ahsanul Alam Kabhi, Brahmanbaria,
Bangladesh

Sravani Kadiyala, Prasadampadu, India
Chakradhar Korlakunta, Khammam ,
Telangana
Anik Mitra, Sylhet, Bangladesh
Okeke John Odirachukwu, Ruston
Johnson Chukwuemeka Okoye, Ihiala,
Nigeria
Savala Ariba Salam, Dhaka, Bangladesh
Ananna Samiha, Dhaka, Bangladesh
Jacob Paul Scheurer, New Orleans
Sanjeeb Subedi, Syangja, Nepal
Abhishek Kumar Tiwari, Mahthu, India
Tyler Matthew Trosclair, Jonesboro
Race Allen Wicklund, Houma
Mark Stephen Yates, West Monroe

MASTER OF ARTS
College of Liberal Arts

Kirby Brasher, Monroe

| Robert Clyde Thompson Jr., Hattiesburg

DOCTORAL HOODINGS

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION
College of Education and Human Sciences

Rachel Basco, Many

1994, BS, LSUHSC-School of Allied Health Professions

2003, MHS, LSUHSC-School of Allied Health Professions

Dissertation: "What's the Problem Represented to Be? A Foucauldian Poststructural Policy Analysis of a University Attendance Policy Authorizing Withdrawal for Excessive Absenteeism"

Major Professor: Dr. Bryan McCoy

Person Hooding: Dr. Bryan McCoy

Caitlin Delaney Gerding, Minden

2019, BA, Louisiana Tech University

Dissertation: "Message Framing and Mental Health Help-Seeking Intentions in College-Enrolled Adults"

Major Professor: Dr. Walter Buboltz

Person Hooding: Dr. Walter Buboltz

Emily Nicole Howell, Shreveport

2006, BS, Louisiana Tech University

2009, MA, Louisiana Tech University

Dissertation: "Stakeholder Perceptions of Student Readiness and School Structures Across the Elementary to Middle School Transition"

Major Professor: Dr. Bryan McCoy

Person Hooding: Dr. Bryan McCoy

Joseph Rossum, Shreveport

2018, BS, Louisiana Tech University

2020, MAT, Louisiana Tech University

Dissertation: "Advancing Social Justice in K-12 Education Through Lived Realities of Educational Leaders"

Major Professor: Dr. Bryan McCoy

Person Hooding: Dr. Bryan McCoy

Zollie Saxon, Muskogee, OK

2012, BA, Niagara University

2022, MA, Louisiana Tech University

Dissertation: "Comparing Utility Analysis Methods Using Hiring Rosters with Attrition Over Time"

Major Professor: Dr. Tilman Sheets

Person Hooding: N/A

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY
College of Engineering and Science

Md Reazul Islam, Shonahar, Bangladesh
BS (2017) Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology, Dhaka
MS (2023) Louisiana Tech University
Dissertation: "Pretreatment of Agricultural Waste Biomass and its Application to Wastewater Treatment"
Advisor: Dr. Joan Lynam
Hoarding: Dr. Joan Lynam

Havisha Nadendla, Visakhapatnam, India
BS (2017) VIT University
MS (2025) Louisiana Tech University
MS (2025) Louisiana Tech University
Dissertation: "Drift Aware Causal Inference: A Framework for Causality, Content, and Counterfactual Validation"
Advisor: Dr. Pradeep Chowriappa
Hoarding: Dr. Pradeep Chowriappa

Mohammad Tarikuzzaman, Netrokona, Bangladesh
BS (2014) Khulna University of Engineering & Technology
MS (2023) Louisiana Tech University
Dissertation: "Conversion of Biological Waste into Valuable Products"
Academic Advisor: Dr. Joan Lynam
Hoarding: Dr. Joan Lynam

ACADEMIC HONOR DISTINCTIONS

BACCALAUREATE DEGREE LATIN HONORS

summa cum laude

(cumulative GPA of 3.90 to 4.00 on all hours pursued –
the diamond (◆) indicates a perfect 4.0)

Brandon Tyler Buster
Kaylie Claire Canerday
◆Anna Catherine Coleman
Traxtyn Nicole Finney
Sarah Franklin
Erin Margaret Glynn
◆Ella Jameson Hampton
◆Elizabeth Grace Hastings
Anne M Hebert
Wendy Anne Hinton
Kaylee Anne Kessler
◆Parker Jude LeBlanc
Meagan Sydney Maxwell

Mckenzie Rae Mcfadden
Adeline Leigh Moss
Hannah Lynn Ogden
◆Kailyn Elise Oliver
◆Kate S Preaus
Liam Joseph Purifoy
Jessica Jane Ramey
William P Smith
◆Jameela Janell Taylor
◆Elizabeth Nicole Whitton
Nia Alese Wiley

magna cum laude

(cumulative GPA of 3.70 to 3.899 on all hours pursue)

Kinzley Nicole Allen
Quin P Bergeron
Elise Marguerite Blanchard
Emma Catherine Cox
Mandolyn C Donohue
Sophie Grace Gibbs
Priscilla L Guo
Cassidy Hampton
Kaylyn Brazzel Hoenke
Harrison Blake Hooks
Richard Alec Huffman
Emerald Ann-Marie Johnson
Alexis M Koeppel
Emily C Landry
Brandon Harvey Latcha
Neal Starnes Lopez

Lauren Marie Mccollum
Maya Faith Merritt
Conor Bradley Montalbano
David Phillip Nida
Landon A Ossman
Alexandra Kathryn Patin
Emilee Kate Powell
Jenna Isabel Rina Reid
Luke Robertson
Landon Cade Shively
Chloe Elizabeth Streeter
Adele Grace Talbot
Luke M Ward
Jack Alan Weinreber
Cassie Elizabeth Wingate

cum laude

(cumulative GPA of 3.50 to 3.699 on all hours pursued)

Zoe J Baker
James Michael Basco
Andrew Joseph Black
Rebecca Leigh Bordelon
Shelby Anne Bratton
Gracie E Brown
Brooke Bryant
Lexi N Casbon
Landrie Clark
Macy E Eads
Zoey Raelynn Fisher
Philip Walker Forsyth
Carlie Danielle Grayson
Kameron Jamaal Griffin

Ethan James Hansen
Vivian Reese Hanson
Connor Flynn Humphreys
Carter Floyd Janiga
Melody Anne Jeane
Alyssa L Johnson
Maximus Lowery
Jenna Michelle Marrable
Charles Henry McCough IV
Stormie Dawn Morris
Dylan Thomas Morrison
Luke Isaac Nichols
Kylie Mae Offering
Samuel L Phoenix

Bre Alyse Pitre
Piper Rodie
Aidan Romo
Pablo Jose Saenz Mendez
Brendan Ray Slayter
Seth Joseph Smollen

Lydia Kaylee Soileau
Tucker Tedeton
Dillon J Telford
Kaylin Ann Theriot
Ali Nicole Wilson

**ASSOCIATE DEGREE
ACADEMIC HONORS**

Distinction

(cumulative GPA of 3.70 to 4.00 on all hours pursued)

Molly Catherine Mcdowell

Luca Milena Rieger

Honors

(cumulative GPA of 3.30 to 6.699 on all hours pursued)

Kaleigh G Nale
Sophia Claire Parkman
Jaden C Taylor

Clara Elizabeth Womack
Luke Conner Wood

**HONOR SCHOLARS' DISTINCTION
Completion of the University Honors College Program**

Shelby Bratton
Kaylie Canerday
Kaylee Kessler
Traxtyn Finney

Landon Ossman
Emerald Johnson
Anna Coleman

Academic Honors Regalia

- Blue and gold honor cords worn by graduating business students recognize membership in the ***Beta Gamma Sigma*** International Honor Society. This society recognizes outstanding academic achievement in collegiate business and management programs accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB - International). Selection for membership requires the student to be in the top 10% of the undergraduate business class.
- Light-blue honor cords with light-blue tassels worn by graduating seniors signify a ***Senior Honors Scholar***. The student successfully completed 9 semester hours of Senior Honors courses, including a Senior Thesis, while maintaining a cumulative GPA of 3.3, reviewed annually.
- White and royal blue honor cords with white and royal blue tassels worn by graduating seniors signify an ***Honors Scholar***. The student successfully completed 21 semester hours of Honors Program courses while maintaining a cumulative GPA of 3.3, reviewed annually.
- Medallions on blue ribbons worn by graduates signify membership in ***Phi Kappa Phi***, National Honor Society. Membership includes all academic disciplines and is limited to the top 5% of the junior class and the top 10% of the senior class.
- Medallions worn by graduates signify membership in ***Mortar Board*** and indicate distinction for academic achievement as well as outstanding community and university service during their senior year.
- Gold satin stoles with blue embroidery worn by graduating seniors signify membership in the ***Golden Key*** National Honor Society. Membership is open to all academic disciplines and is limited to the top 15% of the junior and senior classes.
- Red and blue honor cords with multicolored tassels worn by graduates signify membership in ***Phi Alpha Theta*** History Honor Society. Membership is interdisciplinary and offered to those students who successfully completed 12 or more semester hours of history with a minimum 3.1 GPA and maintained a minimum 3.00 cumulative GPA.
- White satin stoles embroidered with the orange Bent symbol worn by graduating engineering students recognize membership in ***Tau Beta Pi*** Engineering Honor Society. Selection for this honor is based on the student's engineering GPA being within the top one-eighth of all junior engineering students and within the top one-fifth in the senior year.
- Purple and gold honor cords with purple and gold tassels worn by graduating seniors signify membership in the ***Phi Sigma Pi*** Honor Fraternity. Membership is open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors from all academic disciplines and requires a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, reviewed annually.
- Black and gold honor cords worn by graduating seniors signify membership in the ***Gamma Beta Phi*** National Society, recognizing academic achievement, leadership, and community service. Membership is interdisciplinary and requires scholastic ranking within the top 20% of the senior class.
- Red and purple honor cords worn by graduates signify membership in ***Alpha Epsilon Delta*** National Pre-Medical Honor Society. Membership is open to all pre-health profession students who successfully complete five academic terms with a minimum 3.3 cumulative GPA, reviewed annually.
- Gold honor cords with blue and gold tassels worn by graduating seniors signify membership in the ***Psi Chi*** National Psychology Honor Society. Membership is open to all psychology students who successfully complete a minimum of 9

semester hours of psychology courses with a minimum 3.0 GPA, rank in the top 35% of their class in general scholarship and maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA.

- White pointed collars embroidered with the Bent symbol and the Greek letters $\chi\epsilon$, worn by selected engineering degree candidates, identify members of **Chi Epsilon** National Civil Engineering Honor Society. Membership is limited to civil engineering majors achieving a cumulative GPA placing them in the top 25% of the junior civil engineering class, and the top 33% of the senior civil engineering class.
- Bright red and gold honor cords worn by graduating business students identify members of **Beta Alpha Psi** National Honors Fraternity for Financial Information Professionals. Membership in the local Alpha Chi Chapter is limited to accounting majors achieving a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or a 3.25 GPA in the most recently completed 30 semester hours; Finance and Computer Information Systems majors with minors in Accounting require a cumulative GPA of 3.25.
- Cream and burgundy cords worn by selected degree candidates identify members of **Kappa Omicron Nu** National Honor Society for Human Ecology majors. Membership is open to students enrolled in the Human Ecology disciplines with at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA and ranked in the top 25 % of their class.
- White satin stoles worn by graduating engineers identify members of **Alpha Pi Mu** Industrial Engineering Honor Society. Members achieved a cumulative GPA placing them in the upper one-fifth of their junior class and upper one-third of their senior class.
- Blue satin stoles with the scholastic aviation symbol and the Greek letters $\text{HM}\Sigma$, worn by aviation degree candidates, signify members of **Eta Mu Sigma**, the National Collegiate Aviation Honor Society. Membership is restricted to Professional Aviation and Aviation Management majors who achieved a 3.5 cumulative GPA as a junior or a 3.3 cumulative GPA as a senior.
- White satin stoles with a multicolored crest and the Greek letters $\text{ΠΤ}\Sigma$, worn by graduating engineers, identify members of **Pi Tau Sigma** Honorary Mechanical Engineering Fraternity. Membership is limited to mechanical engineering majors achieving a cumulative GPA placing them in the top 25% of the junior mechanical engineering class and the top 35% of the senior mechanical engineering class.
- White satin stoles with a maroon crest and the gold Greek letters $\text{Ω}\chi\epsilon$, worn by graduating engineers, identify members of **Omega Chi Epsilon** National Honor Society for Chemical Engineering. Membership is limited to chemical engineering majors achieving a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or the top 25% of the junior chemical engineering class, and 3.00 or the top 33% of the senior chemical engineering class.
- Navy blue and gold honor cords worn by graduating liberal arts seniors and graduate students identify membership in the Cast of **Alpha Psi Omega** National Honorary Theatre Society. This society recognizes outstanding academic and on- and off-stage performance achievements in areas of dramatic production. The student achieved a 3.2 cumulative GPA and an accumulated over 100 job rating system points based on work in various productions at Louisiana Tech University.
- Spanish gold and red cords worn by graduates identify members of Alpha Omega chapter of **Sigma Delta Pi** National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society. Eligibility for membership is restricted to those students who have demonstrated a genuine interest in Hispanic people, their civilization, and thought through the achievement of a minimum GPA of 3.0 in 21 or more semester hours of Spanish, with at least one course in Spanish literature or culture at the junior or senior level, and rank in the upper 35% of the senior class.
- Black and gold honor cords worn by degree candidates in Kinesiology signify membership in **Phi Epsilon Kappa** Fraternity, Eta Chapter. Membership is open by

invitation to undergraduate and graduate candidates in Kinesiology and requires a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA.

- Violet, gold, and lavender cords worn by graduating seniors and graduate students signify membership in the **Pi Mu Epsilon** National Mathematics Honor Society. Membership is open to students of all disciplines with completion of three or more college mathematics courses including calculus (with a mathematics GPA of 4.0 and top 25% general class ranking) or two years of college mathematics including calculus (with a mathematics GPA of 3.5 and top 33% general class ranking). Graduate students will have met the same criteria as undergraduate candidates with a 3.0 GPA on mathematics work completed during the last school year prior to membership.
- Gold cords with blue and red tassels worn by graduating engineers identify members of **Eta Kappa Nu** National Electrical Engineering Honor Society. Membership is limited to electrical engineering juniors ranked in the top 25%, and seniors ranked in the top third of the EE class. Along with outstanding scholastic achievement, students must have demonstrated exemplary character and involvement in campus activities.
- Green and ivory cords worn by degree candidates identify members of **Sigma Pi Sigma** National Honor Society for Physics. Membership is open to all students ranked in the top third of his/her class in general scholarship, with a minimum 3.2 GPA for all physics courses attempted, of which at least three or more are applicable to the undergraduate degree in physics.
- Green and white satin stoles with a green embroidered conifer tree and the gold Greek letters $\Sigma\Pi$, worn by graduating Foresters, identify the Alpha Phi chapter members of **Xi Sigma Pi** National Forestry Honor Society. Membership is by invitation to junior and senior forestry majors achieving a cumulative GPA that places them in the top 25% of their class and who exhibit strong moral character, honesty, hard work, and faithfulness.
- An honor cord of deep blue with a hint of red worn by degree candidates identifies members of **Pi Delta Phi** French Honor Society. The society's goal is to promote French and to recognize scholarship in the various disciplines and future teachers of America. Membership is open to French majors, French Education majors, and French minors with a 3.0 average in French and a minimum 2.8 GPA.
- Maroon and black honor cords worn by degree candidates identify Rho Gamma chapter members of **Sigma Tau Delta** International English Honor Society. Members are English majors or minors who have completed a minimum of 12 hours in English language or literature beyond the level of freshman composition, with a minimum 3.0 GPA in all English coursework, and a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA in all coursework.

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Academic Regalia

The regalia worn by degree candidates, faculty, administrators, and some guests consists of a gown, the cap (tam or mortarboard), and the hood (where appropriate). The lining of the hood bears the color or colors of the institution from which the wearer graduated. The color of the velvet trim around the hood designates the academic discipline of the degree conferred on the wearer.

The colors associated with some of the academic disciplines are as follows:

Agriculture	Maize
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Accountancy, Business, Commerce	Drab
Audiology	Spruce Green
Economics	Copper
Education	Light Blue
Engineering	Orange
Fine Arts, including Architecture	Brown
Forestry	Russet
Journalism	Crimson
Law	Purple
Library Science	Lemon
Medicine	Green
Music	Pink
Nursing	Apricot
Oratory (Speech)	Silver Gray
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education	Sage Green
Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Science	Golden Yellow
Social Work	Citron
Theology	Scarlet
Veterinary Science	Gray



ALMA MATER

By John P. Graham

O Tech, thy halls so beautiful,
Thy pleasant walks, thy noble trees,
That charmed me in my college days
Are ever dear to me.

Louisiana Tech I love thee,
My Alma Mater, my Alma Mater;
I will ever loyal be
To thee, my Alma Mater.