

# **To Our Guests**

**Commencement is a happy and dignified occasion. It is a meaningful time to recognize the graduates and their families, faculty, staff, and students of Louisiana Tech University. Guests and participants are therefore requested to maintain proper decorum throughout the ceremony by avoiding unnecessary movement in the seating area and by withholding applause until designated times as indicated during the program.**

**Following the awarding of degrees, the audience is requested to stand for the benediction and then to be seated until the recessional is completed.**

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

**Louisiana Tech University**  
**Three Hundred and Forty-Third Commencement**  
**Saturday, March 4, 2023**

**Processional “Pomp and Circumstance”** ..... **Edward Elgar, arr. P. Shin**  
Dr. M. Steele Moegle, Pianist  
Interim School of Music Director, Associate Professor, Piano

**Marshals:** Mr. Jeffrey Pike, Mr. Reggie Jeter, Mr. Stan McCaa,  
Mr. Andrew Yepson, Dr. Heath Tims

**National Anthem “The Star-Spangled Banner”** ..... **Francis Scott Key**  
**Music by John Stafford Smith**  
Dr. WeiShu Tsai, Vocalist  
Assistant Professor of Voice and Voice Area Coordinator

**Invocation** ..... Rev. Stan Pody  
Pastor, Faith Church

**Greetings** ..... Dr. Leslie K. Guice  
President

**Commencement Address**..... Dr. T. Steen Trawick  
CEO and CMO of CHRISTUS Shreveport-Bossier Health System

**Hall of Distinguished Alumni Induction and  
Presentation of the Tower Medallion Award** .....Mrs. Lisa Bradley  
Interim Vice President/Associate Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

**Recipients:**  
Lue Charles and Becky Marbury Napper

**Presentation of Candidates for Academic Degrees**  
College of Applied and Natural Science ..... Dr. Gary Kennedy  
College of Business ..... Dr. Christopher L. Martin  
College of Education .....Dr. Donald N. Schillinger  
College of Engineering and Science ..... Dr. Hisham E. Hegab  
College of Liberal Arts .....Mr. Karl Puljak  
Graduate School .....Dr. B. Ramu Ramachandran

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

*Please withhold your applause until each college has crossed the stage*

**Presentation of Commemorative Medallions**

**U.S. Air Force Commissioning** ..... Lt. Col. James C. Sprys  
Professor of Aerospace Studies, Commander, Air Force ROTC Det 305

**U.S. Army Commissioning**..... Lt. Col. Mason Moore  
Professor of Military Science, Grambling State University

*Alma Mater* ..... **John P. Graham**  
Dr. Tsai

*Audience standing - Lyrics printed on back cover of this program*

**Benediction** ..... Rev. Pody

**Recessional "Trumpet Voluntary"** ..... **Jeremiah Clarke, Arr. P. Shin**  
Dr. Moegle



## Commencement Speaker



**Dr. T. Steen Trawick**  
**CEO and CMO of CHRISTUS Shreveport-**  
**Bossier Health System**

A 1987 graduate of Ouachita Parish High School in Monroe and a 1991 Biological Sciences graduate of Louisiana Tech, Dr. T. Steen Trawick Jr. was named CEO of CHRISTUS Shreveport-Bossier Health System in August 2019. Established over a 125 years ago in North Louisiana, CHRISTUS is a faith-based, not-for-profit health system and comprised of hospitals in Caddo, Bossier and Red River parishes with \$350 million in net revenue, over 300,000 patient encounters, and providing more than \$15.5 million in community benefit and charitable care.

Trawick has been associated with CHRISTUS in Shreveport since 2005, when he joined CHRISTUS as a pediatric hospitalist. In 2008, he started the Adult Hospitalist program at CHRISTUS Highland Medical Center, where he served as Chief Hospitalist. Later working for Sound Hospitalists where he was responsible for the hospitalists, emergency medicine and intensive medicine programs across 14 hospitals in Texas and Louisiana with oversight of more than 347 physicians and advance practice providers.

Trawick blends vital commitment to the Shreveport-Bossier communities, intimate knowledge of healthcare, and deep experience as a physician leader. He is experienced in business oversight of regulatory preparedness, credentials committee issues, and healthcare compliance oversight.

A board-certified internal medicine physician for nearly a quarter century, Trawick has served as past president of Shreveport Medical Society and served as a member of the Governor's Advisory Board for Physician Assistants. He currently serves as Speaker of the House of Delegates for the Louisiana State Medical Society.

As a Louisiana Tech student, he was a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity and served as president for a year and a half. He was also an orientation student leader and served as a Student Government Association cabinet member.

Members of the University's Aillet Society, Trawick and his wife Ronda have two children who both attend Baylor University. Allison is studying Biology/Biochemistry pre-med and Graham is in Pre-Health Studies with aspirations to be a Physical Therapist.

## **The Tower Medallion**

### **Hall of Distinguished Alumni**

Louisiana Tech's Hall of Distinguished Alumni honors those who have achieved greatly in their professions, in community service, and in humanitarian activity while remaining steadfastly loyal to the University. The permanent display of the bronze plaques honoring inductees into the Hall is housed in the Marbury Alumni Center on the campus, and each inductee receives the coveted Tower Medallion. Symbolic of this honor, the Tower Medallion is the highest honor an alumnus of Louisiana Tech University can receive.

#### **Lue Charles and Becky Marbury Napper**



Becky and Lue Napper found each other while students on a Louisiana Tech Rome trip, were engaged in 1969, graduated from Tech together in 1970, and were married in January 1971.

Today, the couple will do something else together: they'll become the University's newest Tower Medallion recipients and be inducted into Tech's Hall of Distinguished Alumni.

The Tower Medallion signifies membership in the Hall and is awarded to Tech alumni who have distinguished themselves by exceptional achievement, community service, and humanitarian activities. Loyal friends to the University for more than 60 years, the Nappers easily qualify.

In 2006, to honor the late William and Virginia Marbury, the couple initiated The Marbury Lecture Series, sponsored by Tech's College of Business and Cedar Creek School.

In honor of the late Harold and LaRue Napper, Becky and Lue provided funds for a special lab in Tech's College of Education. They have also helped finance the Walk of Honor in Aillet Fieldhouse and continue to support the Marbury Scholarships through the Tech Foundation.

Both graduated with degrees in Business. Becky also earned her MBA in 1990, is a past board member of the Tech Foundation, and is now a Director Emeritus.

Becky and Lue have long been active in the Ruston community. Becky continues long relationships with Phi Mu, the Junior Auxiliary, the Girl Scouts, Louisiana Methodist Children's Home, and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Lue helped run the Miss Peach Festival for 50 years and has served on the board of the Miss Louisiana Pageant.

## 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. Those with an asterisk (\*) completed their degree requirements in association with the Barksdale Air Force Base Program.

### COLLEGE OF APPLIED AND NATURAL SCIENCES

Dr. Gary A. Kennedy, Dean

#### ASSOCIATE OF NURSING

Jack Trevor Anderson, Sterlington  
Jessica Marie Baffuto, Bossier City  
Raygan Grace Barnhill, Longview, TX  
Angela Davis Bouwel, Sterlington  
Ri'Nisha T. Bullitts, Jonesville  
William David Butts, Minden  
Sarah Lydia Caldwell, West Monroe  
Leah Michelle Chapman, Ruston  
Jordyn Leigh Clayton, Clayton  
Gabriella Marcella Desselles, Hessmer  
Emily Grace Eddy, Calhoun  
Blake Michael Everett, West Monroe  
Caitlin Brooke Goforth, Lafayette  
John Collin Graves, Camden, AR  
Landon Richard Guerrero, Shreveport  
Jackson Elkins Gunter, Oak Grove  
Carson Bailee Heard, Homer  
Hannah Elaine Malia  
Holbron, Choudrant  
Delaney House, Plainfield, IN  
Olivia Michelle James, Chatham  
Colton Ray Johnson, Alexandria

Zachary Taylor Jones, Bossier City  
Shelby Kay Leonard, Bossier City  
Kylee Jo Moore, Shreveport  
Precious Davielle Moore, Tallulah  
Wendi Nicole Morgan, Milton, FL  
Jessica Lynn Novak, Farmerville  
Crystal Breck O'Melia, Farmerville  
Matthew Wayne Owens, Ruston  
Kailey Elise Price, Ruston  
Madison Brooke Rainer, Shreveport  
Brittany Anne Register, Logansport  
Jasmin Richaela Rhodes, Dallas, TX  
Sydney Kate Richmond, Baton Rouge  
Brennan Marie Roberts, Ruston  
Hannah Leigh Robinson, Haughton  
Kasey Danielle Roddy, Pine Prairie  
Natalie Grace Rogers, West Monroe  
Morgan Taylor Scafani, Quitman  
Mitchel B. Shurden, West Monroe  
Alayna Paige Thomas, Jonesboro  
Makeibra Tomaria Valon Watkins,  
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#### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Jude Paul Aguillard, Alexandria  
Kerington Lyn Bass, Choudrant  
◇ Grayson Reid Bell, Franklinton  
Cayce Marie Billingsley, Henderson, TX  
Ikey'Ja Ajahnea Brown, Monroe  
Jordan Alan Cheatham, Minden  
Aaron Christopher Clark, Ruston  
Jillian Marie Cochran, Bossier City  
Rebecca Elizabeth Corely, New Iberia  
Jonathan Mark Crouch, Uncertain, TX  
Emma Catherine Daniel, St. Francisville  
Taylor David, Alexandria  
Kailyn Michelle DeCoux, Baton Rouge  
Masey Rae Deshoutel, Shreveport  
◇ Alden Isabelle Dichoso, Houston, TX

Adam Michael Jerry Driskill, Shreveport  
Abigail Reid Everett, Alexandria  
Hailey Frasier Fabian, West Monroe  
Christopher Adam George, Calhoun  
Meghan Elise Griffin, Ruston  
Ryann Raylette Hamilton, Baton Rouge  
Tatum McKay Hasen, Fort Worth, TX  
>>◇ Mary Lynn Holloway, West Monroe  
Mitchell Shane Hukins, Cottonport  
Jarred Austin Jelks, Shreveport  
Hanna Nicole Johnson, Start  
Kyla Symone Jones, Shreveport  
Peyton Hartley Knowles, Shreveport  
Bailey Erynn LeMay, Shreveport  
Olivia C. Luke, Franklin  
Christian Taylor Lutz, Shreveport

Logan Marie McGrath, Haughton  
Brianna Caitlin Neal, West Monroe  
Madeline Kate Nugent, Ruston  
Justin Taylor Pendleton, Shreveport  
Robert Cole Ringle, Monroe  
◇ Jacob Alexander Saucier, Shreveport  
◇ Madison Elizabeth Scheer, Ruston  
Sayaka Takeuchi, Osaka, Japan  
Ellen Maria Taylor, Ruston

» Jaida Dale Verdin, Bourg  
Victoria Catherine Vilcan, New Iberia  
Ethan Blake Warren, Sunset  
Abigail Lindsey Wheat, Natchitoches  
Emily Whiteman, West Monroe  
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Joseph Connor Hall, Shreveport  
Aaron Michael Haygood, Benton  
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Noah W. Huckaby, Houston, TX  
Conner Lee Hurd, Shreveport  
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Mason Carter Kemp, Blanchard  
Andrew Charles Langlinais, Plaquemine  
Joshua David Lewis, Shreveport  
Kevin Joseph Moore, Arcadia  
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Britton Fletcher Mulhern, Rayville  
◆ Emily Ashton Owens, Kingwood, TX  
Jonah Alexander Pease, Bossier City  
Denish Pokhrel, Texarkana, TX  
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Ethan John Skowronski, Little Rock, AR  
Ryleigh Madison Stewart, Shreveport  
Josie Ann Studer, Waxhaw, NC  
James Montana Guadalupe Taylor, Ruston  
Zachary Andrew Taylor, Monroe  
Lauren Elizabeth Thomas, Monroe  
Seth Allen Traweek, West Monroe  
◇ Shelby Leann Watson, Haughton  
J'Carreck Jordan Wilkerson, Monroe  
Katie Ann Williams, Quitman  
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**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**  
**Dr. Donald N. Schilling, Dean**

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Keriann Paige Hollis, Shreveport  
Nichalaus Wayne Impson, Ruston  
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Jesse Luke Shadburn, Ruston  
Meg Elizabeth Stephens, Wisner  
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Zackary Tedeton, Gonzales  
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Priya Kelley Creech, West Monroe  
Brooke Leslie Daniel, Ruston  
E'Yanna Yvette Davis, Shreveport  
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Julia Danielle Griffin, Bossier City  
Vincent Earl Grisby, Jr., Farmerville  
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Johnie Jean-Jacques, Bahamas

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Salah Grace Keene, Anacoco  
Rasheed Tahir Lyles, Ruston  
Myles Je'von Mason, Birmingham, AL  
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Kathryn Kleinpeter Meyers, Baton Rouge  
Jalia M. Payne, Ruston  
♦ Victoria Lauren Phillips, Houghton  
Biron Neal Rossell, Jonesboro, AR  
Steven Terrell Shaw, Jr., Houston, TX  
Kaitlynn Deneé Sweeney, Bossier City  
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\* Tammy Michelle Stanley, Minden  
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<h3>THE GRADUATE SCHOOL</h3> <p><b>Dr. B. Ramu Ramachandran, Dean</b></p>
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### MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY

College of Business

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Javera Shalisha Gardner, Forrest City, AR  
William Andrew Lambert, West Monroe  
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Bryan Hunter McCormick, West Monroe  
Ashley Anne Pearson, Downsville  
Allyson Delane Silmon, El Dorado, AR  
Taylor Leigh Wilkinson, Livingston

### MASTER OF ARTS

College of Education

Brandon James Cespiva, Pineville  
Katrina Rocha Sproles, Haughton

Marissa Marie Yeagle, Ruston

### MASTER OF ARTS

College of Liberal Arts

Jeff Ferrell, Bossier City  
Camden Phillip Joiner, Lawrenceville, GA

Elizabeth Ann Turnage, Shreveport

### MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

College of Education

James W. Parks, LaPlace

### MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

College of Business

Paul Atkins, Glenside, PA  
Cameron Price Bates, Pineville  
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Kiarra Grace Bombard, Winnfield  
Desirée Brodeen, Ruston  
Andrew John Bryant, Abita Springs  
Evan Russell Chandler, El Dorado, AR  
Grace Ann Courtright, Baton Rouge  
Byron Christopher De Bouse, Jr., Shreveport  
Tommy Milton Di Mattia, Jr., Ponchatoula  
Lindsay Kristina Gouedy, Ruston  
Garrick Edward Griffin, Farmerville  
Gage Joseph McClinton, Carriere, MS  
Micaela Susanne McCrary, Shreveport

Katerri Lynn McWright, Tallulah  
Asad Nabi, India  
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Franklinton  
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Annaliese Claire Russell, Mangham  
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Samantha Lynn Taylor, Winnfield  
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**College of Education**

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**College of Applied and Natural Sciences**

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**College of Engineering and Science**

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Ming Jun Chen, Clovis, CA  
John Michael Coughlin, Spring, TX  
Sindhu Datla, Ruston  
Zakaria El-Alwadi, Ruston  
Erin Elizabeth Geohegan, Little Rock, AR  
Lucas Hansen, Los Gatos, CA  
Rifat-E-Nur Hossain, Ruston  
Rachel Dickson Louviere, Little Rock, AR

Rama Harika Manyam, Ruston  
Jacob Thomas McGee, Magnolia, AR  
Md Tanbin Hasan Mondal,  
Rangpur, Bangladesh  
Jason Earl Nugent, Thibodaux  
Kavya Ravi, Chennai, India  
Santhosh Revooru, Nellore, India  
Anil Varma Rudraraju, Ruston  
Eshwar Prasad Thamburi, Ruston  
Haiwen Wang, Lingao, China  
Chaoqun Yu, Fuzhou, China

**DOCTOR OF EDUCATION**  
**College of Education**

**Katherine C. Dawson, Radcliff, KY**

BA (2006) Western Kentucky University

MA (2009) Western Kentucky University

Dissertation: "Bridging the Digital Divide: Using Ecological Modeling to Enhance Adult Student Recruitment and Retention in High Education"

Major Advisor: Dr. Richard Shrubbs

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**  
**College of Engineering and Science**

**Yixian Pei, China**

BS (2013) Sun Yat-sen University

Dissertation: "New Porous Nanomaterials for Battery and Supercapacitor Applications"

Major Advisor: Dr. Shengnian Wang

**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**  
**Lieutenant Colonel James C. Sprys**

Liam Reardon Moppert

**UNITED STATES ARMY**  
**Lieutenant Colonel Mason Moore**

Justin Taylor Pendleton

**BACCALAUREATE DEGREE**  
**LATIN ACADEMIC HONORS**

**WINTER QUARTER 2023**

**summa cum laude**

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

Avery Allyson Cobb  
Jillian Marie Cochran  
◆ Mary Katherine Couvillion  
Emma Catherine Daniel  
Savanna Jeanne Gunn

◆ Avery Anne Jeffcoat  
◆ Holden Michael Martin  
◆ Emily Ashton Owens  
Denish Pokhrel  
Victoria Lauren Phillips

Edward Hilton Teal  
Sarah Noel Tilmon  
Abigail Lindsey Wheat

**magna cum laude**

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

Emily Elizabeth Audsley  
Kerington Lyn Bass  
Grayson Reid Bell  
Jesse Suttle Boydston  
Madison Claire Cefalu  
Taylor David  
E'Yanna Yvette Davis  
Kailyn Michelle DeCoux  
Cade Alan DeLoach

Abigail Reid Everett  
Christopher Adam George  
Shelbi Madison Green  
Ryann Raylette Hamilton  
Mary Lynn Holloway  
Thomas Payne Johnson  
Jackson Christopher Lewis  
Trevin Ethan Pool  
Jacob Alexander Saucier

Madison Elizabeth Scheer  
Jaykob Lane Stewart  
Josie Ann Studer  
Anna Varilek  
Shelby Leann Watson  
Mary-Claire Wilcox  
Jakira Alana Williams  
Ryan Jacob Williams  
Ainsley Raye Yanz

**cum laude**

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

Gage Balin Betourne  
Hayden Chene Blount  
Gage Matthew Brooks  
Ashley Michelle Christian  
Olivia Grace Cuthbert  
Brooke Leslie Daniel  
Brent Rudy Diaz

Alden Isabelle Dichoso  
Meghan Elise Griffin  
Mitchell Shane Hukins  
Anna Katharine Inman  
Kyla Symone Jones  
Logan Marie McGrath  
Mallory Grace Meers

Colton Russell Myers  
Tiffany Jean Sauble  
Isabel Anna Catherine  
Sipocz  
Magdalene Sumlin  
Katie Ann Williams

**ASSOCIATE DEGREE  
ACADEMIC HONORS**

**WINTER QUARTER 2023**

**Distinction**

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

Jordyn Leigh Clayton

**Honors**

(cumulative GPA of 3.30 to 3.699 on all hours pursued)

Jessica Marie Baffuto  
Raygan Grace Barnhill  
Blake Michael Everett  
Hannah Elaine Malia Holbron  
Matthew Wayne Owens

Kailey Elise Price  
Madison Brooke Rainer  
Hannah Leigh Robinson  
Natalie Grace Rogers

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*Academic Honors Regalia*  
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- 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 XE, 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 ΗΜΣ, 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 ΙΙΤΣ, 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 ΩΧΕ, 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.

- 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 ΞΣΠ, 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.

- Black and gold honor cords worn by degree candidates in Kinesiology signify membership in **Phi Epsilon Kappa** Fraternity, Eta Eta Chapter. Membership is open by invitation to undergraduate and graduate candidates in Kinesiology and requires a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA.