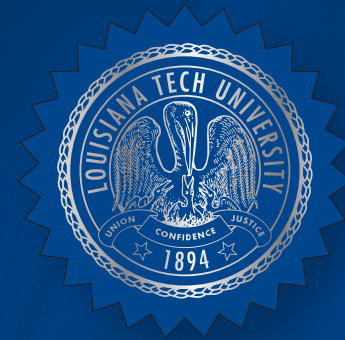


ALMA MATER

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.



Commencement
Summer 2025

The Tenets of Tech

tenet /'tenət/ *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	INTEGRITY	ENTHUSIASM
EXCELLENCE	RESPECT	CARING
COMMITMENT	LEADERSHIP	HOPE
KNOWLEDGE	LOYALTY	PRIDE



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



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-Third Commencement
Saturday, August 23, 2025

Processional “Pomp and Circumstance” **Sir Edward Elgar**
Mary Steele Moegle, Pianist/Organist
Associate Professor of Music

Marshals: Mr. Reggie Jeter, Ms. Stacey Black, Mr. Stan McCaa,
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..... Zach Husser, Minister of Contemporary Worship
Temple Baptist Church, Ruston

Greetings and Commencement Introduction Dr. Donna Thomas
Provost

Commencement..... Dr. James B. Henderson, President

Commencement Address..... Mr. Lee Kinnebrew, IV
Class of 1992

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 Puljak
Graduate School..... Dr. Sheryl Stokes Shoemaker

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 “Trumpet Voluntary” **Jeremiah Clarke, Arr. Shin**
Mary Steele Moegle

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



Lee Kinnebrew, IV

Lee Kinnebrew, IV, is a captain for Southwest Airlines and recipient of the company's Presidents Award for both 2013 and 2021.

A Tech Class of 1992 graduate cum laude with a bachelor's degree in professional aviation and a minor in flight engineering, Lee was recognized by the Alumni Association as the Distinguished Alumnus of the Year in the College of Liberal Arts in 2023.

Kinnebrew has always enjoyed returning to campus from his home in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

"My experience at Tech was just fantastic," said Lee, who met his wife Jennifer Crawford on a blind date while both were Tech students. "I can't say enough great things about the University." During his time as Vice President Flight Operations at Southwest, Lee was instrumental in creating the University's partnership with Southwest Airlines. The company's pilot training program has helped anchor Tech's commitment of ensuring students are as prepared as possible for jobs in the 21st-century workforce.

Lee holds a certificate in Aviation Safety and Security from the University of Southern California. Since joining Southwest Airlines as a first officer in 1997, he has worked as a pilot interview team member, manager of flight safety, check pilot, director of training, and senior director of training and standards. He has also served the Southwest Airlines Pilots Association as a Flight Data Analysis Program Gatekeeper and Aviation Safety Action Program Event Review Team Member.

Lee has served as vice-chair for the Airlines for America Training Committee and on the Aviation Industry Advisory Board for Louisiana Tech. He has been honored for his leadership excellence and his achievements in safety and training.

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

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Natalie Marie Garnett, West Monroe
Hiathem Hashem Hamideh, Pineville
Rachel Jeanne Harris, Ball
Xander Leon Hebert, Cutoff
Emma Faith Hoffman, Benton
Haitham M Khattab, Minden
Katherine Marie Kirkpatrick, McKinney, TX
Corinne Leblanc, Houma

Roselyn Marie Bennett McDaniel, Ruston
Callie McKinney, Brandon, MS
Lorelei J Morris, Houma
Gilberto A Quinones Mendoza, Monroe
Shelbi Renee Rosenberg, Arnaudville
Elle Elisabeth Semmes, Bossier City
Hannah M Toups, Metairie
Joshua B Whitton, Shreveport

Bachelor of Science Health Informatics and Information Management

Vaderious Dismuke, Farmerville
Taylor M Dunkelgod, Arkadelphia, AR
Kathryn McDougale, Ruston

Lauren Elise O'Neal, West Monroe
Hailey F Taylor, Ringgold

Bachelor of Science Nursing

Payton Michelle Elwell, Haughton

Kimberly Lanigan Turney, Ruston

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS Dr. Christopher L. Martin, Dean

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Ruth I Anderson, Phoenix, AZ
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Carson Michael Bordelon, Baskin
Jacob Bernard Braun, Baton Rouge
Grant Burton, Baton Rouge
Landon T Crawford, Bossier City
Zachary Dean Dibenedetto, Harahan
Briana Michele Ewald, Vivian
Clay Fant, Carthage, TX
Hunter Lane Folks, Quitman

Graycee Hill, Monroe
Nolan Kelly, Lafayette
Abby Katelyn Kenner, Haughton
Nicholas Christian King, Shreveport
Harrison David May, Tyler, TX
Brady James Norcross, Bossier City
Anna Grace Pierce, Benton
Tyler A Richardson, Shreveport
Grace Marie Robinson, Quitman
John Scharr, Quitman

Sarah Catherine Spohn, Benton
Lexi Brielle Steinmann, Thibodaux
William G Talley, Benton
Aaliyah Taylor, Monroe

Areyounna Lacrea Washington, Ruston
Makayla Amani Williams, Bastrop
Jackson Finney Worthey, Ruston

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

BACHELOR OF ARTS

ØPeyton Alexander Benefield, Homer
Ally Kendal Clear, Pineville
Taylor Lee, Marion
>>Alexis Cheri Odenbaugh, Jonesboro

Sutton Cate Pettit Nelson, Magnolia, AR
Kelsey Blair Reed-Dison, Speasville
Luca Milena Rieger, Zellerberg, Germany
Amanda M Womack, Winnfield

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William Corey Allen, New Orleans
Eduardo Andrade, Monroe
Caroline Grace Barber, Shreveport
Jacob M Corke, Doyline
Hailee L Decourt, River Ridge
Meagan C Grider, Hermitage, AR
Daylon Demarcus Haley, Foreman, AR
Clayton Robert Hearn, Ruston
Emily Christine Howard, Metairie

Karley Bree LaFleur, Shreveport
Sashnia Vasiwana Murray, Ruston
Madeline Rae Smith, Shreveport
Dane R Stearns, Benton,
Faith Tarver, Birmingham, AL
Nicholas Anthony Tibi, Bossier City
Nikijah Airie Toney, Shreveport
Christian Torres, Bossier City

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE
Dr. Collin D. Wick, Dean

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

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Emma Grace Agan, Sterlington
Brandon Joseph Boudreaux, Haughton
Justice Robert Groom, Madisonville
Connor Matthew Gwatney, Lafayette
Joshua Noel Harold, Baker
Devin J Lawrence, Patterson
Steven N Lewis, Bossier City
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John C Peshoff, Ruston
John Roumain Peters, New Orleans
Ian J Swanson, Slidell
Brett P Weindel, Kenner
Cameron J White, Shreveport
Keldrick Jermaine Whitfield, St. Francisville
Darrell Keith Young III, Moss Bluff
Coleman Zuehlke, Haslet, TX

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
Mr. Karl Puljak, Dean

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Hunter Michael Tucker, Winnfield

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Keith Lawrence Kelly II, Metairie

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Easton Reid Michelli, Saint Joseph

Collin J Naquin, Houma
Victoria Lynn Nassar, Athens
Maci Picou, Shreveport
Blair Elise Simon, Springfield
Jenna L Summers, St. Francisville
Gabriel Rolly Walker, Ruston
McKenzie Marie Williams, New Orleans

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Ian Daniel Fontenot, Slidell
Christopher M Murray, St. Francisville
Ethan Joseph Porta, New Orleans

Ryder Andrew Rasouliyan, Bossier City
Henry Riddell, Newport Beach, CA
Sarah Elizabeth Seabaugh, North Little Rock, AR
Noah Sorrells, Shreveport

GRADUATE SCHOOL Dr. Sheryl Stokes Shoemaker, Interim Dean

MASTER OF SCIENCE College of Applied and Natural Sciences

Avery Miller Adams, Ville Platte
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Savannah Smiley Keeler, Bossier City
Morgan Claire Mayeux, Moreauville
Caroline Noel Stroo, Bossier City

MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY College of Business

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Grace Autumn Beard, New Orleans
Shawn Bergfield, Richmond Hill, GA
Andrew John Brosious, Laurys Station, PA
Kinsley J Bruton, Benton
April Christine Burch, Boone, IA
Jadan Combs, Cedar Hill, TX
Summer Rae Constable, Litchfield, OH
Mary-Katherine Dawson, Natchitoches
Robert Fenner Derry, Monroe
Crystal Joy Duhon, Lafayette
Peyton D Edgar, Monroe
John Embree, Jacksonville, FL
Victoria Evans, Shreveport
Josie Grace Fontenot, Natchitoches

Kitijarith Daleja Foster, Chicago, IL
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Anna C Griffin, Shreveport
John-Barron Johnson, Farmerville
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Casey Lorene Jung, Adamstown, MD
Grace Kennedy Dendy, Summerfield
Haley Klenke, Dequincy
Michael Kozlowski, Buffalo, NY
Allison Claire Kumler, Blairsville, GA
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Anna Catherine Little, Winnfield
Antionette Lynch, Fort Worth, TX
Gracelyn Hunter May, West Monroe

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Kimmy Musumeche, Lafayette
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Jorge Luis Rivera III, Southport, CT
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LaToya Taneaia Sibley, Alexandria
Connor Rollins Smith, Ruston

Elizabeth Snyder, Champlin, MN
Daniel Spencer, West Monroe
Trey Standridge, Atlanta, GA
Tommy Ming Tang, Bethesda, MD
Radu Simion Timbuc, Sterling Heights, MI
Chad Trumble, Roanoke, VA
Ashton Wade, Salt Lake City, UT
Nathan Wakefield, Burbank, CA
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Isaac Mitchell White, Ruston
Caihren Y Wood, Vacherie
Daniel Walker Young, Monroe

MASTER OF ARTS

College of Education and Human Sciences

Brye S Edwards, Ferriday
Jake Elliott, Baton Rouge
Alyiah Eugene, Miramar, FL

Mary Claire Graff, Ruston
Reid Anthony Labruyere, Ruston

MASTER OF ARTS COUNSELING & GUIDANCE

College of Education and Human Sciences

Addison Claire Aschbacher, Tyler, TX
Alexandra Abiya English, Shreveport
Kennedy Courtney Lurry, Port Allen

Jackson Thomas Schwoebel, Columbus, GA
Eryn Michael Soileau, Ville Platte
Andrew L Thomas, Ruston

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

College of Education and Human Sciences

Chloe Mae Winstead, Ruston

MASTER OF EDUCATION

College of Education and Human Sciences

Jamie Theodos, Bossier City

Crystal M Ward, Bossier City

MASTER OF SCIENCE

College of Education and Human Sciences

Kody Ragine Ceaser, Jeanerette

Michael Trenton Miller, Vidalia

MASTER OF SCIENCE

College of Engineering and Science

MD Faiaz Al Islam, Rajshahi, Bangladesh
Peyton Vincent Caro, Thibodaux
Anusha Gnawali, Dailekh, Nepal
Niranjan K C, Dhading, Nepal
Fernando Mire, Shreveport
Arunakumari Nasu, Ruston
Kaleb MacGwire Nolan, Calhoun

Okeke John Odirachukwu, Nigeria
Jordan S Savoie, Sulphur
Carson Watkins Slack, Bossier City
Carter Sterling Slack, Bossier City
Lasitha G Weliana, Ruston
Kevin Yokum, New Orleans

MASTER OF ARTS

College of Liberal Arts

Mackenzie Lynn Angelo Breland,
Franklinton
Nathan Daniel Estrick, Irvine, CA
Austin Gaspard, Pollock

Ean Daylee Marsh, Shreveport
Caitlin Mcqueen, Irvine, KY

DOCTORAL HOODINGS

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY College of Education and Human Sciences

Lakyn Michelle Boone, Pineville

BS (2017) Louisiana State University

Dissertation: "Sleep, Emotion Regulation, and Relationship Satisfaction: A Moderation Analysis"

Major Advisor: Dr. Walter Buboltz

Mi Chelle Leong, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

BS (2015) Upper Iowa University

M.Ed. (2019) Texas Tech University

Dissertation: "Assessing the Role of Employees' ESG Perception on Turnover Intention: A Moderation Analysis"

Major Advisor: Dr. Tilman Sheets

Jibri Khalia Parker, New Orleans

Previous Degree(s):

BA (2017) Temple University

Dissertation: "Emotional Armor: An Exploration of Emotion Regulation on Race-Related Stress and Well-being"

Major Advisor: Dr. Walter Buboltz

Kristen Kay Ridgdell, Baton Rouge

Previous Degree(s):

BS (2017) Southwestern Oklahoma State University

MA (2020) University of North Dakota

Dissertation: "Personality, Self-Compassion, and Alcohol Use in College Students"

Major Advisor: Dr. Walter Buboltz

Kiara Monet Scott, Houma

Previous Degree(s):

BA (2018) University of Arkansas at Little Rock

BA (2019) University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Dissertation: "Hardiness, Coping, and Well-Being in Trauma-Exposed College Student-Athletes"

Major Advisor: Dr. Walter Buboltz

Aungelique Renea Sledge, West-Helena, AR

Previous Degree(s):

BA (2014) Henderson State University

MS (2017) Henderson State University

Dissertation: "How Helpless Are You? The Need for Closure and the Need for Cognitive Preference as a Moderating Effect in the Relationship Between Perceived Self-efficacy and Learned Helplessness"

Major Advisor: Dr. Kacie Mennie

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY College of Engineering and Science

Ahmed Almalki, Tiaf, Saudi Arabia

BS (2011) Al Baha Private College of Science

MS (2020) Louisiana Tech University

Dissertation: "An Envisioned and Efficient Design of Next Generation Decentralized IOT BOT Detection Model"

Major Advisor: Dr Pradeep Chowriappa

Stetson Bosecker, Ruston

BS (2014) Louisiana Tech University

MS (2016) Louisiana Tech University

MS (2021) Louisiana Tech University

Dissertation: "A Backtracking Algorithm for Determining the Existence of Regular Graphs of Specified Girth and Excess"

Major Advisor: Dr Galen Turner

Ann W Clifton, Monroe

BA (2011) East Carolina University

MA (2013) East Carolina University

MS (2015) University of South Carolina-Columbia

Dissertation: "Structural and Computational Results on Equitably Dissectible Graphs"

Major Advisor: Dr. Galen Turner

Joanna M Keeling, West Monroe

BS (1998) Louisiana State University in Shreveport

BS (2009) Louisiana State University in Shreveport

Dissertation: "A Study of Rural Health Care for Chronic Care Management Using Machine Learning to Determine Costs"

Major Advisor: Dr Pradeep Chowriappa

Guilherme Ricardo Mendes da Silva Barreto de Figueiredo, Shreveport

BS (2012) Universidade Católica Portuguesa

MS (2016) Instituto Superior Técnico

Dissertation: "Advancing RFID Systems: From Head Orientation to Robotic Localization Using Passive Tags"

Major Advisor: Dr Gergana Nestorova

Ahmed Mudhish, Saudi Arabia

BS (2017) Kanagawa Institute of Technology

MS (2022) Louisiana Tech University

MS (2025) Louisiana Tech University

Dissertation: "Privacy-Preserving Structure Learning for Geospatial Data Using Information-Theoretic Dependency Measures"

Major Advisor: Dr Pradeep Chowriappa

Christopher Kyle Prather, Choudrant

BS (2008) Louisiana Tech University

MS (2010) Louisiana Tech University

Dissertation: "Posture – A Framework with Measures and Mediating Effects in Support of a Structural Model for Attitude in Engineering Identity Formation"

Major Advisor: Dr Kelly Crittenden

ACADEMIC HONOR DISTINCTIONS

~ See insert for honorees ~

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 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.
- 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 $\text{IIT}\Sigma$, 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 $\Omega\chi\epsilon$, 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.
- 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 $\Xi\Sigma\Pi$, 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.
- 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.

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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)

Caroline Grace Barber

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