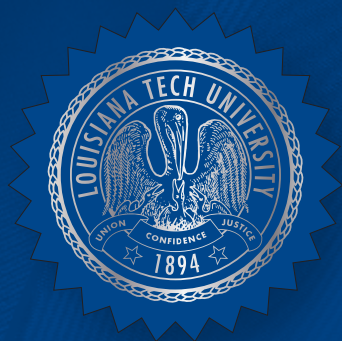




Commencement
Fall 2025

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
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-Fourth Commencement
Saturday, November 15, 2025

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

Marshals: Mr. Reggie Jeter, Dr. Heath Tims, Dr. Jason Howell,
Dr. Timothy Reeves, and Mr. Andy Yepson

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

Invocation..... Rev. Becky Clark, Teaching Pastor
Trinity Methodist Church, Ruston

Greetings and Commencement Introduction Dr. Donna Thomas
Provost

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

Commencement Address..... Mrs. Misti S. Cordell
Class of 1997

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

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



MISTI S. CORDELL

Chair, Louisiana Board of Regents

Misti Cordell was appointed an At-Large Member of the Board of Regents in January 2024 and Chair in September 2024.

A 1997 graduate of Louisiana Tech in Human Resource Management in the College of Business, Cordell is owner/operator of her own healthcare consulting business, COR Consulting, LLC.

Her experience in both healthcare and government has helped her connect healthcare organizations and administrators with state policymakers, an expertise instrumental in forging a mutual understanding of the local healthcare structure and the policymaking process for the benefit of the community.

Reared in Luna in rural Ouachita Parish, Cordell has always had a heart for her community. She has worked on countless fundraisers and served on many volunteer boards, was a Design Lead and Project Manager for the St. Jude Dream Home for five years, and currently serves on multiple boards, including MedCamps of Louisiana, CenturyNext Bank Advisory Board, Ouachita Parish Library Board, and the Northeast Louisiana Children's Museum Board.

She and her husband Hardeman live in Monroe and are the parents of two sons. John graduated from Tech in Finance last year and works for Northwest Mutual, and Hank, currently working for the Louisiana Attorney General and planning to apply to law school, graduated from Ole Miss in May.

A former Tech coed who "stayed in Ruston during the weekends and really got plugged into the entire college experience," Cordell said the campus "immediately felt like home," when she first visited.

"From the old oaks to the beautiful buildings, Tech had an elevated feeling of something both historic and valuable," she said. "I still get a great sense of pride when I walk through the campus today. Tech gave me more than just great memories and an education. The friendships here and this little town of Ruston are mighty special and will always feel like home."

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 ($\ggg$) indicates the candidate earned three degrees concurrently. The right-pointing double angle symbol ($\gg$) indicates the candidate earned two degrees concurrently. The double solid square symbol ($\blacksquare$) indicates the candidate earned a double major. Those with the diamond symbol ($\blacklozenge$) earned a perfect 4.0 GPA. Baccalaureate degree candidates with the lozenge symbol ($\lozenge$) next to their name completed the University Honors Program.

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

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Mary E Dismer, Marksville
 $\blacklozenge$ Elizabeth L Draughon, Alexandria

Landri K Millsaps, Ruston
Emma Claire Pitman, Minden

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Brooke Alexandra Annino, Hahnville
Luis E Barrera, Sabinas, Coahuila, Mexico
Alexis Renae Bearden, Benton
Abby Rae Benton, St. Francisville
Cameron Scott Blackstock, Ruston
Julia Katherine Borne, Harrisonburg
Ashley Brooke Butler, Bossier City
Allie Grace Floyd, East Bernard, TX
William Hunter Harris, Ruston
Celia Klair Hayes, Farmerville
Arwen Savannah Haynes, Blanchard
DaJhae Derrionne Joseph, New Orleans
Katelyn Gabrielle Lacy, Livingston
Hannah Elisabeth Lafitte, Shreveport

Kaiden W Morace, Ruston
 $\blacklozenge$ Carter Mahlon Murphy, Covington
Lillia Parnell, West Monroe
Maria Pena Ferreiro, Santiago de
Compostela, Spain
Laurel Naomi Pinckley, Natchitoches
Rebecca L Roberts, Watson
Wade J Roberts, Lake Charles
Jaggar Slaide Salard, Lena
Joella Marie Seay, Choudrant
Adithya Sunder, New Orleans
Ayden Ruth Thomas, Pineville
Amelia Rose Venters, Ruston

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Jackson H Schneider, Greensboro, GA

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Leslie Jocelyn Mendez, Ruston

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Hallie Jo Mitchell, West Monroe
Jamie J Stipelcovich, Hawthorne, CA
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Dr. Christopher L. Martin, Dean

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Leah F Alamond, Sulphur
Emily Cecilia Armand, Livingston
Jasmine Arie Batiste, New Iberia
Brock Michael Belanger, Monroe
Taylor Anding Bentley, Monroe
Nelson James Blackburn, Ruston
Kylee Grace Blackwood, Alexandria
Claire Marie Blanchard, Baton Rouge
Cade Everett Bordelon, Houma
Wesley W Brown, Monterey
Ean W Burch, Shreveport
John Porter Burford II, Shreveport
Carson Hunt Carey, Bossier City
Jonathan Dean Carter, Dubach
Aaron Joseph Childress, Bella Vista, AR
Travis Wayne Cobb, Hodge
Joshua Lanard Cobbs, West Monroe
Nathaniel D Collins, Metairie
Austin Joseph Distefano, Shreveport
Dorian D Eddins, Bastrop
Lucas Brandon Edens, Springhill
Jacob R Ellis, Mandeville
Koehn Drake Farrell, Haughton
Keegan Chase Fennell, Junction City, AR
Dalton L Fogleman, Stonewall
Bradley Gates, Delhi
Joshua Reed Hall, Tyler, TX
Reed Douglas Harmson, Alexandria
Benjamin Cannon Harner, Shreveport
Sterling E Head, Monroe
Micah Scott Heflin, Shreveport
Caleb Hunter Hemmings, Bossier City
Lauren Elizabeth Henson, Bossier City
Vivian Leigh Holman, Shreveport
Caleb William Howard, Simsboro
Preston Huesmann, Plaquemine
Wesley B Inabnett, Monroe
Guevara Devon Johnson Jr., Baton Rouge
Jacory Malik Jones, Jonesville

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Tommy Sokmean Khou, El Dorado, AR
Tylor Kolb, Choudrant
Prashanth Kotla, Hyderabad, India
Jack Ryan Lanam, Albuquerque, NM
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Kendrick Quatorion Lang, Bossier
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Caitlin E Miguez, Belle Place
Kevin Daniel Mijares, Stonewall
Anamaria Montes, Metairie
Prasiddha Neupane, Kathmandu, Nepal
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Daniel Joseph Taylor, Metairie
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♦Caroline Louise Garrett, Monroe
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Samantha Kay Gould, Shreveport

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Lily Hart Woods, Shreveport

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College of Business

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Munisa Aziz Abdurakhimova, Dushanbe,
Tajikistan
Osinachi Bright Abika, Ruston
Zouhayr Aboutir, Marrakesh, Morocco
Shahryar Ahmed, Ruston
Shashini Madusha Chandrasena, Ruston
Trivikram Devineni, Vijayawada, India
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Harshavardhan Rao Gunuganti, Hyderabad,
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Mialy Jacky, Antananarivo, Madagascar
Muhammad Hunain Ahmed Khan, Karachi,
Pakistan
Deepak Lama, Helambu, Nepal

Puja Mudbhari, Kathmandu, Nepal
Havisha Nadendla, Ruston
Okeke John Odirachukwu, Ruston
Ekundayo Moses Omotehinse, Ondo State,
Nigeria
Udaya Bilas Panta, Bharatpur, Nepal
Muhammad Saad, Karachi, Pakistan
Muhammad Haris Saleem, Ruston
Muhammad Haroon Sheikh, Prosper, TX
McKinley Anne Sherman, Tomball, TX
Poojitha Soma, Hyderabad, India
Emerson Douglas Statom, Mooringsport
Humaira Urmee, Dhaka, Bangladesh
William Wilson, Delhi
Mst Nusrat Yasmin, Ruston

MASTER OF ARTS
College of Liberal Arts

Swarnali Banik, Dhaka, Bangladesh
Timothy Ty Cobb, Bossier City

Lindsey B Murry, Ruston

DOCTORAL HOODINGS

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION College of Education and Human Sciences

Ann Marie Hancock, Monroe
BA (2002) University of Louisiana Monroe
MEd (2013) Louisiana Tech University
Dissertation: "Shared Voices: How PK-16 Leaders Perceive School-University Partnership Alignment with CAEP Standards"
Major Advisor: Dr. Bryan McCoy
Hooding Faculty: Dr. Bryan McCoy

Devonia Olivia Love-Vaughn, Lexington, KY
BSW (1996) University of Kentucky
MSW (1997) University of Kentucky
Dissertation: "Senior Leaders' Perspective on the Chief Diversity Officer Role on a College Campus"
Major Advisor: Dr. Lindsey Keith Vincent
Hooding Faculty: Dr. Lindsey Keith Vincent

Ashley Elizabeth Owen, Farmerville
BA (2010) Louisiana Tech University
MA (2013) Louisiana Tech University
PhD (2021) University of Louisiana at Monroe
Dissertation: "For the Good Times: Examining the Influence of Leaders' Regret on Risk-Taking Behavior in Decision-Making"
Major Advisor: Dr. Don Schillinger
Hooding Faculty: Dr. Kane Allen

Brittany Seruntine Smith, Calhoun
BS (2012) University of Louisiana at Monroe
MS (2016) Northwestern State University of Louisiana
Dissertation: "Exploring Generation Z Student Satisfaction in Radiography Programs within a Southern State: Development and Application of a Survey Instrument for Leadership Use"
Major Advisor: Dr. Donald Schillinger
Hooding Faculty: Dr. Donald Schillinger

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY College of Engineering and Science

Abdullah Dakhlallah Alshamdayn, Al-Jouf, Saudi Arabia
BS (2014) McNeese State University
MS (2016) McNeese State University
Dissertation: "Secret Key Generation Based on the Physical Layer Characteristics for IoT Networks"
Major Advisor: Dr Manki Min
Hooding: Dr Manki Min

Joel Andrew Hudson, Dubach
BS (2002) Louisiana Tech University
MS (2010) Kansas State University
MBA (2017) University of Houston - Victoria
Dissertation: "Investigation of Electrochemical Corrosion Fatigue Mitigation Strategies for Mild Carbon Steel"
Major Advisor: Dr Henry Cardenas
Hooding Faculty: Dr Henry Cardenas

Vivya Kalidindi, Ruston

BS (2017) Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University

MS (2024) Louisiana Tech University

MS (2025) Louisiana Tech University

Dissertation: "Towards Robust Autonomous Systems: Handling Multi-Modal Uncertainties in GPS-Denied Environments"

Major Advisor: Dr Pradeep Chowriappa

Hooding Faculty: Dr Pradeep Chowriappa

Zeinab Jabbari Velisdeh, Ruston

BS (2017) Babol Noshirvani University of Technology

MS (2020) Babol Noshirvani University of Technology

Dissertation: "Advanced Plant Growth and Waste Extraction Using Halloysite Nanotubes (HNTs) for Medical Applications"

Major Advisor: Dr. Daniela Mainardi

Hooding Faculty: Dr. David Mills

Jianjun Zhu, Shenyang, China

BS (2012) Shenyang Aerospace University

MS (2020) Louisiana Tech University

MS (2024) Louisiana Tech University

Dissertation: "A Study on Fault Tolerance and Anomaly Detection in Decentralized Systems"

Major Advisor: Jinyuan Chen

Hooding Faculty: Jinyuan Chen

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)

♦Elizabeth L Draughon
Brooke Alexandra Annino
Abby Rae Benton
Hannah Elisabeth Lafitte
♦Carter Mahlon Murphy
Joshua Reed Hall
Barro Joubert Massad

Spencer Max McNabb
Thatcher D Ray
Jessica Danielle Walker
♦Madita Jolina Ehrig
Andrew J Pernell
William Davis Viator
♦Caroline Louise Garrett

Sydney Marie Lotz
John Caleb Cranford
Kaiden Major Lang
Stephanie Anne Miller
John Ross Wilhite

magna cum laude

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

Emma Claire Pitman
Allie Grace Floyd
Lillia Parnell
Amelia Rose Venters
Layla Elizabeth Hill
Micah Shane Pruitt
Hallie Jo Mitchell
Emma Rangel Vallery
Emily Cecilia Armand
Cade Everett Bordelon
Wesley W Brown
Aaron Joseph Childress

Wesley B Inabnett
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Zachary Donald Ashby
Gabriel S Barfield
Richard Alec Huffman
Brandon Harvey Latcha
Annemarie Teresa
McMillan
Blake Weymer

cum laude

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

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Leah F Alamond
Jasmine Arie Batiste
Brock Michael
Belanger
Ean W Burch
Carson Hunt Carey
Caleb Hunter

Hemmings
Lauren Elizabeth
Henson
William I McClanahan
Henry McClure
Messinger
Andrew Spencer
Nettleton
Kelsey E Simmons
Jackson David Truitt
Noelle Feiden
Khloe E Whittington

Brilanne Taylor Bays
Anne Deupree
Thomas Matthew Palmer
Thomas Patrick Wallace
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Leah M Qureshi

HONOR SCHOLARS' DISTINCTION Completion of the University Honors College Program

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Dixie Corley

Carter Murphy
William Viator

Stephanie Miller

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 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 HMΣ, 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 ΠΤΣ, 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 ΩXE, 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 $\Xi\Pi$, 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.

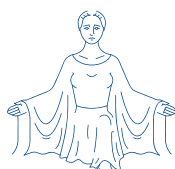
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Academic Regalia

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



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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.