



Honors Convocation Awards

APRIL 2024

On April 24 many of our students were honored and received awards at our traditional Honors Convocation held in Dunham Theater. Honors Convocation is a tradition that is set apart for the HCU community and families to come together and celebrate the outstanding work of our students throughout the year. Award recipients are chosen from each college or department for their achievements and leadership according to each particular award.

Congratulations to all of our 2024 award recipients! We celebrate with each one of you!

PRESENTATION OF 2024 AWARDS

College/School/Department

Award Recipient

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN THOUGHT

Outstanding Student in Theology
Outstanding Student in Classics & Biblical Languages
Outstanding Student in Apologetics

Stefanie Fisher
Frank Bogaert
Chun Yin Leung

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Outstanding Student in the Visual Arts
Outstanding Student in Cinematic Arts
Outstanding Student in Digital Media
Outstanding Student in Creative Writing
Outstanding Student in Music
Dr. Robert L. Bradley Outstanding English Major
Outstanding Spanish Major
Outstanding History Major
Outstanding Legal Studies Major
Outstanding Political Science Major
Taylor Collins Memorial Scholarship for Promising Young Men

Rivkah Parker
Tarin Wittig
Callie Mayer
Lauryl Brogan
Kurt Kauffman
Abigail Jones
Alondra Figueroa Rocha
Richard Marquez
Leena Bouchenni
Marisol Balderas
Cristofer Rodriguez

LINDA DUNHAM SCHOOL OF NURSING

Outstanding BSN Student
Outstanding MSN Student
Outstanding Kinesiology Student

Dan Returan
Jennifer Ha
Alyssa Hartis

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Outstanding Student in Biology
Outstanding Student in Biochemistry/Molecular Biology
Outstanding Student in Chemistry
Outstanding Student in Computer Science
Outstanding Student in Electrical Engineering
Outstanding Student in Cyber Engineering
Outstanding Student in Mathematics

Riley Martin and Mark Coggins
Johana Jose
Mariana Menchaca
Leonardo R. Yerena
Rocio Comparini
Eduardo A. Corazon
Zachary Ryan

ARCHIE W. DUNHAM COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Excellence in Accounting
Excellence in Finance
Excellence in Business
Excellence in International Business
Excellence in Marketing
Excellence in Management

Andrea Ramirez
Justin P. Pacheco
Ashley Mendez
Danika Etter
Oliver K. Dickman
Jared Knight

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Dr. Bill Borgers Outstanding Student in Education
Dr. Robert L Bradley Outstanding Student in Bilingual Education
Education Deans of Independent Colleges in Texas (EDICUT):
Clinical Teacher of the Year
Overall Outstanding Graduate Student in Education
Overall Outstanding Graduate Student in Psychology
Overall Outstanding Undergraduate Student in Psychology

Marisa Melendez
Jennifer Ortiz

Briana Wofford
Michael Johns
Lanalisa Sinclair
Jocelyn Herring

STUDENT SUCCESS AWARDS

TRIO Achiever Award
TRIO Award of Excellence
Outstanding Tutor
Outstanding Academic Coach
Outstanding Supplemental Instructor
Outstanding Tutoring Desk Worker
Commuter Assistant of the Year

Christopher Bautista
Kauthar Ilham
Jasie Williams-Roberts
Chloe Bagshaw
Johana Jose
Melany Camarillo Ramirez
Hilary Kahsai

ATHLETIC AWARDS

Varsity Athlete Academic Award

Jan Edds Female Athlete of the Year

Robbie Robertson Male Athlete of the Year

Frances Curtis & Mildred Boone Spirit Award

Galdino Lucero Service Award

Isabella Cheek

Kylann Griffith

Macey Morris

Jacqueline Nguyen

Jessica Rabiun

Jalyx Hunt

Bradford Joseph

Dr. Jacqueline Horn

STUDENT LIFE AWARDS

Dr. James W. Massey Male Intramural Athlete of the Year

Dr. W. Lou Shields Female Intramural Athlete of the Year

Intramural Team of the Year

Greek of the Year

Student Organization of the Year

Peer Mentor of the Year

Christian Servant Leader Award

Residence Life Dedicated Service Award

Ranier Perez

Emily Banda

Forever Chicken

Chloe A Merecka

African Student Association

Jocelyn Herring and Arthur Sanchez

Gabby Zacamitzin and Jarek Wells

Michael Attathikhun, Jayla Carmouche,

Josiah Carr and Alexandria Gomez

PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS

Student Foundation

Mark Coggins

Tatyana Cloud

Renee Peters

Sophia Esquivel

Jocelyn Herring

Melly Flores

Danea Pineda

Janet Okoroji

Dan Returan

Veronica Puac Menchu

Opal Goolsby Presidential Award for Teaching Excellence

Dr. Mark Gaus

The President's Award: Female

Emily Banda

Abigail Jones

Johana Jose

Janet Okoroji

Andrea Ramirez

PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS

The President's Award: Male

Josiah Carr
Mark Coggins
Luke Horner
Saleim Kahleh
Dan Returan

Mr. and Miss HCU

Ranier Perez and Emily Banda

2023-2024 PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED AWARDS

ARCHIE W. DUNHAM COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Delta Mu Delta 2024

Opeyemi Akintoye
Angelina M. Babineaux
Bessy J. Banegas
Milly Barreiro
Courtney R. Bray
Maria E. Colin Vazquez
Oliver K. Dickman
Krista Flores
Ariel R. Garza
Robel Habtemariam

Chassidy Harris
Brice M. Horrigan
Ma de Jesus Jimenez
James L. Kirkpatrick
Rylee A. Kuhn
Mia Y. Manzanares
Esther A. Mazariegos
James T. McQuillan
Knight Newcomb
Olufunlola E. Ojo

Mary Otibhor
Elizabeth M. Padgett
Zohet A. Ramirez Reyes
Andrea G. Ramirez
Rebecca A. Ramon
Savannah A. Rivera
Mary J. Salazar
Nelsinea C. Sebastiao
Isabel J. Serna
Wendinso R. Zongo

Greater Houston Business Ethics Roundtable Award: The Bette Stead Ethics Scholarship

Jason Blades

Accounting Excellence Award from the Education Foundation of the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants

Andrea Ramirez

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

Welch Scholars 2023-2024

Abigail Conger
Mariana Menchaca
Noah Needle
Thao Nguyen
Bao Khang Quach
Hayden Smith

Myers-Towery Award in Chemistry

Khang Quach

Crawford and Hattie Jackson Foundation Scholarship 2023-2024

John Fallows

Ashley Garcia

Noah Hlavinka

Saleim Kahleh

Hannah Mathew

Aaishah Rahat

Alpha Epsilon Delta

Sarah Alameddine

Nicholas Alvarez

Stephanie Ballingit

Andrew Beal

Adithya Bhaskar

Eduardo Lopez

Loren Nguyen

Heilyn Perez

Cristian Ponce

Caroline Vo

Zaynah Yousuf

Beta Beta Beta Biology Honor Society Regular

Sophia Andrade

Ray Cagumbay

Eduvie Chinosa

Hannah Mathew

Caroline Vo

Beta Beta Beta Biology Honor Society Associate

Wendy Badillo

Robert Coggins

Abigail Inocian

Eduardo Lopez

Sarai Menjivar

Hannah Starkey

Texas Joint Admission Medical Program (JAMP) 2023

Zarfisha Khan

Minh Nguyen

Ranier Perez

Angel Phillip

Brian Quach

Grace Hopper Fellows 2023-2024

Nicolas Alvarez
David Ayeni
Angel Beltran
Adithya Bhaskar
Eduardo Corazon
Maden Edaugal
Jair Gregorio
Noah Hlavinka

Anthony Karam
Leya Khoury
Zachary Marshall
Marissa Martinez
Makenzie Moore
Noah Needle
Loren Nguyen
Angel Phillip

Wesley Prakoth
Mason Robertson
Ethan Schellingerhout
John Schellingerhout
Andre Sotelo
Constantin Zod

Grace Hopper Scholars 2023-2024

Bernard Adjei
Charles Agha
William Aguirre
Yaqub Ajisefini
Yousef Al Kurdi
Sarah Alameddine
Zahra Alavi Naini
Mosa Alsalih
Holly Andres
Miriam Attalla
John Auman
Ailine Avila
Wendy Badillo
Evan Barnes
Christopher Bautista
Andrew Beal
Jonathan Beltran
Maximillian Bertram
Malena Blanchard
Mary Borghese
Corbin Brand
Skylar Brandt
Alexander Brenham
Raymond Venice Cagumbay
Louie Canales
Oswaldo Cardona
Omar Castellon
Joel Castillo
Guillermo Castro

Andrew Chica
Khalid Chilipachi
Eduvie Chinosa
Emanuel Cintron
Jonathan Contreras
Madison Coward
Carlos De Carlos
ChanceDebbs
David Diaz
Nam-Justin Dieu
Justin Du-Le
Parker Edwards
Devon Fears
Ashley Garcia
Brianna Garcia
Rafael Garcia Fernandez
Nijad Gereige
Gil Gomez
Adrian Gonzales
Yareli Gordillo
Ashley Guillen
James Hays
Edwin Hernandez
Jorge Hernandez
Selvin Hernandez
Madison Hess
Ashley Huynh
Anthony Huynh-Tu

Lemonz Jefferson
Lanard Johnson
Laniyah Johnson
Natasha Jones
Johana Jose
Ilham Kauthar
Grant Keiffer
Jareth Koerner
Colby Kurtz
De Li
Eduardo Lopez
Jennifer Lopez
Jair Maldonado
James Mcclain
Alaina Meas
Mariana Menchaca
Joshua Metlock
Sarah Molina
Savion Moning
Sean Moning
Aiden Montoya
Caden Nease
Chapel Nease
Ashley Nguyen
Logan Nguyen
Thao Nguyen
Divine Odeh
SamuelOjo

Grace Hopper Scholars 2023-2024 Cont.

Allan Orellana	Joshua Rajesh	Gabriel Soto
Fathia Orioye	Raul Reyes	Chloe Spiller
Solximena Ortiz	Emilee Richardson	Hannah Starkey
Maryori Oseguera	Rosalinda Rivera	Thomas Streets
Josiah Osio	Victoria Rodriguez	Sillah Suwaneh
Luke Packard	Carina Rojas	Tiffany Tang
Heilyn Perez	Zade Rojas	Paul Taylor
Heylen Perez	Christopher Rwandekwe	Jeevan Thoppil
Ivan Perez	Autumn Sampson	Cameron Townsend
Ranier Perez	Giovanni Santillan	Micaela Tzul
Sandra Perez	Jalen Saunders	Caroline Vo
Setapanak Pho	Odanis Serrano	Melahn Wallace
Kamila Pineda	Sydney Smith	Leonardo Yerena
Alan Polacheril		

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES

12th Annual “A Piece of the Past” Museum Essay Contest 2023

Grand Prize – Leena Bouchenni

Southern History/ American Architecture and Decorative Arts

First Place – Josiah Carr

Second Place – Mason Cala

Second Place – Claire Wilkerson

Dunham Bible Museum

First Place – Ella Ritter

Second Place – Corinne Sandifer

Art Museums

First Place - Abdil Galan-Torres

Second Place – Kace Conaway

Freshmen/HCU Academy

First – Dillon Floyd

Second – Samantha Ponce de Leon

Danny Lee Lawrence Creative Writing Award – Poetry

First Place – Lauryl Brogan

Runner-up – Joshua Pettis

Danny Lee Lawrence Creative Writing Award – Fiction

First Place – Corinne Sandifer

Runner-up – Ella Ritter

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES Cont.

National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS)- Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico Region:

First place – Nicholas Pappas

Finalist – Jonathan Lee

Greater Houston Chapter (NATS) Vocal Competition - Classical:

First Place –

William Carr

Kynadi Law

Joshua Yeates

Jonathan Lee

Celia Kate Mellett

Nicholas Pappas

Second Place –

Riley Morton

Caitlyn Pratt

Michael Hall

Sarah Yeates

Rising Eyes of Texas Exhibition 2024 – MFA Studio Arts Award

Constintine Lopez – First Place Winner

Dominic Clay – Second Place Winner

Chloe Hudspeth

Hailey Harvey

Crystal Billing

Dreana Booker

Victoria Amenta

Delaney Mcritchie

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

COEBS Service Awards

Association of Student Educators – Bilingual Education Student Organization

Marisa Melendez

Psi Chi – Rachel Awe

Outstanding Student Awards

Outstanding Elementary Education Student – An Vu

Outstanding Secondary Education Student – Ashley Rodriguez

Outstanding All-Level Content Education Student – Leah Inman

Outstanding Education Administration Student – Anita Kelley

Outstanding Learning, Teaching & Design Student – Katherine Soto

Outstanding Doctoral Student – Jackson Opollo

Outstanding Graduate Psychology Student – Hailey Harvey

Outstanding Undergraduate Psychology Student – Hilary Kahsai

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN THOUGHT

Riverside Scholarship

Marc James

Zondervan Academic Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Study of Theology

Celeste Chapman

Zondervan Academic Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Study of Hebrew

Bryan Mathis

Zondervan Academic Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Study of Greek

Christian Flores

STUDENT LIFE

Husky Revue 2024

First Place: Davion Adams

Second Place: Josiah Carr

Third Place: Zowie King

People's Choice: Brooklyn Lacy

Homecoming Court 2023-24

King: Logan Anderson

Queen: Melanie Camarillo Ramirez

Senior Prince: Zyyare Brown

Senior Princess: Jayla Carmouche

Junior Duke: Jeremy Rhone

Junior Duchess: Yennise Sevilla

Sophomore Count: Bradford Joseph

Sophomore Countess: Laila Gillespie

Freshman Lord: Troy Hubbard

Freshman Lady: Za'kyra Armstrong

Order of Omega Honor Society

Yaqub Ajisefini

Sarah Benitez-Mendoza

Jayla Carmouche

Tatyana Cloud

J'La Harris

Jocelyn Herring

Samirah Jackson

Cassandra Curtis

Keyana Archer

Ana Garcia Hernandez

Jalyx Hunt

Andrea Soriano

Brooke Bigford

Victoria Herpin

Charlotte Perez

STUDENT FOUNDATION

2024-2025

Deleyni Perez
Esther Marzariegos
Jaelle Tchalla
Jareth Koerner
Josephine Tsai
Karina Alvarez
Kasey Martinez
Keilly Delgado
Melany Camarillo
Richard Marquez
Robert Coggins
Sarah Alameddine
Sarah Molina
Virginia Ruiz

INITIATES OF OMICRON DELTA KAPPA

2023-24 Members

Zaena Aram Alzahrawi	Shelby Nichole O'Neal
Mark Coggins	Abigail Grace Ritter
Liliana Nicole Estrada	Jasie Williams-Roberts
Abigail E. Jones	Annick Mind Tankus
Dr. Gregory Keiffer	Catie Cheryl Wuensche
Riley Q. Martin	Sarah Elisabeth Yeates
Jeeline Martinez	Kayla Zepeda
Mariosnella J. Morles Pachano	

ALPHA CHI NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

2024-2025 Inductees

Mica Aldaba	Abigail Grace Fick	Jonathan Key	Maggie Post
Sophia Andrade	Kayla Franklin	Lanaye Keys	Nelsinea Sebastiao
Giselle Benitez	Gabrielle N. Garcia	Zoey Long	Tchissola Sebastiao
Jasmin Calderon	Bianca Garcia Lelli	Kathryn N. Marker	Cullen Spadachene
Emily Chacon	Magnum Goff	James Tyler McQuillan	Camilla Stokes
Lily Clardy	Karen Esmeralda Granillo	Joshua Stewart Mejia	Angela Adriana Villalobos
Jason B. Colon	Braden Hay	Niosha Motahari	Caroline Vo
Lacey Ann Cuellar	Jocelyn Kate Herring	Grace Nguyen	Marjorie Westmoreland
Oliver Keith Dickman	Tiffany Huynh	Chioma K. Nwosu	Claire Wilkerson
Aseel Essoh		Sophia Perez	

PIPER PROFESSOR NOMINEES

2023-2024

Archie W. Dunham College of Business – Dr. Yongli (Roy) Luo
School of Christian Thought – Dr. Paul Sloan
College of Education and Behavioral Sciences – Dr. Lesli Fridge
College of Arts and Humanities – Dr. Shannon Holzer
College of Science and Engineering – Dr. Paul Lewis
Linda Dunham School of Nursing – Dr. Nancy Brownlee

OPAL GOOLSBY PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE

2023-2024

Archie W. Dunham College of Business – Dr. James Meersman
College of Education & Behavioral Science – Dr. Joseph Pelletier
College of Science & Engineering – Dr. Curtis Henderson
School of Christian Thought – Dr. Paul T. Sloan
College of Arts and Humanities – Dr. Russell Hemati
Linda Dunham School of Nursing – Dr. Mark Gaus

MAYFIELD OUTSTANDING STAFF AWARD FINALISTS

2023-2024

Female –

Brenda Woods - Administrative Assistant, Student and Residential Life
Denisse Roman - Administrative Analyst, Linda Dunham School of Nursing
Aubrey Claussen - Assistant Director, University Events and Conferences

Male –

Larry Blakely - Manager, Maintenance & Operations
Seth Huey - Events Operations Manager
Jacob Wonders - Director, Academic Research and Effectiveness