SHPS Graduation 2026

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[Doctor Johnson] But we're here today to to honor our graduates of the School of Graduate Studies as well as Health Professions.	Students and faculty dance behind a second line band across campus and into the building and finally into the auditorium
I offer my personal congratulations to each of our students and their families who have played an integral part in reaching and helping them reach this academic milestone.	Older gentleman in full graduation regalia stands at a podium with students behind him and friends and family of the graduates seated around the auditorium Text: Lester Johnson, M D, F A C S Senior Vice Chancellor
[Doctor Fakoya] Deliver care with compassion. Pursue discovery with integrity. Let your science be rigorous. Let your care be compassionate. Let your leadership be ethical.	Tall, dark complected man in African inspired garb stands at a podium with students behind him and friends and family of the graduates seated around the auditorium Text: Adegbenro Fakoya, M D, P H D Vice Chair, Cellular Biology and Anatomy
[Margaret] I know that LSU Health Shreveport has prepared us to be great clinicians, researchers, and teammates. Our faculty have poured into us academically and emotionally. Our faculty doesn't just care about helping us pass the test.	Student speaker stands at a podium in cap and gown with students behind him and friends and family of the graduates seated around the auditorium Text: Margaret Godbery Master of Physician Assistant Studies
They've taught us to think critically and show compassion. So I have no doubt that we're all well-prepared to excel in our respective fields.	Margaret and other P A students walk across stage to receive handshakes from Doctor Johnson then pause for photos as they receive their diplomas
It's been eight years, to be exact. I was a single mom, and so I can only go to school part time. So being a nontraditional student, it's taken me a while to get here.	Blonde woman in graduation cap and gown Text: Jessica Ritchie Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science
It is surreal. You know, I never thought I would actually make it this far. Everyone has worked so hard in their own way to get to this moment. And I hope it's everything that we have all dreamed it to be. The instructors here and the director of the program, they have absolutely set us up for success.	Jessica waits as a fellow student hugs their instructor and moves to shake Doctor Johnson’s hand then she moves through the line hugging and shaking hands until pausing to take a photo as she receives her diploma

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[Jewel] I'm feeling so excited and so ready to walk across the stage. I'm just so ready. We're all so thankful and grateful for the faculty for getting us here today	Young woman with long dark hair (Jewel) has a huge smile on her face as she shakes hands and moves to accept her diploma
and all that they taught us. And I think we're just really ready to just graduate and walk across the stage and start seeing patients and change people's lives.	Jewel wearing cap and gown stands in a room with large windows behind her Text: Jewel Peters Master of Physician Assistant Studies
[Noel] After five long years, I'm incredibly excited to be taking my next steps on my new journey. It's been a long time coming, but I'm really looking forward to it.	Young woman with medium complexion stands in cap and gown as her major professor places her doctor hood across her shoulders
I absolutely think LSU has prepared me for my next steps. One of the things that my future employers said is that the	Noel in a room with windows behind her Text: Noel Jacquet P H D, Pharmacology, Toxicology & Neuroscience
skills that I've picked up here have been invaluable in my future career.	Noel pausing to take a photo as she receives her diploma
[Doctor Dunn] We've never wavered from what we set out to do In 1970 - educate people	Young man with medium complexion in a cap and gown shakes hands with Doctor Johnson and a young woman with a head scarf under her cap and gown pauses for a photo with her diploma
who lead with skill and serve with heart, and send them out to meet the health care needs of Louisiana and beyond.	Woman with graying hair peeking from under a graduation cap stands at a podium in front of students, friends, and family Text: Sharon Dunn, P T, P H D Dean, School of Health Professions and Sciences
Today we celebrate these graduates. They are our legacy. And they will carry this legacy forward. (cheering and clapping)	Multiple students walk across the stage shaking hands and receiving their diplomas then pausing for photographs