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## 1984 budget largest in University's history

Increased support for computer operations, library acquisitions, research and laboratories, curriculum improvements, and the recruitment of outstanding faculty and students is included in the \$263,455,000 budget adopted for 1984 by the University of Houston Board of Regents.

The new budget is the largest in the history of the University and represents an increase of \$43 million, or 20 percent more than last year's budget of \$218,783,000.

Commenting on the added budget commitments to academic enhancement, Dr. Charles E. Bishop stated, "The state legislature has treated us fairly in a very austere year. But, we have had to look to our own resources to provide the required additional support for improvement of our academic operation."

"The chancellors of the four UH campuses have been very imaginative and resourceful in this process. As a result of sound planning and economies effected, we have been able to come up with the additional funds needed to improve our academic programs. The University of Houston is looking forward to a new academic year in which much progress will be made in the overall quality of the institution."

Among the items in the University Available Fund budget earmarked for academic improvement are the following:

UH-University Park—operation and maintenance of academic computing hardware, \$500,000; purchase of sophisticated research equipment to meet laboratory needs, \$500,000; equipment cost sharing and research seed money, \$430,000; support for faculty development leaves for periods of one or two semesters, \$340,000; recruitment and retention of quality students and scholarship and student

aid, \$290,000; and library acquisitions, \$500,000.

UH-Clear Lake—purchase of high-tech laboratory equipment, \$100,000; and faculty development and faculty research, \$140,000.

UH-Downtown—purchase of micro-computers and expansion of service of the Basic Skills program, \$150,000.

UH-Victoria—purchase of laboratory equipment for new Technology Center for Teachers, \$55,000.

The budget for the UH-University Park campus totals \$197,695,677, an increase of \$34,926,754 over last year, and includes the following:

Resident instruction	\$61,355,621
Physical plant operations	22,736,319
General administration	6,842,545
Library	5,500,000
Staff benefits	3,816,700
Organized research	1,225,006
Major repairs and rehabilitation	14,600,000
Designated funds	15,469,449
Auxiliary funds	25,361,100
Restricted funds	35,900,440

The budget for the UH-Clear Lake campus totals \$23,148,677, an increase of \$4,789,442 over last year, and includes the following:

Resident instruction	\$ 9,474,946
Physical plant operation	3,673,239
General administration	1,301,790
Library	713,380
Staff benefits	403,280
Organized research	110,690
Designated funds	880,463
Auxiliary funds	869,183
Restricted funds	515,249

The budget for UH-Downtown totals \$19,684,092, an increase of \$1,752,753 over last year, and includes the following:

Resident instruction	\$ 5,780,492
Physical plant operation	2,327,046
General administration	1,208,868
Library	663,034
Staff benefits	276,600
Major repair and rehabilitation	2,614,583
Designated funds	2,176,831
Auxiliary funds	2,461,200
Restricted funds	1,485,000

The budget for UH-Victoria totals \$3,717,461, an increase of \$598,794 over last year, and includes the following:

Resident instruction	\$ 1,177,957
Physical plant operation	484,394
General administration	467,300
Library	314,750
Staff benefits	69,920
Designated funds	394,700
Auxiliary funds	82,188
Restricted funds	373,570

The budget for UH System totals \$19,211,399, an increase of \$1,294,493 over last year, and includes the following:

System administration	\$ 1,352,260
Central services	2,768,089
Public service (KUHT-TV and KUHF)	4,408,720
University available fund	10,500,000

## \$5.2 million allocated for faculty, staff raises

The University of Houston Board of Regents has approved raises totaling \$5.2 million for 3,600 UH System faculty and staff employees.

Raises averaging 4.6 percent were awarded to 1,200 faculty members on the four campuses. Raises averaging 4.5 percent were awarded 2,323 staff members on the four campuses and in the UH System offices.

The state legislature mandated that all faculty raises would be given on a merit basis from a pool of 4 percent provided by the salary formula and that all staff raises be distributed 4 percent across the board.

Additional amounts for faculty and staff

above the 4 percent level were awarded on a merit basis only and came from funds produced by reductions in positions and other savings effected by the University.

Commenting on the raises, Dr. Charles E. Bishop, UH president, stated, "We are pleased that we were able to move beyond the 4 percent designated by the state appropriation and provide merit increases for deserving faculty and staff. This was made possible by economies that we were able to make in our operations. To attract and retain excellent faculty and staff we must pay salaries and wages that are competitive with the area market."

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# Tectonics expert joins faculty

Dr. Kevin Burke, one of the foremost plate tectonics researchers in the world, has been appointed to the tenured position of professor of geology at the University of Houston—University Park College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics. Burke also will direct the Lunar and Planetary Institute (LPI) located next to NASA's Johnson Space Center.

The LPI is funded by NASA through the Universities Space Research Association, a consortium of 54 universities organized to aid in space and planetary research. Burke has been deputy director of the LPI since April 1982. The LPI played a major role in the distribution of moon rock samples to the nationwide university community.

"We are extremely happy Dr. Burke has accepted this post. He is one of the top geologists in the world in his field," Dr. Roy Weinstein, dean of the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, said.

Dr. John Butler, chairman of the geosciences department at UH—University Park, described Burke as a "megathinker and a synthesizer. He can bring several theories together into one coherent idea. Much of Dr. Burke's work is directly related to the petroleum industry."

Burke will join UH on September 1 and spend half his time with the Lunar and

Planetary Institute. He is the third top scientist to become affiliated with the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics faculty in the last six months; Dr. Sheldon Glashow, Nobel laureate and physics professor at Harvard University, was appointed affiliated senior scientist; and Dr. Jay K. Kochi, National Academy of Science member, accepted the Welch Chair in chemistry.

Tectonics is the study of the movement of large land masses, including the continents. Tectonic theory has implications in a wide array of areas including exploration geology, discovery and management of natural resources, and lunar exploration.

The specialty of tectonics developed during Butler's geology career, and he says that much of what he learned about tectonics is the result of Burke's influence.

Burke was born in London and educated at University College, London, and the University of London. Before joining UH he was professor and past chairman of the geological sciences department at the State University of New York at Albany. He previously taught at the University of Toronto, the University of Ibadan in Nigeria and the University of the West Indies in Jamaica.

# Law Center offers specialized graduate degree

The Law Center at the University of Houston—University Park offers a new specialized graduate degree program this fall: a Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree in the areas of international economic law, natural resources, and taxation.

The Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System, gave final approval for the curriculum at its April meeting, stated Robert Knauss, dean of the UH Law Center, in announcing the program.

After receiving their bachelor's degrees, students who wish to become attorneys complete three years of law school to earn a J.D. (Doctor of Jurisprudence) degree. The J.D. satisfies academic requirements for state bar examinations, and most law students end their academic education with this degree. Students who wish to specialize in one area of the law may do so by going on to earn an LL.M.

Requirements for the degree include 24 credit hours, which may be completed on a full-time basis in one year, or on a part-time basis over three years, said Knauss.

"The LL.M. degree has grown in importance in the past several years, reflecting a demand for specialty training in law," he noted. A variety of programs are available throughout the country, and until now Houston was one of the few large metropolitan areas without a program.

"The existence of the LL.M. program will allow the law school to continue to expand the sophistication of its curriculum," Knauss added. "This will benefit all law students and will provide special training to lawyers already in practice."

The degree will be available to foreign attorneys in one of the specialized areas or in a comparative law program.

# Foundations Program exemplifies cooperative effort at UH

The University of Houston—Downtown begins this semester to offer components of its highly successful Foundations Program at the UH—University Park campus.

The instructional program will consist of two credit courses, Foundations of Mathematics I (MATH 130A) and Fundamentals of English (ENG 1300), and the writing and mathematics laboratories that support these courses. Instructors for the program include UH—Downtown coordinators of English and mathematics, non-tenure-track lecturers, and adjunct lecturers.

Program coordinators will report to the chairmen of the appropriate departments on the Downtown campus, who have full responsibility for the program. Facilities will be furnished and maintained by the University Park campus.

"The joint Foundations Program between the University Park and Downtown campuses is an outstanding example of cooperation between two components of the University of Houston system," said Dr. Robert C. Maxson, senior vice president for Academic Affairs for the University of Houston System. "Through the combined efforts of the respective campus administrations, we are able to provide vital educational services to students in a manner that is least disruptive to their educational pursuits. This program should also facilitate the University Park campus' efforts to effect the new core curriculum. The Downtown campus is especially well-equipped to offer these courses in as much as it has developed a fine reputation in the foundations area over the past several years. This program reflects the continued efforts of the University of Houston System to pursue cooperative ventures in

those areas where one campus has special expertise."

Students participating in this program will be identified by the University Park campus faculty through a placement and testing program, following that campus' decision that the students are admissible. Orientation, academic advising, and course scheduling will be handled through standard University Park procedures. The University Park campus also will be responsible for the assessment and collection of all tuition and fees.

# Summer term enrollment increases

Overall enrollment for the 1983 Summer I and Summer II terms at the University of Houston increased by 7.9 percent over last year's figures for the same period.

Combining the enrollment of both sessions, UH—University Park experienced the largest overall increase with an 11.1 percent rise in enrollment. 22,422 students enrolled at UH—University Park this summer, compared to 20,190 in 1982.

UH—Victoria recorded a marked 16.8 percent increase in the Summer I term enrollment, but a 5.1 percent decline in

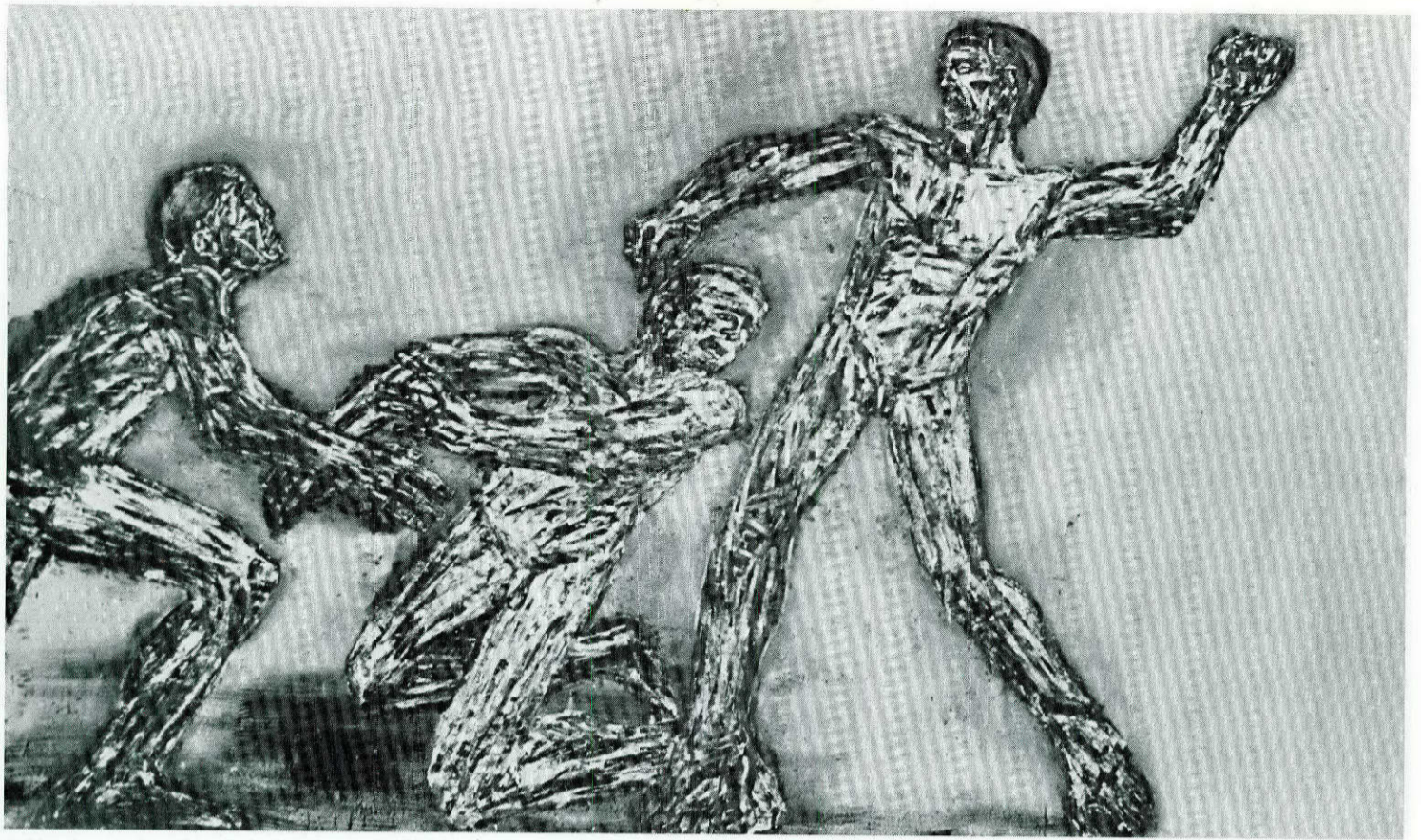
the Summer II term resulted in an overall 7.1 percent increase in enrollment.

UH—Clear Lake, which combines its three-, six-, and nine-week terms into a single figure, showed a 6.5 percent rise in enrollment. 3,937 students enrolled at UH—Clear Lake this summer, compared to 3,698 last summer.

UH—Downtown was the only campus to report a decline in summer enrollment, with a decrease of 6.2 percent from the 1982 summer term.

The figures by campus are as follows:

	Total Summer 1982 Headcount	Total Summer 1983 Headcount	Percentage Difference
UH—University Park	20,190	22,422	+ 11.1%
UH—Clear Lake	3,698	3,937	+ 6.5%
UH—Downtown	4,026	3,775	- 6.2%
UH—Victoria	801	858	+ 7.1%
UH System Total	28,715	30,992	+ 7.9%



Gigantomachy IV, 1967, by Leon Golub

## Symposium explores artist as social critic

Leon Golub, whose highly provocative works are on display in this year's opening exhibit of the Sarah Campbell Blaffer Gallery at UH-University Park, will participate in a two-part symposium, "The Artist as Social Critic," September 27.

This interdisciplinary symposium is organized in conjunction with the exhibit, "Leon Golub: Mercenaries, Interrogations, and Other Works." Symposium participants include nationally noted art critics Donald Kuspit and Thomas McEvilley, as well as UH scholars in the fields of anthropology, media communications, sociology, psychology, and political science.

The first panel, "The Power of Depiction," will begin at 4 p.m. Tuesday, September 27, in Dudley Hall, and the second, "The Realm of Power," will begin at 7:30 p.m. A reception is planned for 6 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building courtyard. Both panel discussions and the reception are free and open to the public.

The symposium is co-sponsored by the Blaffer Gallery and the UH-University Park Department of Art, and funded in part by

the UH System Office of Academic Affairs and the City of Houston through the Cultural Arts Council.

Leon Golub has been recognized as an artist of talent for some 30 years, but only recently has the mainstream art world merged with Golub's world. The eight large paintings in this exhibition are his most specific statements yet about a continuing and most evocative theme: the face of power, aggression, and conflict in human society.

Produced between 1967 and 1982, the paintings are highly charged, figurative scenes which address contemporary issues of power and domination. Since 1979, Golub has been concerned with depicting scenes of "Mercenaries and Interrogations" as another manifestation of his deeply committed political stance regarding the insidiousness of power and the evil of those who wield it.

For Golub, art is a moral act, and he expresses this belief most cogently in these paintings, in which coercion, torture, domination, and aggression are graphically

depicted. As his source material, Golub uses images from the media, including pornography, military publications, and widely circulated magazines.

Golub was born in Chicago in 1922 and educated in art and art history at the University of Chicago and the Chicago Art Institute. He has travelled extensively and has lived in Paris and Florence. His work is included in many major museum collections and has been shown in the United States and Europe, notably and most recently at the Institute of Contemporary Arts in London. He teaches at Rutgers University and resides in New York City.

## Katims to leave School of Music

Milton Katims, artistic director of the UH-University Park School of Music, has announced his resignation effective at the end of the 1984 spring term.

Katims said that since many of his original goals for the school had been reached, he wished to devote all his time and energies to conducting and performing as a violist. "No matter how successful any administration may be, a fresh point of view is understandably desirable," he said.

In response to the announcement, Dr. James H. Pickering, dean of the College of Humanities and Fine Arts, said, "I am unwilling to let the occasion of this announcement pass without expressing to you who know him my own sense of collective debt. Milton Katims was brought to Houston to build the School of Music, and he has done just that. Milton and his lovely wife, Virginia, will be greatly missed by us all for their warmth, their hospitality, their artistic abilities, and for their generosity of spirit."

## UH System Holiday Schedule for 1983-84

	UH-UP	UH-CL	UH-D	UH-V	System
Labor Day (9/5)	1	1	1	1	1
Thanksgiving (11/24-25*)	2	3	2	2	2
Christmas-New Year's (12/26-1/2**)	6	7	6	7	6
Spring Break (3/16)	1	—	1	—	1
Good Friday (4/20)	1	—	1	1	1
Memorial Day (5/28)	1	1	1	1	1
Independence Day (7/4)	1	1	1	1	1
	13	13	13	13	13

\*Clear Lake celebrates Thanksgiving from 11/23 through 11/25.

\*\*Victoria celebrates Christmas-New Year's from 12/22 through 12/30 (7 days).

Clear Lake celebrates Christmas-New Year's from 12/23 through 1/2 (7 days).

## Around the campuses

**Dr. James McFarland**, UH-University Park associate dean of the College of Business Administration, has been named the 1982-83 Distinguished Faculty Member by the college's alumni association. The alumni association also selected **Elton Porter**, president of Elton Porter Insurance Co., Houston, as the distinguished alumnus from the college; **Deborah Marie Ripper**, an accounting major, as the year's outstanding undergraduate student; and **Linda D. McCollum**, an MBA graduate, as the outstanding graduate student in 1982-83.

**Dr. Montague Ruben**, UH-University Park professor of optometry, has been elected Honorary Consulting Surgeon by the Board of Governors of Moorfields Eye Hospital in England. Dr. Ruben, who served on the faculty and surgical staff at Moorfields before coming to UH, was recognized for his distinguished service to the hospital.

**Thomas Warren**, UH-University Park director of administrative services, has been selected by Intersearch Corporation to serve on a national board of distinguished contract negotiators. The 11-member board will develop standards and specifications to be used by government and industry in negotiating food service contracts.

**Dr. B. Dell Felder**, UH-University Park professor of curriculum and instruction, has been selected as an American Council on Education (ACE) Fellow in the 1983-84 ACE Fellows Program in Academic Administration. The program identifies and prepares faculty and staff for responsible positions in academic administration.

**Dr. Ronald Walker**, UH-Victoria head of the Division of Arts and Sciences and associate professor of English, participated in the National Endowment for the Humanities summer seminar for college teachers at the University of California at Berkeley.

**Dr. Harold Smith**, UH-Victoria associate professor of history, has been awarded a research grant to study the effect of World War II on women in Great Britain. Smith spent four weeks in London this summer working on research and interviewing women active during the war.

The student chapter of the **Institute of Industrial Engineers (IIE)**, UH-University Park Cullen College of Engineering, has been selected the best student chapter for the 1982-83 academic year. The UH chapter won this award over 34 other chapters because of its many activities promoting professional development.

**Susan Prospere**, UH-University Park M.A. candidate in creative writing, is a winner of the 1983 Houston Discovery Prize awarded by PEN Southwest. She has had poems published in "The New Yorker" and "Poetry" magazines. **Gail Donohue**, UH-University Park coordinator, creative writing, was first runner-up for fiction.

**Dr. Jean Quataert**, UH-Clear Lake associate professor of history, was recently presented the Distinguished Teaching Award at the second annual UH-Clear Lake Honors Day Convocation. **Dr. John Carter**, professor of education, received the Distinguished Research Award, and **Dr. Fred Kierstead**, professor of education and future studies, was recipient of the Distinguished Service Award. **Patricia J. Garret**, UH-Clear Lake head librarian, was awarded the Chancellor's Distinguished Service Award. Merit awards were presented to **Jean H. Nettles**, college certification analyst, and **Carolyn M. Ulrickson**, coordinator, placement services.

**Cindy Cochran** of the KUHT "Signing with Cindy" series made a return appearance on the Johnny Carson show August 11, 1983.

**Dr. Louis Williams**, UH-University Park associate professor of pharmacy and assistant department chairman of medicinal chemistry, has been awarded a Fulbright Senior Scholar Grant. Williams will use this award during his 1983-84 faculty appointment to the University of Lagos and the University of Ife in Nigeria, where he will lecture on sickle cell research. Williams hopes to organize an international symposium on basic sickle cell research after his year in Nigeria.

**Donald Barthelme**, UH-University Park professor of creative writing, has been awarded a Hugh Roy and Lillie Cranz Cullen Distinguished Professorship. This full-time, permanent faculty position in the College of Humanities and Fine Arts is one of nine funded by the Cullen Foundation. Barthelme is a critically acclaimed contemporary novelist and short story writer who has received numerous literary awards, including a Guggenheim Fellowship in 1967, a National Institute of Arts and Letters award in 1972, and a Texas Institute of Arts and Letters Award in 1976.

**Dr. Guy N. Cameron**, UH-University Park associate professor of biology, was elected president of the Texas Society of Mammalogists and a member of the board of directors of the American Society of Mammalogists at a recent meeting of the societies.

The Mary Harding Hoffman scholarships, offered annually by the University of Houston Women's Association to children of UH faculty and administrative staff, this year have been awarded to **Cappi Lemke** and **Carmelo Asuncion**. Cappi, who plans to major in accounting, is the daughter of **Dr. Thomas Lemke**, associate professor of medicinal chemistry in the College of Pharmacy. Carmelo, a computer engineering major, is the son of **Carmelo** and **Tarcela Asuncion**, both staff accountants for the University of Houston. While these scholarships are available to children whose parents work for any of the four campuses, the student must enroll at UH-University Park.

## UH-Victoria marks 10th anniversary

The University of Houston-Victoria will celebrate its 10th anniversary during the week of October 2-7, 1983, according to Dr. Martha Piper, chancellor of UH-Victoria.

Festivities will begin on Sunday, October 2, with a barbecue, birthday cake, and entertainment in the rectangle formed by the library, student union, and campus buildings. Displays and a slide show on the history of UH-Victoria will accompany these activities.

Other events planned for the 10th anniversary week include a meeting of the University of Houston Board of Regents and a press conference on Monday, October 3, a Chamber of Commerce reception for faculty and spouses on Thursday, October 6, and an open house in UH-Victoria classrooms throughout the week.

## NIH funds minority hypertension research

The University of Houston-University Park College of Pharmacy recently received a \$56,841 grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to support the Minority Hypertension Research Development Program.

Funded by this grant, seven faculty members and four predoctoral students from Texas Southern University completed hypertension research projects this summer in the pharmacology laboratories at the UH-University Park College of Pharmacy. The college has hosted this program for four years.

The goal of the program is to stimulate interest in hypertension research among highly qualified individuals from primarily minority institutions.

"The incidence of hypertension among blacks is approximately 35 percent, more than double the incidence of hypertension in the total U.S. population," said program director Dr. Joseph Buckley, dean of the pharmacy college.

The program provides the education, training, and lab facilities necessary to pursue hypertension research, Buckley said. "Certain researchers have worked in this program every year for four years, and seven papers have been published as a result of this research. This certainly indicates the productivity of the participants."

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