

# LSU Postscript

From the desk of LSU President F. King Alexander



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## Curing Cataracts

AgCenter researchers have formulated a matrix that could both [prevent and treat cataracts](#), a leading cause of vision loss in older adults.



## Scoville Peace Fellow

Senior Marlee Pittman, a native of Baton Rouge, La., is the first LSU student to be awarded the [Herbert Scoville Jr. Peace Fellowship](#).



### Transfer Opportunities

LSU and LCTCS created the [Honors Promise Transfer Scholarship](#) for honors society students with an associate's degree who continue their education at LSU.



### Mike the Tiger

Mike VI has been diagnosed with a spindle cell sarcoma, a type of cancer. For updates on his treatment and condition, please visit [www.lsu.edu/miketiger](http://www.lsu.edu/miketiger).

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### Record Graduates

LSU's [class of 2015-16](#) broke records in both number and diversity. There were 6,508 total degrees awarded this school year, of which 4,102 were awarded at [spring commencement](#), making it the university's largest ever. In addition, the LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center awarded degrees to 166 students during [commencement ceremonies](#) on May 27.



## Did You Know?

**Summer Olympics:** [LSU senior Caitlin Connor](#), a native of Winnfield, La., is the National Champion and 2015 World Championship silver medalist in women's skeet shooting. She also qualified to try out for the 2016 Summer Olympics.

**Online Rankings:** Two [LSU Online degree programs](#) were recently ranked among the top online programs in the country. BestColleges.com has ranked LSU's master's degree in education program 11th overall, and Affordable Colleges Online has ranked LSU's master's degree in social work program 12th overall.

**Subsidence:** LSU researchers, in collaboration with NASA and UCLA, recently published a study on the [rate of sinking in the New Orleans area](#). This research was the most spatially-extensive, high-resolution study to date of regional subsidence in and around New Orleans, measuring its effects and examining its causes.

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## Accolades

[Two LSU Alumni Selected to NIH Oxford-Cambridge Scholars Program](#)

[LSU Alumna Amy Brittain Part of Washington Post's Pulitzer Prize-Winning Series](#)

[LSU Ph.D. Student Awarded Prestigious AAUW Fellowship](#)

[Five LSU Students Selected for MD Anderson Internship](#)

[Lafayette Native Andrew Mahtook Receives 2nd Annual Sean O'Keefe Leadership Award](#)

[Thirteen LSU Physicists and Graduate Students Among Team to Receive Special Breakthrough Prize for Gravitational Wave Detection](#)

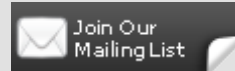
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