



Renu Khator, Ph.D.
President, University of Houston
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Dr. Renu Khator holds the dual titles of University of Houston System Chancellor and University of Houston President. She is the first [Indian American](#) woman to lead a major American university.

Before assuming her current position in January 2008, Dr. Khator served as Provost and Senior Vice-President at the [University of South Florida](#). She has recently been appointed to the National Science Foundation Integrative Graduate Education and Research Program Panel and the American Council on Education Forum on Internationalism and Multiculturalism.

The United States Citizenship and Immigration Services named Dr. Khator an Outstanding American by Choice. She and her husband were honored in India, receiving the Jewel of India, a special award recognizing non-resident Indians for outstanding contributions in their fields.

Dr. Khator earned a Bachelor's degree from Kanpur University in India. Her Master's Degree and Doctorate are from Purdue University, which named Dr. Khator a Distinguished Alumnus.