



PROGRAM

The Commencement of the Ninety-Eighth Annual Session Friday, May 12, 2023 • 10:00 a.m. • 1:00 p.m. • 4:00 p.m. • Steinke Physical Education Center

PRESIDING	Dr. Darin Hoskisson			
	Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs			
PRELUDE	Wind Symphony			
	Dr. Scott Anthony Jones, Director of Bands			
PROCESSIONAL Pomp and Circumstance No. 1 by Edward Elgar	•			
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Audience stands for PROCESSIONAL and RECESSIONAL				
THE ACADEMIC PROCE	SSION			
The Party of the President, The Party of the Deans, The President of the Faculty Senate, The Regents Professors, The Chancellor's				
Academy of Teacher Educators, The Faculty of the University, Candidates for Degrees				
NATIONAL ANTHEM Star Spangled Banner by Francis Scott Key	Victoria Michelle Corona (10:00 a.m.)			
	Graduating Vocal Music Education Major			
	Karla Clemens (1:00 p.m.)			
	Senior Vocal Music Education Major			
	Susan Maldonado (4:00 p.m.)			
	Senior Vocal Music Education Major			
WELCOME				
PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED STUDENT AWARDS				
PRESENTATION OF CLASS RING				
N. W. C.	Alumni Engagement Coordinator			
INTRODUCTIONS				
OD FERTINGS	University President			
GREETINGS	-			
	Associate Vice Chancellor			
OTHER DEEL FORION	Marketing and Communications			
STUDENT REFLECTION				
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS	Mr. Jacob Micheal Cavazos (1:00 p.m.)			
	ening Anchor CBS Affiliate, KVEO-TV, Rio Grande Valley			
Lve	Ms. Larissa Sanchez Gonzalez (4:00 p.m.)			
PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES.				
**COMMISSIONING OF ROTC CADETS				
COMMISSIONING OF ROTE CADDIO	Professor of Military Science			
JAVELINA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION INDUCTION				
ALMA MATER <i>HAIL AMK</i> , arranged by Dr. Greg Sanders, Regents Professor	• 1			
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	Ms. Maldonado			
RECESSIONAL Trumpet Tune and Air by Henry Purcell				

** 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Robert H. Vela Jr.	
Dr. Darin Hoskisson	
Jacob Flournoy	
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Dr. Dolores Guerrero	
Dr. Maria E. Martinez	
Dr. Shad Nelson	
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Dr. Heidi A. Taboada	
Dr. Maria E. Velez-Hernandez	Interim Associate Vice President for Student Success
Dr. Linda Villarreal	Interim Dean, College of Education and Human Performance

CAMPUS REPRESENTATIVES

Sari Flores	President, Staff Council
Dr. Michael Houf	President, Faculty Senate
Jacqueline McClendon	President, Student Government Association

SPEAKERS

Sydney Montana Hernandez

10:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M.

Sydney Montana Hernandez is the evening news anchor for CBS 4 News where she has become a household name and is trusted along the Rio Grande Valley. After graduating from Texas A&M University-Kingsville in 2015 with degrees in Mass Communications and Journalism, she was hired as the breaking news and military reporter for KWKT-TV in Waco, Texas. During her career, Hernandez has done exclusive interviews with countless political and public figures including Governor Greg Abbott, Former President Donald J. Trump, Vice President Kamala Harris and countless members of congress and the U.S. Senate. Most recently, she was crowned Miss Texas International 2023 where she competed among dozens of other contestants from around the Lone Star State. She is the founder of Sydney's Soldiers, a non-profit organization that packs and ships care packages to U.S. Service members across the country and internationally to boost morale and decrease suicide rates among our military. Hernandez is the proud CEO and President of The Sydney Hernandez Foundation where she mentors young journalists aspiring to work in the media industry. The Sydney Hernandez Foundation also provides a bi-annual scholarship for college students looking to pursue a career in journalism. In her spare time, she volunteers with the Food Bank of the RGV, Special Olympics of Texas, Edinburg Crime Stoppers, Starr County 4H and FFA, Alzheimer's Associations and with Foster Angels of South Texas.

Larissa Sanchez Gonzalez

4:00 P.M.

Larissa Sanchez Gonzalez was born and raised in the state of Querétaro, Mexico. At a young age she demonstrated talent and passion for track and field. By the time she was in middle school she was already qualifying for nationals. During high school she participated in the youth Olympic game trials in Miramar, Florida. These achievements lead to her receiving a full scholarship for track and field at Texas A&M University-Kingsville where she competed as part of the track and field and cross country teams. She also served as a member of the Society of Women Engineers and the Student Athlete Advisory Committee. In the spring of 2021, she graduated with her bachelor's degree in civil engineering. She came back, as a graduate assistant for the track team and earned her master's degree in civil engineering. She was awarded the Civil Engineering Scholarship for two years consecutively. Gonzalez also worked for the math department as a tutor in the JavALab. After graduation she will start her career working at Pape Dawson Engineers.

Mariah Sierra Mercado

10:00 A.M.

Mariah Sierra Mercado is a Kingsville native who graduated from H. M. King High School in 2019. In addition to being a full-time university student, she served as a Student Success Mentor for the Center for Student Success and as a virtual intern for the U.S. Department of State, U.S. Embassy-Port Moresby in Papua New Guinea. In 2022, she earned a spot in the Catto-LeCount Fellows Program for Equality and Inclusion at Pennsylvania State University, a program that exposes students to doctoral study in the discipline of history. Throughout her undergraduate career, she presented at numerous academic conferences and received her first publication in the Journal of South Texas, a biannual peer-reviewed academic journal published for the South Texas Historical Association by Texas A&M University-Kingsville. She also served as the Vice President for the Robert J. Kleberg History Club and Phi Alpha Theta Honors Society. She has earned several prestigious awards such as the Welhausen Endowment for the College of Arts and Sciences, the Kleberg Bank-Mildred Chiuminatto Endowment and the Walter Russell History Scholarship. She is graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and English, Summa Cum Laude. In the fall, she will continue her education at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor as part of a six-year fully-funded program to earn a Ph.D. in United States History.

Jacob Cavazos

1:00 P.M.

Jacob Cavazos was born and raised in Weslaco, Texas. He prides himself on faith and family, leading others in the right direction, and being respectful to all those he has been fortunate to be around. He is the quarterback of the Javelina football team where he received both athletic and academic All-Conference honors. During the 2022 season, he led the Javelinas to the most victories the program has had since 2016. He has completed his bachelor's degree in finance in only three years at Texas A&M University-Kingsville, and plans to have his Master's in Business Administration completed by the time he is 22. He has never dropped or failed a course, has maintained a GPA greater than 3.6 and will graduate Magna Cum Laude. Cavazos cares for others and will go out of his way to assist those who need help.

PRESIDENT, FACULTY SENATE

Dr. Michael Houf

Associate Professor in the Department of History, Political Science and Philosophy

MARSHALS

Dr. Jason Apple

Professor in the Department of Animal Science and Veterinary Technology

Dr. Patricia Huskin

Associate Professor in the Department of Teacher and Bilingual Education

Dr. Elda Sanchez

Professor in the Department of Chemistry

Dr. Genevieve L. Scalan

Associate Professor in the Department of Accounting and Finance

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Second Lieutenant, United States Army

Daniel Duque Danielle Kristen Martinez Jose Alberto Mejia Jamison Michael Minton Esmeralda Reyes Isabel Rios

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM REGENTS

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TEXAS A&M-KINGSVILLE REGENTS PROFESSORS

Dr. James R. Norwine - 1997

Professor in the Department of Physics and Geosciences (Retired)

Dr. Leslie G. Hunter - 1998

Professor in the Department of History (Retired)

Dr. John C. Perez - 1999

Professor in the Department of Biological and Health Sciences (Retired)

Dr. Timothy E. Fulbright - 2000

Professor in the Department of Rangeland and Wildlife Sciences (Retired)

Dr. Jacqueline Thomas - 2001

Professor in the Department of Language and Literature (Retired)

Dr. Jo Beran - 2002

Professor in the Department of Chemistry (Retired)

Dr. Steven D. Lukefahr - 2004

Piper Professor in the Department of Animal Science and Veterinary Technology (Retired)

Dr. Paul M. Hageman - 2005

Professor in the School of Music (Retired)

Dr. Michael E. Tewes - 2007

Professor in the Department of Rangeland and Wildlife Sciences

Dr. Scott E. Henke - 2008

Professor in the Department of Rangeland and Wildlife Sciences

Dr. David Sabrio - 2009

Professor in the Department of Language and Literature (Retired)

Dr. Mauro Castro - 2010

Professor in the Department of Chemistry

Dr. Kathleen Rees - 2012

Professor in the Department of Management, Marketing and Information Systems

Dr. Nestor Sherman - 2013

Professor in the Department of Health and Kinesiology

Dr. Karen Sue Bradley - 2014

Professor in the Department of Teacher and Bilingual Education (Retired)

Dr. Kim David Jones - 2016

Professor in the Department of Environmental Engineering (Retired)

Dr. Gregory Lynn Sanders - 2017Professor in the School of

Music

Dr. Randall H. Williams - 2018

Piper Professor in the Department of Agriculture, Agribusiness and Environmental Sciences (Retired)

Dr. Nirmal Goswami - 2019

Professor in the Department of History, Political Science and Philosophy (Retired)

Dr. Susan L. Roberson - 2020

Professor in the Department of Language and Literature (Retired)

Dr. Fidel Hernandez - 2021

Professor in the Department of Rangeland and Wildlife Sciences

Dr. Bart Ballard 2022

Professor in the Department of Rangeland and Wildlife Sciences

CHANCELLOR'S ACADEMY OF TEACHER EDUCATORS

Dr. Karen Sue Bradley 2012-2013

Professor in the Department of Teacher and Bilingual Education (Retired)

Dr. Jack Bradley 2013-2014

Professor in the Department of Teacher and Bilingual Education (Retired)

Dr. Greta Schuster 2014-2015

Professor in the Department of Agriculture, Agribusiness and Environmental Sciences

Dr. Randall H. Williams 2015-2016

Regents and Piper Professor in the Department of Agriculture, Agribusiness and Environmental Sciences (Retired)

Dr. Daniella Varela 2020-2021

Assistant Professor in the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling

Dr. Lorraine E. Killion 2016-2017

Associate Professor in the Department of Health and Kinesiology

Dr. Marie E. Lassmann 2017-2018

Professor in the Department of Teacher and Bilingual Education (Retired)

Dr. LaVonne Fedynich 2018-2019

Professor in the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling (Retired)

Dr. Ming Tu 2019-2020

Associate Professor in the School of Music

Dr. Steven B. Chumbley 2021-2022

Associate Professor in the Department of Agriculture, Agribusiness and Environmental Sciences

COLLEGE AWARDS

DICK AND MARY LEWIS KLEBERG COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Senior Teaching Award

Dr. Richard Machen

Professor in the Department of Animal Science and Veterinary Technology and Endowed Chair of Ranch Management

Junior Teaching Award

Julia Rogers

Instructional Veterinary Nurse in the Department of Animal Science and Veterinary Technology

Senior Research Award

Dr. Randy DeYoung

Professor in the Department of Kleberg Wildlife Research Institute

Junior Research Award

Dr. Evan Tanner

Assistant Professor in the Department of Rangeland and Wildlife Sciences

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Educator of the Year

Dr. Francisco Haces-Fernandez

Assistant Professor in the Department of Management, Marketing and Information Systems

Researcher of the Year

Dr. Thomas Krueger

Chair and Professor in the Department of Accounting and Finance

Service of the Year

Dr. Genevieve Scalan

Associate Professor in the Department of Accounting and Finance

Innovator of the Year

Dr. Xiaochuan Song

Assistant Professor in the Department of Management, Marketing and Information Systems

Distinguished 'Students' Choice Award

Dr. Jose Luis Daniel

Associate Dean and Professor in the
Department of
Management, Marketing and Information Systems

EDUCATION AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE

Dean's Award for Excellence in Teaching

Dr. Patricia R. Huskin

Associate Professor in the Department of Teacher and Bilingual Education

Dean's Award for Excellence in Service

Dr. David M. Cutton

Associate Professor in the Department of Health and Kinesiology

CENTER FOR TEACHING EFFECTIVENESS

Faculty Development Award

Dr. Elizabeth A. Janzen

Associate Professor in the School of Music

Dr. Nick J. Sciullo

Associate Professor in the Department of Art, Communications and Theatre

Dr. Bin Wei

Assistant Professor in the Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering

General Education Teaching Award

Dr. Kenneth Price

Associate Professor in the Department of Language and Literature

Ms. Fulden Wissinger

Associate Professor in the Department of Art, Communications and Theatre

Non-Tenure-Track Teaching Award

Ms. Nicole Morris

Assistant Professor of Practice in the Department of Art, Communications and Theatre

Outstanding Graduate Instructor

Dr. Norma Guzman

Professor in the Department of Teacher and Bilingual Education

10:00 A.M. CEREMONY

AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture

Aguilar, Andres Aguilar, Gabriel Amador, Victoria Alexis Avila, Kianna Alexandria Barajas, Amanda Denyse Berger, Breanna Marie *** Brown, Connor Michael Castanon, Nadia Nikole Castejon, Gisselle Anahis * Chesser, Chance Regmund * Cobarrubias, Miguel Angel ** Cooper, Kyrsten M Culberson, Collin Ryan * Davison, Jack Liam Escobar III. Mario Alberto Garza, Armando Jesus *

Garza III, Conrado

Gilbert, Trevor William

Guerrero, Francisco Gael *

Hernandez, Theresa Lynn

Hurtado, Crystal Adriana Huynh, Huy Quang ** Latin, Kalar Jamaal *** Llanas-Castillo, Samantha Guadalupe Loessberg, Darcy Raye Lopez, Trisha Danielle Lucero, Pablo Emanuel * Montez, Gunner Rev Navarrete, Alejandro Ismael Nedbalek, Clayton Matthew Nelson, Taylor Catherine * Nowakowski, Allison N Nunez, Nelly Lizeth Ortiz, Benjamin Duncan Parra, Jaqueline Nicole Pena, Ariana Sarith Perkins, Landry Scott Pittman, Trisha Rae ***

Rosales, Andres Nicholas Saenz, Xavier Roberto Sandoval, Maria Del Socorro Segovia, Javier Alejandro * Sherer, Noel Renee ** Simpson, Autumn Faith Stepan, Grant Eugene Talbert, Mason Scott Trevino, Justin Daniel Urbano, Daniela * Vasquez, Monica Janeth * Weaver, Cooper D West, Halie Elizabeth Wilhelms, Wyatt J Williams, Cole Wyatt Williams, Mason Taylor Wood, Shelby Leigh ** Zaiontz, Cassidy Nicole

Rogers, Jessica K ***

ARTS AND SCIENCES

Reyes, Jacob Mathew

Rios, Isabel

Bachelor of Arts

Almaraz, Matthew Isael *** Badger, Amber Nicole Baker, Jenna L Briseno, Luis Carlos Cantu, Justin Castro, Lindsey Nicole * Culberson, Collin Ryan * Diaz, Desirae Josephine ** Dodds, Zariah Raevon Drewry, Emeri Sage ** Duque, Daniel Flores, Madison Nichole *** Galindo, Sara Catarina Gallagher, Sidney Claire Galvan, Bryce Michael Garcia, Nadya J *** Garcia, Rene Eduardo ***

Ginnett, Erica Garcia

Gonzalez, Roberto *

Grunder, Bailey Lynn Hernandez, Brenda Lee

Gonzalez, Faith Marie

Hinojosa, Abel Hinojosa, Angelica Maria Juarez, Luis Daniel Lopez, Brenda Marie Marquez, Luz Clarita * Martinez, Janelle Marie *** Martinez, Luis H Medina, Julyssa-Mae Miranda ** Mejia, Amanda Nicole Mendoza, Yatciry Palmira Mercado, Mariah Sierra *** Morales-Anderson, Lidia Alissa Muniz, Valerie Aurora Nieto, LaKarri Chervonn *** Owings, Jamie Pena, Adrienne Ashley *** Pena, Ariel Pena, Esteban Daniel * Pena, Isaiah Joshua * Perez. Alma Lidia Poe, Simon Ross *** Radford, Carson Lee

Ramirez, Amy Michelle * Rivera, Iris Jade *** Rivera, Lorena Sarahi Robinson, Isabel Renea * Rodriguez, Sabrina ** Saenz, Camila Rae Saenz, John Michael * Saenz, Milo Christopher Sanchez, Dylan Patrick Shivers, Christopher H Smithwick, Tyler C ** Sotelo, Isis Renee * Stafford, Brittney Nicole Stolzer, Madeleine Anne *** Trujillo, Treston Dimas Valdez, Viola D Vazquez Jr., Edgar Manuel Villarreal III, Frank Pablo Webb, Jenna Rose Wilson, Olivia Laine *

Cum Laude

^{**} Magna Cum Laude

^{***} Summa Cum Laude

Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences

Garcia, Ann Marie

Garcia, Elissa Felis

Reyes, Monica Magdalena *

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Embers, Llewyn ** Harper, Jaden Christopher Montanez, Adolfo *

Nunez, Marissa Nicole Olivas-Arroyo, Gabriella Dolores *** Salazar, Nikole *

Smith, Charles Creed ** Stinson, Frank Brittian ***

Bachelor of General Studies

Booker, Kavon Buentello, Renee Camacho, Naveli Jasmine Cerda, Lillian Renae Delgado, Lyndsay Kathleen Flores, Katrina Wooton Freeman, Wade Phillip

Garcia, Maranda Jo Garza, Fabiana ** Gonzalez, Enisa Dominguez Guzman, Araceli Larraga, Tyler John * Luke, Nathaniel U Rodriguez, Jacquelyn Rose

Salinas, Laura Fernanda Sanchez, Manuela Guadalupe Trevino, Meagan Anyse Vela, Stephanie Rose

Bachelor of Music

Benavides IV. Jose H Castillon, Jesus Alberto Corona, Victoria Michelle * De La Garza, Myles Anthony Del Angel, Sabrina * Gallegos, Matthew Lee ** Galvan, Tomas Mateo **

Garcia, Carlos Daniel Garcia, Eric Anthony Hernandez, Oscar Danie Hinojosa, Jazmin *** Lopez, Erika Danae *** Nava Zongua, Alejandro Ornelas Jr., Arnoldo

Reyna, Jessenia Lizette Rodriguez, Danielle Angelic Rodriguez, Meaghan Alexis * Salinas, Gilberto * Torres, Christian Winfrey, Liandra Shae

Bachelor of Science

Alaniz, Chandrina Michelle ** Alcala, Julisa Monet *** Amador, Melanie Celeste *** Amaya, Gabino Antonio * Barrientos, Martha Anarely ** Blankenship, Devon James *** Buruato, Jessalynn Nicole Caballero, Regina Renee Cadena, Clarissa Annette Cantu, Ayleen Arayssa Cavazos, Christian Miguel * Chapa, Benjamin A * Chapa, Demetrio Cuahc Chavarria, Julieanna Craft. Lorna Jeanette Cuello, Julio E De La Cruz, Oskar Sadot Dominguez, Katelynn Marie Ervin, Demond Mykel Espinoza, Alexis Danielle ** Estelle, Jacquelyn Danielle ***

Everett, Eugene Clark

Franco, Miranda Aliana Garcia, Celeste Renee Guerra, Jesus Raul Guerra, Makenna Edleen Guerra, Paulino Hensley, Landon B * Hernandez, Esmeralda Hertel, Brent John Igwe, Ashanti Louisa Kelly, Evan Wayne Leonor, Velen Esperanza * Lira, Anette Cecilia Loera, Adam ** Lopez, Laura Martinez, Adan Martinez, Danielle Kristen Medina, Luis Felipe Mejia, Natalia Nicole *** Mendoza, Savannah Yamilette Navarro, Jenna Alexis Neri, Arianna S *** Ochoa, Cassandra Denith

Peralez, Olivia Fatima ** Puig II, Jeffrey Gerard Ramirez, Kathleen ** Reyes, Esmeralda Rodriguez, Natalie Brianne Romero, Catarina Natalia Salazar, Lia Andrea *** Saldivar, Trinity Celeste ** Sanchez, Ethen Antonio Sandoval, Miranda Celeste * Santillan III, Victor Schumacher-Gonzalez, Lori Beth Strickland, Alexis *** Trevino, Aaron Trinh. Tinh Shelly Vela, Victoria Alyssa *** Villarreal, Rachel *** Whitaker, Abigail Raye * Woods, Demond Lamont Wright, Mazzie Anne Marie **

^{**} Magna Cum Laude

^{***} Summa Cum Laude

Bachelor of Social Work

Alvarez, Anika Ali Avalos, Melisa ** Castillo, Lorena ** Chapa, Sabestian Rene *** Gallimore, Brooke Lynn Green-Jordan, Yara *** Guerrero, Emily Lynn *
Holliday, Jacqueline
Mata, Ariana Alicia
Ortiz, Sieanna Yvetter
Perez, Sonia Johanna
Rayos, Demitrius Diane

Sanchez, Aleyda A **
Trigo, Crystal Marie ***
Valenzuela Jr., Juan *
Velez, Savannah Grace ***

EDUCATION AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE

Bachelor of Science

Allen, Jackson T
Almendarez, Zachary Ali
Alvarez, Carson Taylor
Aza, Ninfa
Azocar, Brenda Jo **
Bluntzer, Tanner D **
Cano, Dennis Benjamin
Cavazos, Daniella M
Doreck, Luke Garrett **
Flores, Angel Roberto
Flores, Julian Fransisco
Garcia, Angela *
Garcia, Gabriela Lizbeth

Garcia, Joanna Laurice
Garcia, Veronica *
Garza, Alejandro Azael
Gonzalez, Michael *
Hamilton, Bryson Payne
Hernandez, Esmeralda *
Hinojosa, Manuel Antonio
Huerta, Abigail Jasmine
James, Rocky Martin
Martinez, Carmela R *
Molina, Zanisha R
Palacios, Carissa Monique

Palacios, Carissa Monique **
Palmer, Maeghan Leslee

Perez, Amy
Perez, Cierra Elizabeth
Perez, Zalayna Rae
Pizarro, Bryan Joel *

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Ramirez, Sophia Denise ***
Rodriguez, Vyktoria Grace
Rojo Munoz, Estefany
Salinas, Leslie Nicole
Sanchez, Haley Ann
Trevino, Natalie Nicole *
Villalpando, Paulina Clara ***

Villanueva, Juana **
Witt, Emily Katherine **

1:00 P.M. CEREMONY

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Bachelor of Business Administration

Anderson, Rylie Deann
Angulo, Christopher Mccrea
Arevalo, Marco Tohmas
Borjas Jr., Rolando ***
Bueno, Aimee Breann
Campos Reyes, Alejandra Anais
Cantu, Candice Angelina ***
Castro, Matthew Daniel **
Cavazos, Jacob Micheal **
Cherry, Mia Alexandrea
Chumbley, David Harrison *
Cobos, Celia Krystal **
Collier, Jarique Davvion
De Los Santos Jr., Martin Daniel ***

Falcon, Edelin Yulieth
Garcia, Jennifer Marie
Garza, Jose *
Gutierrez, Casey R *
Gutierrez, Esmeralda
Gutierrez, Ricardo Adan
Hernandez, Felix Trinidad
Jaramillo, Rafael Del Angel
Lopez, Leonel Mateo
Macareno, Joshua Michael **
Martinez, Kaitlyn Amber
Mejia, Jose Alberto
Morin, Hayley Ariana *
Noel, Justin Xavier

Pequeno, Anelle Danicia
Perez, James Paul
Reyna, Ernesto Ricardo ***
Reyna, Theodore Haden ***
Ruiz, Kassidy Alaida
Sanchez, Valentin
Schiefelbein, Kevin William
Snider, Kayten Marie
Trejo, Alyssa Nicole ***
Tricks, Samuel Louis
Valdez, Jennifer
Vasquez, Matthew Isaiah
Villarreal, Raquel Ruiz *
Zuniga, Cristian Dante

ENGINEERING

Bachelor of Science in Architectural Engineering

Castillo Jr., Juan Carlos Cuevas, Cheyenne Landeros Davila, Saul * Doria, Christian Lee Esparza, Aida Lorena **
Esquivel, Victoria Louisa
Garcia Chazaro, Ana Sofia ***
Garcia Torres, Jacquelyne **

Landaverde, Joe Anthony Martinez, Daniel Sebastian *** Molina, Gianmichael Moreno, Ivan Christian

^{*} Cum Laude

^{**} Magna Cum Laude

^{***} Summa Cum Laude

Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering

Acevedo, Brissa ***
Allen, Nathan Cole *

Barrera Hinojosa, Ramiro Jesus

Chau, Michael

Erben, Wyatt Mark **
Escareno Jr., Larry *
Farias, Hailey Liana
Fernandez, Robbie Lee
Garza, Joshua Eliiah *

Granados, Ysenia ***

Hockmuller, Izabella Augustina

Huber, Bailey Evan **
Lara, Joshua Ray **
Lopez, Tera Elizabeth
Maldonado, Fabian **
McCall, Jordan Ravae *
Pena. Oscar H ***

Pena, Oscar H ***
Rodriguez, Caleb Adrian **

Rodriguez, Juan Raul ***
Saenz, Joseph Anthony
Sanchez, Jade Nicole
Schuenemann, Trey James **

Silerio, Briana Arelia
Smith, Kaitlyn Nicole **
Vela II, Julio Cesar
Vivero, Ilde Edith

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering

Aguilera, Gustavo Alfonso

Aladwani, Salim

Alajmi, Mohammad NMOM *

Alazemi, Fahad H F H Alazemi, Hamad

Alazemi, Mohammad M F M Alazemi, Wasme A H S SH Aldousari, Hassan Abdullah Alfaro, Daniel Josias *

Alhadiah, Khaled
Alhadiyah, Omar
Alharby, Rashed Raed
Almaia, Marzouq
Almehjan, Abdullha
Almeshal, Khaled Musaed
Almousawi, Mohammad
Almujarreb, Rashid E S E *

Almutairi, Fahad N Almutairi, Mekhled Mmr

Alowaid, Fahad Alqallaf, Abbas F A Y Alresheedi, Nasser Nayef R Alshammari, Ebraheem Shaker Alvarez, Ruby Elizabeth Alwandah, Abdullah Alwasmi, Wasmy

Alzahrani, Ahmed Hassan Awwad, Ali Castaneda, Ruben Cortes Jr., Alfredo De Leon, Marissa **

Duarte Trejo, Ivan Alfonso * Esparza, Aida Lorena ** Flores, Abel Alexander **

Flores, Jose Luis

Galindo, Benjamin Caudillo **

Garcia Jr., Antonio Gholoum, Tawasl

Kamal, Ali H

Gonzalez, Kassandra Leslie Herrera Jr., Michael Holmes, Catherine Athena Lemus Bohorquez, Andres Eduardo Lopez Mejia, Marco Antonio *** Martinez, Daniel Sebastian *** Miranda, Cristian Antonio Mohammad. Fahad

Mohammad, Narjes
Monroy, Andrea Anahi
Nicholson, Joseph A **
Ortiz, Mathew Arnold
Osornia, Vicente Alejandro
Ozuna, Eric Gabriel **
Perez Nino, Gregorio
Polanco, Seth Lee *
Ramon, Anthony J **
Recio, Aaron Matthew

Rodriguez Galvan, Carlos Ivan Sepulveda, Joshua Roland Sesatty, Carlos Enrique Zapata, Emiliano Adalid

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Alghanem, Alamir Ghanem Ahmad **

Asaolu, Ayomide Robert Barron, Rosalinda

Chapman, Ryan Eugene ** Chavarria, Jesus Elias Gonzales, Christopher Ryan ** Hamblin, Sara Avery *** Lerma, Tompy R

Lopez, Joel Alfredo *
Mciver, Jackson Powell

Morales-Anderson, Lidia Alissa

Posada, David

Thompson, Laquisha M Vejendla, Saketh Ram *

Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering

Aldaiz, Daniel

Arowolo, Babatunde Toluwase ***

Asaolu, Ayomide Robert Avendano, Daniel A Briones, Andrew * Gonzales, Daniel M * Gonzalez Jr., Juan Arturo Gonzalez, Thomas Anthony ** Gracia Jr., William James

Jimenez, Raul

Johnson, Noah Shon *** Mariscal, Sarah Cecilia Massa, Joaquin *** Monsivais, Joshua Rincon, Diego

Saliyu, Taofiki Adebayo *

Storey, Ethan W *

Trevino, Amelia Renee **

Vazquez, Javier

Cum Laude

^{**} Magna Cum Laude

^{***} Summa Cum Laude

Bachelor of Science in Environmental Engineering

Alvarado, Brandon Lee Bristow, Melissa *** Cervantes, Jessica Margaret

Garza, Celeste Kysiak, Carolina D Martinez, Matthew Julian Reyes, Mia Aminta ** Ruiz, Alessandra ***

Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering

Garcia, Stephanie Zambrano, Juan Leonardo *

Bachelor of Science in Industrial Management and Applied Engineering Technology

Alvarez, Arie James Boltz Jr., Jeffery Dirk Brown, Kennedy Camille Leslee * Espinoza, Angela Luisa Garcia, Gerardo Rene Gonzalez, Nikolus

Harris, Jacob Lee

Kinyo, William John * Leal, Loida M *** Lopez, Ray Ernest Martinez, Brianna Cyrese Martinez III, Jesus McBride, Brandon Scott Ring, Walker Banning

Salinas, Kassandra Sanchez, Andres S Thibodeaux, Ezrah Natraio Thompson, Otis Daniel Vera, William Edward Villarreal, Faith Luisa

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Aguiniga-Garcia, Francisco ** Alsaedi, Turki Abdulaziz Arvizu, Erik Pablo Berry, Noah William Cantu, John Michael Chapa, Sebastian Cruces, Carolina ** De La Cerda, Adrian * Edwards Jr., John D Fernandez Jr., Aaron Ovidio Garcia, Christopher Ben *** Garcia, Jared Nathan

Garcia, Luz Audencio Garza, Steve Pedro Guerra, Daniel Jesus Guerrero Jr., Elias Hernandez, Julissa * Jewett, Evan Micheal * Jones, Sterling Odell King, Justin Allen Martinez, Jared Andres Mendez Jr., Ricardo Minton, Jamison Michael Monsivais Jr., Armando

Morin, Aaron Leonel O'Keefe, Gregory Alexander Ozuna II, Eloy Gaston Perez, Jason Erik * Ramos, Rikki Jo *** Riffe, Noah Markson * Salinas, Christopher Jay Vallejo, Reynaldo Peter Vasquez, Isaac R Vela, Anna Gabriela Velasquez, Joshua Robert Vidales, Jorge Luis

Bachelor of Science in Natural Gas Engineering

Bustos Torres, Diana Guadalupe Cortinas, Issac A

De Boisblanc, Paige Elizabeth

Dunn, Heath Layne

Guerra, Nicholas Ryan * Hernandez Jr., Peter * Montova, Genaro Puga, Ezequiel

Rios-Rios Jr., Jaime Abiel Villavicencio, Giovanni

Graduation with Honors (For Undergraduate degrees only)

A grade point average of 3.8 is the minimum for graduation meriting Summa Cum Laude (with highest honors); a grade point average of 3.6 or higher but less than 3.8 will merit Magna Cum Laude (with high honors); an average of 3.4 or higher but less than 3.6 will merit graduation Cum Laude (with honors).

The names on this program include all students who have applied for graduation. Conferral of the official degree is based upon completion and certification of all degree requirements.

The honors presented during this ceremony are calculated on the student's cumulative grade point average for the semester prior. Official honors designation, which includes the calculation of the current semester's grades, will be indicated on the final transcript and diploma.

Cum Laude

** Magna Cum Laude

*** Summa Cum Laude

4:00 P.M. CEREMONY

AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Doctor of Philosophy

Newstead, David John Wildlife Science

Arepalli, Manasa Plant and Soil Science Bell, Travis Logan

Agriculture Science

Boppani, Rahul Plant and Soil Science De Leon, Desiderio Amado Plant and Soil Science

Donner, Bradley Austin Ranch Management

Gadde, Sathvik

Plant and Soil Science Gilmore, Islyn Marissa

Agriculture Science

Hernandez, Richard Andrew Agriculture Science

House, Mikayla Marie Range and Wildlife Management Master of Science

Jacobson, Sarah Kathryn Range and Wildlife Management Kotte, Venkatramana Reddy

Plant and Soil Science

Lebaka, Rishitha

Plant and Soil Science

Ledezma, Jorge Antonio

Environmental Systems Management

Manda, Harsha Vardhan Reddy

Plant and Soil Science Marapelly, Praveen Kumar

Plant and Soil Science

Palla, Sindhu Priya P

Plant and Soil Science

Pasupuleti, Lakshmi Akhijith Plant and Soil Science

Ranjole, Nikitha

Plant and Soil Science

Ravi Krishna, Chilukuri Plant and Soil Science Rodriguez, Horacio Erasmo Plant and Soil Science Sidireddi, Sree Harsha

Plant and Soil Science

Vasireddy, Sai Naveen

Plant and Soil Science

Wild, Caroline Isabel Ranch Management

Woodland, Tyler Clyde

Ranch Management

Zhou, Xiuhong

Environmental Systems Management

ARTS AND SCIENCES

Master of Arts

Bennett, Sarah Elizabeth Counseling Psychology

Hernandez, Nicolas Alejandro Music

Herrera, Oscar Romualdo Music

Afrin, Elora Petrophysics Awujo, Chika Gladys **Biology** Barrios, Lauren Elaine Communication Sciences and Disorders Baxter, Justice K Criminology Bieze, Amy Nicole Communication Sciences and Disorders Botello, Ginelie

Communication Sciences and Disorders Cathey, William Blair Petrophysics Cayo, Carmen Rosa Chemistry

Garcia Salazar, Valeria Counseling Psychology

Master of Music

O'Donohue, Brandon Manuel Music Piland, Evan B Music

Master of Science

Delancy Jr., Danree Mcdonald **Biology** Dewez, Nicholas Philippe **Biology** Edwards, Aleah Nicole Communication Sciences and Disorders Enz, Ida L Criminology Epperson, Peyton Mckenzie

Communication Sciences and Disorders Fuentes, Rachel Lea Communication Sciences and Disorders

Garza, Eden Faith Communication Sciences and Disorders Gawlik, Emma Lee

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Gerragauch, Aaron A Psychology

Gonzales, Madison Marie

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Gonzalez, Elian Angelo

Criminology

Guerrero, Darcy Merce

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Guevara, Mia Sara

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Kareem, Zainab Anjola

Biology

LNU, Sarah Madiha

Biology

Longoria, Denise

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Master of Science (Cont'd.)

Loredo, Karissa

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Lummus, Marilla Suzanne

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Maldonado, Lauren Elizabeth

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Mathew, Ann Mary

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Mendez, Janelle L

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Nguyen, Ngoc Thi Bich

Chemistry

Oluwadairo, Tolulope Olamide

Biology

Pereda, Alessandra

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Perez, Joshua Christopher **Biology**

Pollan, Lindsey Lee

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Rekik, Aamina Bellah

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Rendon, Jorge Alberto

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Reves, Jennifer Nicole

Criminology

Romero, Kathy

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Salazar, Ana Guadalupe

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Santillana, Jorge Ernesto

Biology

Lopez, Elena

Social Work

Social Work

Social Work

Social Work

Nerios, Briana N

Social Work

Mojica, Cindy Marie

Muniz, Vanessa Barton

Maestas-Miller, Taylor Carmen

Serrano, Sandra Lizeth

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Shaut, Miranda June

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Vasquez, Gina Rae

Psychology

Villafranco, Rebecca Leigh

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Watson, Emma Louise

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Willard, Nicholas Kevin

Chemistry

Willis, Jessica Lynn

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Master of Social Work

Bruett, Sarah R Social Work

Collingsworth, Robert Travis

Social Work

Duran, Barbara Josette

Social Work

Fillmore, Anastasia V

Social Work

Galabeas, Yva Marie

Social Work

Gonzalez, Marina

Social Work

Longoria, Monica Palacios, Maricelda Amaya Social Work

Social Work

Pena-Nieto, Prisila America

Social Work

Riojas, Christina

Social Work

Valerio, Amy Marie

Social Work

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Master of Business Administration

Alyaseen, Leen

Business Administration

Barrera, Jacqueline Jo

Business Administration

Dinn, Roman Michael

Business Administration

Erinjery, Denny Jose

Business Administration

Esquivel III, Gilberto G.

Business Administration

Garcia, Francisco Soto **Business Administration** Garcia, Ruben

Business Administration

Guerra, Courtney Elizabeth

Business Administration

Ignatiades, Kimberly Alexandra

Business Administration

Kottwitz, Kyle Quinn

Business Administration

Parker, Courtney

Business Administration

Raju, Jeryl

Business Administration

Ramirez, Erika Leigh

Business Administration

Sandoval, Savannah

Business Administration

Schonefeld, Alyssa Shantel

Business Administration

Secundino, Daisy Joaly

Business Administration

Tapia, Sarah **Business Administration**

Vasquez, Sarahi

Business Administration

EDUCATION AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE

Doctor of Education

Cerda, Angelica Patricia **Educational Leadership** Gonzalez, Carlos Ernesto **Educational Leadership**

Grota, Jennifer Lynn **Educational Leadership** Loredo, Judith Bilingual Education Plascencia De La Garza, Juan

Bilingual Education Robertson, Loreal E Educational Leadership Sandoval, Adrian **Educational Leadership**

Master of Education

Dacke, Nicolette Andrea Bell Adult Education Gloria, Lucia Hilda Special Education Gonzalez, Maranda Alexis Early Childhood

Early Childhood

Alaniz, Ryan G

Education
Barnes, Patricia Brett
Education
Bauman, Elaina Michelle
Education
Benavidez, Gerardo
Counseling and Guidance
Bowie, Marco Tobias
Kinesiology
Castillo, Stephanie Marie
Kinesiology
Gonzalez, Brandon Paul
Educational Administration

Longoria, Vanessa Pena Special Education Montanez, Molly Yvette Special Education Ortiz, Samantha Ann Special Education Salazar, Lilibeth Early Childhood

Master of Science

Hahn, Mckenzie Rechelle
Kinesiology
Ignatiades, Anna Marilyn
Kinesiology
Lopez, Kamba Li
Educational Administration
Martinez, Diana Suarez
Counseling and Guidance
Martinez, Eva Marie T
Kinesiology
Martinez III, Ricardo Raul
Educational Administration
Orta, Devyn Lee
Educational Administration

Perez, Marytza Itzel
Education
Rodriguez, Laura Montserrat
Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Ruiz, Kaitlyn Breann
Educational Administration
Salazar, Brittany Nicole
Kinesiology
Wallace III, Dean Arnold
Kinesiology

ENGINEERING

Master of Science

Bieber, Darius

Aboagye, Papa Kweku Mensah Effah Mechanical Engineering Ahmad, Sohail Natural Gas Engineering Akinbolajo, Olayinka Demola **Industrial Engineering** Akula, Lakshman **Electrical Engineering** Aladeojebi, Benjamin Ademola Natural Gas Engineering Alajangi, Benerji Computer Science Alluri, Malikapurothama Reddy Computer Science Almomani, Nader D Mechanical Engineering Alur, Srinija Mechanical Engineering Azayzeh, Mohammad Omar Environmental Engineering Baddigam, Sravani Computer Science Barton, Kyle Eugene Mechanical Engineering Benitez, Juan Uriel **Industrial Engineering**

Bhagam, Sahithi

Computer Science

Industrial Engineering Blanco, Sergio Alberto Sr Chemical Engineering Bussu, Shiva Prasad Reddy Computer Science Chakka, Sheshank Computer Science Chanumolu, Manoj Kumar **Industrial Engineering** Chava, Vikas Computer Science Chilukuri, Krishna Chaitanya Mechanical Engineering Doddavula, Hari Prasad Reddy Computer Science Dudala, Naveena Krishna **Industrial Management** Esan, Oladele Elijah Mechatronics Engineering Eyitoyo, Abimbola Kofoworola **Industrial Management** Fesobi, Bolatito Omojibola **Industrial Management** Gangola, Saikrishna Computer Science Ganii. Akhil Computer Science

Chemical Engineering Gontina, Sai Alekya Computer Science Gonzalez, Hugo **Industrial Engineering** Gorre, Chaitanya Akhil Reddy **Electrical Engineering** Grimm. Katherine Marie **Chemical Engineering** Gudipudi, Ramya Computer Science Gundrathi, Siddartha Computer Science Gurram, Narasimharao Computer Science Gutierrez, Kristina Civil Engineering Isibor, Itohaosa Inemesit Monica **Environmental Engineering** Jaminipyata, Sriram Computer Science Jonnagadla, Likith Computer Science Joshi, Raj Shekar Computer Science Kafle, Bibek Civil Engineering

Garcia, Jose Alberto

Master of Science (Cont'd.)

Kagitala, Priyanka Computer Science

Kanchanapalli, Rama Saideep Raju Industrial Engineering

Kesineni, Pranay Teja Computer Science

Khalifeh, Moayad Mojahed Majed

Civil Engineering Khan, Abdul Gaffer Civil Engineering

Khan, Azeem

Industrial Management

Khare, Arushi

Environmental Engineering

Kodukula, Venkatesh Computer Science Kommireddy, Divya Reddy Computer Science

Konakanchi, Ravi Sankar

Computer Science Kota, Deva Harsha

Computer Science

Kotla, Prathyusha Computer Science

Kukkadapu, Rohith Singh Industrial Engineering

Lara, Oscar

Electrical Engineering

Maddala, Dakshanya Computer Science

Marella, Bhargav Prasanna Electrical Engineering

Marthala, Chandra Obula Reddy

Computer Science Martinez-Gomez, Erick Industrial Engineering Meda, Kamakshi Nithin

Computer Science

Meenaz, Shoyeb Computer Science

Mohamed, Abdelrahman Ahmed M.Yacoub

Natural Gas Engineering Mohammed, Rayyan

Electrical Engineering Momani, Ahmad Tawfiq Ahmad

Computer Science

Moya, Rafael Industrial Engineering

Mupparaju, Radhika Computer Science Muppavarapu, Varsha

Computer Science

Nakka, Venkata Swamy Kalyan

Computer Science Narayana Setty, Harsha Computer Science Nekovei, Bijan Nicholas Computer Science Odunaiya-Adebanjo, Teniola Temiloluwa Industrial Engineering

Ogunmolu, Akinde Michael Mechanical Engineering

Onwuachumba, Nora Chinenye Industrial Management

Oruganti, Vamshi Krishna Civil Engineering

Otoki, Oluwadamilola Temitope Environmental Engineering

Palla, Sagar Reddy Computer Science Patan, Iliyaz Ali Khan

Computer Science Patel, Raj Sanjaykumar

Civil Engineering Peddapurapu, Vivek

Computer Science

Polareddy, Sandeep Reddy Industrial Engineering

Ponduri, Siva Yagna Yagna Computer Science

Pothnak, Sravani

Computer Science

Pothuri, Sumanth

Computer Science

Pradhan, Pratik

Civil Engineering

Pulipati, Saikumar Computer Science

Puthalapattu, Sukanya

Mechanical Engineering Radaideh, Jamil Ra'Ed

Mechanical Engineering

Ramagiri, Akshara Computer Science

Ramirez, Cesar Antonio Industrial Engineering

Ramya Sri, Kollu

Computer Science Reddy Reddy, Ananth Reddy

Computer Science

Reddy Reddy, Prashanth Reddy

Computer Science Reddy Reddy, Sandeep Reddy

Industrial Engineering
Rodriguez III, Juan Hernan

Mechanical Engineering Sajjad, Muhammad Asad

Electrical Engineering

Samala, Anirudh Computer Science

Sanaka, Chaitanya Vardhan Computer Science

Sanchez Gonzalez, Larissa

Civil Engineering Savani, Dharmikkumar Manharbhai

Computer Science

Sensoyu, Guliz

Electrical Engineering

Shaik, Fayaz

Computer Science

Shaik, Mohammed Riyaz Computer Science

Singh, Lovekesh

Mechanical Engineering

Singleterry, Ruben

Civil Engineering

Sivarapu, Aditya Krishna Mechanical Engineering

Sunkari, Sai Jagath Computer Science

Tanugundla, Lalitha Krishna Reddy

Civil Engineering

Teran, Pauline

Industrial Management

Thonsgaard, Matthew Eric

Mechanical Engineering

Torres, Ricardo Javier

Environmental Engineering

Udumula, Manohar Reddy Industrial Engineering

Vadde, Sri Harshavardhan Reddy

Civil Engineering Vaddi, Sreegowtham

Electrical Engineering

Vaduguri, Pallavi Computer Science

Vakati, Durga Sai Surya Teja

Civil Engineering Vakkala, Deekshith

Computer Science

Valusa, Rajashekar Civil Engineering

Varghese, Digin

Industrial Engineering

Yadavelli, Vikas Reddy Computer Science

Yendluri, Divya Computer Science

Yenugula, Mani Naga Bhushanam

Computer Science Yeruva, Velangini Nishitha

Computer Science Zuniga, Jorge L

Electrical Engineering

Dissertation Titles

Doctor of Education

Bilingual Education

Loredo, Judith, B.S., M.Ed.

"Latinx Immigrants in the USA"

Plascencia De La Garza, Juan, S.E., M.I.S., M.B.A., M.B.E.

"Spanish and English Translanguaging in High School Mathematics Tutorials"

Educational Leadership

Cerda, Angelica Patricia, B.A., M.A.

"Experiences of Faculty Who Transitioned from In-Person Classroom Instruction to Online Classroom Instruction During the Covid-19 Pandemic"

Gonzalez, Carlos Ernesto, B.S., M.B.A.

"Comparison of Texas Student Success in College Science Among Three Term Durations"

Grota, Jennifer Lynn, B.S., M.Ed.

"The Impact of Multiplication Fluency Math Intervention and Attendance on Mathematics Course Performance"

Robertson, Loreal E., B.A., M.A.

"Exploring the Racialized Educational Experiences of Minoritized Graduate Students in Humanities Degree Programs"

Sandoval, Adrian, PharmD.

"Comparison Between the American Board of Family Medicine In-Training Examination Scores of U.S.-Based Physician Residents Taught Through Systematic and Non-Systematic Pharmacotherapy Curricula"

Doctor of Philosophy

Wildlife Science

Newstead, David John, B.A., M.S.

"Unraveling Migratory Connectivity of Red Knots (Calidris canutus) in the Western Gulf of Mexico"



ACADEMIC REGALIA

The origin of academic gowns, caps and hoods is a matter of speculation. Unheated buildings may have necessitated the gowns. The remaining regalia might reflect the influence of the clergy during medieval times. The hoods, for example, might have served as head-coverings before skull caps were adopted. In any case, when American schools decided to adopt academic dress, they agreed, through a series of meetings and conferences, on some standard designs and colors. The gown design becomes more intricate with advanced degrees. Velvet trim, for instance, is reserved for doctors' gowns. The hoods, too, become longer as one proceeds from the bachelor's to the master's to the doctor's degree. The cap is plain for both bachelor's and master's. Velvet is reserved for the doctorate. The tassel on the cap may be black or the color appropriate for the major field of study. A doctor's tassel, however, may be made of gold thread.

The color of the facing of the hood denotes the type of degree, and doctors' gowns may also be trimmed in the same color. Examples are as follows: *Arts and Letters* - white, *Commerce and Accounting* - drab, *Economics* - copper, *Library Science* - lemon, *Music* - pink, *Education* - light blue, *Pharmacy* - olive, *Fine Arts and Architecture* - brown, *Humanities* - dark crimson, *Law* - purple, *Engineering* - orange, *Philosophy* - dark blue, *Physical Education* - sage green, *Science* - golden yellow. The color of the lining of the hood denotes the university or college granting the degree. Texas A&M University-Kingsville's colors are blue and gold. Students wearing the blue and green or gold honor cords are members of national honor societies. The honors presented during this ceremony are calculated on the student's cumulative grade point average for the semester prior. Official honors designation, which includes the calculation of the current semester's grades, will be indicated on the final transcript and diploma.

THE TOWER CHIMES

Striking on the hour and every quarter hour, the "Westminster" chimes of the College Hall tower were played for the first time in March 1999 for the inauguration of President Marc Cisneros. The chimes celebrate Javelina pride throughout the day, ringing out "Hail AMK" and "Jalisco."



THE UNIVERSITY BANNERS

Eight banners signify the university and its academic areas: Agriculture, Natural Resources and Human Sciences; Arts and Sciences; Business Administration; Education and Human Performance; Engineering; Graduate Studies and Honors College. Each banner displays the university logo, which includes the College Hall tower and the university name. The tower has stood as a symbol of the institution since 1949, reflecting the architectural elements of the campus that draw upon the university's regional heritage. The banners were introduced in May 1999 for formal ceremonies.

THE UNIVERSITY MACE

A symbol of authority, the mace is traced to an ancient weapon of war. William the Conqueror is seen flourishing a wooden mace in the eleventh-century Bayeux Tapestry. The military use of the object gradually gave way to its ceremonial function, and maces became jewel-encrusted symbols of high office. The Texas A&M University-Kingsville mace was crafted March 1999 in the Department of Industrial Technology to reflect many of the unique characteristics that have made the university a leader in South Texas. The black walnut that comprises the main body symbolizes the history and traditions that have been established by the university. The top is crowned with the university seal engraved in gold.

THE UNIVERSITY RING

In early 1998, a committee of students, alumni, faculty, and staff began discussing the idea of an official ring for graduates of the university. The committee members wanted the ring to reflect symbols that represented the university's history and traditions. Working with a professional designer, they chose symbols including the school's mascot, the javelina, because of its tenacity; mesquite and cactus because they are found all over campus; the Lone Star because it symbolizes the State of Texas; and the College Hall tower because it is a recognized landmark on our campus. Graduates can choose a plain gold ring or opt for a gemstone in the ring. The ring design was unveiled February 16, 1999.



Hail AMK! We pledge anew
Aims that are high,
Devotion deep and true.
And though we may part,
And though we're far away,
Still loyal each heart
To AMK.

