# Commencement





# **PROGRAM**

# The Commencement of the Ninety-Sixth Annual Session Friday, May 7, 2021 | 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. • Saturday, May 8, 2021 | 9:00 a.m. Javelina Stadium

Javenna Station	1	
PRESIDING		
	Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs	
PRELUDE		
	Dr. Scott Jones, Director of Bands	
PROCESSIONAL Pomp and Circumstance No. 1 by Edward Elgar		
Audience stands for PROCESSIONAL and RECESSIONAL THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION		
The Party of the President, The Party of the Deans, The President of the Faculty Senate, The Regents Professors, The Chancellor's		
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NATIONAL ANTHEM Star Spangled Banner by Francis Scott Key		
	Dr. Kenneth Williams, Director of Choral Activities	
WELCOME	Dr. Reinisch	
PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED STUDENT AWARDS	Lidia Morales	
	Student Body President	
PRESENTATION OF CLASS RING		
	President, Javelina Alumni Association	
INTRODUCTIONS	Dr. Mark A. Hussey	
	President	
GREETINGS	Elaine Mendoza	
	Chairman, Board of Regents	
	The Texas A&M University System	
	John Sharp	
	Chancellor	
	The Texas A&M University System	
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS 9:00 a.m. May 7		
	College of Education	
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS 6:00 p.m. May 7		
	College of Engineering	
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS 9:00 a.m. May 8		
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PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES		
COMMISSIONING OF ROTC CADET 9:00 a.m. May 7	•	
JAVELINA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION INDUCTION		
ALMA MATER <i>Hail AMK</i> , arranged by Dr. Greg Sanders, Regents Profess		
RECESSIONAL Procession of Nobles by Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov	wind Symphony	

# UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Mark A. Hussey	
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	Texas A&M University-Kingsville Foundation/Alumni and Development
Antonia Alvarez	
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Kirsten Compary	
Dr. Natalya Delcoure	
	Interim Dean, Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering
Adriana Garza-Flores	Director of Marketing and Communications
Dr. Jaya Goswami	Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs
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Dr. Maria E. Martinez	
Dr. Shad Nelson.	Dean, Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg
	College of Agriculture and Natural Resources
Stephen Roach	Executive Director of Athletics and Campus Recreation
Dr. Thomas Spencer	Dean, Honors College
CAMPUS REPRESENTATIVES	
Dr. Jieming Chen	
Elisa M. Guerra	
Lidia Morales	President, Student Government Association
Debbie Winslow	

# **SPEAKERS**

# **FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2021**

# Ms. Blessing Ysea Tamez

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

9 A.M.

Blessing Tamez is a graduating senior from Bishop. She will be graduating today with her Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology - Exercise Science with a concentration in pre-physical therapy. Tamez has worked as a tutor for the Kinesiology department, been named captain of the 2020-2021 Academic Student Bowl team, and received the Major of the Year Award for Exercise Science. She enjoys spending time with her friends and family, exercising, and encouraging others. Tamez will soon be starting the next chapter of her life and attend Texas Woman's University in Houston to earn a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree. She would like to thank her parents, sister, family, friends, and mentors for supporting and encouraging her to always strive to be the best.

### Mr. Caleb Alan Nash

College of Engineering

6 P.M.

Caleb Nash is a graduating senior from San Antonio. He has attended Texas A&M University-Kingsville for the last four years, where he has played baseball and studied mechanical engineering. Throughout his time on campus, Nash has demonstrated excellence both in and out of the classroom. He has maintained a 4.0 GPA and a place on the Javelina Baseball team despite his many extracurricular activities, as well as membership in the Honor's College and Tau Beta Pi. Nash has succeeded in the industry as well, holding internships every summer he was in school and taking and passing his Fundamentals of Engineering Exam, which certifies him as an Engineer-In-Training. He also has held research positions within the College of Engineering, assisting graduate students and professors with their projects. Nash has held the Presidential Scholarship every year on campus as well as a number of smaller grants including the Texas A&I Kingsville Alumni scholarship. He has accepted a job with Telios Corporation in Dallas as a Project Engineer on their Mission Critical team. He will be moving there this summer with his wife, Natalie Hoffmann, to begin the next chapter in his life.

# **SATURDAY, MAY 8, 2021**

# Dr. Nirmal Goswami

REGENTS PROFESSOR

9 A.M.

Dr. Nirmal Goswami is a Regents Professor of political science and has served as a faculty member at Texas A&M-Kingsville for 30 years. Goswami did his undergraduate work in India and his doctorate is from the School of Urban and Public Affairs, The University of Texas at Arlington. He was selected as the university's first Fulbright Specialist in early 2019 and was named a Regents Professor later that year. He has developed interdisciplinary programs for A&M-Kingsville in Asia, Africa and Australasia. He has been honored for his teaching by the university, as well as the Texas A&M University System. His research in public policy, political economy, demographics and government has been presented and published at national and international venues and scholarly journals. He also has served as an adjunct faculty member at the George Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M University. Goswami also is a volunteer assistant tennis coach at Texas A&M-Kingsville.

# PRESIDENT, FACULTY SENATE

### **Dr. Jieming Chen**

Professor and Chair in the Department of Psychology and Sociology

# **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

Associate Professor in the Department of Chemistry

### Dr. Genevieve L. Scalan

Associate Professor in the Department of Accounting and Finance

# **COMMISSIONEE**

Second Lieutenant, United States Army
Crystal Nicole Campos

# THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM REGENTS

# Elaine Mendoza

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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 Animal, 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

Professor in the Department of Animal, Rangeland and Wildlife Sciences

# Dr. Paul M. Hageman - 2005

Professor in the School of Music

# Dr. Michael E. Tewes - 2007

Professor in the Department of Animal, Rangeland and Wildlife Sciences

# Dr. Scott E. Henke - 2008

Professor in the Department of Animal, 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

# Dr. Gregory Lynn Sanders - 2017

Professor in the School of Music

# TEXAS A&M-KINGSVILLE REGENTS PROFESSORS (Cont'd.)

### 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

### Dr. Susan L. Roberson - 2020

Professor in the Department of Language and Literature

# 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. 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. La Vonne Fedynich 2018-2019

Professor in the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling

# Dr. Ming Tu 2019-2020

Associate Professor in the School of Music

# Dr. Daniella Varela 2020-2021

Assistant Professor in the Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling

# **COLLEGE AWARDS**

# Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

# SENIOR TEACHING AWARD Dr. Bart Ballard

Professor in the Department of Rangeland and Wildlife Sciences

# JUNIOR TEACHING AWARD Dr. Cariann Montesano-Galloway

Assistant Professor of Practice in the Department of Animal Science and Veterinary Technology

# SENIOR RESEARCH AWARD Dr. Humberto Perotto

Associate Professor in the Department of Rangeland and Wildlife Sciences

# JUNIOR RESEARCH AWARD Dr. Benjamin Turner

Assistant Professor in the Department of Agriculture, Agribusiness, Environmental Sciences

# EXTRA MILE AWARD Dr. Greta Schuster

Professor in the Department of Agriculture, Agribusiness, Environmental Sciences

# College of Arts and Sciences

# WILLIAM J. HALL FACULTY AWARD Dr. Scott Jones

Associate Professor in the School of Music

# OLAN KRUSE SCIENCE FACULTY AWARD

### Dr. Maria Velez-Hernandez

Assistant Professor in the Department of Biological and Health Sciences

# DEAN'S OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AWARD

### Dr. Elda Sanchez

Associate Professor in the Department of Chemistry and Director of National Natural Toxins Research Center

# DEAN'S OUTSTANDING TEACHING AWARD

# **Nicole Morris**

Lecturer in the Department of Art, Communications and Theatre

# DEAN'S OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD

### Fulden Wissinger

Associate Professor in the Department of Art, Communications and Theatre

# DEAN'S OUTSTANDING SCHOLARLY AND CREATIVE PRODUCTION AWARD

# Dr. Nicholas Sciullo

Assistant Professor in the Department of Art, Communications and Theatre

# Dr. Fang He

Assistant Professor in the Department of Biological and Health Sciences

# College of Education and Human Performance

# **OUTSTANDING SENIOR FACULTY**

Dr. Norma Guzman

Professor in the Department of Teacher and Bilingual Education

# **OUTSTANDING JUNIOR FACULTY**

Dr. Amber Shipherd

Assistant Professor in the Department of Health and Kinesiology

# Center for Teaching Effectiveness

### GENERAL EDUCATION TEACHING AWARD

Dr. Marco Iñiguez Alba

Senior Lecturer in the Department of Language and Literature

# GRADUATE TEACHING AWARD Dr. Habib M. Ammari

Associate Professor in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

### NON TENURE-TRACK TEACHING AWARD

Dr. Ashlee J. Burt

Lecturer in the Department of Health and Kinesiology

# 9:00 A.M. CEREMONY

# ARTS AND SCIENCES

# **Master of Arts**

Rodriguez, Maria Fernanda Counseling Psychology

Trevino, Sarah Elizabeth Counseling Psychology

# **Master of Music**

Arteaga, Christian Jose Music

Brown, Ronald Keith Music

Reves, Irma Isela Music

# Master of Science

Altamirano, Nathalie

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Baker, Sarah Jane

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Benavidez, Ty L.

Sociology

Brock. Samantha Jane

Chemistry

Brooks, Staci Renea

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Cantu, Carolina Maria

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Cuellar, Fabiola Fernanda

Communication Sciences and Disorders

De La Rosa, Valerie

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Diaz, Nicolette Cynthia

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Dummitt, Margaret Mae

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Escalante, Madelyn Arcadia

Psychology

Espinosa, Victoria Marie

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Estrada, Emily Giselle

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Forkum, Kirstien Michelle

Criminology

Garcia, Cecilia

Biology

Garcia, Dixie

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Garcia, Sarena Alyssa

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Gonzalez, Loni Rae

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Gonzalez, Olivia T.

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Gonzalez, Pedro Vicente

Biology

Henderson, Shane Anthony

Criminology

Ibikunle, Bilikis Oluwadamilola Biology

Jackson-Redd, Debra Yvonne

Sociology

Kaden, Maria De Lourdes

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Le, Christy Chi

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Marin, Lisa Marie

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Martinez, Fatima Valeria

Communication Sciences and Disorders

- Cum Laude
- \*\* Magna Cum Laude
- \*\*\* Summa Cum Laude

# Master of Science (Cont'd.)

Martinez, Laura Yvonne

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Melcher, Carla Lourdes

Chemistry

Naatjes, Daryan Taylor

Statistical Analytics, Computing and Modeling

Ortiz, Natasha Marie

Biology

Pompa, Marcos Diego

Criminology

Ramirez, Jazmine Lea

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Ramirez, Kristina Maris

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Rivera, Iris Neidene

Psychology

Rodriguez, Kristyn Amanda

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Salas, Sarah Kathryn

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Salinas, Adriana N.

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Salinas, Alyssa Nicole

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Solis, Molly Michelle

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Torres, Francisco Garcia

Biology

Velasquez, Mark Alexander

Criminology

Villarreal III, Baldomero

Criminology

Villarreal, Micaela Carina

Communication Sciences and Disorders

White, Ashley Ann

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Wise, Erica Deann

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Wright, Madison Elizabeth

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Zacarias, Gerardo R.

Criminology

# Master of Social Work

Almaguer, Veronica Anna

Social Work

Ballesteros, Katy Elizabeth

Social Work

Brown, Bria Suren

Social Work

Cantu. Leslie Ann

Social Work

Escobedo, Sylvia

Social Work

Garcia, Ana Lilia

Social Work

Garcia, Fabbiola Alejandra

Social Work

Garcia, Faustino

Social Work

Garza III, Jose Francisco

Social Work

Guerra, Joshua M. Social Work

Guerrero, Rochelle Denise

Social Work

Hill. Amanda Lee

Social Work

Ibarra, Olivia Magdalena Social Work

Levva, Julie Ann

Social Work

Luckey, Joia R.

Social Work Martinez, Anja

Social Work

Mata, Amy

Social Work

Mohammad, Sabah Mukhtiar

Social Work

Montoya, Danielle Nicole

Social Work

Pena, Angela Nichole

Social Work

Ramos, Abigail

Social Work

Ramos. Lee Annette

Social Work

Rasbury, Jamie De'Nee

Social Work

Rodriguez, Lorraine

Social Work

Sanchez, Carol

Social Work Suazo, Olga Lydia

Social Work

Trevino, Angela Grace

Social Work

# **Bachelor of Arts**

Acevedo, Christian

Adame, Jeva

Adames Jr., Victor

Almanzar, Amado Antonio Alvarez, Jacqueline

Brown, Christopher Todd

Campos, Crystal Nicole \*\*

Carrizales, Maricarmen

Castillo, Abigahil Castillo, Eric Nathaniel

Cavazos Jr, Jorge Luis

Cortez, Destiny Faith

Crow, Ashton Michelle

Diaz, Ashley Elizabeth \*\*

Escobedo, Alessandra Mirella Figueroa, Stephanie Nicole \*\* Franklin, My'Destinee R'Mon-Bry'L

Galvan, Richard Andrew

Garcia Jr., Abimael \*\*

Garcia, Alan

Garcia Sr., Orlando

Gonzalez, Alyssa Erin

Gonzalez, Miranda Leeann \*\*\*

Handy, Samantha Jo Larson, Carolyn Ann \*\*

Lopez, Bradley Ian

Magallan, Kassondra Renee

Mangold, Abigail Lynn

Mann, Destinee Renee \*\*

Martinez, Lestly Norely

Martinez Jr., Ruben Andrew Martinez, Suzette Renee

Oliveira III, Alberto \*

Perez, Marissa Iran

Perez. Pedro Luis

Priddy, Christopher \*\*\*

Redding, Gus T.

Rodriguez, Cristopher

Sauder, Allyson Marie

Sepulveda, Andrea Sifuentes, Neiry Zujeith \*

Sustaita, Jocelyn

Trevino, Travis Lonnie

Vela, Anna Celeste Wyatt, Kayla Brooke

Zamora, Brandon Michael Zamora Jr., Jorge Ortiz

Cum Laude

\*\* Magna Cum Laude

\*\*\* Summa Cum Laude

# **Bachelor of Fine Arts**

Cavazos, Victoria M. Contreras, Rubie Matilde Perez, Bianca Renae Unterbrink, Dakota

Vargas, Erica Lin Villalon, Esteban Luis

# **Bachelor of Music**

Baltazar, Pablo Caleb \*\* Banda, Peter Vincent Boyd, Maddison Paige \* Cepeda, Kevin Ryan Coronado, Adan Cuellar, Marcos Del Refugio \* Garcia, Jose Guadalupe Gonzalez, Abel \* Gutierrez, Isaac Daniel \* Hamblin, Devyn Leann \*\*

Kamaunu, Elena L. \* Lancon, Ashley P. Lopez, Edgar \* Lopez, Generoso Lopez, Pamela Nicole \*\* Martinez, Alberto Jesus \* Martinez, Daniel Alejandro \* Mendez Lopez, Herminio Noriega, Alfredo O'Donohue, Brandon Manuel

Gracia, Denise

Guerra, Alyssa Christine

Ortega, Gabrielle Popp, Katelyn Paige \*\* Rosales, Alondra Ararat Saenz, Anthoney Mical \* Taylor, Jeri Morita \* Trevino, Ashley Faustina \* Uresti, Jorge Valverde, Damian Alexander Villarreal, Aaron Gerardo

# **Bachelor of Science**

Bakhati, Sejal \* Bernal, Dana Elaine \* Boudreaux, Amee Elaine \*\*\* Canela, Cassandra Cantu, Anna Catherine \* Cardona, Cameron James \*\*\* Castaño, Audrie Renee \*\* Castillo, Gabriella Marie \*\* Cavazos, Dacia Alyssa Ceja, Lilliana Nicole Chapa, Stephanie R. Charles, Jaden Renee Christiansen, Lane Corkill, William Levi Cortez, George M. Cruz Sr, Nicholas Anthony \*\*\* Elizondo, Amanda M. \*\* Encinia, Darren \*\* Epperson, Peyton Mckenzie Flores, Autumn Lynn \* Flores Jr., Ildefonso Foster, Laura Elizabeth Fox-Smith, Bralvn L. Garcia, Destiny Nicole \* Garcia, Olivia Leocadia \*\*\* Garza, Diana Judith \* Garza, Maria Veronica

Guerrero, Darcy Merce \*\* Guevara, Mia Sara \*\*\* Hernandez, Luz Maria Irving, Victoria Elizabeth Izaguirre, Issac Alex \* Lara, Marcos Alejandro Leibas, Anastasia B. Lerma, Megan Nicole Lichtenberger, Richard R Lopez, Karina Danielle \* Loya, Reynaldo Martell, Julissa Alexandria \* Martinez, Guadalupe Martinez, Nallely \* Martinez, Natalie Angel Mendez, Edgar Mendez, Erasmo Alejandro Mercado, Kristin Milligan, Jessica Lauryn\*\*\* Mireles, Abigail Montalvo, Laura Mariana Montova, Ezalea Mar Moten. Eddie Leon Nguyen, Ngoc Thi Bich \*\*\* Oommen, Anna Esther \*\* Ortega, Valerie Ann Padilla Jr., Mario Gerado Palomo, Adriana Esperanza

Perez, Brianna Nicole \*\* Perez Sanchez, Alondra \* Ramirez, Richard Thomas Reyna, Maria Victoria Rodriguez, Mathew Patrick Rodriguez, Vanessa Nicole \*\* Rojas, Jamie Jodee Romero, Kathy Ruiz, Iliana Salinas, Clarissa \* Samarripa, Bethany Morgan \*\*\* Sanchez, Daniella Sanchez, Elizabeth Ann Sanchez, Myron M. \*\* Santillana, Jorge Ernesto Serna-Hernandez, Carlos Shaut, Miranda June \*\* Trevino, Carlos Daniel Valadez, Benjamin Xavier \*\* Vasquez, Alexa R. Vasquez, Laura Torrez \* Vigue, Marissa Andrea \* Villanueva, Madelvnn Marissa Watts, Rebekah Lynne Wiebe, Cierra Siobhrie Wilson, Myra Lynn Womack, John Kade Alan \*\* Zamora Jr., Jorge Ortiz

# **Bachelor of Social Work**

Barboza, Alejandra Casas, Elizabeth Garcia, Miranda Renee Gonzalez, Marina Guaxcle Valentin, Patricia \* Hays, Hunter Michael \*

Garza, Scarlett Victoria

Gonzalez, Clarissa Cristina \*\*

Gonzalez Jr., Mario Humberto

Irwin, Sadie Jo Lametrie. Destinev Marie Lopez, Manuel Alberto Moore, Imani Janae Munoz, Cynthia Paz, Amber Nicole \*

Pena-Nieto, Prisila America Piedra, Melissa \*\*\* Ramos, Shyanne Desiree Sharpe, Chelsie Renee \*\* Zamora, Kathleen

\*\*\* Summa Cum Laude

Cum Laude

<sup>\*\*</sup> Magna Cum Laude

# EDUCATION AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE

# **Doctor of Education**

Ancira-Arechiga, Sara Alicia Bilingual Education Barbosa De Garcia, Nicolasa Bilingual Education Gautam Luintel, Gyanu Bilingual Education Plascencia De la Garza, Juan Bilingual Education Sandoval Villa, Oscar Eduardo Bilingual Education Schumann, James Elton Educational Leadership Sepulveda Rodriguez, Andres Bilingual Education Smith, Roman P. Educational Leadership Villegas Barbosa, Victor Bilingual Education Wilson, Ileana Louella Educational Leadership Zamora, Gabriel Educational Leadership

# **Master of Education**

Alaniz, Veronica Crystal Special Education Balli, Blanca E. Adult Education Cantu, Miguel Angel Special Education Friedersdorff, Stephanie Adult Education Hernandez, Mariella Special Education Lindsey, Darian Deor Adult Education Mendez, Melanie Elena Adult Education Perez, Raul Esteban Early Childhood Rodriguez, Alexa Denese Special Education Rodriguez, Ricardo Carlos Adult Education

# **Master of Science**

Bazan, Alicia C.
Educational Administration
Benavides, David Valdemar
Education
Campa, Lisa Longoria
Educational Administration
Cardenas, Cori Amanda
Instructional Technology

Garcia, Andrea Leonor Education McGee, Jorvis Daray Education Pizarro, Edgar Osvaldo Kinesiology Rodriguez, Cassandra Gloria Education Romo, Clarissa Ann
Educational Administration
Russell, Colleen Marie
Educational Administration
Trujillo, Aubrey Tracy
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

# **Bachelor of Science**

Acuna, Estrella Berenice \*\* Aguilar, Jaime Adrian Aguilar, Nathaniel Aaron \*\* Alanis, Giannie Igdaly \*\*\* Alaniz, Izette Janet \*\*\* Alaniz, Zalanee Alcantar, Nicole \*\* Aleman, Misty Yvette \*\* Alonzo, Yesenia Nicole \*\* Alvarez, Jesus Arellano, Jolisa Nicole Arevalo, J'nora Lolita Arevalo, Mauricio Esteban \* Armendariz, Monica Itzel \*\* Avila, Elva Miriam Balboa, Marivel \*\*\* Baldillez, Andrea Marie \*\* Barron, Andrea Ailyn Benavides, Yulissa \*\*\*

Benitez, Lesly Marie

Bowen, Amonte Bruce Bruno, Briana Marie \*\*\* Cadena, Maria Alicia Calderon, Marissa Y. \*\*\* Calderon, Silvina Campos, Karissa Marie Cardenas, Erik Cardoza, Adrian Castaneda, Tiffany Amber \*\*\* Castillo, Graciela Elizabeth Castillo, Irma Leticia \*\* Cedillo, Amanda Marie \*\* Ceja, Gabriela \*\*\* Chapa III, Erasmo Compean Jr., Alfredo \*\* Compean, Alma Delia \*\*\* Coronado, Ada Rahel Cortez, Kimberly \* Cruz, Ciarah Nicole Cruz Rodriguez, Mayela \*

Davila, Ana Lecia De La Torre, Maria Guadalupe \*\*\* De Leon, Daisy Lizette \*\*\* De Leon, Joanna \*\* DeLeon, Maria C Delgado, Keisha Elayne Dominguez, Julysa Maria \*\* Dominguez, Laura \*\*\* Emmons, Kelly Jo \*\*\* Esparza, Lorena \* Fey, Jacob Thomas Florence, Darby Lyn Flores, Desiree Monique \* Flores, Jaquelin Flores IV, Julian Flores, Kaanan Rene Flores, Tyler Reid Flores, Yadira Viridiana Gallegos, Krystal M. Gamez, Rodrigo

\* Cum Laude \*\* Magna Cum Laude \*\*\* Summa Cum Laude

# **Bachelor of Science (Cont'd.)**

Garcia, Felipe
Garcia, Sabrina Jo
Garcia, Taiz \*\*\*
Garcia, Valery \*\*\*
Garza, Andrea Rebecca
Garza, Marisol \*
Garza, Nelva \*

Garza, Valeria Sanjuanita \*\*\*

Gil, Julissa \*\* Gloria, Jose M.

Gomez, Alyza Monique \*\* Gomez, Julianne Denise Gomez, Sarah Mae Gonzales, Henry Michael Gonzales, Jason Rey \* Gonzalez, Aaron Vai

Gonzalez Pena, Rosa Saralee \*\*\*

Guerra, Steve Ray Guerrero, Lorena

Guevara, Kourtney Amanda Guillen, Jennifer Lynn \*\*\*

Gutierrez, Isela G. Gutierrez, Miriam A. \* Gutierrez, Monica \*\*\*

Gutierrez Aguila, Samantha Haydee

Guzman, Amanda Leigh

Hernandez, Anyssa Alexandra \*\* Hernandez, Crystal Anahi \*\*\* Herrera, Bianca Mireya

Ignatiades, Anna Marilyn \*\*
Juarez, Joann \*\*\*

Kersh, Megan Ashley Lanfranco, Elva Idalia \*\*\* Leal, Nayely \*

Leyva, Maria F.
Lezama, Guadalupe
Lima, Roxanna
Lira, Jamin Ryan
Lopez, Amanda Marie
Lopez, Clarissa Jo
Lopez, Jon
Lopez, Kamba Li
Lopez, Marychelo
Lopez, Sarah Dominique
Macareno. Cynthia Y. \*

Maciel, Alma Delia

Mancillas, Adriana

Martinez, Amber Nicole Martinez, Elizabeth Ruby Martinez, Eva Marie T. Martinez, Kassandra Renee Martinez, Laura Anne Martinez, Lily \*\* Martinez, Margarita Martinez, Melissa

Martinez, Samantha Danielle Mata, Ada Seneth \*\* Mata, Josephine Maydon, Pamela \*\* Medrano, Ricardo James Menchaca, Joyce Marie \* Mendez, John Wayne

Montes, Dolores Guadalupe \*\*
Moreno, Rebeca

Navarro, San Juanita \*
Nixon, Madalynn Nicole

Ochoa, Adriana Odom, Karina Nicole Olguin, Jannelle Alexa Padilla, Michelle Lee Palomares, Yesenia \*\*\* Patino, Jennifer Renee Pecina, Bianca Anahi Pena, Cecilia Celeste Pena, Ilse \*

Pena, Samantha Lamar \*\*
Perez, Alicia \*\*\*
Perez, Desiree Danielle
Perez, Gracie Adriana
Perez, Kassandra

Perez, Norma Alejandra \*\*\*
Perez, Samantha Monique \*\*\*
Pichardo, Minerva \*

Pinon, Veronica

Plagens, Rebecca Kaye \*\* Ponce, Kristy Celina Quintana, Andrew Jacob Ramirez, Selena \* Ramos, Claudia Araceli

Reyes, Anahi Reyes, Lissette

Revna, Gabriella Marie

Rios, Elicena Rios, George A. Robles, Mariel Guadalupe \*\*\*
Robles, Rebecca Monique \*
Rodriguez, Carolina Jocelyn
Rodriguez, Johanna \*\*\*
Rodriguez, Natalia Mariel
Rojas, Mijail David
Romo, Aylin \*\*
Roquet, Tammy Nicole \*

Rosas, Nisa Saenz, Priscilla Salas, Melissa \*\*\*

San Juan, Stefanie Ofmara \*\*\*
San Miguel, Gabriella Lyzzette

Sanchez, Jacqueline \*

Serrato Martinez, Perla Ivette

Sierra, Denisse N. \*\*\*
Smith, Ryan Wayne
Solis, David \*\*
Solis, Gina Marie \*
Soliz, Bri-Anna Nikole
Suarez Jr, Daniel

Tagle-Castilla, Perla Sarahi Tamez, Blessing Ysea \*\*\* Tate, Shelby Leigh Taylor, Keandria M. Taylor, Samantha Ann Taylor, Teandria Ann Torres, Ann Marie Torres, Crystal Marie Torrez, Paulina Jasmin Trevino, Katherine Elizabeth Trevino, Marianna Cristal

Trevino, Melissa Ann \*\*\*
Valdez, Christa Remi \*
Valdez, Julia \*\*
Valdez, Olivia \*
Valdez, Vianey C. \*\*\*
Valdez, Violeta \*\*\*
Vargas, Nora
Vasquez, Casie Ellen
Vasquez, Vanessa
Vega, Michelle L.

Villarreal, Katherine V.

Villarreal, Margaret

Wallace III, Dean Arnold \*\*

Wilson, Tyler O.

Cum Laude

<sup>\*\*</sup> Magna Cum Laude

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Summa Cum Laude

# 6:00 P.M. CEREMONY

# AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

# **Master of Science**

Bronson, Ross Arthur Ranch Management Calderon, Miriam Plant and Soil Science Cardenas, Scott Robert Plant and Soil Science Castanon, Jeanette Evelvn Agriculture Science Cortez, Jose Gerardo Jr. Range and Wildlife Management Dalrymple, Haley Elizabeth Agriculture Science Danda, Tirumalareddy Plant and Soil Science Dimaggio, Alexandria Marie Range and Wildlife Management

Farias, Miranda Nicole
Environmental Systems Management
Gudipally, Sowmya
Plant and Soil Science
Gudipelly, Pramod Reddy R.
Plant and Soil Science
Huerta, Javier Omar
Range and Wildlife Management
Killpack, Kord Troy
Ranch Management
Mora, Victoria Velasquez
Plant and Soil Science
Page, Michael Thomas
Range and Wildlife Management
Ramirez, Steven Michael

Rankins, Seth Tyler Range and Wildlife Management Richardson Jr., Cody Scott Ranch Management Rivas, Cristian Adrian Animal Science Rodriguez, Guadalupe **Environmental Systems Management** Sliwa, Kathryn Maud Range and Wildlife Management Stribling, Garrett Johnny Ranch Management Villarreal, Marcos Jesus Agriculture Science Wright, Makenzie Layne Agriculture Science

# **Master of Science in Human Sciences**

Anderson, Stephanie Ann Human Sciences Burkholder, Derek Elza Human Sciences Eddins, Patricia Elaine Human Sciences Ibanez, Catherine Dennis Human Sciences

Plant and Soil Science

Urbina, Nayla Carolina Human Sciences

# **Bachelor of Science in Agriculture**

Aldape, Isabel Marie \*\*\* Arredondo, Vanessa Ayson, Veronica Ariane Bazaldua, Alejandro \*\* Beauchamp Primrose, Corbin Phillip Berter, Bryce Nathaniel Betancourt, Guadalupe Cristian Billeck, Brandon Anthony Briones, Justin Matthew \*\* Caballero, Jordan Anthony Cantu-Castillo, Joshua A. Cardenas, Kristina Castanon, Theresa Anne Cavazos, Victoria M. Cerda, April Marie Chapa, Brittany Rochelle Cheek, Robin Ashley Churchwell, Sydney Renea Conklin, Eugenio Miguel Cortez, Orlando J. Cruz III. Matthew I. Cuellar, Cecilia Davis, Shelby Nicole De La Fuente, Jose Adrian

Elissetche Jr., Juan Carlos

Esparza Jr., Ricardo Fruge, Brandi Evelyn \* Garcia, Alejandro M. Garcia, Alyssa Mae Garza, Ashley Amanda Gatton, Haley Nicole Gless, Walter A. Gomez, Jaime Gabriel Gomez, Virgilio Gonzales, Clarissa A. Guerrero, Gina M. Guzman, Megan Reanie \*\*\* Harvey, Merideth Ann \*\* Hernandez, Deanna \* Hernandez, Leslie Deann Hernandez, Richard Andrew \* Hernandez, Rosalba Herschberger, John E. \*\* Hooker, Autumn Marie Housler. Tenley Nicollette \* Howard, Lindsey Karissa \*\*\* Hurtado III. Gilberto Manuel Jacob, Bridey Christine Jimenez, Sonia Alejandra Jones, Reese Layne

Kaminski-Perez, Holland Thomas \* Krause, Evan James Labus, Kindra Leanne Lackey, Kassidy Nicole \* Lake, Madison Elizabeth \*\* Landin, Erin Rose \* Ledezma, Jorge Antonio \*\* Leon, Lupita Karelyn \*\* Lopez, Jesus \* Massey, Lori Dawn \*\* Merzbacher, Gina Faye Miller, Steven A. Montalvo, Syerra Bailey \*\* Munoz, Angela Fabiola Munoz Jr., Samuel Navarro Acosta, Rachel Nelson, Christian Eric Ortiz, Sarvia Torres \* Payne, Lorin Leeann \*\*\* Pearson, Micavla Emily Pitman, Alex Samuel Polhemus, Katie Lvnn Prazelini, Tanya \*

Ramirez, Guillermo

Cum Laude

\*\* Magna Cum Laude

\*\*\* Summa Cum Laude

# **Bachelor of Science in Agriculture (Cont'd.)**

Ramirez, Samantha Noemi \*\*\*
Ramos, Gilbert \*\*
Resendez, Christian Lamar
Revett, Brenda Louise \*\*\*
Rios, Kimberly Michelle
Rodriguez, Gabrielle Jae
Rodriguez, Shyana Cierra
Ruiz, Cheyenne Taylor
Saenz, Victoria Rae
Salinas, Eliana Marie \*\*

Sandoval, Jonathan Jeffrey Schneider, Christian Alan Schreiber, Sydney Marie Schwenke, Slade Mason Sitka, Brock Riley \*\* Smith, Breanna Nicole Sullivan, Adrianne Celeste Sutter, Natalie Jean Trafford, Taylor Shelby Trevino III, Pablo Federico Valdez, Isabel
Vasquez, Joshua Patrick \*
Watts, Allison Nicole
Weckmann, Alexus Aliana
Werckle, Brock Karl
Wilkinson, Trent Dylan
Williams, Grant Thomas
Williams, Ralston James
Zobel, Jared A.

# **Bachelor of Science in Human Sciences**

Aguilar, Victoria Carmen \*\* Gonzales, Samantha Marie Gonzalez, Brittany Amber Ortiz, Sara Ann Valdez, Lucia Esther Youngblood, Cassandra Marie \*

# **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

# Master of Business Administration

Abraham, Ashley
Business Administration
Amin, Khyati
Business Administration
Bhagani, Faisal
Business Administration
Cunningham, Chase Anderson
Business Administration
Davies, Meredith McDonough
Business Administration
Fetters, Anthony James

**Business Administration** 

Gonzalez, Arnoldo
Business Administration
Hlavinka, Avery Layne
Business Administration
Hong, Se-Jung
Business Administration
Joshaghani, Mitra
Business Administration
Kelling, Bryon Scott
Business Administration
Nguyen, Vy
Business Administration

Piccirilli, Cameron
Business Administration
Ullman, Kohl Clay
Business Administration
Vo, David N.
Business Administration
Wolf, Chase Jay
Business Administration

# **Bachelor of Business Administration**

Acosta, Alexis
Alarcon, Kevin Erik
Alcocer, Luis Alfredo \*
Arevalo, Daniel Ariel
Avila, Diego Fernando
Barrera, Dana Renee \*
Berg, Macy Jo \*\*
Chavez, Cyan Marie \*\*
Davis III, Levertis \*\*
Esparza, Julissa Anahi
Frank, Zachary Ross

Franklin, Kason Adam \*\*
Garcia Jr., Orlando
Garza, Jaylene Marie
Gonzales, Michael Anthony
Hennig, Kayley Marie \*
Hernandez, Edie M. \*\*
Mays, Makenzie Lee \*\*\*
Morales, Jaylin Elaine \*\*\*
Moreno, Adriana Lyn \*
Riojas, Ryan Anthony
Salas, Victoria Alexzandra

Sanchez, Israel Smallwood, Dakota Ray Solis, Aaron Chas Urias, Alyssa Catherine Uribe, Jose Valdez, Adrianna M. Vasquez, Jacob Ryan Vasquez, Vanessa Velasquez, Kaitlin Arlene Vera, Elijio

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<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Summa Cum Laude

# **ENGINEERING**

# **Doctor of Philosophy**

Bassam, Seyed Siavash Environmental Engineering Ghahremani, Nima Environmental Engineering Haynes IV, Lewis Lester Environmental Engineering Ma, Qian Engineering

# **Master of Science**

Akano, Ifeoluwapo Thomas
Mechanical Engineering
Akerele, John Olakunle
Industrial Engineering
Alla, Tejkiran Kiran
Civil Engineering
Allenki, Shiva Santosh
Computer Science
Alonge, Osakpemwokan
Computer Science
Amoah, Eugene
Industrial Engineering
Annapureddy, Manisha
Computer Science

Aroyewun, Abimbola Precious Industrial Engineering Bachampally, Ravalika Computer Science Balles, Aaron M. Mechanical Engineering Bandaru, Sri Soujanya Computer Science

Barot, Kaushal Bankimchandra Mechanical Engineering Bathula, Manisha

Computer Science Bezawada, Venkata Ashok Computer Science

Bhavanam, Josenikhil Priyatham Reddy

Computer Science
Bollampalli, Divya Lakshmi
Computer Science
Boyannagari, Thanmai
Computer Science
Boyapati, Chetan Sai

Mechanical Engineering
Briant, Jasmine Jade

Chemical Engineering
Chagarlamudi, Sravya
Computer Science
Chandana, Pavan Kalyan

Mechanical Engineering Chapa, Sai Teja

Chapa, Sai Teja
Computer Science
Chepuri, Reddaiah
Computer Science

Chilukuri, Yashwanth Choudary Computer Science Chinthamani, Rishith Computer Science Dandamudi, Akhil

Computer Science Dandu, Sanjana

Computer Science
Dara. Praneeth Chandra

Computer Science Diddiga, Sandesh

Computer Science
Dinesh, Navya

Civil Engineering
Donthiri, Shailender Reddy

Computer Science Duddukunta, Nagarjuna Reddy

Mechanical Engineering Eruteya, Deborah Efe Industrial Management

Ezekiel, Samuel Walter Mechanical Engineering

Fasina, Fiyinfoluwa Deborah Chemical Engineering

Fesobi, Moyosoreoluwa Abiose Industrial Engineering

Fleku, Dennis Elorm Electrical Engineering Flores, Cynthia Molina

Industrial Management

Golla, Venkata Satya Lakshmana Avinash Computer Science

Goti, Nihar Pravinbhai Industrial Engineering Gudipati, Suryashashank

Computer Science
Gundapu, Jaahnavi

Computer Science Gunreddy, Avinash Reddy

Computer Science Gurram, Mounica

Computer Science Hoch, Christopher Stanphill Civil Engineering

Kadavakuti, Sandhya Rani Computer Science

Kallam, Raghu Veera Reddy Mechanical Engineering

Kamineni, Ranadheer Computer Science Kandada, Tharun Reddy Computer Science

Kashyap, Amit

Industrial Management

Kathi Reddy, Surya Karan Reddy

Electrical Engineering Kayadapu, Sai Anurag

Computer Science

Kethri, Kranthi Kiran Reddy

Civil Engineering

Khan, Sheeba Samreen

Electrical Engineering

Kocharekar, Hrishikesh Industrial Engineering

Kohirkar, Abhijith Computer Science Kondreddi, Likhith Sai Computer Science

Kothapalli, Mercy Madhuri Computer Science

Koyya, Girija Reddy

Electrical Engineering Kunapareddy, Sree Deepthi

Computer Science

Lingampally, Anmisha Reddy Computer Science

Madgula, Swathi Reddy

Computer Science Madigala, Vyshnavi

Computer Science

Madupuri, Suhas Computer Science

Magam, Ashok

Computer Science

Mahanandi, Sandeep Reddy

Computer Science Malani, Varshil Bimal

Industrial Management

Mandadi, Prasanth

Electrical Engineering Mandati, Chaturved Reddy

Computer Science

Manjini, Arun Raja

Electrical Engineering Marri, Spandana

Computer Science
Meadows, Taylor Ardean
Electrical Engineering

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<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Summa Cum Laude

# Master of Science (Cont'd.)

Mehta, Mukti Rakeshbhai Electrical Engineering Mohsin, Yusuf Mohammad Electrical Engineering

Mulla, Maleek Raihan Noorahmed Electrical Engineering

Muniraju, Soundarya Electrical Engineering

Naif, Ali Safdar

Mechanical Engineering Narayanasamy, Deneesh Computer Science Narwa, Ram Sheshu

Computer Science

Natva, Vipin Kumar Computer Science

Obi, Mc-Anthony Chiagoziem Mechanical Engineering Odiase, Ikponmwosa Hope

Industrial Engineering Omojuwa, Adebanjo Olalekan

Omojuwa, Adebanjo Olalekan Industrial Engineering Onyedirim, Onyedikachi

Natural Gas Engineering
Onyekwum, Chiamaka Chinelo
Industrial Engineering

Pasam, Jyothi Civil Engineering Patel, Deep Rajendrakumar

Civil Engineering

Patel, Dhruv Dharmendrabhai D. Mechanical Engineering

Patel, Harshkumar

Mechanical Engineering Patel, Kenilkumar Dilipkumar Mechanical Engineering

Patel, Maitry Rajeshbhai Civil Engineering Patel, Manthan Vasudevbhai

Computer Science

Payala, Amitha

Electrical Engineering

Poduri, Akhil

Computer Science

Ponnusamy Saravanavel, Aniruthan

Industrial Management

Pujali, Premkumar

Mechanical Engineering Quadri, Syed Ghous Mohiuddin Electrical Engineering

Ravi, Goutham Computer Science

Rios, Josie

**Environmental Engineering** 

Rodriguez, Lauren Elise Environmental Engineering

Salawu, Mohammed Olumide Industrial Engineering

Sangepu, Saikrishna Electrical Engineering

Sanikommu, Yashwanth Reddy Electrical Engineering

Sencha, Kamlesh Computer Science

Shah, Mohammed Ishaq Civil Engineering

Shekar, Samhith

Mechanical Engineering

Soto, Victor

Industrial Engineering

Srikanth, Anirudh

Industrial Engineering

Sude, Sowmya Computer Science

Sutariya, Yashkumar Rameshbhai Mechanical Engineering Tallavajhula, Ashlesha Computer Science

Thodishetty, Arunteja Computer Science

Thota, Sharathchandra Reddy Electrical Engineering

Toomukunta, Dhanu Shourya Computer Science

Computer Science

Tummala, Vamshi Krishna Reddy

Computer Science

Uddagiri, Guna Eswar Kumar Environmental Engineering

Ukaegbu, Harrison Onyemaechi

Computer Science

Vahora, Shifaben Idrishbhai Electrical Engineering Vakkavanthula, Aarthi

Computer Science

Vangapandu, Divakar Mechanical Engineering

Vasa, Rohith Datta Computer Science

Vavilla, Ajay Kalyan Reddy Civil Engineering

Vemuri, Ravi Chandra Industrial Management

Vidavalapati, Kovida Computer Science Vinnakota, Abhinav

Computer Science

Yalakanti, Nikhil Computer Science

Computer Science Yalamanchi, Pujit Kumar

Computer Science Yasani, Sai Kumar Reddy

Computer Science

# **Bachelor of Science in Architectural Engineering**

Briseno, Diana Carrion, Kasey M. Costilla, Virginia Olivia Delgado, Kimberly N. Disney, Roger Andrew \*\* Garces, Edward James Garcia Torres, Maria Raquel Gonzalez, Jonathan Adonis \* Gutierrez, Jose Enrique Nunez, Daquiri Surine Ordonez Jr., Juan Ramon Rodriguez, Gerardo Rowland, Richard Joe Tenison, Jacob Paul

# **Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering**

Carmona, Kevin
Carrion, Victoria
Cavazos, Matthew Erwin
De La Cruz, Karla Maria
England, David Joshua
Farias, Hailey Liana
Fuchs, Kailey Brooke \*\*
Fuentes, Raul
Gallegos, Joshua

Garcia, Eric Ivan
Hernandez Jr., Juan Jose
Hoyle, Heston Wayne
James, Ima-Mfon Iboro
Kovarek, Kyle Jordan \*
Layton Gonzalez, Oscar Andrew
Lopez, Jose Luis
Lopez, Sidney Gilbert

Martinez, Giselle \*

Martinez, Michael Eli Morgan, Jacob Michael \*\*\* Nguyen, Tuan Hoang Anh Norment, Kattie Dean Ellen Oleson, Maegan Victoria \*\*\* Olivares, Edgar Alexis \* Palmer, Dalton Shane Phillips, Jenna Paige \* Presas, Gabriel Alexander

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<sup>\*\*</sup> Magna Cum Laude

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Summa Cum Laude

# Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering (Cont'd.)

Sanchez, Nicholas Edward Sanchez, Ruben

Solano Jr., Ulises \*\*\* Solis, Rafael A.

Torres, Rubelin

# **Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering**

Aguilar, Adolfo De Jesus \* Al Hadiah, Salem A. R. M. H.

Alazemi, Eid

Alazemi, Fahad A. F. H. Alazemi, Mohammad Alenezi, Abdulla Alenezi, Mohamad Alkteety, Abdallah Almee, Saad M. Alshammari, Salman

Alshemeri, Abdulaziz H. M. B. S.

Bejar, Cesar

Buruato, Christian Carlos \*\*\*

Charbula, Zane J.

Chernosky, Claire Ellen \* Easley, Nicole E. Fullen, Paul Ryan

Guerra, Amando Felipe \*\* Guerrero, Alyssa Renee \* Gutierrez, Kristina \*\*\* Herrera, Crystal Marie \*\* Laurel, David Darron \*

Lopez, Joseph Rev \* Manzano Jr., Alejandro Medina, Cassandra Clarissa

Loiselle, Doc Thomas \*\*

Meiia, Steve

Montemayor-Garza, Alan Ivan

Palacios, Esteban Thomas

Patino, Helue

Perez, Jacob Anthony Ramirez, Johnathan Paul Recio, Vito Garcia Rice, Trey Allen

Rodriguez, Cydney A. Rodriguez, Natalie Rae

Salem, Yousef

Sanchez Gonzalez, Larissa Tiemann. Devon Chase \*\*\* Tommasi Correa, Mariana \*\*\*

Villatoro, Juan Carlos

# **Bachelor of Science in Computer Science**

Almalki, Fahad Ateeq Amaro, Rafael Guillermo Arvizu, Charlie Lucian \*\* Cantu. Genaro A. \* Carrillo, Jacob Hunter

Flores Jr., Jesse Freeborn, Sidney Thurston Garcia, Jeremiah J. \*\*\* Hennig, Tyler Layne \*\*\* Lopez, Kora Ann Navarro, Manuel Joseph

Reyes Soto, Diego Alfonso \*\*\* Rodriguez, Nickolas Ryan \*\* Salazar, Sergio Solis, Abraham \*\* Varela Cruz, Fernando

# **Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering**

Barajas, David \* Bear, Albert

Desai, Chitrang

Campos Vega, Victor Eduardo Casas, Ruben Javier Davis, Zacharias Alac

Foust, Adam Charles

Gutierrez Torres, Carlos Eduardo

Hernandez, Mathew Isaiah Hernandez, Xavier Jesse \*\*\* Inkster, James Nathan \*\*\* Isibor, Paul Nehikhare Martinez, Alberto Rivera \*\* Martinez, Jacob Alexander

Martinez, Karen

Martinez, Michael Aaron \*\*\* Mirabal, Joseph I. Monjaras, Erich Sotero \* Neal, Jerry R.

Puente, Christian Louis \*\*\* Roell, Travis Ryan

Shrier, Devin Louise

# **Bachelor of Science in Environmental Engineering**

Perez, Brett Daniel Swaenepoel, Jodi Anna \*

# **Bachelor of Science in Industrial Management and Applied Engineering Technology**

Aldape, Juan Carlos Escobedo, Arturo Gardner, Cody Lane \* Gendron, Forrest Lee

Guajardo, Domingo Alejandro \*

Kuan, Alexander Y. McKernan, Quint Faber Morales, Lauren D. Morales II, Isael I. \*\* Perez, Daniel Homero Rivera, Justin Alexander Salla, Fatou Marietou Sandoval, Jerik Roland Sisco, Trent Robert \*

Thomas, Rashon Donye' Torres, Jose A. Tucker, Nathan Scott Ybanez II, Ivan Omar \* Yperman, Tristan Elizabeth \*

Cum Laude

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<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Summa Cum Laude

# **Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering**

Alharthi, Rakan Barrak Alrashidi, Jassim Alshehri, Talal Alvarez, Anthony E. \*\*

Arciba, Jordan C. Balderas, David Miguel \*\* Beltran, Stephen-Ray Borjon, Raymond Patrick Jr Cantu, Dante Lorenzo

Carreon, Lesly Itzel \*\* Castillo, Melva Andrea Chapa, Gunner Reid Chapa III, Reymundo \* Cholico, Juan Alberto

Cuellar, Ricardo \*\*\* Davila, Jeremiah Fernandez, Mauricio

Ghanem, Ahlam Alamani Ahmad Ghanem, Ashian Ahmad Harper, Johnathon Robert Hill, Garrett Benjamin

Hubbard, Cyle Christopher Jimenez, Mariah Celeste

Joshi. Heet \*

Kolodziejczyk, Philip Michae \*\* Lazaro, George William \* Lewis, Alec Ethan

Lopez, Esteban A.

Martinez, Adolfo J. Martinez, Johan Andre Medina-Quintero IV, Juarez Melcher, Cameron Montgomery

Morin, Kevin J. Nash, Caleb Alan \*\*\* Pena, Eduardo Moises Jr. Portier, Josephine Marie \*\*\*

Rocha, Aaron

Smith, Jeffrey Kyle \*\*\* Smith, William Thomas Underwood, Clark Andrew Villanueva, Roberto Zarate, Ryan Rev

# **Bachelor of Science in Natural Gas Engineering**

Akingboye, Benson Bamidele \* Alaniz, Albert Anthony Davila III, Jose Flores, Steven Trey

Gonzales, Christopher Richard

Grimes, Christian Dakota Hernandez Dominguez, Jose Manuel Ibarra, Bernabe Lara, Alec Anthony Layton Gonzalez, Oscar Andrew

Lopez, Richard Anthony Mccov, Derrick L. Perez Jr., Ernesto Octavio Rodarte, Carlos Alejandro Sarmiento-Castro, Leonel

# 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.

# DISSERTATION TITLES

# **Doctor of Education**

# **Bilingual Education**

# Ancira-Arechiga, Sara Alicia, M.Ed. M.A.

"A Correlational Study of the L2 Motivational Self System and English as a Foreign Language Learning"

### Barbosa De Garcia, Nicolasa, M.Ed.

"Enacting Discourses of Tutorship: An Autoethnographic Journey"

### Gautam Luintel, Gvanu, B.S., M.S.

"Heritage Language Maintenance among the Nepali Immigrants in the United States"

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

"Spanish and English Translanguaging in High School Mathematics Tutorials"

- Cum Laude
- \*\* Magna Cum Laude
- \*\*\* Summa Cum Laude

# **Bilingual Education (Cont'd.)**

# Robles Trevino, Laura Alicia, B.A., M.A.

"Exploring Elementary Teachers' Perceptions Regarding STEM Education Teaching Practices in the Mexican Context"

# Sandoval Villa, Oscar Eduardo, B.A., M.E.S.

"Students' and a Teacher's Perspectives Regarding Translanguaging in Second Language Learning"

### Sepulveda Rodriguez, Andres, B.A. M.Ed.

"The Facilitation of Task-Based Language Teaching for the Written Expression Competency in Mexico's Secondary English Program"

# Villegas Barbosa, Victor, B.S., M.Ed.

"The Perspective of Teachers to use Remote Learning Devices to Enhance Biliteracy Development of English Language Learners during COVID-19"

# **Educational Leadership**

# Pardo Jr, Peter G, B.A., M.A., M.S.

"An Exploratory Examination Seeking Elements of Transformational Leadership in the Attitudes, Experiences, and Perceptions from Higher Education Faculty in the Southwestern United States"

# Rodriguez-Ozuna, Sylvia, B.A., M.S.

"Teacher Perceptions of Academic Functioning in Children Raised by Grandparents during a Pandemic"

# Schumann, James Elton, B.S., M.S.

"District Financial Accountability Compared to Closing Performance Gap and Postsecondary Readiness in Texas Schools"

# Smith, Roman P, B.A., M.A.

"A Comparison of Perceptions in Support among Minority Groups Enrolled at Hispanic Serving Institutions"

### Wilson, Ileana Louella, B.A., M.S.

"Differences in Web-based Content for Eating Disorders Support in Division 1 and 2 Institutions"

# Zamora, Gabriel, B.S., M.Ed.

"Rural Superintendents' Perceptions Regarding Texas HB 1842 District of Innovation Designation to Overcome Barriers"

# **Doctor of Philosophy**

# **Engineering**

# Ma, Oian, B.S., M.S.

"Development of Mini Wind Energy Harvesting Systems"

# **Environmental Engineering**

### Bassam, Seved Siavash, B.S., M.S.

"Development of an Integrated Surface Water-Groundwater Model Considering Spatiotemporal Variations of Precipitation and Surface Topologic Features in a Large Semi-arid Watershed"

# Ghahremani, Nima, B.S., M.S.

"Assessment of Chemistry and Geochemical Reactions for Alternative Hydraulic Fracturing Water Supplies and Produced Waters"

### Haynes IV, Lewis Lester, B.A., B.S., M.S.

"The In Situ Bioremediation of an In Situ Recovery Mining Site for the Reduction/Immobilization of Uranium Utilizing Gaseous Hydrogen"

# The Commencement of the Ninety-Sixth Annual Session

# **CELEBRATING THE CLASS OF 2020**

Saturday, May 8, 2021 • 9:00 a.m.

# AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

# **Doctor of Philosophy**

Lombardi, Jason Vincent Wildlife Science

# **Master of Science**

Avuku, Sai Ruthvik Reddy Plant and Soil Science Lade, Vishnu Sai Plant and Soil Science Puente, Cynthia Plant and Soil Science Rajoju, Ram Prasad Agriculture Science Rodriguez, Selina Agriculture Science

# **Master of Science in Human Sciences**

Cook, Shelby Erin Human Sciences

# **Bachelor of Science in Agriculture**

Benys, Benjamin Augustus Blezinger, Bailey Ann \*\* Covarrubias, Cynthia \*\* Etzler, Madison Avery Fajkus, Avery Paige Farias, Isabella Anis Gonzalez, Ydanissa Aralee Gonzalez, Aaron Gutierrez, Esmeralda Kretz, Elaine Nicole \*\* Lopez, Ashley Monique Mascorro, Amanda Clarissa Meza, Stephanie Ann Moeller, Christin A. Morin, Leanna Sarah Nelson, Crystalyne Amanda Pedraza Moreno, Roberta \*\* Rangel, Ayla Renee Reyes, Stephanie Lynn Wolfe, Nickles Steen

# **Bachelor of Science in Human Sciences**

Bahr, Caitlin Elizabeth Rose

Peralez, Chelsea Ann

# ARTS AND SCIENCES

# **Master of Arts**

Garcia, Abraham Counseling Psychology

# **Master of Science**

Bachina, Vineeth Babu Biology Bandagonda, Praveen Kumar Reddy Communication Science and Disorders Begum, Irfana Biology

- Cum Laude
- \*\* Magna Cum Laude
- \*\*\* Summa Cum Laude

# Master of Science (Cont'd.)

Gajjarapu, Prudhvi Criminology Garza, Lori Beth Communication Science and Disorders Ghattamaneni, Nikhilesh Chemistry

Nenavath, Priyanka Criminology Ochoa, Barbara Lee Biology Parmar, Bhumikabahen Jashvantbhai Petrophysics Rodriguez, Katarina E.
Petrophysics
Vattem, Krishna Sai Abhishek
Statistical Analytics, Computing and Modeling
Velupally, Santosh Kumar
Chemistry

# **Master of Social Work**

Andrade, Teresita De Jesus Social Work Cardenas, Patricia Social Work Collins, Kate Leeann Social Work Espinosa, Dorlly Yarith Social Work Garza, Brenda Lopez Social Work Navarrete, Erin Irene Social Work Rodriguez, Selene Haydee Social Work

# **Bachelor of Arts**

Amador, Andrea Victoria \*\*\*
Bennett, Sarah Elizabeth
Camarillo, Lauren Rose \*
Cantu, Ivan \*
Carbajal, Aaron \*\*
Clarke, Alixx Jade
Cruz, Alberto Ernesto
Dacke, Nicolette Andrea Bell
Fernandez, Islla Santanna \*
Garcia, Roger Sanchez \*\*
Garcia, Zariah Nadine \*\*

Garza, Nathan Milagro
Gonzales, Lue L.
Gonzalez, Javier
Gonzalez, Marco Antonio \*
Guajardo, Laurie Diane
Gutierrez, Mark A. \*\*
Gutierrez, Samantha Mae Ellis
Hockless, Joshua Wayne \*\*
Hornaday, Paul E.
Jimenez, Timothy Edward \*\*
Martinez, Brianna Lynette \*

Morales, Carlos Xavier Peebles, Lori Pauline \*\*\* Reed, Monica Gaddis Regalado, Francis Grace Riojas, Brenda Elaine \*\* Rodriguez, Lauren Kaylee Sanchez, Emily Anne \*\* Yaklin, Margarita Zavala, Carla Christine

# **Bachelor of Music**

Hernandez, Gerardo Antonio \*\*\*
Perez, Anthony Ricardo \*\*\*
Salinas, Daniel \*\*\*

Thrash, Christopher T. Torres, Cecilia Vasquez, Shane Alexander \*\* Wright, Avery Summer \*\*\*

# **Bachelor of Science**

Alfaro, Elizabeth Marie
Amber Yvette Arriaga
Bernal, Jennifer
Botello, Laritza Itzel \*
Brown, Angelica
Cantu, Emily Kim
Cruz, Ariana M.
De Los Santos, Mariah Alyce \*\*\*
Forkum, Kirstien Michelle \*\*\*
Garcia, Roger Sanchez \*\*
Gonzalez, Delisa Monique \*\*\*

Gonzalez, Natasha Angie Jones, Alisa Leann \*\* Limon, Marco Antonio \*\* Martinez, Dionisio Paredez Moeller, Haley Brooke \*\* Morin, Sean Elijah \*\*\* Pena, Chelsi Yvette \*\* Rivera, Brianna Janel \* Roberson, Taylor Monae \*\*\* Robledo, Genesis \*\* Rodriguez, Kassandra Mercedes Salinas, Yvonne \*\*\*
Sandoval, Amanda R. \*\*\*
Serda, Isela Rosa \*\*
Silvas, Adriana \*
Sowa, Maelee Dawn \*\*\*
Straube, Carle Jordan
Tamez, Brittany Renee \*\*
Villa, Paola Monique
Villarreal, Gabrielle \*

# **Bachelor of Social Work**

Escobedo, Sylvia \*\*
Guerrero, Rochelle Denise \*\*\*

Hill, Amanda Lee \*\*
Ramos, Abigail \*\*\*

Schauer, Martha Luz Yarbrough, Jessica \*\*\*

- Cum Laude
- \*\* Magna Cum Laude
- \*\*\* Summa Cum Laude

# **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

# **Master of Business Administration**

Avila, Paul Anthony Business Administration Edwards, Sarah Lucille Business Administration Flores, Gabriella Marina Business Administration Gamez, Jessica Marie Business Administration Garza, Saul Business Administration Hernandez, Araceli Business Administration Hung, Man Business Administration Rodriguez, Briana N. Business Administration

# **Bachelor of Business Administration**

Alaniz, Crystal Deanne \*\*
Barrera, Cristina Danielle
Barrera, Janelle Clari \*\*
Hughes, Elijah Blue \*
James, Ethan Scout \*\*

Lara, Sabrina Marie Long, Cassidy Rae Manning, Jerry Wayne Perez Sanchez, Maria Guadalupe \* Romero, Aaron Robert Sanchez, Carlos L. \*\* Ubi, Ugochukwu Brian Wagner, Tahj Amaan Williams, Christen Jynise

# EDUCATION AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE

# **Doctor of Education**

Cantu, Nereyda
Educational Leadership
Cavazos, Camille Conception
Educational Leadership
Covarrubia, Erika Lee
Educational Leadership
De Leon, Joel Bustos
Educational Leadership

Garza Rodriguez, Nallely Educational Leadership Mendoza, Ana Margarita Educational Leadership Paxton, Angelita Marie Educational Leadership Ramos, Eddika Cristina Educational Leadership Renteria, Apolonia Marquez Bilingual Education Saldivar, Alexandra Educational Leadership Salinas-Vasquez, Laura A. Educational Leadership Villarreal, Magda Educational Leadership

# **Master of Education**

Gomez, Denise Elaine Narvaez Adult Education Pecina, Martha Flor Special Education Saenz, Denise Special Education

# Master of Science

Borra, Sri Sai Bhavani Likhita Counseling and Guidance Cavazos, Rebecca Lynn Education Kandadi, Roopavani Clinical Mental Health Counseling Kandibanda, Manisha
Educational Administration
Olaseni, Yesirat Olayemi
Kinesiology
Salazar, Aaron
Reading Specialization

Seelam, Manikanth
Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Vulimiri, Sreekar
Education
Yanala, Koushik Reddy
Educational Administration

# **Bachelor of Science**

Arvizu, Kristy Lee Barrientos, Dolores Amabely \* Block, Kyren M. Bowie, Marco Tobias \*\* Cantu, Aleida Rose
Canul, Alejandro Francisco \*\*
Cavazos, Georgina \*\*
Coleman, Troi C. \*\*

Delgadillo, Amanda Elissetche, Jessica \*\* Garcia, Alyssa Jeanette \* Garcia, Yvette Amanda \*\*\*

- \* Cum Laude
- \*\* Magna Cum Laude
- \*\*\* Summa Cum Laude

# **Bachelor of Science (Cont'd.)**

Garza, Cassandra Lee Gonzalez, Dora Elia \*\* Gonzalez, Leslie Vanessa \*\*\* Hinojosa, Gisselle Hinojosa, Leslie Clark \*\* Leal, Alejandra \*\* Leal Jr., Trinidad \*\*

Martinez, Jose L. Medina, Tiffany Dorothy \* Ouintanilla, Miranda Alexis Rama, Dharti Rendon, Yadira Jazmin \*\*\* Rivas, Alexandra T. \*\*\* Salinas, Victoria Marie \*\*

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Chothani, Pooja Jitendra Computer Science

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Musani, Muralidhar Reddy

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Olalekan, Hamed Olayinka

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Paruchuri, Likhit

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Thangeda, Dheeraj Rao
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Thota, Varsha Sree
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Trevino, Abigail
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Uyyala, Sowjanya
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Vaka, Naveen Kumar
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# **Bachelor of Science in Architectural Engineering**

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# **Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering**

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# **Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering**

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# **Bachelor of Science in Computer Science**

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# **Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering**

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# **Bachelor of Science in Environmental Engineering**

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# **Bachelor of Science in Industrial Management and Applied Engineering Technology**

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Martinez, Agustin \*
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Segura, Eduardo Velasquez Martinez, Fernando Antonio \*

# **DISSERTATION TITLES**

# **Doctor of Education**

# **Bilingual Education**

# Renteria, Apolonia Marquez, B.A., M.S.

"Predictive Validity of the Texas Success Initiative Assessment for High School Student Success in Dual-Enrollment Courses"

# **Educational Leadership**

# Cantu, Nereyda, B.I.S., M.Ed.

"Factors That Influence School Choice: A Look at Parent and School Leader Perception"

### Cavazos, Camille Conception, B.S., M.Ed.

"The Perceptions of Teachers and Administrators on PBIS Pre and Post Implementation"

# Covarrubia, Erika Lee, B.I.S., M.Ed.

"The Experience of First-Year Principals in a Title I School"

# De Leon, Joel Bustos, B.A., M.S.

"The Impact of Imagine Math on Student Progress in STAAR Math"

# Garza Rodriguez, Nallely, B.A., M.S.

"Narratives of EFL Pre-Service Teachers' Professional Identity Development in Northern Mexico"

### Mendoza, Ana Margarita, B.A., M.Ed.

"Teachers' and Principals' Perceptions of Factors that Contribute to the Success of Blue-Ribbon Schools Culture"

### Paxton, Angelita Marie, B.A., M.Ed.

"Experiences of First-Generation Latinas in Education Doctoral Programs in South Texas"

# Ramos, Eddika Cristina, B.I.S., M.Ed.

"The Perceptions of Early Childhood Teachers and the Impact of STAAR on School Readiness"

# Saldivar, Alexandra, B.A., M.S.

"Perceptions of First-Generation College Sophomores on Dual Enrollment"

# Salinas-Vasquez, Laura A, B.S., M.Ed.

"A Comparative Study of the 21st Century After-School Center on Education in Elementary Schools"

# Villarreal, Magda, B.I.S., M.Ed.

"The Impact of Curriculum and Instruction Personnel on Leadership and School Performance"

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# **Doctor of Philosophy**

# **Environmental Engineering**

# Khoramfar, Shooka, B.S., M.S.

"Biological Treatment of Volatile Organic Compounds at Oil and Gas Industries and Enhanced Biodegradation of Hydrophobic VOCs by Surfactants and Fungal Biocatalysts"

# Nanduri, Arvind, B.S., M.S.

"Investigation of Fast Pyrolysis Product Distributions using Rio Red Grapefruit Waste and Related Lignocellulose Model Compounds"

# **Sustainable Energy Systems Engineering**

### Hadi, Abdullah Al, B.S., M.S.

"Design and Control of Multilevel Converter for Grid-Connected Renewable Energy Source"

# Wildlife Science

# Lombardi, Jason Vincent, B.S., M.S.

"Factors of Ocelot Occupancy in South Texas"



# 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. In addition, "Hail AMK," the Texas A&M-Kingsville alma mater, rings out every day at noon and "Jalisco" is played at 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. daily. On special occasions, the "Javelina Victory March" also chimes from the tower.



# THE UNIVERSITY BANNERS

Eight banners signify the university and its academic areas: Agriculture and Natural Resources; 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 blue and gold banners are five feet by three feet, trimmed with fringe at the bottom. The banners were introduced in May 1999 for formal ceremonies. The university and college banners are presented by the Presidential Ambassadors.

# 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.

