

# TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY Commencement



## TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, August 9, 2025, 2 p.m.

Master's and Doctoral Commencement and Doctoral Hooding Graduate and Professional Degrees

> College of Agriculture and Life Sciences College of Architecture College of Arts and Sciences

Bush School of Government and Public Service

Mays Business School

College of Dentistry

College of Education and Human Development

College of Engineering

School of Law

College of Medicine

College of Nursing

College of Performance, Visualization and Fine Arts

Irma Lerma Rangel College of Pharmacy

School of Public Health

College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

## TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT

### Program

Processional

The National Anthem

Invocation

Greetings and Opening Remarks

Remarks to Graduates

Student Expression of Appreciation

Presentation of Degree Candidates and Conferring of Degrees

Roll Call of Graduates

Induction into The Association of Former Students

"The Spirit of Aggieland"

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## Faculty Marshals

Mace Bearer
Dr. Claire E. Katz, Associate Provost for Faculty Advocacy
Stage Party
Ms. Venesa A. Heidick, Assistant Vice President and Registrar
Dr. Julie Harlin Wolf, Associate Dean for Graduate and
Professional School
Dr. Shannon D. Walton, Assistant Dean for Graduate and
Professional School
Mr. Mark C. Gleason, Graduate Student Specialist for Graduate and
Professional School
Announcers
Mr. Mike Fitch, Admissions Counselor, Office of Admissions
Mr. Steve Fullhart, Media Lead, BlueForge Alliance

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Dean, College of Marine Sciences and Maritime
Studies, Texas A&M University at Galveston Dr. Deborah J. Thomas
Dean, Texas A&M University at Qatar
Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs Dr. Blanca M. Lupiani
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Chief Compliance Officer Ms. Lisa K. Akin
Commandant of the Corps
of CadetsLieutenant General James W. Bierman, Jr. (Ret.)

## Candidates for Graduate and Professional Degrees

#### Presented by Dr. Fuhui Tong Associate Provost and Dean

### Graduate and Professional School

### College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

#### Doctor of Philosophy

Anjorin Ezekiel Adeye	mi Agricultural Leadership, Education, and Communications
Dissertation:	"An Evidence Synthesis, Delphi Study, and Text Mining and Content Analysis of the Determinants of the Adoption of Climate-Smart Cocoa Practices"
Chair:	Zhihong Xu
Binita Adhikari	"Role of BiP, ER Sensors, and Transcription Factors in Establishing PIAMV-GFP Infection, Cell-Cell and Systemic Movement"
Chair:	Jeanmarie Verchot
Kayla Ann Beechinor. Dissertation:	
Chair:	William L. Rooney
Katherine M. Berg Dissertation:	"Assignment of Function to 9/13-AOS-Derived Ketols and Death Acids in Maize"
Chair:	Mikhailo Kolomiets
Rose Christy Blanchard Dissertation:	H Ecology and Conservation Biology "Functional Ecology and Diversification of Western Mosquitofish Morphology"
Chair: Co-Chair:	Joshuah S. Perkin Anna M. Lawing
Swatadipta Chakrabor Dissertation:	tyBiochemistry and Molecular Biophysics "Deciphering the Functions of Ubiquitin and Ubiquitin- Like Protein Pathways"
Chair:	Pingwei Li
Chen Chen Dissertation: Chair:	"Effect of Proanthocyanidins on Pulse Protein Properties" Joseph M. Awika
Mazette Louise Croom Dissertation:	
Chair:	Rosemary Walzem

Coumba Fall Dissertation:	"Identification of Molecular Markers Associated with Anthracnose and Grain Mold Resistance of Sorghum and
Chair:	Insights on Sorghum – Pathogen Interactions"  Clint Magill
Fan Fan	
Chair: Co-Chair:	David Leatham Yong Liu
Toyosi Timilehin Geor Dissertation:	geFood Science and Technology "Effect of Polymeric Proanthocyanidins on the Stability of 3-Deoxyanthocyanin in Aqueous Systems"
Chair:	Joseph M. Awika
Nirjhar Ruth Ghosh Dissertation:	
Chair:	Bradley C. Johnston
Megan Phyllis Greenw	rood Agricultural Leadership, Education, and
Dissertation:	Communications "Stakeholder Understanding and Opportunities for Learning About Structural Soundness in Beef Cattle: A Mixed Methods Study"
Chair:	Theresa P. Murphrey
John Michael Grunseich	
Chair: Co-Chair:	Julio Bernal Anjel M. Helms
Erin Mackenzie Harris Dissertation:	"Micronutrient Concentration Impacts Neonate Life- History Traits of <i>Hermetia illucens</i> and <i>Cochliomyia</i> macellaria: Implications in Insects as Food and Feed and Forensics"
Chair:	Jeffery Tomberlin
Isaac Daniel Juarez His Dissertation:	nojosa
Chair:	Dzmitry L. Kurouski
	Plant Pathology
Dissertation: Chair:	"Role of Long Intergenic Non-Coding RNA Involved in Plant-Microbe Interactions" Kranthi K. Mandadi
Fabian Leon	Plant Breeding
Dissertation:	"Genomic Prediction Approaches for Grain Sorghum Hybrids in Central and South Texas"
Chair:	William L. Rooney

"A Unified Framework for Resilience Analysis: Bridging Dissertation: Ecosystem Dynamics and Infrastructure Design" Chair: Russell A. Feagin Chia-Wei Lin..... .....Soil Science Dissertation: "Synthesis, Stability, and Ion Exchange Behaviors of Feldspathoids Formed Under Carbonate-Rich Alkaline Conditions" Chair. Youjun Deng Co-Chair: Julie A. Howe Kuo Liu ...... "Consumer Behavior, Market Segmentation, and Pricing Dissertation: Dynamics in the Vitamin Supplement Market" Chair: Yu Zhang hancing Rural Resilience Through Data-Driven Decision Tool" Chair: Ariun Ishdorj Mei-Kuei Lu ...... ..... Ecology and Conservation Biology "Spaceborne LiDAR and Citizen Science for Character-Dissertation: izing Forest Canopy Height and Biomass with Machine Learning Methods" Sorin Popescu Chair: ..... Animal Science Shea Jessica Mackey... "Nutritional Strategies to Enhance Performance in Dissertation: Feedlot Cattle" Chair: Reinaldo F. Cooke Norman Lee May . . . . . . . . . . . . . Ecology and Conservation Biology "The Past, Present, and Future of Wildfire in the Lost Dissertation: Pines of Bastrop County, Texas" Chair. Urs P. Kreuter Andie C. Miller..... ..... Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Dissertation: "Ecological Isolation and Strain-Specific Traits in the Fall Armyworm (Spodoptera frugiperda: J.E. Smith)" Gregory Sword Chair:

Pedro Javier Monagas-Valentin . . . . . . . . Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics
Dissertation: "Investigating Novel Substrates of Protein O-Mannosylation in the Nervous System Using *Drosophila* Model"

Chair: Junjie Zhang

Zachary Brian Nowak . . . . . . . Agricultural Leadership, Education, and Communications

Dissertation: "A Delphi Method: Defining the Measurable Indicators

of Success for Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resource

Teachers"

Chair: Timothy H. Murphy

Junepyo Oh.

Dissertation: "Unraveling the Tripartite Molecular Interaction Between 'Candidatus Liberibacter solanacearum', Bactericera cockerelli, and Tomato Hosts" Chair: Cecilia Tamborindeguy Samantha Marie Rocha-Selman.....Plant Pathology Dissertation: "Of Wastewater and Drinking Water, Addressing Deficits in the Modern Day" Chair. Yuan Dai Co-Chair: Clint Magill ..... Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics "Orphan Nuclear Receptors NR4A1 and NR4A2 Regulate Gargi Sivaram..... Dissertation: Transcription of MerTK and CCL5 — Two Important Regulators of the Tumor Microenvironment" Chair: Robert Chapkin Protein Generation" Chair: Shuhua Yuan Co-Chair: Yuan Dai Abhinav Bharathwaj Swaminathan. . . . . . Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics Dissertation: "Defining Mitochondrial Protein Functions Using Multidisciplinary Approaches" Chair: Pingwei Li Megan Carissa Teel . . . . . . . . . . . Agricultural Leadership, Education, and Communications Dissertation: "Investigation of Student Success (Academic Performance) in a Small, Rural School: An Examination of Grit and Self-Efficacy in the Context of Demographics and School Involvement" Theresa P. Murphrey Chair: Ilksen Topcu . . . . . ......Plant Pathology "Microbial Community Shifts Driven by Maize Dissertation: Domestication, Geographic Spread, and Breeding, and Implications for Bioinoculant Development" Chair: Sanjay Antony-Babu Ubaldo Torres, Jr.... ...... Agronomy Dissertation: "Digital Tools and Unmanned Aerial Systems for Weed

and Crop Management"

Chair: Muthukumar V. Bagavathiannan

Jordyn Vanportfliet . . . ..... Genetics and Genomics

"Characterizing Innate Immune and Inflammatory Re-Dissertation: sponses in Models of Mitochondrial Dysfunction"

Chair: Ándrew P. West Co-Chair: Raquel Sitcheran

Ryan M. Weesner . . . . . ..... Ecology and Evolutionary Biology

Dissertation: "Avian haemosporidia of the Caucasus Mountains: Host-

Parasite Dynamics in a Biodiversity Hotspot"

Chair: Gary Voelker

Effect of Seating Areas in Urban Parks on Attention Res-

toration and Social Interaction"

Chair: Carl S. Shafer

Jingyuan Zhang ..... ..... Agricultural Economics

Dissertation: "Understanding Stakeholders' Decision Making: Appli-

cations of Choice Modeling in Agriculture and Resource

Policies"

Chair: Grace Melo Guerrero

Market Work, and Household Time Use'

Chair: Ariun Ishdorj

#### College of Architecture

#### Doctor of Philosophy

"Green Space, Microbiota, and Children's Mental Health: Dissertation: Exploring the Additional Pathway Between Environmen-

tal Exposure and Mental Well-Being"

Chair: Dongving Li

Homa Pesarakli ...... 

"Evaluating the Impacts of Design on the Occurrence of Dissertation:

Interruption Events During the Medication Process in

Intensive Care Unit"

Chair: Zhipeng Lu Co-Chair: Farzan Sasangohar

...... Urban and Regional Science Dingding Ren . . . . . . .

"Determining the Impact of Urban Vacant and Aban-Dissertation:

doned Land on Urban Surface Temperatures in Vulner-

able Communities in Houston"

Chair: Galen D. Newman

Jason Robert Spencer...

Dissertation: "The Avatar Effect As an Integrated Methodology: AI-

Assisted Virtual Production for Adaptive Curriculum Design, Learner Profiling, and Industry-Aligned Pedagogy in Graduate Filmmaking Education"

Chair: Gregory A. Luhan Co-Chair: Stephen Caffey

"Multi-Objective Optimization of Windcatcher Performance for Natural Ventilation and Daylighting in a Dissertation:

Tropical Hot and Humid Climate Using Parametric

Modeling"

Liliana Beltran Chair:

"Designing Urban Parks for Diversity and Inclusion: A Dissertation:

Case Study of Intergroup Contact in Houston Commu-

nity and Neighborhood Parks"

Chair: Chanam Lee Co-Chair: Xuemei Zhu

Sahar Zandi..... 

Dissertation: "Impact of Augmented and Virtual Reality on Architec-

tural Design Processes and Professional Self-Efficacy"

Chair: Gregory A. Luhan Co-Chair: Stephen Caffey

...... Urban and Regional Science Chunwu Zhu .....

Dissertation: "Urban AI for Safe and Equitable Streets: Evaluating

Roadway Safety and Equity Through Artificial Intelligence Approach"

Chair: Xinyue Ye

#### College of Arts and Sciences

#### Doctor of Philosophy

Dissertation: "The Rosie Washington Farm Case Study: Legal,

Historical, and Rhetorical Narratives of Invention for

Environmental Justice"

Chair: Nathan A. Crick

Through the Development of NMR Technologies, Highly

Reactive Reagents, and Synthetic Methods"

Chair: Andy Thomas

Dissertation: "Temporal Splitting Schemes for Multiscale Problems"

Chair: Yalchin Efendiev Co-Chair: Eduardo Gildin

Matthew R. Alwood. . . . . . . . . Neuroscience

"Dorsal Hippocampus Supports Context-Mediated Dissertation:

Defensive Reactions to Highly Imminent Threats"

Justin M. Moscarello Chair:

Dissertation: "Expressing the Ineffable: The Meaning and Value of

Religious Perspective in the Philosophy of Ludwig Witt-

genstein"

Chair: Člaire Katz

Chair:

Danniel Arriaga . . . . . 

Dissertation:

"Leveraging Reactive Intermediates for New Bond Formation Strategies via Mechanism Driven Method

Development" Andy Thomas

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and Protective Behavioral Strategies in Vape Users" Chair: Rachel Smallman Mayson Claire Astle. . . . Dissertation: "How Choice Context Shapes Memory: The Self-Choice" Effect Across Choice Target and the Experience of Choice Overload" Brandon Schmeichel Chair. Chair: Nathan A. Crick tion and Solar Fuel Production" Chair: Sarbajit Banerjee Juan Balcazar..... ......Psychology Dissertation: "The Role of Motivation and Affect on Cognitive Flexibility" Chair. Joseph M. Orr James K. Baldwin . . . . . ..... Sociology "Architects of Segregation: Governing the New Urban Dissertation: Mosaic Through Racialized Housing Organizations" Chair: Joe Feagin Heili Pals Co-Chair: "Delayed Transitions: Navigating Legal Violence and Dissertation: Illegality Among Undocumented College Graduates" Chair: Nancy Plankey-Videla Ashley N. Barros . . . . Dissertation: "Devysing Felaweshipe and Framing the Social Storyworld: A Study on Textual Intersubjectivity and Reader Participation in Medieval Framed Tale Collections" Chair: Britt Mize Hugo Bayer Reichmann ...... Neuroscience Dissertation: "Prefrontal Mechanisms of Fear Suppression During Fear Memory Consolidation and Extinction" Chair: Stephen Maren Co-Chair: Justin M. Moscarello Dissertation: "A Sociological Exploration of Corporate Pollution from the Electric Power Sector" Chair. Harland Prechel Ian B. Boley . . . . . . . Dissertation: "All Things to All Men: The Reagan Administration's Conception of the Strategic Defense Initiative" Chair: Jonathan Coopersmith

Christopher J. Bott Dissertation: Chair:	"Computation of Schubert Galois Groups" Frank Sottile
Ashley Nicole Braaksı Dissertation:	"Comparative Stereochemical Effects in Ring-Opening Polymerization of Six-Membered Cyclic Carbonates from D-Glucose, D-Mannose, and D-Galactose, and Extension to Sulfur-Containing Analogs"
Chair:	Karen Wooley
Connor K. Brubaker Dissertation:	Statistics "Frequency Band Analysis for Multiple Biomedical Time Series"
Chair: Co-Chair:	Scott Bruce Mohsen Pourahmadi
Haley Irene Burke Dissertation:	"Hermeneutic Solidarity: Interpretive Charity for the Social Domain"
Chair:	Theodore George
Kyle T. Burns	"Proton Reduction Catalysis Enhanced Though Secondary Sphere Pendant Amine Interactions Within Nickel Complexes"
Chair:	Marcetta Darensbourg
Dissertation:	"The Barrio Lives on: Social Constructions of Criminality and Resistance in a Gentrifying San Diego Community"
Chair:	Robert J. Duran
Joseph Floyd Carr Dissertation:	"Unraveling the Mechanisms That Drive Outer Membrane Adaptations and Antimicrobial Resistance in Gram-Negative Bacteria"
Chair:	Angela M. Mitchell
Peggy Sue Carris Dissertation:	"More Than a Fish Out of Water: How Institutional Type Shapes First-Generation College Students' Sense of Belonging and Academic Success"
Chair:	Patrick A. Goldsmith
Andrew Joshua Chrisi Dissertation:	joy
Chair:	Anna W. Wolfe
Delaney Catalina Cou Dissertation:	ri
Chair:	Kristan A. Poirot
Van Dang Dissertation:	"Immune Neglect and Focalism in Affective Forecasting: Potential Interventions to Reduce Biased Emotional Predictions in Anxiety"
Chair:	Heather Lench

Sahar Delfan . . . . . Physics Dissertation: "Nanophotonic Interferometric Biosensors" Chair: Marlan Scully Dissertation: "Navigating Kinship and Hybrid Selection: Unravelling the Inbreeding Paradox, Juvenile Social Dynamics, and Genomic Selection in Xiphophorus" Chair: Charles Criscione Gil Rosenthal Co-Chair: Constituting Texas High School Football" Anna W. Wolfe Chair: "Spatially Defined Organic Redox Polymers to Probe Dissertation: Effects of Redox Site Spacing on Structure Property Relationship" Chair: Emily Pentzer Valentia Fragkiadaki . . "Dyadic Harmonic Analysis: Weighted Bounds for Para-Dissertation: product and Sparse Operators, and Fractional Sobolev Patricia Alonso Ruiz Chair: Co-Chair: Irina Holmes Identity and Belonging" Chair. Nathan A. Crick Jenna Garcia ..... Dissertation: "Nuclear Forensic Analysis of a Historical <sup>226</sup>Ra Pigment" Sample" Chair: Charles Folden Jhanvi Kapoorchand Garg ...... Statistics Dissertation: "Efficient Sampling from Multimodal Distributions: Theory and Applications" Quan Zhou Chair: Diana Patricia Guerra . . .....Psychology Dissertation: "Sex-Specific Neural Circuits of Signaled Active Avoidance" Chair: Justin M. Moscarello . . . . . . . . . Mathematics Tanuj Gupta..... Dissertation: "Diederich-Fornæss Index and the Global Regularity of the Complex Green Operator"

Emil Straube

Chair:

Sophia Noel Handel Dissertation:	
Chair:	Rachel Smith
Gabrielle Harmon Dissertation:	"Ferrocene, Nickelocene, and Cobaltocene as Solid Solutions and Their Use in Creating Single Atom Catalysts: A Solid-State NMR Study"
Chair:	Janet Bluemel
Emily Ann Harris Dissertation:	
Chair:	Grigory V. Rogachev
Sungee Hong	
Chair:	Raymond Ka Wai Wong
Mary Elizabeth Jalufka Dissertation:	Sociology "Residential Attainment in the United States: Evidence from Full-Count Microdata and Administrative Records"
Chair:	Mary E. Campbell
Zhenfei Jiang Dissertation: Chair: Co-Chair:	"Enhanced Sensing and Imaging" Marlan Scully Girish Agarwal
Smriti Kumar Dissertation:	"The Role of Environment in Studying Non-Covalent Interactions Involving Membrane Proteins Using Native Mass Spectrometry"
Chair:	Arthur Laganowsky
Miranda Elaine Leal-Ga Dissertation:	arcia
Chair:	Dylan A. McCreedy
Shih-Guo Li Dissertation:	"Bioinspired, Degradable, and Recyclable Redox-Active Polypeptides for Sustainable Energy Storage and Biomedical Applications"
Chair:	Karen Wooley
Xingchi Li	"Detecting and Segmenting Watermarked Texts from
Chair:	Language Models" Xianyang Zhang
Yiyun Li	Applied Physics
Dissertation:	"Entomological Lidar Where Optics Sheds Light on Insect Studies"
Chair: Co-Chair:	Marlan Scully Alexei Sokolov

Dissertation: "Newton Polytopes and Toric Varieties for Periodic Graph Operators" Frank Sottile Chair: Jessica C. Lowe . . . . . .....Psychology Dissertation: "Self-Discrepancies and Counterfactual Thinking: The Role of Self-Enhancement and Self-Improvement Motives" Rachel Smallman Chair. Chair: Artem G. Abanov "The Impact of Multisystemic Risk and Protective Factors Dissertation: on Sleep Health in Black Adolescents with High Body Weights" Idia B. Thurston Chair: Co-Chair: Robert Heffer Octavio Miranda . . . . . "The Design and Synthesis of Novel Hydrogen Bond-Dissertation: Promoted Pseudoladder Conjugated Polymers" Chair: Lei Fang Dissertation: "Integrating Cavity Enhanced Vibrational Spectroscopy for Planetary Exploration" Alexei Sokolov Chair: Dissertation: "Secretion and Processing of Substrates During Clostridioides Difficile Sporulation" Chair. Joseph A. Sorg ..... Geography Dissertation: "Modeling Past, Present, and Future High-Elevation Peatland Dynamics in the Peruvian Andes" Chair: David Cairns Co-Chair: Iulie Loisel Michael A. Portal . . . . . ......Philosophy "The Problem of Evil and Being in Levinas and Blanchot" Dissertation: Chair: Claire Katz Co-Chair: Daniel Conway Emily K. Raibley..... 

Chair: Huiyan Sang

Heather Lench

Dissertation:

Isaac A. Ray...........
Dissertation:

Chair.

"Making Sense of Ostracism: How Attributions for Ostracism Influence Emotions and Behaviors"

"Nonparametric Statistical Approaches to Manifold-Aware Clustering, Estimation and Prediction" · \_\_\_\_\_ 6

Cody Michael Richter Dissertation:	"I Am Who I Think You Are: (Non)Verification, Social
Chair: Co-Chair:	Inference, and Deviance" Heili Pals Jane Sell
Justin D. Rogers Dissertation:	English "Art and Abyss: The Use of the Supernatural in Late Victorian Decadent Fiction"
Chair:	Mary A. O'Farrell
Kathryn R. Rowe	Sociology
Ďissertation:	"'Keeping Men Out of Women's Sports?': An Analysis of Legitimate Sex/Gender Discourses in Twenty-First Century Elite Sport"
Chair:	Theresa M. Morris
Dipankar Sen	Physics
Dissertation:	"Application of Optical Coherence Microscopy, Raman Spectroscopy and Fluorescence Microscopy in Agriphotonics"
Chair: Co-Chair:	Alexei Sokolov Aart Verhoef
Ehsan Shakeri	
Dissertation:	"Phosphines Covalently Bound to Silica and Adsorbed on Activated Carbon Surfaces: A Solid-State NMR Study of Their Dynamics and Surface-Assisted Oxidation with Air"
Chair:	Janet Bluemel
Sreyashi Sinha	
Dissertation:	"Characterization of a Bacterial Vitamin B <sub>2</sub> Catabolic Pathway"
Chair:	Tadhg Begley
Alaina Renee Spiers Dissertation:	
Chair:	Richard Street
Hao Tan	
Dissertation:	"Modular Synthesis of Aziridines with N-Aminopyridinium Reagents"
Chair:	David C. Powers
Zhanduo Tang	Physics
Dissertation:	"Self-Consistent T-Matrix Approach to Strongly-Coupled Quark-Gluon Plasma"
Chair: Co-Chair:	Ralf Rapp Saskia Mioduszewski
Seth A. Thompson	
Dissertation:	"Understanding Aerosol Cloud-Forming Properties Associated with Deep Convection Across Greater Houston Texas"
Chair:	Sarah Brooks

Chair: Michael Nippe Ankur Verma ...... Dissertation: "Light Scalar Mediators in Beyond Standard Model Physics: Neutrino Non-Standard Interactions" Bhaskar Dutta Chair: Dissertation: "A Novel Application of Horizontal Wells in Aquifer Thermal Energy Storage System" Chair: Hongbin Zhan Human Occupation of Southcentral Alaska" Frank Goebel Chair: Co-Chair: Heather B. Thakar Allyson Marie Wierenga..... Dissertation: "Curing the Child: Analyzing Fictional Illnesses in Middle Grade Media" Chair: Sara DiCaglio Distress and Fear: An ERP Investigation" Chair: Annmarie E. Macnamara Hulin Yang ..... . . . . . . . . Physics Dissertation: "Kinetics of Bose-Einstein Condensation of Magnons in Ferromagnetic Films" Chair. Valery Pokrovsky Shuai Yin . . . . . . . . . . . Dissertation: "Earth-Abundant Iron Catalysis Enables Access to a Novel Reactivity via Multi-Component Cross-Coupling Reactions" Chair: Osvaldo Gutierrez Santacruz "Persuasion in Motion: Strategic Narrative Design and Dissertation: the Power of Transportation in Health and Politics" Chair: Hart Blanton Yu Zheng...... "Effects of Electrolyte Structure, Dynamics and Chem-Dissertation: istry on the Performance of Lithium-metal and Sodiummetal Batteries" Chair: Perla Balbuena Yi Zhuang ..... Physics Dissertation: "Prospects for Detecting and Measuring Time Variation of Astrophysical Neutrino Sources at Dark Matter Detec-Chair: Louis E. Strigari

Eustache Zihalirwa Zigashane..... Sociology

"Essays in the Political Sociology of Conflict and Devel-Dissertation:

opment in Africa: Case Study of the Democratic Republic

of Congo"

Chair: Nancy Plankey-Videla

#### Mays Business School

#### Doctor of Philosophy

Toshinori Fukui . . . . . . ..... Business Administration

Dissertation: "Essays on Operating Leverage and Finance"

Chair: Adam C. Kolasinski

Aaron David Heinrich...... Business Administration

Dissertation: "Essays in Operations Management"

Chair: Harry Geismar Co-Chair: James D. Abbey

Behavioral Theory of the Firm"

Chair: David Griffith

..... Business Administration Yujie Ruan.....

"Essays on How Institutional Investors Shape Corporate Dissertation:

Decisions"

Chair: Shane A. Johnson

Haneul Yi..... ..... Business Administration

"Try Before You Buy: Measuring Innovation Synergy Dissertation:

Using Textual Analysis"

Xiaoding Liu Co-Chair: Shane A. Johnson

Chi Zhang ..... . . . . . . . . . . . . . Business Administration

"Pricing, Generative AI, and Creativity of Digital Dissertation:

Artworks"

Chair: Venkatesh Shankar

Yan Liu Co-Chair:

..... Business Administration Qilong Zhu .....

"Essays on Small Business Order Fulfillment Operations Dissertation:

and Distribution Regulations"

Chair. Gregory Heim

Co-Chair: Chelliah Skriskandarajah

#### College of Education and Human Development

#### Doctor of Education

Melissa Anne Kelly ...... Curriculum and Instruction

Record of Study: "Elementary Parent Perceptions of Charter Schools in

Texas"

Karen E. Rambo Chair: Co-Chair: Michelle M. Kwok

and Perceptions of Time and Work Intensification" Chair: Radhika Viruru Co-Chair: Sharon D. Matthews Influence of Mentorship on Black Resident Teachers' Development in Urban Schools" Chair: John Williams Co-Chair: Quinita D. Ogletree Doctor of Philosophy ..... School Psychology Israel E. Arevalo . . . . . "Effects of School-Parental Involvement on the Relation-Dissertation: ship Between Externalizing Problem Behaviors and Academic Performance Among ELL Latine School-Aged Children" Chair: Sara M. Castro Olivo Dissertation: "The Influence of Rural Cultural Markers on the Relationship Between Negative Healthcare Interactions and Disengagement" Chair: Timothy Elliott Co-Chair: Charles Ridley Kristianna Marie Bowles..... Educational Administration "Pro-Environmental Behaviors and Barriers to Engage-Dissertation: ment for On-Campus Residents" Christine A. Stanley Chair: Co-Chair: Gerard Kyle

Anjali Chaudhary. . . . .

......Educational Psychology "Mathematics Anxiety, Enjoyment, and Achievement: Dissertation:

Longitudinal Models of Within-Person and Between-

Person Effects" Idean Ettekal

Yu-Po Cheng..... ...... Neuroscience

Dissertation: "Human Electrocortical Dynamics During Visually-Guided Locomotion in Projected Virtual Reality"

Chair: Andrew Nordin Co-Chair: Brian A. Anderson

Katelin Sue Dias . . . . . ...... Counseling Psychology

"Validation of the Fatigue and Altered Cognition Scale in Dissertation:

Individuals with Multiple Sclerosis"

Chair: Carly E. McCord Co-Chair: Timothy Elliott

Chair:

Chanwook Do..... ..... Kinesiology

"Beyond the Regular Season: The Important Role of Pre-Dissertation:

Season Tours" Chair. Min Jung Kim Co-Chair: Hyun-Woo Lee

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Amanda Laboy Kaylee L. Lovejoy David Pearce Haley Savannah Sloan

Department of Soil and Crop Sciences

Master of Science

Plant Breeding

Marvin Benitez

Soil Science

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College of Architecture

Presented by Dr. Lingqian "Ivy" Hu, Dean

Department of Architecture

Master of Architecture

Architecture

Victoria Ester Rodriguez

Janice E. Torbeck-Bean

Master of Science

Architecture

Sree Sai Sravani Vasamsetti

# College of Arts and Sciences

#### Presented by Dr. Adam R. Seipp, Associate Dean

Department of Anthropology

Master of Science

Maritime Archaeology and Conservation

Marissa Daylene Agerton

Department of Biology

Master of Science

Biology

Claire Emily Ali-Khan Alexa V. Chavez Andrew D. Fontana Ammon Salvatore Hoffman Manish Raj Sapkota Trenton Brandt Stewart

Microbiology

Kate Elizabeth Cooney Avery Charleen DeWolf Hope Newcomer-Neeson Hayley E. Pickett Valerie Ramona Poor Declan S. Simpson

Department of Chemistry

Master of Science

Chemistry

Alyssa Dawn Hash Megan Hays Amanda Rae Jessel Stone David Naquin Cassidy Tibbetts

Department of Economics

Master of Science

**Economics** 

◊ Andrew Al Bartolo Chi Chiu Chu◊ Parker John De Leon ♦ Grayson Jeffrey Joyce Jing Zhang Department of English

Master of Arts

English

♦ Maksim Alekseyevich Prokhorov

Department of Geography

Master of Science

Geography

Connor P. Gooch Brad Tanner Jennings Adam Joseph Scardino

Water Management and Hydrological Science

Elena Ann Lundeen

Department of Geology and Geophysics

Master of Science

Geology

Tanner Cole Fonville Mohammed Tariq M Harqi Haley Rose Mossell Conor Patrick Sullivan Mary Evelyn Thompson

Geophysics

Rakan Mubarak H Alhumaid Saad Hassan M Alqarni Asem Thabet A Althabet Emmanuel A. Awe Braden A. Hoefer Cate L. Tilley

Department of History

Master of Arts

History

◊ Ariana V. Benedict

#### Department of Mathematics

#### Master of Science

#### Mathematics

Rachel Marie Bevan Jorge Elias Canada Marshall Thomas King Priyadarshan Ashok Kolte Michail Lolis Zhaohua Pei Christopher Roosa ◊ Qiaoyiru Wang Wesley E. Yang

#### Department of Physics and Astronomy

Master of Science

Physics

Dylan Monteiro Jace E. Tyler Pengsheng Wen

Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences

Master of Science

Psychological Sciences

Nazim Asani

Toby McKay Driggs

Department of Sociology

Master of Science

Sociology

Dulce Angelica Espinoza Celine Thuy Tran

Oralia M. Zamarripa

Department of Statistics

Master of Science

Statistical Data Science

Fatimah Hussain A Alnazr Ryan W. Applegate Jason Craft Angelica Fernandez Cameron Gregory Halversen

## Bush School of Government and Public Service

#### Presented by Dr. Maria Escobar-Lemmon, Executive Associate Dean

#### Department of International Affairs

#### Master of International Affairs

#### International Affairs

Owen Cryer Awalt Avery L. Clark Matthew William Clark Anna Ryan Grace Ferguson Lauren Nicole Hammonds Martin Budianto Lawira Abhinab Shakya Pradhan Ushnata Shrestha Thapa

#### Master of International Policy

#### International Policy

Sultan Hamad Al-Suwaidi Siafa Targen Massaley Lauren Schlichting Jordan Supan Saroj Upreti

Aria Nicole Vasbinder

#### Master of National Security and Intelligence

#### National Security and Intelligence

Colton James Henderson

Jessica M. Ridley

#### Department of Public Service and Administration

Master of Public Service and Administration

#### Public Service and Administration

Denice S. Archer Kimberley Marie Barrera Carlos Bermudez Ramirez Trevor F. Bills Jacob Brightwell Nicholas Cameron Cooper Terry D. Garrett Danielle Marie Gibson Andrea M. Goff Fontanes Johnathan Talbert James Lewis Graham Knapp, Jr. Tracey Lynn Petuch Juan Manuel Sanchez, Jr. Thomas Allan Sloan Lyndzie K. Tarango Jameson M. Tomlin Meagan Dawn Webb Jeffery Michael Wilson

# Mays Business School

#### Presented by Dr. Nate Y. Sharp, Dean

#### Master of Business Administration

#### **Business Administration**

Riley Elizabeth Anson Emily Elaine Collier William Edward Delatte Joshua B. Evensen Nathan Thomas Garcia Marcus Ian Glass Katherine C. Haight John Austin Hinrichs Rajat D. Malani David Pham Drew Lynn Seymour

#### Department of Accounting

#### Master of Science

#### Accounting

Johnathan Edward Altman, Sr.
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Michaela Josephine Beck
Valeria Abigail Bendeck Cortes
Leah Ilana Bernstein
Mark C. Blaydow
Daria Nikolayevna Borodacheva
Bryce Brubaker
Reece Guill Calderon

◊ Macie J. Campbell
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Tolani Racheal Dare
William Dillon
Lynda Gayle Farmer
Norman Fernaays
Ernesto Garcia III
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♦ Lily Grace Haley Sarah Hargrave Elizabeth Hernandez Nicholas A. Hiller Daehoon Jang Kennis A. Jones Kathryn G. Klussmann Sharon Jeannette Kunkel Trevor Graham Lane Cheyanne M. Lanfear Ashley Sandy Lapp Wendy Joy-Adams Lawton Lucinda D. Leighton Daniel David Malek Marcos Martinez Christopher Louis McClure Cameron Lee McHugh Amy Elizabeth Moynihan Syed Najam Ul Saqib Gregory Chase Richards Samuel Peter Rodriguez Joanna Salinas Ang Mendo Sherpa Craig Alan Staples Jonathan Taylor Thomas **Emilie Thompson** Matthew Scot White Ryan Clifford White Casev Winkelman Jung Eun Yuk Jonathan Ziobrowski

#### Department of Finance

#### Master of Financial Management

#### Financial Management

Luke Michael LaManna

◊ Sean J. Packer

# Department of Information and Operations Management

#### Master of Science

#### Management Information Systems

♦ Collin Michael Balogh Valerie Banks Amulya Dama Victor Dell Delgado Krista DeVries Esteban Espinoza Chandler Foster Garrett Ross Hodsdon Seth W. Holobaugh Alfredo Huerta ♦ Ishan Ladhani Michael George Martinez Miguel Mora
Rajkumar Nair
Dylan J. Parker
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◊ Laura Abington Philips
Miguel Pumagualle
Aaron Taylor Ratliff
Ronald Anthony Robertson III
Jeremy Robison
Donald A. St. Martin III
Jason P. Zoeller

Department of Management

Master of Science

Entrepreneurial Leadership

Molly Anne Brown Bria S. Bullard Santiago Ceniceros Gómez ♦ Mary E. Fisher Andersen Alana Williams

Human Resource Management

Daniel Thomas Kanikadan

College of Dentistry

Presented by Dr. Lily T. Garcia, Dean

Master of Science

Oral Biology

Margaret Erin Newton

# College of Education and Human Development

#### Presented by Dr. Michael A. de Miranda, Dean

Department of Educational Administration and Human Resource Development

Master of Education

**Educational Administration** 

Frances Marion Fuller

Master of Science

Educational Human Resource Development

Jacqueline Monique Hottmann

Lucia A. Meras-Torres

Department of Educational Psychology

Master of Education

Bilingual/ESL Education

Estefania Diaz Olvera

Educational Psychology

Jordyn Blake Kindiger Lori Pennington Lang Paige Pearson Meredith Prater Sarah Elizabeth Travis Henry Vidaurri Anna H. Wakefield Morgan Janene Walther

Learning Design and Technology

Casey Campbell Akin

Meredith Marie Gunn

Department of Kinesiology and Sport Management

Master of Science

Kinesiology

Nicos Costas Georghiades

Kelly Hines

Sport Management

Thomas Jeremy Adams Joshua A. Cook Jose De Santiago Alexandra Durkin Nicolas Saucedo Hutcheson Emily R. Jara Kaya Matiana Leija Emily Anne Magness Jordan Kenneth Marks Lynnzia Tene Mitchell Robert Charles Perez, Jr. Grant Perkins Casey Schedule Whitney Paige Tanner Rorey Mattingly Yates-Iannelli

#### Department of Teaching, Learning and Culture

#### Master of Education

#### Curriculum and Instruction

Cassidy Gail Anderson Shriva A. Bellur Madison Olivia Bennett Sotiria Zografos Bessinas Sarah Michelle Bilski Cassidy Dawn Burris Kaitlyn Grace Byers Kyleigh Chesshir Valerie Susan Coffey Abbey M. Conger Mary Katherine Cuccia Sarah Jane Culpepper Reagan P. David Desiree Renee Diaz Cenia Daelyn Dominguez Abigail Jane Duren Katie Michelle Fey Kayla Gail Field Serena Ruby Foster Claire Rebecca Franke Morgen Kelly Hamlin Madison F. Hardwick Angela Marie Herridge Grace Francis Heyde Allina Husain David Richard Jahn Rylee Miller Johnson Jaci Lee Kerr You Hyun Kim Kaylin Taylor Kline Summer Anne Lange Cecelia Ann Largent Alexandria M. Lawrence Mitianna P. Lenguyen Alri A. Lindeque Kassandra B. Long Gabriella Grace Mazzapica Celeste Lucille McCabe Grady Andrew McCrea Emma R. McPherson Chloe Monet Mitchell Chance Kenneth Muschaweck Hylyn Brooke Neff Alia N. Neuberger Tiffany Marie Padilla Gabrielle M. Parnell Mariah Pastrano Sarah E. Pattison Aliceson A. Pinkerton Leslie Nicole Reschman Shelby L. Roberts Rilev L. Robinson Irene Robles-Ramirez Layla Breann Rushing Elektra J. Sandarusi Catherine V. Sauer Meredith Gavle Sheets Amanda Caroline Singley Madison Taylor Skinner Xavier Devon Smith Marcos Solis Kate N. Spradling Keelev C. Sullivan Emily Ann Theis Lauren E. Tompkins Madison G. Webb Alyssa M. Williams **Taylor Christine Williams** Katherine Wojciechowski Clara Lynn Woodward Tyler C. Wootan Jacqueline Nicole Yedwab Abigail E. Zenner

# College of Engineering

Presented by Dr. Duncan M. "Hank" Walker, Associate Dean

Master of Science

Energy

Haleigh Anderson-Alt Jacob Cole Brown Decarlo Bryant Wilmar Andres Pastrana Vargas Oluwajomiloju Oluwadunni Sosanya Katherine Sotolongo

Department of Aerospace Engineering

Master of Science

Aerospace Engineering

Eben Anthony Anderson-Ciccone Jillian Paige Bennett Logan P. Bibb Denisse Mishell Leines Artieda Noah Robert Luna Liam McCue

Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering

Master of Science

Biological and Agricultural Engineering

Frances Clare McClay

Cherish Christony Ann Vance

Department of Biomedical Engineering

Master of Engineering

Biomedical Engineering

Lucas Rafael Esnaola Ethan Blake Keene Tanner Weslee Waters

Department of Chemical Engineering

Master of Biotechnology

Biotechnology

Shrihari Ravindra Jadhav Deepthi Sri Kanigiri Palak Nagar Shri Aravind Manikandan Ramamirtham

#### Master of Engineering

#### Chemical Engineering

Anuja Dnyaneshwar Patil Giriraj Palanisamy

Edward S. Price Nitin Vedanarayanan Pandiyan

#### Master of Science

# Chemical Engineering

Omar Firas Al-Douri Valeria Alvarado Tejeda Kedar Hastagiri Jasan Robey Adriano Mangalindan Samriddhi Naik

Harikrishnan Rajesh Namboothiri Christy Thomas Sani Saatvi Suresh Xenophon Xenophontos

Chen Yang

#### Safety Engineering

#### Abdulaziz Hatem A Alahmadi Otto Jakutowicz

#### Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

#### Master of Engineering

Civil Engineering

Mubeen Lengha

Master of Science

#### Civil Engineering

Abdulmohsen Hameed M Ganyao Liu

Aljohani Sai Manoj Reddy Sannala Anya J. Allen Aya Abdalla Shigidi Cullen B. Cable Jonah Smith

#### Department of Computer Science and Engineering

#### Master of Computer Science

#### Computer Science

Hasnat Md. Abdullah Glen D. Browne Geetesh Challur Colby J. Endres

Rakshak Gowda Jagadesh Govind Vivek Joshi

Zachary Chol McDowell Carlos Andres Meisel Abdifatah Abdirazak Mohamed Jawahar Sai Nathani Jay Vijay Nehete

#### Master of Science

#### Computer Science

Mihir Sunil Godbole Devon A. Kelly IV Jiwon Kim Brandon Gia Nghi Nguyen Michael A. Norman Nikhitha Pasula Manas Sahu Prakhar Singh Mu-Ruei Tseng

Data Science

Vinay Chandra Bandi Bhavyasree Mohan Sushil Vemuri

Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Master of Science

Computer Engineering

Shubham Mohan Bhagwat Vaishnav Ganapathiraju Dhanraj Murali Gautham Krishna Nemani Mohana Tanvi Pamidimukkala Milad Saadat Sri Hariharan Sriram Quy Truong Van Fatemeh Zare

Data Science

Sai Nihith Immaneni

Electrical Engineering

Roda Abdulla A T Al-Subaie Vamsi Chitturi Thomas James Dexter Cesar Medellin Najera Zachary B. Ovenshire Sofia Anahi Pina Bidhan Poudel Colin M. Sanders Sathyashree Vijay

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Department of Engineering Technology and Industrial Distribution

Master of Science

Engineering Technology

Case R. Ashton Christian Michael Anthony Bradley Bowen Devlin Grant Evan Gannon Mondray Dailen Matus Branson Christopher Ward

#### Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering

Master of Engineering

Industrial Engineering

Daniel Reyna

Master of Science

#### Engineering Management

Sravan Gande Andre Laffitte Farina Nitu Mahadev Munavalli Travis Thomas Roberson

Lakshminaga Srisaicharan

Tyler Thomas Roberson Samruddi Satishkumar Alexis Gallegos Zarate

#### Industrial Engineering

Raghavendra Bhavirisetti Ravi Srivatsa Bindiganavile Narasimhan Prashant Dhakal Sai Manohar Gandreddi Sandeep Shivaji Jagdale Rishikesh Harshad Karmalkar Sumedh Gajanan Ketkar

Rushikesh Manish Khairnar

Jishnu Venkata Madabhushi Shreyas Sanjay Mahajan Sarvesh Ajit Navale Himanshu Pimple Mohammed Abdul Salman Abdul Azim Abdul Hakeem Shaikh Kunal Subhash Thakor Venkata Sai Siddhartha Thota Abhinay Nitin Zanyar

Department of Materials Science and Engineering

Master of Engineering

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Shravani Datir

Master of Science

Materials Science and Engineering

Yu-Hsiang Chiang Dongin Lim Seth D. Mehalic Byeongung Park Taratorn Sattaraphan

Department of Mechanical Engineering

Master of Engineering

Mechanical Engineering

Nicholas Brewer Aaron Paul Johnson

Peter S. Shirley

#### Master of Science

#### Mechanical Engineering

Ahmed Afzal Nolan Anthony Jasdeep Bajaj Cameryn Joseph Bell Bryce Johnathon Bodner Nicole Flinders Luis Manuel Garcia Cole David Garrison Nicolas Sean Grigat

Juan Carlos Hernandez Guerra

Vincent T. Irani

Sai Srikar Lanka

Gabrielle Annelise Nichols

Dharma Raj Ojha Dhyan Dharmesh Patel Michael Christopher Rakoski Trevor Jaxon Shaughnessy Bishoy Nabil Soliman Archit Thiagarajan Shivam Jignesh Vashi

Mingjun Wei

Department of Multidisciplinary Engineering

Master of Engineering

Engineering

Jim Allen Chisholm

Kylie Kristine Rozzell

Department of Nuclear Engineering

Master of Science

Nuclear Engineering

Adam Bernacchi Chris Mendez, Jr. Artur Santos Paixao Seungwoo Son

Department of Ocean Engineering

Master of Science

Ocean Engineering

Martin Jermaine Craig

Harsh Mattoo

Department of Petroleum Engineering

Master of Science

Petroleum Engineering

Majd B. Awarkeh Anhu Bhama Bhaskaran Jhonny Eduardo Colina Arias Botong Deng Guodong Ren Oluwasanmi Olaife Talabi

## School of Law

#### Presented by Mr. Robert B. Ahdieh, Dean

#### Master of Laws

#### Laws

Jaime Aleman Kristina Belanger Nicholas Dyer Travis David Neff Tre Christopher Roberts Brook W. Scarpinato Sarah Brooke Severson

#### Master of Legal Studies

#### Intellectual Property

Rickey Dwayne Atkins, Jr. Debora Cristina Espana Christopher Brian Ferguson Jaden Veronica Gardner

#### Legal Studies

Iasmin Alvarado Juan Alejandro Arevalo Jase Tobin Ashcraft Alejandro Baerenwald Micha Jeane Bailer Robert John Barnes Jeffrey Edward Bartulla Corey Ashton Bell Megan Ashley Berg Broderick C. Blanchard Briana T. Boyce Kayla Aaliyah Broomfield Elizabeth Jayne Caldwell William Preston Caldwell Chelsea T. Campbell Jonathan Canon Laura Leann Capps Amber Roselynn Carey Kati Io Clark James Heath Coleman Zoe Natasha June Cook Lori Lynn Cox Pascale Dahrouj BI Allen Davis Mayra Y. Deleon Karen Dilber Tiera Antrenette Dobbins Joshua Aaron Dray Deena Lynn Duda Bret Alan Farris Richard E. Faulkner, Jr. Leanne Patricia Ferrara-Stone

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John Derrick Ness Paulina Oaxaca Claire Elizabeth Plowden Russell Lane Ponder Iasmine Damara Porter Leo Ramirez Grant Alec Reichert Amy Elizabeth Rister Faith La'Carol Roberts Liam Stewart Rose Morgan K. Rosser Tristan Blain Scheffer Tiffany Evans Scheurenbrand Kendall Elise Schroeder Faith Emogene Schultze Cade Ross Siske Cortez Smith Makalyne Nicole Solis

Jordyn L. Sparks Amber A. Spears Gracie Clara Stagon Trenton Swope Joseph Jakob Thannisch Chantelle Theocharidis Alexandra Deanna Trotta Gerard Ivan Van Ginkel Alisha Dee Vance Gary David Wallace Tuija Talvikki Walsh Zane Gregory Wanjura Michael William Waschka Lydia Wharton Romello Deshawn Wilson Aaron Wise Anne Marie Wood Dwain Carl Wooley II

# College of Nursing

#### Presented by Dr. T. Leann Horsley, Dean

#### Master of Science in Nursing

#### Forensic Nursing

Kyrie Alexis Bretz Sandra Nicole Elledge Hannah Joelle Maloney Denise Nicole Rodriguez Kasi Shock Melinda Kaye Starkes

# College of Performance, Visualization and Fine Arts

Presented by Dr. Francesca Marini, Associate Professor

#### Master of Arts

#### Performance Studies

Kasun Dulshan Gayathra Dassanayake Basnayake Ralalage

#### Master of Science

#### Visualization

Lauren I. Enriquez Gabrielle Noel Fisher Finnegan Travis Hein Yi-Cheng Hsiao Marisa Toussaint Jacques Jocylin Yamilex Lopez Genevieve Elise Marenco Veronika Minina Dhruv Rathod Kasandra Giselle Thatcher

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# School of Public Health

#### Presented by Dr. Rhonda N. Rahn, Associate Dean

## Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics

Master of Public Health

**Biostatistics** 

Kiyoung Kim

Epidemiology

Destiny D. Grisby ◊ Esther P. Kim ◊ Matthew Lee Laughlin Edgar Perez Carolynn Virginia Stallman Carlos Eduardo Trujillo

Department of Health Policy and Management

Master of Public Health

Health Policy and Management

Erum Shah

# College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

Presented by Dr. Gregory A. Johnson, Assistant Dean

Department of Veterinary Integrative Biosciences

Master of Science

Biomedical Sciences

Laura E. Malone Juliann Milks Sean Jacob Morris Elizabeth Rose Ohnesorge Tyler W. Pimentel Alexandria Renee Ross Karen Villegas Guio Connor Anthony White Peri L. Wilson

Science and Technology Journalism

Sanjida Akter Francesca R. Landon-Harding Abdurrahman Nasr Ali Radwan

## Department of Veterinary Large Animal Clinical Sciences

Master of Science

Biomedical Sciences

Elizabeth Ann Au Jeidha A. Guzman Devin Elizabeth Rubio Grace Olivia Weir

Department of Veterinary Pathobiology

Master of Science

Biomedical Sciences

Tahj Aaliyah Boston

Isabelle Katherine Williamson

Department of Veterinary Physiology and Pharmacology

Master of Science

Biomedical Sciences

Lilia Annalise Barnett

Josiah Rayne Marquez

Toxicology

Madeline English

Department of Veterinary Small Animal Clinical Sciences

Master of Science

Biomedical Sciences

Gabriela Beatriz Ortiz

# Latin Honors

Students graduating with Latin honors distinctions have enrolled in and successfully completed a minimum of 60 undergraduate semester hours required for the baccalaureate degree. The category of Latin honors attained is determined by grade point average of all college hours attempted, excluding transfer hours. The categories are as follows:

*Cum Laude:* A student may be graduated *Cum Laude* with a Grade Point Average of 3.500 to 3.699.

*Magna Cum Laude*: A student may be graduated *Magna Cum Laude* with a Grade Point Average of 3.700 to 3.899.

*Summa Cum Laude*: A student may be graduated *Summa Cum Laude* with a Grade Point Average of 3.900 or above.

### Honors Stoles

Texas A&M undergraduates who complete the requirements for any of the distinctions listed above or for college- and departmental-level honors programs are awarded a gold satin stole to wear with their commencement robes. The university presents the stoles to honors graduates in recognition of their accomplishments.

# Undergraduate Research Scholars

The Undergraduate Research Scholars program provides motivated undergraduates the opportunity to engage in quality, in-depth research experiences. Over two semesters Scholars work with faculty mentors to produce a formal undergraduate research thesis and a public presentation of their research results.

Maksim Alekseyevich Prokhorov . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . BA English

# Academic Regalia

Academic institutions throughout the world have created a wide variety of customs including distinctive dress, color and ceremony to indicate the accomplishments of scholars. English traditions originating at Oxford and Cambridge led to the development of American academic regalia. By the twentieth century, institutions of higher learning in the United States had adopted a well-defined code of academic costume, which now includes the identification of the different academic degrees by distinctive gowns, hoods and colors. For instance, the baccalaureate gown is worn closed and is identified by long, pleated front panels and long, pointed sleeves. The master's gown has very long sleeves, closed at the bottom, and the arms of the wearer are placed through an opening in the front of the sleeves. Doctoral gowns are distinguished by velvet panels around the neck and down the front of the gown. Three horizontal black velvet bars also mark the doctorate. In America, the hood is the most colorful feature of academic regalia. The bachelor's hood, when worn, is comparatively short; the master's, a bit longer; and the doctor's, at four feet, reaches far down the wearer's back. The outside of the hood is black and is bordered with a two-, three- or five-inch band of velvet in the color representing the degree received, and the hood is lined with the colors of the granting institution. For instance, the Master of Arts hood from Texas A&M has a white border, for the discipline color of Arts, Letters and Humanities, with a maroon and white lining; the Master of Science hood has a golden yellow border, for Science, with a maroon and white lining; and the Doctor of Philosophy hood has a border in the blue of Philosophy with a maroon and white lining. Among the other discipline colors are Agriculturemaize, Architecture - violet, Business - olive green, Education - light blue, Engineering—orange and Veterinary Medicine—gray. These colors represent the degree earned, not the academic major. The Ph.D. in Engineering, for example, would normally wear the dark blue of Philosophy on the hood and gown instead of the orange of Engineering. Official guests of the University and members of the Board of Regents wear the doctor's gown with the blue of Philosophy on the front and hood.

#### Ceremonial Mace

The University mace, a gift of the Class of 1990, leads the academic procession at commencement and on other special ceremonial occasions. Historically, the use of a mace dates back to the Middle Ages and was carried before or placed near a magistrate or other dignitary as an ensign of authority. This mace is made of sterling silver, walnut and oak and depicts various University symbols. It was designed by Rodney Hill, Texas A&M architecture professor who also carved the staff. Silversmith Lane Coulter '78, of Santa Fe, prepared the silver head of the mace and Lars Stanley '74, of Austin, designed and manufactured the stand.

# Gonfalons

The gonfalon, a flag that hangs from a crosspiece or frame, originated in the medieval republics of Italy as an ensign of state or office. Gonfalons have been adopted in many universities around the world as college or institutional insignias. The gonfalons displayed represent the colleges of Texas A&M University. The colors of the University, maroon and white, are joined together in a pattern common to all of the flags. The top portion is the designated color for each unit. The white field serves as a background for the symbol of each.

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. On a ground of white appears an emerging sun of yellow and russet rays. Yellow, the discipline color of science, russet, the discipline color of natural resources, and the center orange, color of engineering, combine to illustrate the intellectual interest in human and biological systems and structures. The interweaving ring encompasses the dawn making a full circle of life.

College of Architecture. The College of Architecture is comprised of three departments, all dedicated to the advancement of the built environment: Architecture, Construction Science, and Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning. The central triangle, a key shape in the field of architecture, symbolizes power, resilience, and direction, which is tilted to reveal its dimensionality, a non-planar object manipulated by the designer in exploration of unique perspectives. The rectilinear towers that encompass the triangular shape represent the monumental constructions throughout the history of architecture. These structures are all placed upon the foundation, which symbolizes the beginning of architectural education and knowledge. The three ribbons represent the builder's creativity (yellow), reliability (blue), and dedication (red), the essential values instilled within each student in the College of Architecture, leading towards a better world through the scope of knowledge and exploration.

College of Arts and Sciences. The symbol shows the connectivity of the distinct areas of knowledge in the College of Arts and Sciences. The components around the hexagonal ring are the domains of sciences, humanities, and social sciences. The design of the ring illustrates how these interlocking domains of learning and scholarship are united in the College of Arts and Sciences.

**Bush School of Government and Public Service.** The star symbolizes pride and heritage in our great state of Texas. The two lines on either side of the star represent our connection with the past, and with the future, in an effort to build on experiences from history, while contributing and presenting new opportunities to future generations.

**Mays Business School.** The golden knot symbolizes unity and coordination of the disciplines of business administration. Surrounding the golden knot, a field of purple represents the rank of authority. The foundation of

lozenges under the triangle illustrates the flow of order.

College of Dentistry. The color lilac has been associated with dentistry since the 1800s, symbolizing compassion and inspiration. Upon it, rests the Greek Omicron, O, representing the first letter in "odont," meaning tooth, along with an interlaced Delta representing the letter D for Dentistry. The inner-most component of the emblem depicts healing, as signified with a serpent intertwined around the ancient cauterizing rod of the Greek god of healing, Asceplius. Included in the emblem, are 32 leaves and 20 berries representing both the primary and secondary teeth.

**College of Education and Human Development.** The flourishing flame blazoned with gold, light blue and royal purple signifies the burning zeal of the three missions of education—teaching, research and service. The hands hold the spiritual, social and intellectual flame of education.

College of Engineering. As the triangles collaborate alongside each other, projecting a diamond shape, they depict the strong relationship between the diverse engineering disciplines. The use of mathematics, science and technology provide the foundation of solving today's challenging ideas between and within each engineering department. The center illustrates a circuit board to express the continuing growth in technology and engineering today, resulting in new industries and opportunities. The cohesive elements of this design work together as a whole symbolizing communication, interaction, teamwork, and balance in Engineering as the green, blue and navy color palette represents energy, loyalty, wisdom, professionalism and ambition.

School of Law. A widely accepted symbol of peace, the olive leaves highlight one of the most critical contributions of law and legal order to human development. Curving inwards, they also bring to mind the Aggie Ring—and the circle of fellowship and community it represents. Lady Justice symbolizes the values our graduates bring to bear in their careers: a spirit of objectivity (blindfold), an unwavering commitment to fairness (scales), and the strength necessary to pursue it (sword). The six stars, finally, represent Texas A&M's Core Values—Leadership, Respect, Loyalty, Excellence, Selfless Service, and Integrity—essential requirements of not only members of the legal profession, but all those who study the law and seek to advance justice, fairness, and the Rule of Law.

**College of Medicine.** The white field provides a background for the Aesculapian staff and serpent, long used as the symbol of the healing arts. The green color is the same displayed on the hoods and robes worn for the degree of Doctor of Medicine.

**College of Nursing.** The stars on the College of Nursing gonfalon represent caring, innovation and empowerment, while the cross symbolizes the origins of nursing. The candle honors the founder of nursing, Florence Nightingale. Apricot is the color of nursing.

College of Performance, Visualization and Fine Arts. The center of the design is a Penrose triangle, which is a continuous triangle, and an impossible 3D shape. The triangle combines math and creativity through the optical illusion it creates. The extensions of the triangle symbolize growth in all directions, while the overall triangular form communicates unity and continuity.

**Irma Lerma Rangel College of Pharmacy.** The mortar and pestle on the College of Pharmacy gonfalon symbolize the tools of traditional pharmacy. The Rx is from the Latin, "Take thou."

School of Public Health. The anchor and caduceus are adapted from the national Public Health Service, which evolved from the Marine Hospital Service to the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service, and finally became the U.S. Public Health Service. The star represents the linkage of the School of Public Health with the Texas A&M Health Science Center and the State of Texas. The salmon color is the color of the public health hoods.

**College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.** Resting upon a ground of purity, a white snake stands for the science and the art of prevention, cure or alleviation of disease and injury to animals. It is found entwined around a herald's green staff—the symbol of service. The golden radiant triangle atop the Aesculapius illustrates the breadth of veterinary medical science.

# "The Spirit of Aggieland"

# By Mimms-Dunn

Some may boast of prowess' bold, Of the school they think so grand, But there's a spirit can ne'er be told, It's the spirit of Aggieland.

#### Chorus

We are the Aggies—the Aggies are we, True to each other as Aggies can be. We've got to fight, boys, We've got to fight! We've got to fight for Maroon and White. After they've boosted all the rest, They will come and join the best, For we are the Aggies—the Aggies so true, We're from Texas A M U.

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