

Texas A&M International University

Spring 2010
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Friday, May 14 and Saturday, May 15, 2010



THE COMMENCEMENT PROCESSION

THE OFFICIAL PARTY

University Mace, Dr. William W. Riggs, President, Faculty Senate
President, Dr. Ray M. Keck, III
Commencement Speaker, Dr. Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana
Commencement Speaker, Mr. Joe Arciniega
Chief Auditor, The Texas A&M University System, Cathy Smock
Texas State Senator, District 21, Dr. Judith Zaffirini
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Pablo Arenaz
Vice President for Finance and Administration, Juan J. Castillo, Jr.
Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Candy Hein
Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Dr. Thomas R. Mitchell
Dean, A. R. Sanchez, Jr. School of Business, Dr. Stephen R. Sears
Dean, College of Education, Dr. Humberto González
Dean, College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Dr. Regina Aune
Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, Dr. Jeffrey M. Brown
Dean of Student Success, Dr. Minita Ramírez
Assistant Professor of Military Science, Capt. Martín Longoria
President, Student Government, Christine Cortez

Marshalls:

Friday, May 14

Dr. Bernice Sánchez
Assistant Professor of Education
Ysena Gómez, Student
College of Education

Dr. George R. Clarke
Killam Distinguished Professor of Economics
María Esther Gómez, Student
A. R. Sanchez, Jr. School of Business

Saturday, May 15

Dr. Faridoun Farrokh
Professor of English
Rene Camacho, Student
College of Arts and Sciences

Carmen Bruni
Assistant Professor of Nursing
Jennifer González, Student
College of Nursing and Health Sciences

College Banners:

Friday, May 14

Claudia Guevara, Student
College of Education

Cristina Martínez, Student
A. R. Sanchez, Jr. School of Business

Saturday, May 15

Lilia Eskildsen, Student
College of Arts and Sciences

Patricia Aros, Student
College of Nursing and Health Sciences

THE ORDER OF EXERCISES

Master of Ceremonies
Dr. Pablo Arenaz, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Fanfare and Processional		Texas A&M International University Symphonic Band Dr. David García Conductor
Opening Declaration		Dr. Pablo Arenaz Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Presentation of Colors		Texas A&M International University ROTC Captain Martín Longoria
National Anthem	May 14	Claudio Arias Interim Director of Athletics
	May 15	Dana Crabtree Music Instructor Accompanied by the TAMIU Symphonic Band
Commencement Speaker	May 14	Dr. Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education U.S. Department of Education
Commencement Speaker	May 15	Joe Arciniega Former technology executive and community theater advocate
Distinguished Student Scholar	May 14	Alejandra Lascurain Class of 2010
	May 15	Jessica Cadena Class of 2010
University Scholar Award		Dr. Pablo Arenaz Assisted by Dr. William W. Riggs, President, Faculty Senate
University Teacher Award		
Distance Educator of the Year Award		
Authorization of Degrees		Cathy Smock Chief Auditor, The Texas A&M University System
Certification of Candidates for Degrees		Dr. Pablo Arenaz
Conferring of Degrees		Dr. Ray M. Keck, III President
Commissioning of ROTC Cadet		Captain Martín Longoria Assistant Professor of Military Science
Presentation of Candidates for Degrees		Mary Treviño Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs
Hooding of Doctoral Degrees		Dr. Pablo Arenaz
Alma Mater		Dana Crabtree
Prayer of Gratitude		Christine Cortez President, Student Government
Closing Declaration		Dr. Pablo Arenaz
Recessional March		TAMIU Symphonic Band

Commencement Speaker
Dr. Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana
Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education
Department of Education



Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana was confirmed as assistant secretary for elementary and secondary education at the Department of Education by the U.S. Senate on July 24, 2009. In this position, she plays a pivotal role in policy and management issues affecting elementary and secondary education. She directs, coordinates and recommends policy for programs designed to assist state and local education agencies with improving the achievement of elementary and secondary school students. She helps ensure equal access to services leading to such improvement for all children, particularly children who are economically disadvantaged. She fosters educational improvement at the state and local levels, and provides financial assistance to local education agencies whose local revenues are affected by federal activities. She also serves as the principal adviser to the U.S. secretary of education on all matters related to pre-k, elementary and secondary education.

Prior to arriving at the Department, Meléndez served as superintendent of the Pomona Unified School District (Calif.) since 2006. During her tenure in this very diverse district serving 31,000 students, three-quarters of whom were eligible for free or reduced-price lunch and 44 percent of whom were English language learners, she was directly responsible for the three highest increases in the Academic Proficiency Index in the district's history as well as the second highest gain in the API for all California school districts. Two high schools in the district were ranked in 2007 by U.S. News & World Report as among America's top 500 high schools out of 18,000 nationwide. She also designed and launched a mathematics and science magnet school and a charter school for grades 7 through 12 at-risk students. She created a health sciences and an engineering academy as well as a partnership with California Polytechnic University, among other universities, to create a health career pathway. In 2009, her success as an education leader was recognized by the American Association of School Administrators, which voted her California Superintendent of the Year.

From 2005 to 2006, Meléndez worked on district-level reform in her position as program manager at the nonprofit Stupski Foundation. Here she focused on creating high-performance learning organizations to raise student achievement and close achievement gaps. Her portfolio included the 23,000-student Pasadena (Calif.) School District and the 40,000-student Illinois School District U-46. She also served on the foundation's Executive Leadership Team.

From 1999 to 2005, Meléndez served as deputy and assistant superintendent and chief academic officer at Pomona Unified, where she redesigned instructional services to increase student achievement and support to school sites. In these positions she achieved a 50-percent decrease in the number of low-achieving schools as measured by California accountability standards.

Prior to her work at Pomona Unified, Meléndez was director of school-family initiatives at the Los Angeles Annenberg Metropolitan Project, where she oversaw grants for the Annenberg Foundation and implemented schoolwide accountability reform in 15 Los Angeles County school districts. From 1992 to 1997, she served as an educator in the Montebello and Pasadena Unified School districts, assuming the positions of director of instruction, principal, assistant principal and teacher. And from 1990 to 2002, she served in various faculty positions at universities in California.

Meléndez has been recognized frequently for her educational leadership. In 2009, she was named California Superintendent of the Year. In 2007, she was named Latina of Excellence, a national honor accorded to six Latinas "of great distinction in their fields" by Hispanic Magazine, receiving the Educationalist award. In 2006, Meléndez was selected to be a fellow in the Broad Superintendents Academy, a national honor awarded to 18 "outstanding, dynamic, entrepreneurial" public school leaders. In 2005, she was recognized as an Outstanding K-12 School Leader & Distinguished Partner for Educational Excellence by California State Polytechnic University at Pomona. And, in 2003, she was named Outstanding Educator of the Year by the Los Angeles County Bilingual Directors Association.

Meléndez earned her Ph.D. from the University of Southern California, where she was in the Rossier School of Education program specializing in language, literacy and learning. She earned a bachelor's degree cum laude in sociology from the University of California at Los Angeles. She is married to Otto Santa Ana, a professor in the Department of Chicano Studies at UCLA.



Commencement Speaker

Joe Arciniega

Former technology executive and community theater advocate

Joe Arciniega is a former technology executive for Atari and Microsoft who returned his family to Laredo after 27 years in Los Angeles and Seattle.

He was Chief Operating Officer of Humongous Entertainment, a software game company, ultimately managing its sale to Atari. He followed that as President of an Internet commerce company through its IPO, and then completed his technology career as a partner-level executive with Microsoft.

Arciniega is a Laredo theater veteran from the 1970's, and since his return to Laredo, he has been seen in *Arsenic and Old Lace*, Gore Vidal's *The Best Man*, as "El Wiz" in *The Wiz*, and more recently, as Quixote/Cervantes in *Man of La Mancha*, which inaugurated the Texas A&M International University Center for the Fine and Performing Arts Theatre.

He is a graduate of the American Academy of Dramatic Arts (AADA) in Los Angeles, and was a leading member of the AADA Repertory Company. He has served on various charity and business advisory boards, including audiences with government ministers in Japan and China on education issues.

He has presided as a speaker for both the Hispanic and Black Congressional Caucuses in Washington, D.C. on minority education, technology access for underserved minority communities, and on workplace diversity. Arciniega was also Guest Speaker and Panelist for the Rainbow PUSH Conference in Silicon Valley with Jesse Jackson, the televised Newsweek/MSNBC Birmingham Summit on Diversity with Brian Williams, and the Chicago United Leadership Forum.

He is a founding member and Artistic Director of Laredo Theater Guild International and is on their Board of Directors. He is also a Board Member and on the Executive Council of the Laredo Philharmonic Orchestra. He and his wife Teena have four children.



Distinguished Student Scholar **Alejandra Lascurain**

Born in Mexico City, Alejandra is the oldest daughter of Alejandro and Mónica Lascurain. She started her studies in León, Guanajuato, México, attended elementary school in Mexico City, middle school in Oaxaca, México and moved to the United States in 2004, graduating from Laredo's J. B. Alexander High School.

Today, she earns a Bachelor of Business Administration in International Economics, acquired in three years from the A. R. Sanchez, Jr. School of Business (3.79 GPA.)

While a student at TAMIU, she was the recipient of a full academic scholarship from the D. D. Hachar Honors Program and a member of the National Honor Society, Phi Kappa Phi and the National Business Honor Society, Beta Gamma Sigma.

In 2007-2008 she received the Student Government Association's Member of the Year and Leadership Awards. She was presented the Undergraduate Academic Excellence Award for 2007-2008 and 2008-2009. A Senator for the Student Government representing the Sanchez School, she was also vice president of the TAMIU Tennis Club, 2008-2009 and Executive Coordinator for the Student Honor Advisory Council 2009-2010. She completed an internship at BSL, a Forwarding and Logistics Agency.

She believes her childhood spent living in eight cities well prepared her to learn the value of enduring friendships and the importance of developing pivotal people skills.



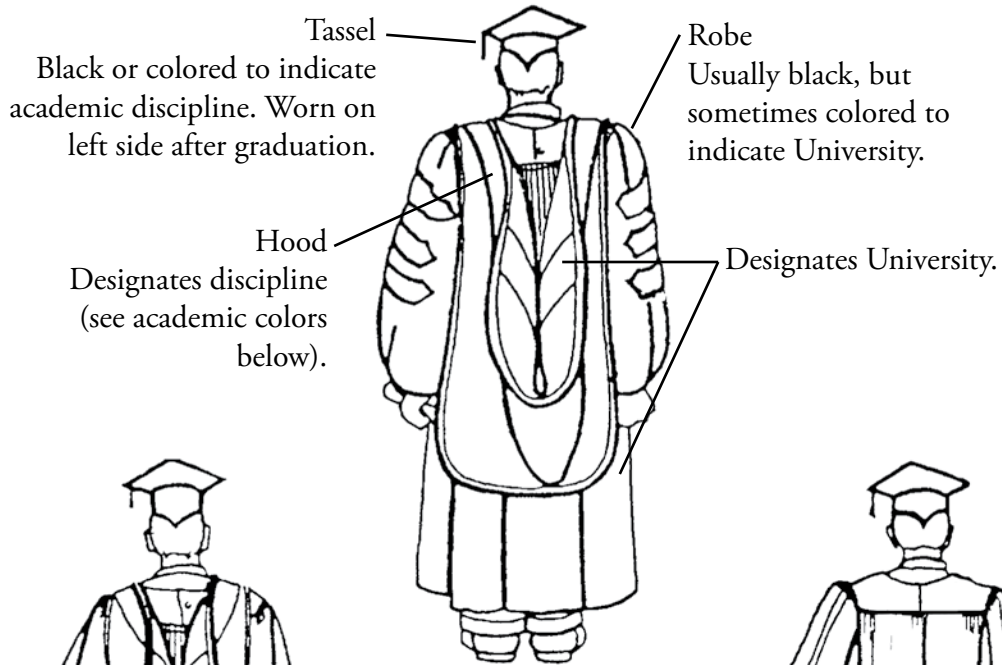
Distinguished Student Scholar **Jessica Cadena**

Jessica Cadena is the daughter of Leopoldo and Francisca Cadena. She was born in San Antonio, and raised in Laredo with her four siblings. She graduated from Nye Elementary, United Middle, and John B. Alexander High School's Magnet for Health and Sciences. Today, she earns a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and becomes a first-generation college graduate.

While a student at TAMIU, she was recognized for her outstanding achievement in academics by earning certificates of merit and Honor Roll inclusion. As an active member in the Student Nurses Association, she enjoyed working alongside her classmates as they learned how to give back to their Laredo community.

She plans to complete two years of nursing experience before entering the Dr. F. M. Canseco School of Nursing Masters Program. She also hopes to become a nurse practitioner in the near future.

THE ACADEMIC REGALIA



DOCTOR



MASTER



BACHELOR

Academic Colors

- Maize - Agriculture
- White - Arts, Letters, Humanities
- Drab - Business Administration
- Lilac - Dentistry
- Copper - Economics
- Light Blue - Education
- Brown - Fine Arts
- Russet - Forestry
- Maroon - Home Economics
- Crimson - Journalism
- Purple - Law
- Lemon - Library Science
- Green - Medicine
- Pink - Music
- Apricot - Nursing
- Silver Gray - Speech
- Olive Green - Pharmacy
- Dark Blue - Philosophy
- Sage Green - Physical Education
- Peacock Blue - Public Administration
- Salmon Pink - Public Health
- Gold - Yellow - Science
- Citron - Social Science
- Scarlet - Theology of Divinity
- Gray - Veterinary Science

Academic Costumes and Regalia: A Brief History and Chronology By Dr. Stephen Lunce and Dr. Jerry Thompson

Academic costumes of today have a history of nearly eight hundred years. In Medieval Europe men and women typically wore gowns or robes. There was a great deal of variety in color and material, depending upon the position and wealth of the wearer. Gradually there developed distinctive gowns for various professions, trades and religious orders. Students and teachers in many medieval universities such as Paris, Oxford and Cambridge organized themselves into guilds. Gradually the academic costume become distinctive for Bachelors of Arts (the apprentices), Masters of Arts (the teachers), and Doctors (teachers who had completed postgraduate studies). Most of the distinctive characteristics appeared in the hood, which was originally a practical element of dress, but which evolved into a separate and purely ornamental article, draped over the shoulder and down the back. The academic cap was a later development. It was first conferred as a symbol of the M. A. Degree. Some of these Master's caps were stiff, some soft, some square, some round with a tuft in the center. Today's tassel is an elaboration of the tuft. Although round caps are still used at some universities, Oxford University's "mortar board" style is more common. The dress worn by faculty and graduates during Commencement ceremonies is based upon costumes used in 14th and 15th century universities, particularly Oxford and Cambridge in England. This style of academic dress and accoutrements has been used in the United States from colonial times, and it was standardized by an Intercollegiate Code in 1895. Like the military of medieval times with its pages, squires, and knights, the academic world has long recognized three basic levels of dignity and achievement; these are: undergraduates, bachelors, and masters. The distinction between masters and doctors is a relatively recent phenomenon; both masters and doctors levels of achievement imply the right to teach. The variety of styles and colors seen in a faculty procession reflects the fact that each university retains its own distinguishing customs as especially revealed by the design of its doctoral robes. When a university is granted the right to confer doctoral degrees, one of the privileges that accompanies that right is the opportunity to design unique and distinctive regalia for its graduates.

12th/13th Centuries: Origin of academic dress – the dress of the scholar (student or teacher) is the dress of a cleric. Long robes are needed for warmth in unheated buildings; likewise, the hood provided warmth for the tonsured head. Eventually, a skullcap replaces the hood, 1321. University of Colombia stipulates that all "Doctors, Licentiates and Bachelors' wear robes."

14th Century: Regulations of certain colleges in England forbid "excess in apparel" and prescribed a long gown for all scholars. Oxford and Cambridge prescribe a definite academic dress and exercise university control over all details.

19th Century (late): Assignment of specific colors to signify certain faculties is standardized in the United States.

1887: Gardner Cotrell Leonard's designed gowns adopted by Williams College. The standardization of American system of academic dress has begun.

1895: Representatives of leading institutions, including Leonard, meeting as the Intercollegiate Commission, define a system of academic apparel. In the meeting, held at Columbia University, the first academic costume code for different disciplines is established.

1932: American Council on Education approves the costume code established by the Intercollegiate Commission.

1959: Academic costume code is updated.

1986: The American Council on Education committee adds the following sentence to the code to clarify the use of dark blue for the Ph.D. Degree. "In the case of the Doctor of Philosophy Degree, the dark blue color is used to represent the mastery of the discipline of learning and scholarship in any field that is attested to by the awarding of this degree and is not intended to represent the field of philosophy."

Ceremonial Mace

Dating back to medieval times when they were used as weapons of war, maces are now symbols of institutional authority and used on ceremonial occasions.

The TAMIU Mace is a wood staff crowned with laurel leaves and anchored by a series of silver bands naming the University's presidents. It signifies the University's power to protect knowledge against those seeking to undermine or exploit it, while also representing TAMIU's commitment to intellectual honesty and integrity and the civic trust acknowledged with its display and use.

Memory Stoles

Memory Stoles, worn around the neck throughout the graduation ceremony, are a way for graduates to share this memorable occasion with a special person. Wear it with pride and give the Memory Stole to someone who helped you in your personal quest for knowledge.

COUNTRY FLAGS

These flags represent countries or territories of current students and alumni of the University.

Albania	Ethiopia	Liberia	Sierra Leon
Algeria	Finland	Libya	Singapore
Bahrain	France	Malaysia	South Africa
Bangladesh	Gambia	México	South Korea
Barbados	Germany	Morocco	Spain
Belize	Ghana	Nepal	Sri Lanka
Bolivia	Greece	Netherlands	Suriname
Brazil	Guam	Netherlands Antilles	Sweden
Bulgaria	Guatemala	Nicaragua	Switzerland
Cambodia	Guyana	Nigeria	Taiwan
Cameroon	Honduras	Norway	Thailand
Canada	Hong Kong	Pakistan	Turkey
Chile	India	Panama	Uganda
China, People's Republic	Indonesia	Paraguay	Ukraine
China, Republic of Taiwan	Iran	Peru	United Arab Emirates
Colombia	Ireland	Philippines	United Kingdom
Costa Rica	Israel	Puerto Rico	United States of America
Cuba	Italy	Republic of Equatorial Guinea	Uzbekistan
Cyprus	Ivory Coast	Republic of Georgia	Venezuela
Czech Republic	Japan	Republic of Korea	Virgin Islands
Dominican Republic	Jordan	Romania	Zambia
Ecuador	Kazakhstan	Russia	
El Salvador	Kenya	Rwanda	
Eritrea	Lebanon	Scotland	

Honors at Graduation

Graduates receiving honors or distinction are acknowledged in the following manner:

D.D. Hachar Honors Program

Students who are members of the D.D. Hachar Honors Program will be designated by the silver medallion they wear during Commencement.

University Honors

Each year at Commencement, Texas A&M International University recognizes outstanding graduates based on grade point average with University Honors. These students are designated by gold cords worn at Commencement and their honors are announced as follows:

Cum Laude – with honors ***Magna Cum Laude*** – with high honors ***Summa Cum Laude*** – with highest honors.

Honor Societies

The following honor societies are represented on campus.

Alpha Kappa Delta - International Sociology Honor Society

Beta Beta Beta - National Biological Honor Society

Kappa Delta Pi - International Honor Society in Education

Phi Kappa Phi - All-Discipline Honor Society

Pi Sigma Alpha - National Political Science Honor Society

Psi Chi - National Society in Psychology

Sigma Delta Pi - National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society

Sigma Tau Delta - National Honor Society in English.

TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Graduation Candidates - May 14, 2010, 8 p.m.

A.R. SANCHEZ, JR. SCHOOL OF BUSINESS **Bachelor of Business Administration**

Nuria Isabel Abud Chávez
Alejandro Adame
Rubén I. Aguirre
Fanny Alcantar
Isela Álvarez
Abdiel Amador
Manuel Ancira González
Jennifer Esther Buckley
Stephany Arleen Cardenas
Carla Yadhira Casanova
Alfonso Castilla
Eugenia A. Castillo
Mayra Xochitl Castillo
Rogelio Cazares Jr
Elma L. Chapa
Luis Alonso Cisneros Jr.
Diana O. Contreras
Danny G. Cornejo
Jesús Eduardo Cuevas
Johan Alexis Dorronsoro
Angeles Flores
Sonia A. Flores
Cesar García
Enrique Salvador García
Pedro Luis García Salas
Sergio A. García
Mayra Cristina Garza
Grisell Garza-Gongora
María Esther Gómez
Roxana P. Gómez
John Gonzales
José de Jesús González
Ricardo Guerra Jr.
Adriana L. Jiménez López
Alejandra Lascurain
Erica Lynn López
Martha Juanita Lozano
Cecilia Elizabeth Macias
Andrés Enrique Márquez
Cristina Martínez
Cynthia Eliza Martínez
Robert Thomas McCain Jr.
Paula Carolina Medina
Amanda E. Mendiola
Ivan Molina Lee
Fernando Montemayor
Marissa Jacquelyn Montoya
Samantha Jo Moreno
Denisse Moreno-García
Gordon Keith Muhammad Jr.
Ilse A. Nevarez
Armando Alfonso Nieto Cortéz
Platon F. Ostos
Priscilla Yvette Palacios
Elvira Pescador
Jacob Anthony Puig

Ernesto G. Rendón
Fabiola Rodríguez
Kesia Berenice Rodríguez
Luis Antonio Rodríguez
Mayra J. Rodríguez
Patricia Ann Rodríguez
Stephanie Rodríguez
Gabriela Ruiz
Alejandra Salazar Rodríguez
John Paul Margarito Sánchez
Rebecca Y. Sánchez
Dolores E. Schandua
Josue David Serna
Elizabeth Jane Váldez
Hilda Raquel Vázquez
Guillermo M. Vela Jr.
Christopher Villarreal
Lynda Victoria Villarreal
Michael Anthony Wu

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science

Sarai L. Álvarez
Omelia Arreola
Christine Aviles
Jonathan Becerra
Edna T. Cantú
Omar G. Cardenas
Raquel Castilleja
Claudia Cortinas
Cynthia Chalane Cruz
Irene Salinas Delacqueseaux
Ysena Rena Gamez
Diana Angela García
Jesús A. García
Ilse Jacqueline Garza
Mariel González
Maribel Guzmán López
Deidra Monique Martínez
Clovershea McGill
Sandra C. Mendoza
Corina Margarita Ojeda
Peter Pardo
Claudia V. Ramírez
Myna Elizabeth Rentería
Leonel Rodríguez Acevedo
Bryan Michael Smith
Daniella María Solís
Vanessa Lorraine Soto
Lizette Vergara
Nancy Castillo Zamarripa
Arek C. Zambanini

Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies

Lorena P. Acosta
Dalia Alvarado
Irma Barberena
María G. Betance
Adelina Botello

Michelle Camarillo
Francisca Cuéllar Campos
Claudia Griselda Cardenas
Iris Vianey Carpio
Cristyan Carrizales
Angélica María Castillo
Cynthia R. Cavazos
Amanda Lizeth Chapa
Lizet J. Contreras
Ivette Corral
Krystle G. Cuéllar
Brenda Guadalupe Cuevas
Lucía J. De La Garza
Celica Arlette Díaz
Luis Antonio Elizondo
Xotchil Elizondo
Brenda G. Fabela
Gloria Adriana Flores
Cynthia Denise Gallardo
Erika Gallardo
Alexa Galván
Alessandra Ivette Gamez
Alicia Janette García
María V. García
Janet Garza
Melva Garza Barrios
Anacesilia Gaytán
Patricia Gaytán
Rachael Arlene Gómez
Angélica María González
Emmy Lou González
Tanya Shanteé González
San Juanita M. Granados
Judith Guerra Carreon
Claudia Y. Guevara
Melissa Guevara
Elizabeth Gutiérrez
Gabriela Hernández
Vanessa Marie Hernández
Perla L. Herrera
Dora A. Jarrell
Yanet Araceli Lechuga
Brenda R. Linares
Elva Elisa López Molina
Jessica Lozano
Larissa Levina Luna
Belinda Ann Magaña-Martínez
Jacqueline Marín
Alexandra C. Márquez
Fidel Alejandro Martínez
Orlando Francisco Mauricio
Rosa María Medina
Christine Mendoza
Cindy Montes
Elizabeth Morales
Marissa Jessica Morales
Verónica Briseño Morales
Sara Alicia Moreno
Rose Marie Múñiz
Melanie Naldo
Raquel Ortíz
Blanca Delia Palomo

Patricia Pastrana
Juana Iris Peña
Lilia Peña
Alma Yadira Pérez
Dennise Yvette Pérez
María Cristina Prado
Leslie A. Quiroz
Gabriela Raga
Alina Irene Ramírez
Claudia N. Ramírez
Cynthia Isabel Ramírez
Carolina Resendez
Belinda Rivera
Liliana Robles
Emily Rodríguez
Jennifer Nicole Salazar
Mayra Salinas
Cynthia Sánchez
Erika M. Soto
Merari Abigail Taboada
Thelma Terrazas
Mónica Tovar
Alicia Trejo
Kristina M. Treviño
Janelle M. Vela
Teresa Vielma
Esmeralda Lara Villarreal
Graciela Zamarrón

A.R. SANCHEZ, JR. SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Master of Business Administration

George M. Ayala
Judith Denice Barrera
Erika R. Benavides
Domingo E. Chávez
Chen Ju Chen
Hsiu-Yi Chen
Shao-Yin Chen
Ya-Hsuan Chen
Mophat Chongo
Jaclyn R. De La Viña
Oskar Ulises Diosdado
Ana Lilia Gallegos
Jaime García
Pedro Jacob García
Michelle Denise Gonzales
Humberto González Jr.
Sandra Guadalupe Gutiérrez Medellín
Cristina Jolee Hernández
Gerardo Hernández Hernández
Gerardo Samuel Hernández Ortiz
Madhu Kilari
Guan-Syuan Li
Tzu-Ya Liao
Chia-Ying Lin
Meng-Han Liu
Shih-Yun Liu
Elsa Patricia López Gómez
Kuo-Ying Ma
Jacobo Edmundo Morales
Carlos Mora Najera
Luz María Ortiz

Luis Rincon
Pei-Wen Shang
Mayra Alejandra Skopal
Meng-Hsiang Su
Christopher Allan Swan
Marina Teran
Francisco Ivan Torres Macario
Rou Wen
Chao-Yi Wu
Li Chin Yen

Master of Professional Accountancy

María Laura Benavides-Elizondo
Juan Manuel Caballero Jr.
Nancy G. Castillo
Kimberly Renee Compean
Christine Alyson Cortéz
Edgar Domínguez
Priscilla M. Hinojosa
María Luisa Martínez
Dinesh Suresh Moorjani
Lorraine Muñoz
Christina Marie Rodríguez
Rosbel Soliz Jr.
Hiram Vásquez Jr.
San Juanita Ruby Zavala

Master of Science

Arthi Angu
SriVani Guttikonda
Sudeep Reddy Kotha
Sravan Kumar Madadi
Sandeep Natta
Ravikiran Puchalapalli
Vijay Singh
Amable Antonio Viloría

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Master of Science

Elena Martínez Castañeda
Celina Jessica Castillo
Johanna Yvette Garza
Diana María González
Patricia Cristina Gutiérrez
Graciela I. Hernández
Damaris I. Juárez
Elsa Llano
Crystal Yvette Martínez
Amanda Leeanne Muñoz
Claudia L. Ortiz
Roberto Ortiz
Joanna Peña-García
Andrea Lenee Ramírez
Nannette Ramos
Viola L. Rees
Maricella Salinas
Diana Y. Smith
June Allison Ureste
Kristina Lee Valladolid

Master of Science in Education

Samantha Almanza Maltos
José Ricardo Benavides
Miguel Angel Chávez
Magdalena Contreras

María Azucena Domínguez
Elizabeth Esparza
Hector René Flores
Jesús Flores
Cristina Gutiérrez
Jessica Gutiérrez
Eduardo Ernesto López
Emma López
Rocío López
Christopher Lozano
Mark David Maddox
Cynthia Georgina Molano
Cheryl Christine Pérez
Cynthia Lourdes Ramírez
María De Los Angeles Rivera
Santos Rodríguez
Rosa Clara Salazar Herran
Elizabeth G. Salinas
Sonia Guadalupe Trejo
Norma Laura Vera
Patricia Omidee Villarreal

A.R. SANCHEZ, JR. SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Doctor of Philosophy in International Business Administration

Jesús S. Carmona
Agustina Alicia Cavazos-Garza
Ruth María del Carmen Chatelain Jardón
Eli Samuel González Trejo



Graduation Candidates - May 15, 2010, 9 a.m.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Bachelor of Arts

Mary Robin McGregor Anderson
Catherine Jerline Archer
Manuel H. Barragán
Sandra Edith Benavides
Erika Leticia Berlanga
Mallely del Carmen Blanco
James E. Bravo III
Juan Roberto Buentello
Michael Bustamante
Bernadette Cassandra Cabello
Aramazti Neleb Canales
Jacqueline Canales
Carlos Andrés Cantú
Carlos P. Castillo
Alejandra Cavazos
Francisco Cavazos
Mario Gerardo Cavazos, Jr.
Armando Cervantes
Liliana Cisneros
Sandra Contreras
Amy Felicia Correa
Karla M. De La Rosa
Juanita Durán
Brenda Liliana Escudero
Lilia Ludim Eskildsen
J. Victor Flores IV
Francesca A. Forno
Francisco Fuentes
Cynthia Angélica Gallardo Limón
Elena Rebecca García
Gina Yvette García
Ingrid Selene García
Lidia A. García
Nancy García
Yvette García
Eric Garza
Julissa Estrada Garza
Mayra Alejandra Garza
Octavio Rafael Gómez Jerez
Alma G. González
Jorge Luis Guerrero
Diana Patricia Hamblen
David Hernández
Ashley Dawn Hill
Tracy Johnson
Cindy Villanueva López
David Laurence Lozano
Priscilla G. Lozano
Jovita E. Luna
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