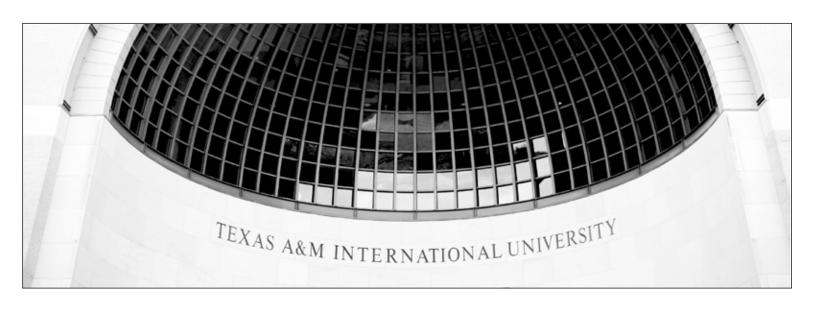


# Fall 2013 COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES



#### The University

Texas A&M International University (TAMIU) is an international University, poised at the Gateway to México. It serves as the cultural and intellectual hub of a vibrant bilingual and bicultural community. A Member of The Texas A&M University System, TAMIU is committed to the preparation of students for leadership roles in their chosen profession in an increasingly complex, culturally diverse state, national and global society. The University provides over 7,000 students with a learning environment anchored by the highest quality programs built on a solid academic foundation in the arts and sciences. To fulfill its mission, the University offers a range of baccalaureate and masters programs and the Doctor of Philosophy degree in International Business. All programs focus on developing undergraduate and graduate offerings with a progressive international agenda for global study and understanding across all disciplines. On average, students come to the University from over 30 different countries each semester, creating a diverse learning and living community.

#### **Our Mission**

Through instruction, faculty and student research, TAMIU embodies a strategic point of delivery for well-defined programs and services that improve the quality of life for citizens of the border region, the State of Texas, and national and international communities.

#### **Our History**

In August of 1970, students were accepted at what was then Texas A&I University at Laredo. While initially a "center" under then-Texas A&I University, this was the start of a legacy of higher education for South Texas. The focus then was to address a demand in teacher education and business disciplines. Texas A&I University at Laredo was organized under the upper-level concept of higher education, offering junior and senior level course work, providing a local bachelor's degree opportunity. The upper-level University later expanded to include graduate degree programs. In September 1977, the University became Laredo State University, and its "center" status was officially removed in 1987. As the University grew, its scope widened and an expanded faculty was recruited to deliver new programs. The University became a Member of The Texas A&M University System on September 1, 1989, and its name changed

to Texas A&M International University in 1993.

The 74th Texas Legislature approved an expansion to four-year status in the Fall of 1995, further authorizing the University to develop joint degree programs with Mexican and Canadian institutions of higher education. Additional authorization has permitted the development of doctoral level programs. In 1995 the University welcomed its first freshmen and sophomore students, inaugurated a new 300-acre campus in northeast Laredo and marked its 25th anniversary.

#### **TAMIU Today**

The campus has completed Phase V of its Master Plan, including the Center for the Fine and Performing Arts' Theatre and the Kinesiology, Wellness and Recreation Center. The Senator Zaffirini Student Success Center was dedicated in this fall. The campus complex now represents a nearly \$200 million investment in higher education in Laredo. The University is currently completing an expansion of its Student Center. Funded by a fee increase referendum approved by student vote in Spring 2012, it focuses on a two-story addition that connects the north and south sides of the Student Center across its east end patio.

Now a regional University of choice, TAMIU is home to four colleges: the College of Arts and Sciences, the A. R. Sanchez, Jr. School of Business, the College of Education and the College of Nursing and Health Sciences with its Dr. F. M. Canseco School of Nursing.

# THE COMMENCEMENT PROCESSION

University Mace, Associate Professor, College of Arts and Sciences, Dr. Thomas C. Vaughan, University Mace, Faculty Senate President, Dr. Alfredo Ramírez Jr. President, Ray M. Keck, III

Commencement Speaker, James H. Pearl

Texas State Senator, District 21, Dr. Judith Zaffirini

The Texas A&M University System, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Dr. James R. Hallmark

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

Vice President for Student Success, Dr. Minita Ramírez

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. Catheryn Weitman

Dean, College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Dr. Glenda C. Walker

Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, Dr. Jeffrey M. Brown

Dean University College, Dr. Conchita Hickey

President, Student Government, Jackelyne Briseño

Marshals:				
9 a.m.	Dr. Jerry D. Thompson			
	Regents Professor of History			
	Gladys González, Student			
	College of Arts and Sciences			
1 p.m.	Dr. George R. Clarke			
	Killam Associate Professor of Economics			
	Andrea Tijerina, Student			
	A. R. Sanchez, Jr. School of Business			
4 p.m.	Dr. Kyung-Shin Park			
	Associate Professor of Kinesiology			
	Laura N. Berrones, Student			
	College of Education			
	Dr. Marivic Torregosa			
	Assistant Professor of Nursing			
	Jennifer M. Flores, Student			
	College of Nursing and Health Sciences			
	College Banners:			
9 a.m.	Barbara Escamilla, Student			
	College of Arts and Sciences			
1 p.m.	Jonathan Salazar, Student			

4 p.m.

Allan O. García College of Nursing and Health Sciences

A. R. Sanchez, Jr., School of Business

Monica A. Stahl, Student

College of Education

# 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. James A. Moyer

Conductor

Opening Declaration

Dr. Pablo Arenaz

Presentation of Colors

Texas A&M International University ROTC

Captain Marivel Sanson

National Anthem 9 a.m. Marisol Muñoz TAMIU Music Student, Class of 2013

1 p.m.

Danielle Sanchez

TAMIU Music Student

Dana Crabtree 4 p.m.

Music Instructor

Accompanied by the TAMIU Symphonic Band

Commencement Speaker Mr. James H. Pearl Trustee, Lamar Bruni Vergara Trust

Raquel Muñiz, Class of 2013 Distinguished Student Scholar 9 a.m.

Sarah Gomez, Class of 2013 1 p.m. 4 p.m. Olivia R. Corona, Class of 2013

Instructional Technology Excellence Award Dr. Pablo Arenaz

International Faculty Award Dr. Pablo Arenaz

Dr. James R. Hallmark Authorization to Confer Degrees

> Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs The Texas A&M University System

Certification of Candidates for Degree Dr. Pablo Arenaz

Dr. Ray M. Keck, III Conferring of Degrees President

Congratulatory Remarks Dr. Judith Zaffirini

Texas State Senator, District 21

Presentation of Candidates for Degree Mary Treviño Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs

Alma Mater 9 a.m. Marisol Muñoz Danielle Sánchez 1 p.m.

Dana Crabtree 4 p.m.

Prayer of Gratitude Jackelyne Briseño President, Student Government

Closing Declaration Dr. Pablo Arenaz

Recessional March TAMIU Symphonic Band

# COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



James H. Pearl

James H. Pearl was born in Laredo in 1937. His father died when he was five years old. Young James and his mother moved into a garage apartment built by his maternal grandparents. He recalls that while his mother worked, his "daycare" was his grandparents' neighborhood grocery store where he stocked shelves, delivered groceries and learned to cut meat as a butcher. Money was scarce, but family support was plentiful.

In 1946 his mother married a career soldier. Young Pearl hoped to make his stepfather proud by gaining admission to the United States Military Academy at West Point. He did so, graduating in 1960 and becoming an elite Airborne Ranger, Special Forces Green Beret. He directed the Special Forces Explosives Laboratory and taught bomb disposal at the Inter American Police Academy. He left the Army in 1965 to become an Explosives Department engineer for the E. I. DuPont Company.

In 1967 Pearl entered law school at St. Mary's University in San Antonio, becoming a lawyer in 1969. In 1971 he became associated with former Judge Solomon Casseb, Jr. in the practice of law. They remained partners until Judge Casseb's death. He succeeded the Judge as Co-Trustee of the Lamar Bruni Vergara Trust, which has done so much for Laredo and Texas A&M International University.

Pearl and his wife Kay have raised three children and have been blessed with six grandchildren. In addition to his law practice, he has engaged in a number of successful and not-so-successful business ventures, including auto parts stores, investment partnerships, automobile dealerships, banking, importation of machine tools from the Far East and rental of residential real estate.

As Co-Trustee of the Lamar Bruni Vergara Trust, he is co-manager of significant commercial real estate in Houston and San Antonio and inferentially in mineral production. All are pivotal in securing funds that provide annual gifts averaging in excess of \$3.5 million to Laredo.

# DISTINGUISHED STUDENT SCHOLARS



**Olivia Rose Corona** is the daughter of Ernesto Corona and Minerva Corona. Today, she graduates with honors, receiving a Bachelor of Science in Communication Disorders, *Magna Cum Laude*.

While at TAMIU, Corona has been regularly included on the Dean's List. She worked as a student mentor at TAMIU's Advising and Mentoring Center and was active in campus organizations. She was both member and historian of the National Student Speech Language Hearing Association, the campus' largest and most active student organization, and an active member of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest all –academic disciplines honor society. She was also a member of the campus ministry, Newman Club, and spends her summers traveling abroad, providing volunteer missionary work.

She plans to attend graduate school and earn a Master of Science in Communication Disorders and become a bilingual speech-language pathologist.



**Raquel Muñiz** is the daughter of Juana Castro and Amador Muñiz. Born in Rioverde, San Luís Potosi, México, she was raised in Laredo. Today, she receives a Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics with a minor in Forensics, *Summa Cum Laude*, and earns an Honors Certificate.

Muñiz was the beneficiary of several scholarships including the Laredo Day Break Rotary Scholarship. Throughout her years at TAMIU, she has been an active member of Leadership TAMIU, the Laredo-Webb County Bar Association Pre-Law Chapter, served as vice-chair of the Honor Council and as president of the Mathematical Society. In addition, she has been named to TAMIU's Dean's List and Honor Roll.

An active participant in the Lamar Bruni Vergara Academic Conference and the Engineering, Mathematics, and Physics Fall Student Conference, she won grand prize in Fall 2012, and placed first in Fall 2013.

Muñiz has a passion for helping others and volunteers for various community organizations including as a translator for the St. Mary's University Civil Justice Clinic. She currently works as a tutor at A+, while interning with the Laredo-Webb County Bar Association and the Altgelt Law Office. She plans to attend law school in fall 2014.

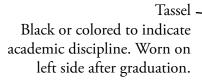


**Sarah Gomez** is the daughter of Dario and Leticia Gomez. Today, she graduates with a Bachelor of Business Administration with a concentration in Finance, *Magna cum laude*. While at TAMIU, she was active in Freshman L.I.D.E.R., Leadership TAMIU, the Volunteer Income Tax Program, Women's Forum, and was a student tutor.

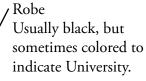
As a member of Leadership TAMIU, Gomez was selected to attend the Harvard Latino Leadership Initiative. Through the China Winter Exchange Program, she visited five different Chinese cities, deepening her interest in international business and culture. She was also a member of the Texas Community Bank Junior Advisory Board.

Gomez aspires to become an inspiration for women that share her passion for finance and joy in learning. She hopes to become a professional investor, and share the importance of financial literacy with her community.

# THE ACADEMIC REGALIA



Hood Designates discipline (see academic colors below).



Designates University.





## 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



**BACHELOR** 

# **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 became 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.

- 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> 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.

El Calvadar

**Ivory Coast** 

Japan

Jordan

Albania

Czech Republic

**Ecuador** 

Dominican Republic

Kazakhatan

Duccio

Venezuela

Zambia

Virgin Islands

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

# **HONORS AT GRADUATION**

Republic of Georgia

Republic of Korea

Romania

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 Alpha Pi - National Society of Leadership & Success
Sigma Delta Pi - National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society
Sigma Tau Delta - National Honor Society in English.

TAMIU Trailblazers - Co-curricular Leadership Initiative designated by completion patches

#### TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

## Graduation Candidates - December 14, 2013, 9 a.m.

# COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES Bachelor of Arts

Edward Jesús Aguirre

Christian Emmanuel Alvarado Hernández

Marcela Álvarez Villarreal Neguif Angeles Azuara Daniella Marie Arce

Nelson Enrique Arreola Constante

\*Jennifer Buentello \*Michael David Buentello Celina M. Calderón Ramos Evelyn Camero

Evelyn Camero Laura V. Campos Perla Campos-Mayorga Eduardo Canales Elyssa Canales

Diana Monzerrat Castilleja \*Christopher R. Castillo Laura Leticia Castillo Karla Cavazos \*Raúl A. Cervera \*Edgar Chavarría

Laura Alina Chávez Santos Mónica Aracely Chávez Robyn Lee Colin Sergio Israel Coronado

David Cortéz
Daniella Y. Cruz
Jorge Erick Cuéllar G.
Lyza Denisse De Hoyos
Emily De Los Cobos
\*Natalia A. Delgado
Stephanie L. Delgado
Cheryl Díaz DeLeón
Guadalupe E-Gutiérrez

Barbara Edyrena Escamilla

Ingrid Jacqueline Estrada Arlene Lizbeth Faz \*Alejandro O. Flores Juan Gámez, Jr. Alejandra García Avitia Diana Sylvia García Jessica M. García Rebecca García

Stephanie Elaine García \*Vanessa García Cindy Michelle Garza Jessica Lee Garza Kiara Karla Garza

Adriana Lucia González Rodríguez

\*Allan Spencer González \*Alvin Alexis González Edgar Alejandro González

Gladys González Jessica González Kristine R. González Lisa L. González Melissa Soto González

Melissa Soto Gonzále Franz Gordillo

Angelina Elizabeth Granado Jonathan D. Gutiérrez María Luisa Gutiérrez Nancy Gutiérrez Perla Gutierrez Solís Victor M. Gutiérrez Diana Deirdre Hinojosa \*Enrique Alberto Ibarra

Rosario Vital Jarrell Victor Jesse Lara \*Yasmeen Leach Lizette Lorene Longoria Marissa Christelle López

Ana Gabriela Lozano
María Irene Lozano Bolaños
Juanita Lorelie Luan Téllez
Aemie Marie Lugo Martínez
\*Claudia Yvette Martínez
Elizabeth V. Martínez
Gerardo R. Martínez
Juan José Martínez, Jr.

Laura Alejandra Martínez Leisle Martínez Lisa Marie Martínez Norma Medellín Jenesis Karina Medina Patricia Stephanie Mejía

Hugo D. Meza Kristina Morales April Moreno Carlos Moreno, Jr. Raquel Muñiz Melissa Naranjo Cassandra Navarro Jennifer Lorraine Navarro

Stacey Newell Elida Orozco Alejandro Ortíz Alexandria L. Ortíz \*Gloria Ivett Ortíz \*Alejandra Ovando \*Miguel Andrés Peña Ashley Peralta Diana Emily Pérez Jessica Milagros Pérez Juan Guillermo Pérez Manuel A. Pérez \*José Alberto Prado Krissel E. Rábago Lizeth Anahi Ramírez Norma Alicia Vital Ramos Judith Jacqueline Rayo

Oscar Gerardo Rentería, Jr. María H. Rivas Elvia Paola Rocha Melissa Claudette Rodela Juan Pedro Rodríguez, Jr.

María Fernanda Rodríguez Villarreal

Ana Cristina Rubio Michelle Rubio Alfredo Saldaña, Jr. Mariana Saldívar

Sonya Marie-Sky San Miguel Carla María Betzabé Sánchez José Manuel Sánchez, Jr. María Luisa Santos Misty Segovia-García Jaron Marshel Shimmel Horacio Solís, Jr. Leopoldo Javier Speer Verónica L. Téllez José Antonio Tello \*Berenice Torruco Diana K. Vaquera Santos Maritza Azenneth Vásquez

Clarissa Vázquez Juan Antonio Vela Junior

\*Giovanna Victorica Alyssa M. Villagrán Tiffany A. Webb Rubi C. Zavala Valeria Zhang

Jennifer Lauren Zipprian Angela Lucille Zoerner

#### **Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences**

Michael Roy Turner Griselda G. Véliz

#### **Bachelor of Music**

Chris N. De La Cruz Carlos A. Morales, Jr. \*Marisol Muñoz

#### **Bachelor of Science**

Javier A. Aguirre \*Jazmin Atilano Muñiz Christopher Steven Barajas Alyssa Alejandra Canales Samantha Rae Carrillo Luz Migdalia Castellanos

José Angel Domínguez Villalobos

Luis Gerardo Durón
\*Jorge A. Flores
Ana Irma García
Rene Francisco Garza
Tanya Yvette Garza
Danely Elizabeth González
Estefania González
\*Ignacio Guajardo Galván

Claudette Anai Guerrero

Juan C. Hernández Lillian López

José Chayanne Martínez \*Arturo Molina, Jr. Diego Andrés Montemayor María Del Pilar Orozco Arredondo

\*Jorge Alberto Peña \*Alberto Javier Rodríguez Whitney Roxanne Rodríguez

Saul G. Sáenz Ricardo A. Santos Daniel Alfredo Treviño

Marcos Julian Vásquez Gónzalez

Andrew J. Vélez

#### **Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice**

Ana Karen Barrera Mendiola

\*Sergio Barrón, Jr.
Ibbys R. Benavides
Jennifer Cabrera
William Joel Camarillo
\*Aimee Alysa Carrillo
Alma Marina Carrillo
Ali Kasim Cavazos
\*Emily Nicole Cervera
Yesenia Marie Chapa
Edna Iris Chávez
Kathleen Nicole Chávez

# Graduation Candidates - December 14, 2013, 9 a.m.

Ted H. Christensen Arminda De Hoyos Adalberto Escamilla \*Karina Adriana Flores Daphne A. Galindo Evaristo Gallardo Kevin Gamez

Adriana Araceli García David Garza Saucedo Herbey Garza, Jr. Amanda Gomez

Moises Jesús González, Jr.

Natali González \*Matthew Brian Green \*Robert Anthony Gutiérrez

María De La Lus Hernández

Robert J. Herrera
Andrea P. Hurtado
\*Valerie Ann Jaime
\*Jesús David Jiménez
Jacqueline Kaye Juárez
José David Lara, Jr.
Shantal Jasmin Lara
Juan Ricardo López

\*Karla Georgette López \*Nicholas Anthony López

Justin L. Mariscal Alejandro Martínez Kevin B. Martínez

\*Luis Gonzalo Martínez, III

Mónica Meza-Vargas Vanessa Lee Montes

Anabel Morales

Kristina Edith Morales

Carlos E. Narváez

Matthew R. Ochoa

\*Laura Lizette Ortíz

Carmen Guadalupe Pacheco

Gabriela Pérez Mackenzie

Victor Hugo Ramírez Raz

\*Verónica Espino

Ignacio Rubio

Luis Alberto Saldaña

\*Peter Jonathan Sánchez

John Carlos Téllez

Claritza Ariell Vásquez

Fernando Vásquez, III

Ruben Vázquez, Jr.

Jesús Villalobos, Jr.

Graciela A.Contreras Villarreal

Roberto A. Villarreal

Jaime Eduardo Zapata Morales

Rubi C. Zavala

#### Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies

Christian F. Gallardo

#### Master of Arts

Oscar Manuel Bravo

Matthew Camina

\*Juan Adán Garza, Jr.

\*Marissa A. Laurel-Wilson

\*Zelidéh Alejandra López Salles

Annette Maldonado

Esmeralda Y. Martínez

Luís A. Ramírez

\*Holly A Dykstra

#### Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology

Mónica Bondoc Aramazti N. Canales Marc Olivares Myrthala Alejo-Padilla Rodolfo Páez María Isabel Ramón Jessica L. Resendez Joyce Vanessa Roque Amezcua

#### **Master of Public Administration**

Peter David Arredondo Evan John Cisneros Aaron Anthony Medina

#### **Master of Science**

Carmen Guadalupe Cruz Pablo Heriberto de la Garza Erika Caridad Martínez

#### **Master of Science in Criminal Justice**

\*Kristian Hernández Mayra Karina Lozano Guillén Emma Laura Martínez



## Graduation Candidates - December 14, 2013, 1 p.m.

#### A.R. SANCHEZ, JR. SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

#### **Bachelor of Business Administration**

Guna R. Adhikari \*Jeffrey Anderson Barbara Yvette Ávila Gabriela Judith Baca Jesús Mario Barrera Julia Lyanne Boyles

\*Adriana Lizeth Bustos Villarreal

Sharon Christine Caanen Judith M. Campos Javier Cantú, Jr. Linda C. Cantú

Crispin Eliud Caracheo

Alexandro Vinicio Carbajal Hernández

Francisco Ivan Carranza

\*Erik Carrillo Amy Nicole Cásarez Luis A. Cavazos

\*Francisco J. Cazares, Jr. Joana Ines Cornejo Flores Patricia Covarrubias \*Ilse Agláe De La Rosa Mario De León, III Sylvia Oralia Delgado Marco A. Díaz, Jr. Francis Peter Jr. Dueñas

Carla Alexa Durán Gerardo Esqueda Juan Ramón Estrada Carlos Flores David Ed Flores James Edward Flores \*José Alberto Flores

Roberto Fuentes Gabriela Raquel Galván

Andrés García Joanna García Amanda Marie Garza

Guillermo Sebastian Garza

Julissa Garza Martha Elva Garza Gíselle Gaytán Berrones

Lisette Gil

Sarah Christine Gómez \*Humberto F. González Stephanie Lyn González Vivian A. Guzmán-Guillemard Kathleen Amanda Haynes José Alejandro Hernández Juan Pablo Hernández Gina Alejandra Herrera

Sharon Jeanne Huntington Rebecca Jones

Cornelius Kipkorir Claudia Leos

Clarissa Yvette López \*Izamar López Kristelle Liana Lozano Edgar Ivan Madrigal Gutiérrez \*Roberta Marie Marlett Lorena Itzel Martínez Eloisa Mascorro Eduardo Molina-Moore

Stephanie Suhey de los Milagros Monjaraz

Christina Lynn Murie \*Adriana Ortíz \*Mónica Yvette Palizo Arizbeth G. Peláez Alejandra Peña Terán \*Griselda Pérez Oscar J. Pérez Chester Polendo Fidel S. Ramos

Gustavo Montemayor

\*Miguel Angel Ramos Aranda Virgilio A. Resendez G. Gabriela Robles Contreras Gerardo Rocha, Jr. José Rodríguez, Jr. Mayra Lizette Rodríguez

Omar Alejandro Rodríguez Rascón

Victoria Romo de Alba Andrew John Rothenbach

Jessica L. Ruiz Edgardo Alfredo Sáenz

Jonathan S. Salazar Campoverde Karin Aziz Salinas Martínez

Nikkiti Scott

Melissa I. Serna Garza Juan Daniel Soria Starr Simone Spencer Alberto Terán Jr. García Andrea Denise Tijerina Dustin Tijerina

Krystal Nicole Tobias Eduardo Torres

Francisco Javier Valdéz Sánchez

Luis A. Valencia

Stephanie Vázquez Gutiérrez

Priscilla Villa Kimberly H. Villarreal Juan Carlos Zárate

#### **Master of Business Administration**

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