

Texas A&M International University



Spring 2008
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
Laredo Entertainment Center

Friday, May 9, 7 P.M.

THE COMMENCEMENT PROCESSION

THE OFFICIAL PARTY

University Mace, Dr. Thomas R. Mitchell, President, Faculty Senate
President, Dr. Ray M. Keck III
Commencement Speaker, Hank Sames
Chief of Staff, Office of the Chancellor, The Texas A&M University System, Janet Smalley
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Dr. Sushma Krishnamurthy
Associate Professor of Biology, College of Arts and Sciences
Dr. Ronald J. Anderson
Associate Professor of Education, College of Education

College Banners:

College of Arts and Sciences
Dr. Ray Bachnak, Chair and Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering
College of Business Administration
Dr. Andres Rivas-Chávez, Assistant Professor of Economics
College of Education
Rafael E. Romo, Assistant Professor of Fitness and Sports
College of Nursing and Health Sciences
Rosie Saldivar, Clinical Assistant Professor of Nursing



THE ORDER OF EXERCISES

Master of Ceremonies
Dr. Dan R. Jones, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Fanfare and Processional	Texas A&M International University Symphonic Band Dr. Michael Stone Conductor
Opening Declaration	Dr. Dan R. Jones Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Presentation of Colors	Texas A&M International University ROTC Capt. Martin Longoria
National Anthem	Dana Crabtree Instructor of Music Accompanied by TAMIU Symphonic Band
Keynote Speaker	Hank Sames University Partner and Philanthropist
Distinguished Student Scholar	Dinesh Suresh Moorjani Class of 2008
University Scholar Award	Dr. Dan R. Jones Assisted by Dr. Thomas R. Mitchell, President, Faculty Senate
University Teacher Award	Dr. Dan R. Jones Dr. Thomas R. Mitchell
Certification of Candidates for Degrees	Dr. Dan R. Jones
Conferring of Degrees	Dr. Ray M. Keck III President
Commissioning of ROTC Cadet	Capt. Martin Longoria Assistant Professor of Military Science
Congratulatory Remarks	Janet Smalley Chief of Staff, Office of the Chancellor Richard Peña Raymond State Representative District 42
Presentation of Candidates for Degrees	Mary Treviño Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs
Alma Mater	Dana Crabtree Accompanied by TAMIU Symphonic Band
Prayer of Gratitude	Annalie Miravete President, Student Government Association
Closing Declaration	Dr. Dan R. Jones
Recessional March	TAMIU Symphonic Band



**Commencement Speaker:
Hank Sames
University Partner and Philanthropist**

Hank Sames is the president of Sames Auto Group, the oldest dealership in Texas, which operates six automobile dealerships in Laredo and one in Corpus Christi. The product of Laredo public schools, he graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a B.B.A. in finance.

He is director of the Ford Salute to Education Scholarship Program that has helped hundreds of Laredo high school graduates pursue higher education. In 2002, Sames and his wife, Elizabeth, established the Sames Scholars Program at Texas A&M International University, a visionary mentoring and scholarship program founded to encourage first-generation college students. Elizabeth Sames meets with the students each semester and acts as a mentor, contacting them through phone and e-mail.

To date, the Sames Scholar Program has impacted the lives of more than 65 students with over \$300,000 in full scholarships to qualified students. Next May, the University will see its first Sames Scholars graduate.

The Harley Davidson motorcycle-riding enthusiast and hunting and wildlife photographer serves as director to the Greater Laredo Community Foundation and served as president for the Washington's Birthday Celebration Association (WBCA) and the Laredo Country Club. He is also a founding member of the Jalapeño Festival and past director of the Texas Automobile Dealers Association.

For his contributions, Sames was honored by the WBCA which named him Mr. South Texas 2006. The State of Israel Bonds awarded him its Texas Freedom Award in 2004. In 1999, the Laredo Chamber of Commerce named him the Laredo Business Person of the Year.

Sames is currently pursuing initiatives aimed at revitalizing Laredo's historic downtown district.

**Distinguished Student Scholar:
Dinesh Suresh Moorjani**



While born in India, Dinesh Suresh Moorjani came to the United States when he was an infant. Most of his formative years were spent in Santa Fe, N. M. He returned to India at age 10, and learned two new languages, Hindi and Marathi.

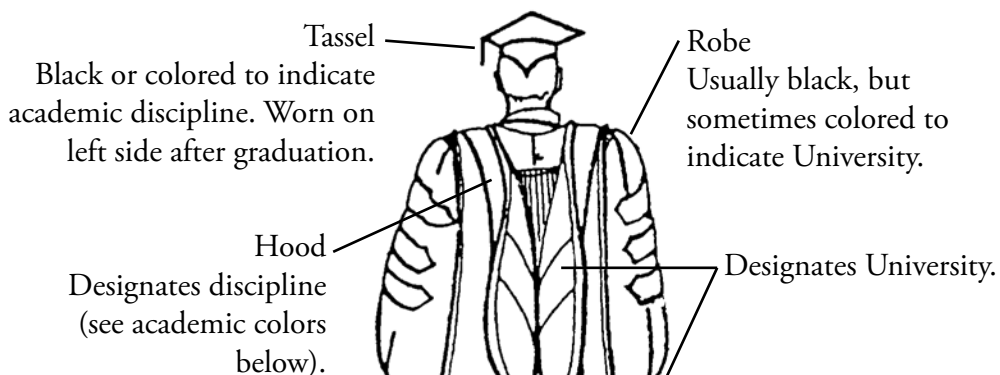
He graduated high school from Ness Wadia College of Commerce where he also earned an undergraduate degree. Throughout his time in India, he also developed a keen sports ability in badminton, handball, basketball and cricket.

Prior to completing his undergraduate program, he returned to the United States and because of credit transfer issues, began his U.S. coursework anew. He attended Laredo Community College, and earned his associate degree with a concentration in business within a year and a half, posting a 4.0 GPA.

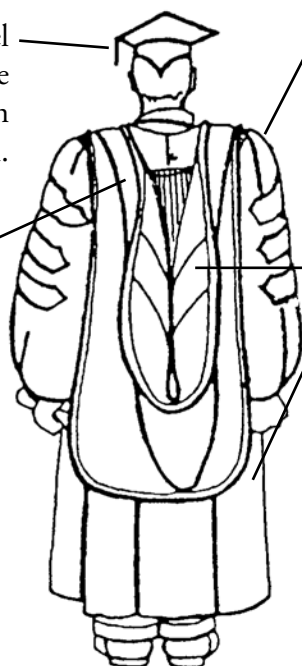
He transferred to TAMIU in the summer of 2006, focusing on the University's Bachelor's of Business Administration with a major in accounting. He also renewed his sports interests, becoming TAMIU's intramural champion in Badminton and runnerup in table tennis for Spring 2007 and Spring 2008. He represented TAMIU at the ACUI Regional Tournament in table tennis, placing 11th out of 30.

Today, Dinesh graduates with a 4.0 GPA. He has completed an internship with a local CPA firm and is currently employed by another. He plans to attend graduate school at TAMIU, continue to assist his family in their business and secure his CPA license within the next two years, eventually starting his own firm.

THE ACADEMIC REGALIA



MASTER



DOCTOR



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.

TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY FLAGS

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

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

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. Their members are presented certificates at a special ceremony and may wear cords of the color indicated below or a lapel pin at Commencement:

- Alpha Kappa Delta* - International Sociology Honor Society
- Beta Beta Beta* - National Biological Honor Society (green and red cords)
- Kappa Delta Pi* - International Honor Society in Education (purple and green cords)
- Phi Kappa Phi* - All-Discipline Honor Society (gold and royal blue)
- Pi Sigma Alpha* - National Political Science Honor Society (red, black and white cords)
- Psi Chi* - National Society in Psychology (blue and yellow cords)
- Sigma Delta Pi* - National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society (gold and red cords)
- Sigma Tau Delta* - National Honor Society in English (red and black cords).

TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Graduation Candidates - May 9, 2008

-College of Arts and Sciences- Master of Arts

Santa Claudia Adame
Guadalupe M. Aguiar
Jorge Felix Bahena Jr.
Alma Ines Broze
Dana Richard Carpenter Jr.
Gabriela Vanessa Garza
Erin Marie Nieto-Salinas
Mohsen Kamal Omar
Elva Graciela Rodríguez

Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology

Aracely Castillo-Ríos
Rita R. Hernández
Ashley Yvette Martínez
Erica Mónica Patterson
Kristina Ramos

Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies

Cynthia Sánchez

Master of Public Administration

Mariana Barberena-Asiain
Norma I. Fuentes-Ybarra
Alfredo Guerrero
Idalia Karina Moreno
Liza Janette Peña
Karen Renae Pfitzer
Arlyn Solís Campillo

Master of Science

Adriana González
Julianna Elisa Quintanilla
Oscar Noe Ramos

Master of Science in Criminal Justice

Rhonda Blair
Elias David Cabrera
Abundio Rene Cantú
María Rosa Chaires-García
Adriana Garza
Joel Mariano Leal
Rosie I. Moncivais

-College of Business Administration- Master of Business Administration

Héctor Alejandro
Antonio Irad Almaguer Maya
Eduardo J. Andrade
Roberto Arreola Rivera
Angel Eduardo Cervantes Ramírez
Diana Ethel Chavez Mani
Rafael Benjamin Contreras Martínez
Carlos Alberto Diaz
Clarissa I. García
Mayra Elena García Govea
Juan Ignacio González
Rodolfo Guevara
Felipe J. Jiménez
Ricarda Georgina López De Niño
Marco Antonio Macias Morales
José Luis Medina Rentería
Héctor Gabriel Medina Villarreal

Lilia Ivette Montoya Valdez
Lizette Mora
Norma Cantú Núñez
Jesús Guillermo Olay Ramírez
Cynthia Lizeth Solís
Juan Rodrigo Solís Méndez
Guadalupe Marisol Trejo Ortíz
Leoncio A. Vázquez-Guerra
Ivan Guillermo Zúñiga Valdez

Master of Professional Accountancy

Angelica P. Cantú
Luciano B. Flores
Julio Cesar González
Marisol Gutiérrez
Nancy Gutiérrez
Fred Juárez III
Felipe Orozco
Ramiro Santos

-College of Education- Master of Science

John Anthony Balli
Noemi Bernal-García
Mónica Cristina Cavazos
Karla Rachel Esquivel
Anita Michelle Flores
Leticia C. Flores
Elizabeth A. López
Leticia Lozano
Belinda S. Martínez
María Magdalena Martínez
Bertha Castillo Nenque
Sandra Quintanilla
Kimberly Elizabeth Raymond

Master of Science in Education

Isabel Aranda De Hoyos
Joe Garza Jr.
Manny T. Martínez III
Yolanda Lizette Mauricio
Norma Alicia Montes
Roberto G. Ortíz
Carlos G. Pérez
Alma Patricia Rodríguez-Ramon
Marcia Ofelia Santos
Mónica Yolanda Zepeda

-College of Arts and Sciences- Bachelor of Arts

Verónica Patricia Adame
Ida Bah
José de Jesús Benavides Jr.
Patricia Belinda Benavides
Blanca G. Briseno
Iris B. Briseno
Leslie Diane Carreon
Cynthia L. Carrera
John Anthony Castro
Alicia Dennisse Cavazos
Elizabeth Chapa
Topacio Vanessa De La Rosa Martínez
Elizabeth Marie Dovalina
Johana Lizeth Enriquez Escalante
Juanita Yesenia Escamilla-Deliganis
Christian Mariela Esparza

Sylvia Ann Espinoza
Brigette Michelle Garay
David Alejandro García
Everardo Juan García
Francisco Abiel García
Karla Denisse García
Erika Garza
Salome Gaytan Jr.
Julissa González
Mario Alberto González
Luz María González-Espino
Bethsaida A. Granados
Valerie Michele Fox
Natalie Hernández
Rosa Angelica Hernández
Claudia Stella Herrera
Arlene M. Juárez
Gina Renee Lara
Juan Carlos Livas
Brenda Idania López
Josefa Lydia Lucio
Linda Maldonado Izaquirre
Sandra Maldonado
Mónica Georgina Mante P.
Rebecca Marie Martínez
Carlos Alejandro Maza-Páez
Miguel Angel Omana Rojas
Alicia Orozco
Dalhi Peña
Acenet Aracely Pérez-Rodríguez
Miriam Eugenia Pérez
Luis Octavio Pruneda Infante
Mónica Quiroz
Virginia Ramos
Stephanie Nicole Reed
Mónica Olivda Rentería
Mónica Rodríguez
María del Rosario Rojas
Tania Ivett Saavedra
Tina Louise Salazar
Daniel Salazar Barron
Myrna G. San Miguel
Rebecca G. Sánchez
María Mercedes Santa Cruz
Daniel Segovia
Kenneth J. Taylor
Jennifer Torres
Alicia Christina Treviño
Ramon Treviño Jr.
Denise E. Vega
Lilia Lynnette Vera-Treviño
Sandra Laura Villarreal
Agustin Gonzalo Zamarripa

Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences

Federico Jordan Calderón

Bachelor of Music

Jason Hubert Archer
Porfirio Rodolfo Arguelles
Hacel Mayalen Arias
Julio Alejandro Cano Arredondo
Miguel Arcangel Durán
Tomas Luis Hernández
Raquel Gutiérrez Ramírez
Miguel Angel Saito
Faustino Santos III

Bachelor of Science

Marc Christopher Pasion Andrés
Elizabeth Enriquez
Stefanie Ferrazzano
Selina Nicole Figueroa
Joanna Garay
Blanca Elizabeth García
Mónica Jeanette González
Juvenal Herrera III
Jennifer M. Macias
Melissa Marie Martín
Lori Lamar Montalvo
Cynthia Páez
Gisselle Pérez-Milicua Guajardo
Julia Teresa Ramírez
Jorge Rafael Serrato
Leonor Araceli Soto
Dennese Vásquez
Arianne Yedith Zecca

Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice

Oscar Alvarado
Elsa Barron
Luis Alberto Blancas
Samuel Burton Cantrell
Priscilla la Castillo
María Esther Castillo-Ramírez
Serena Flores
Marcos Leonel Gamez
Erika Azeneth García
Gerardo García Medellín
Eduardo Juan Herrera
Bradley Joshua Holden
Emma Laura Martínez
Vickie Lynn Oliva
Sonia Judith Pelico
Alejandra Garza Puente
Melissa Alejandra Rendón
Azeneth Ruiz
Judith Ventura
Angelica Villarreal

Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies

Martha Alicia Cisneros González
Alma Hernández
Anna Cristina Hernández-Izaquirre
Crystal Yvette Martínez
Brenda Peña
Rosario Miranda Pérez
Rosa María Ramos

Bachelor of Social Work

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Vanessa Vigil Ortégón
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Graciela Buentello
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Ruby Marie Castañeda
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Rodrigo Corral
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Rodrigo Coutino
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Enrique S. García
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Danielle Garza
Eva María Garza
Verónica Garza
Ivan Gaxiola
Peter Anthony González Jr.
Remigio González III
Rocio Gutiérrez
Raúl Guzmán Jr.
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Myra Janet Luera
Melinda Macias
Alma Cristina Maldonado
Elsa Beatriz Martínez
Martha Ivone Martínez
Mayra Alejandra Martínez
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Dinesh Suresh Moorjani
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Rigoberto Solorio
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Emily Ann Treviño

Nancy Maribel Valadez
Noe Armando Vela Jr.
Robert Vela
Liliana Verduzco
Anylyú Vidal Romero

-College of Education- Bachelor of Science

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Vanessa Eve Charles
Cordelia Y. Garza
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Eloy Gloria Jr.
Eduardo González
Jaime Alejandro González
Ricardo González Montes
Genelle Kristine Gutierrez
José Leija
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Raúl Armando Martínez
María Evangelina Mendoza
Juan Ramon Meza
Roldan Javier Montalvo
Adriana P. Moreno
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Stephanie Alexandra Pérez
Carlos Alejandro Rangel
Alexis Elizabeth Reyes
Verónica Rodríguez
Yvette Rodríguez Sena
Maricella Salinas
Ricardo Siller
Eduardo D. Silva
Sofia Valdez
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Brenda Melissa Zapata

Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies

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Edali Benavides
Verónica Briseno-Winans
Graciela P. Castillo
Laura Cervera
Adriana Lamar Chapa
Brenda Alicia Charles
Nereida Chavarria
Linda Lee Cuéllar
Crescencia Davalos
Kristina Lamar Ehrenzweig
Erika Lizette Enriquez
Talina A. Espinoza
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Nayra Azeneth Garza
Barbara E. Góngora
Johanna Ruth Góngora
Brianna Yvonne González
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Laura Enid Peña
Cristina Ramírez
Sonia Leticia Reyna
Rebecca Delicia Riojas
Jaime Alberto Ríos
Jesús Belisario Rodríguez Jr.
Melina Roman
Melissa Roman
Marissa Ruiz
Rosalinda Ruiz
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Michelle Salinas
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Claudia Sánchez
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Virginia Torres
Yolanda Guadalupe Torres
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Bianira Edith Tristan
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Karina Ventura
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Liza Villanueva
Mildred Villanueva
Verónica S. Zúñiga

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María Leticia Liendo
Alexandra Lisette López
Elizabeth Mackey
Dina Marie Mastee
Eloisa V. Moctezuma
Rebecca Danette Montalvo
Verónica Montes
Mary Elias Moubark
Belinda Ngum Nangah
Ricardo Ochoa
José Marcos Ordóñez
Ignacio Ortíz Jr.
Cristina Alejandra Páez
Gracie Lizette Quiroga
Omar Eloy Ramírez
David Edgardo Reyes
Fernando Rocha Jr.
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Ricardo Adrian Rodríguez
SanJuanita Nereida Santos
Michelle Leigh Silva
Vanessa E. Sportsman
Brittany Nicole Witt
Linda Evelyn Zepeda

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Bachelor of Science in Nursing**

Hadith Alatorre
Elsa Christina Aranda
Luis Guillermo Beattie
Jannette Alejandra Belloc
Danielle Elisabeth Broadfoot
Dahlia S. Calderón
Irma Ceja
Marla F. Chaires
María del Carmen Chavarria
Oscar Cortéz
Magdiel Cuéllar
Cynthia Díaz
Lilia Díaz
Verónica Díaz
Evelyn Bidemi Duniya
Adolfo Duron Jr.
Jessica Louelle Durrance
María de los Angeles Estrada
Araceli M. Flores
Daniel García Jr.
Nancy Nereida Garza
Abraham Gaytan Jr.
Leticia González-Dávila
Kimberly Renee Gutierrez
María Teresa Gutiérrez
Ricardo Eleazar Gutiérrez



Our Alma Mater

SUNG TO THE THEME FROM THE FOURTH MOVEMENT
OF BEETHOVEN'S NINTH SYMPHONY

A Song for
Texas A&M International University

Near to Rio Grande's waters, stately towers above the plain,
Stands our noble Alma Mater, wisdom raised for all to gain.

Binding nations, hearts and visions, aspirations ever new,

Hail to Thee, our Alma Mater!
Hail to Thee, dear TAMIU!

Here, 'neath sun and gentle breezes, dove and deer lodge safely by,
May Thy children, safe in wisdom, flourish ever 'neath Thy sky.

Pledge we faith and homage ever, joined in our diversity,
May time ne'er efface the memory of our University! ©1996

Lyrics by Ray M. Keck III, Ph.D.
President,
Professor of Spanish

2008 Commencement Committee

Patricia Abrego
Delma Barrera
Socorro Calderón
Laura Cortez
Rosie Dickinson
Laura Elizondo
Felipe Garza
Leebrian E. Gaskins
Richard Gentry
Gina González
Verónica González
Steve Harmon
Candy Hein
Dr. Dan R. Jones

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