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PROGRAM

Saturday, May 18 | Morning Ceremony | 9 a.m.

Diana Natalicio

President of the University, Presiding

Concert/Concierto Ceremonial Brass Ensemble
Stephen Haddad, Conductor
Senior Lecturer, Music

Academic Procession/Entrada de catedráticos Maggy Smith, Grand Marshal
Professor and Chair, English Department

National Anthem/Himno Nacional Ceremonial Brass Ensemble
The Star Spangled Banner UTEP Chamber Singers and Audience
UTEP Chamber Singers
Elisa Fraser Wilson, Conductor
Associate Professor, Music

Welcome and Introductions/Bienvenida y Presentaciones. Diana Natalicio, President

Presentation of Candidates' Names/

Presentación de los Nombres de los Candidatos John Wiebe, Interim Provost

Alma Mater Ceremonial Brass Ensemble
Men O' Mines UTEP Chamber Singers and Audience

Conferral of Degrees/Entrega de Títulos Diana Natalicio, President

The College of Liberal Arts Denis O'Hearn, Dean

The Graduate School Stephen Crites, Dean

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Anuncio de los nombres de los candidatos Adriana Dominguez
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Yvonne Carranza Rolph

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Irasema Coronado

Professor, Political Science

Recessional

Graduates will recess through the center aisle and out the south tunnel of the Don Haskins Center. Family members may meet their graduates in Lot GR5.

Himno de despedida

Los graduados desfilarán por el pasillo central y saldrán hacia afuera por el túnel del lado sur del Centro de Eventos Don Haskins. Los familiares pueden reunirse con los graduados en el estacionamiento GR5.

ORDER OF ACADEMIC PROCESSION
Saturday, May 18 | Morning Ceremony | 9 a.m.

Grand Marshal of the University	Maggy Smith
The University Banner Bearer	Kevin Strombel
Graduate School Banner Bearer	Jairemy Quinton Edwards
College of Liberal Arts Banner Bearer	Jessica Armendariz
President	Diana Natalicio
Interim Provost	John Wiebe
Vice President for Student Affairs	Gary Edens
Dean, Extended University	Beth L. Brunk-Chavez
Vice President for Business Affairs	Mark A. McGurk
Dean, Graduate School.	Stephen Crites
Chair, Graduate Council	Amy Wagler
President, Faculty Senate	Sandor Dorgo
Chair, Staff Council	Ana Diaz
President, Alumni Association	Bonny Schulenburg
President, Student Government Association	Cristian Botello

The Graduate School

Dean	Stephen Crites
Faculty Marshal of Students	Nick Sobin
Student Marshal	Alexandra R. Martinez
Candidates for the Degree	

The College of Liberal Arts

Marshal	Gina Nuñez-Mchiri
Marshal	Sasha Pimentel
Dean	Denis O'Hearn
Faculty of the College	
Faculty Marshals of Students.	Maryse Jayasuriya Crystal G. Herman
Student Marshal	Mariana López
Candidates for the Degree	

The University Librarians Marshal.	Joy Urbina
The University Staff Marshal	Rueben Moreno

PROGRAM

Saturday, May 18 | Afternoon Ceremony | 2 p.m.

Diana Natalicio

President of the University, Presiding

Concert/Concierto Ceremonial Brass Ensemble
Stephen Haddad, Conductor
Senior Lecturer, Music

Academic Procession/Entrada de catedráticos Rodolfo Rincones, Grand Marshal
Associate Professor, Educational Leadership and Foundations

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The College of Education Clifton Tanabe, Dean
The College of Business Administration. James Payne, Dean
The Graduate School Stephen Crites, Dean

Announcement of Candidates' Names/

Anuncio de los nombres de los candidatos Elena Izquierdo
Associate Professor, Teacher Education

Noelle M. Molinar

Enrollment Counselor, UTEP Connect - Extended University

University Faculty Marshals of Students/

Bastón de Mando y Estandartes Beverley Argus-Calvo
Associate Professor, Educational Psychology and Special Services

James Holcomb

Associate Professor, Economics and Finance

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Grand Marshal of the University	Rodolfo Rincones
The University Banner Bearer	Fernanda Jimenez
Graduate School Banner Bearer	Gissel Meza
College of Business Administration Banner Bearer	Maria Elena Martinez
College of Education Banner Bearer	Yessica Fernandez Acosta
President	Diana Natalicio
Interim Provost	John Wiebe
Vice President for Student Affairs	Gary Edens
Vice President for Information Resources and Planning	Stephen Riter
Vice President for Asset Management and Development	Benjamin Gonzalez
Dean, Graduate School.	Stephen Crites
Chair, Graduate Council	Amy Wagler
President, Faculty Senate.	Sandor Dorgo
Chair, Staff Council	Ana Diaz
President, Alumni Association	Bonny Schulenburg
President, Student Government Association	Cristian Botello

The Graduate School

Dean	Stephen Crites
Faculty Marshal of Students	Timothy P. Roth, Business Administration Olga Kosheleva, Education
Student Marshal	Raul Gomez, Business Administration Vanessa Marie Santiago-Larkin, Education

Candidates for the Degree

The College of Business Administration

Marshal	Yang (Sophie) Yang
Dean	James Payne
Faculty of the College	
Faculty Marshal of Students	Edward Ramirez
Student Marshal	Mariana Madero Guerrero

Candidates for the Degree

The College of Education

Marshal	Ruby Lynch-Arroyo
Dean	Clifton Tanabe
Faculty of the College	
Faculty Marshal of Students	Diane E. Golding
Student Marshal	Korina L. Arras

Candidates for the Degree

The University Librarians Marshal.	Sebastian Diaz
The University Staff Marshal	Herminia Hemmitt

PROGRAM

Saturday, May 18 | Evening Ceremony | 7 p.m.

Diana Natalicio

President of the University, Presiding

Concert/Concierto Ceremonial Brass Ensemble
Stephen Haddad, Conductor
Senior Lecturer, Music

Academic Procession/Entrada de catedráticos Maria Duarte-Gardea, Grand Marshal
Professor and Chair, Department of Public Health Sciences

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Associate Professor, Music

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Conferral of Degrees/Entrega de Títulos Diana Natalicio, President

The College of Health Sciences Shafik Dharamsi, Dean
The School of Nursing Patricia T. Castiglia, Interim Dean
The School of Pharmacy Jose O. Rivera, Dean
The Graduate School Stephen Crites, Dean

Announcement of Candidates' Names/

Anuncio de los nombres de los candidatos Elena Izquierdo
Associate Professor, Teacher Education
Luis A. Anchondo
Visiting Assistant Professor, Languages and Linguistics

University Faculty Marshals of Students/

Bastón de Mando y Estandartes Diane B. Monsivais
Associate Professor, School of Nursing
Harry Meeuwssen
Professor, Kinesiology

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The University Banner Bearer	Miraal Shafik Dharamsi
Graduate School Banner Bearer	Paul Adam Cline
College of Health Sciences Banner Bearer	Lorena Romero Alberto
School of Nursing Banner Bearer	Jennifer Marie Barragan
President	Diana Natalicio
Interim Provost	John Wiebe
Vice President for Student Affairs	Gary Edens
Dean Emeritus, UT Austin School of Pharmacy	James Doluisio
Dean, Graduate School	Stephen Crites
Chair, Graduate Council	Amy Wagler
President, Faculty Senate	Sandor Dorgo
Chair, Staff Council	Ana Diaz
President, Alumni Association	Bonny Schulenburg
President, Student Government Association	Cristian Botello

The Graduate School

Dean	Stephen Crites
Faculty Marshal of Students	Dahlia Castillo, Health Sciences Lisa Hennessy, Nursing
Student Marshal	Kendra Nicole Rosales, Health Sciences Kenneth Collins, Nursing

Candidates for the Degree

The College of Health Science

Marshal	Eva M. Moya
Dean	Shafik Dharamsi
Faculty of the College	
Faculty Marshal of Students	Emre Umucu
Student Marshal	Juliana Arissa Ramirez

Candidates for the Degree

The School of Nursing

Marshal	Laura Rodriguez
Interim Dean	Patricia T. Castiglia
Faculty of the College	
Faculty Marshal of Students	Yvette C. Moya
Student Marshal	Alexandra Alyse Furman

Candidates for the Degree

The University Librarians Marshal	Marissa Testerman
The University Staff Marshal	David Porras Jr.

PROGRAM

Sunday, May 19 | Afternoon Ceremony | 2 p.m.

Diana Natalicio

President of the University, Presiding

Concert/Concierto Ceremonial Brass Ensemble
Stephen Haddad, Conductor
Senior Lecturer, Music

Academic Procession/Entrada de catedráticos Ryan B. Wicker, Grand Marshal
Professor, Mechanical Engineering

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UTEP Chamber Singers
Elisa Fraser Wilson, Conductor
Associate Professor, Music

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The College of Engineering Theresa A. Maldonado, Dean
The College of Science Robert Kirken, Dean
The Graduate School Stephen Crites, Dean

Announcement of Candidates' Names/

Anuncio de los nombres de los candidatos Luis A. Anchondo
Visiting Assistant Professor, Languages and Linguistics
Yvonne Carranza Rolph
Director of Student Services, College of Liberal Arts

University Faculty Marshals of Students/

Bastón de Mando y Estandartes Elizabeth J. Walsh
Professor, Biological Sciences
David Zubia
Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering

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Grand Marshal of the University	Ryan B. Wicker
The University Banner Bearer	Jose Ignacio Echeverri Alegre
Graduate School Banner Bearer	Jose Andres Cabrera Maynez
College of Engineering Banner Bearer	Sabastian Moncayo
College of Science Banner Bearer	Sebastian Gage Muncrief-Saldivar
President	Diana Natalicio
Interim Provost	John Wiebe
Vice President for Student Affairs	Gary Edens
Vice President for Research	Roberto Osegueda
Vice President for Business Affairs	Mark A. McGurk
Dean, Graduate School	Stephen Crites
Chair, Graduate Council	Amy Wagler
President, Faculty Senate	Sandor Dorgo
Vice Chair, Staff Council	Sylvia Gonzalez
President, Alumni Association	Bonny Schulenburg
President, Student Government Association	Cristian Botello

The Graduate School

Marshal	Bess Sirmon-Taylor
Dean	Stephen Crites
Faculty Marshal of Students	Salamah I. Salamah, Engineering Kyung-An Han, Science
Student Marshal	Angel Izael Solis, Engineering Nathan Zachary Reade, Science

Candidates for the Degree

The College of Engineering

Marshal	Martine Ceberio
Dean	Theresa A. Maldonado
Faculty of the College	
Faculty Marshal of Students	Meagan Vaughan Kendall
Student Marshal	Michelle Esmeralda Patino Calero

Candidates for the Degree

The College of Science

Marshal	Ming-Ying Leung
Dean	Robert Kirken
Faculty of the College	
Faculty Marshal of Students	Igor C. Almeida
Student Marshal	Gerardo Zavala

Candidates for the Degree

The University Librarians Marshal	Debjani Mukhopadhyay
The University Staff Marshal	Jose I. Hernandez Jr.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

The University of Texas at El Paso is proud to recognize its 2018 Distinguished Alumni Award recipients presented by the UTEP Alumni Association. The award is the highest honor bestowed upon graduates who have excelled in their professions and sustained a commitment to the University.



CRYSTAL LONG

Moving up the corporate ladder is never an easy feat, but this first-generation college graduate found that education was a way to the top.

She currently serves as president and CEO of GECU, the largest locally owned financial institution in El Paso.

Long was born in Lubbock, Texas and moved to El Paso with her family when she was 8 years old. She began at GECU as an entry-level file clerk in 1979. Later, she sought higher education to advance her career and worked toward earning a college degree while maintaining a full-time job and raising a family. Her persistence paid off when she received a Bachelor of Science in Business Management and later an MBA from the University of Phoenix.

Long progressively moved up the ranks at GECU to teller, supervisor, manager and vice president. Already a top leader at her institution, her desire to keep learning and growing professionally wasn't satiated. In 2011, she became a proud Miner when she joined UTEP's Executive MBA Program.

Long says she is humbled and honored to be named a Distinguished Alumna, a recognition she feels should be shared with her family, friends, colleagues and community members who all have been part of her journey.

"Having become a UTEP graduate, I believe I'm better positioned to advocate for the value of a college education in the workplace and am proud that, through my example, others have chosen to attend college. You simply can't help but be changed by exposure to new concepts, people and perspectives. I am very grateful for that."

EX ALUMNOS DISTINGUIDOS

La Universidad de Texas en El Paso se enorgullece en reconocer a los galardonados como Ex alumnos Distinguidos del 2018 presentados por la Asociación de ex alumnos de UTEP. Este reconocimiento es el mayor honor que se otorga a alumnos que se han graduado de UTEP, que han destacado en sus profesiones y que han mantenido su compromiso hacia la universidad.

Ascender en la carrera corporativa nunca es fácil, sin embargo, sin embargo, esta primera generación de graduados universitarios vieron que la educación era una manera de llegar a la cima. Crystal es actualmente Presidenta y Directora Ejecutiva de GECU, la institución financiera local más grande en El Paso.

Long nació en Lubbock, Texas y cuando tenía ocho años de edad se mudó a El Paso con su familia. Comenzó en 1979 como encargada de archivos a nivel básico en GECU. Posteriormente, continuó sus estudios de nivel superior para así avanzar en su carrera y se esforzó por obtener un título universitario trabajando tiempo completo y criando a su familia. Su persistencia rindió frutos cuando recibió su Licenciatura en Ciencias en Gestión Empresarial y posteriormente, una Maestría en Administración de Empresas en la Universidad de Phoenix.

En GECU, Long fue ascendiendo de rango en forma progresiva a cajera, supervisora, gerente y vicepresidenta. Siendo ya una de las líderes principales en la institución, seguía latente su deseo de continuar aprendiendo y desarrollándose en el ámbito profesional. En el 2011, se convirtió en una orgullosa minera cuando se unió al programa Ejecutivo de Maestría en Administración de Empresas de UTEP.

Long comenta que se siente halagada y honrada por ser nombrada como Alumna Distinguida, un reconocimiento que siente que debe compartir con su familia, amigos, colegas y miembros de la comunidad que han formado parte de su trayectoria.

"Creo que el haberme graduado de UTEP, me ha colocado en una mejor posición para abogar por el valor de una educación universitaria en el ámbito laboral y me siento orgullosa que a través de mi ejemplo, otros hayan decidido asistir a la universidad. Uno simplemente no lo nota pero puede cambiar al descubrir nuevos conceptos, personas y perspectivas y por ello me siento muy agradecida."



KARLA MARTÍNEZ

This UTEP alumna has been lauded as one of the most powerful and influential Latinas in the world. As a young girl growing

up in Chihuahua, Mexico, she never thought she could get where she is today, but she dared to dream big.

Martinez is the co-host of Univision's highly rated national live morning show, "*Despierta America*." While a student at The University of Texas at El Paso, she got her start in broadcasting at KINT-FM (Channel 26), Univision's affiliate station in El Paso. In 1995, the young reporter was scouted by the Univision Network and became a Texas correspondent for the national news magazine "*Primer Impacto*." Later she served as a reporter for the network's top entertainment news show, "*El Gordo y la Flaca*," and host of Univision's popular youth-oriented lifestyle program, "Control."

In addition to her role with *Despierta America*, Martinez has co-hosted numerous Univision specials and in 2013 co-hosted ABC's "Good Morning America" and "The View" alongside one of her role models, Barbara Walters. She has been named one of *People en Español's* 25 Most Beautiful People and 25 Most Powerful Women, and one of *Vogue Mexico* and *Vogue Latin America* magazines' 2018 100 Most Influential People.

Recently, Martinez added Emmy award winner to her list of accomplishments when "*Despierta America*" won for Outstanding Morning Program in Spanish. She also has authored "*El Poder de Una Sonrisa*" (The Power of a Smile), a book focused on ways to overcome life's bad moments.

"I am an example of a dreamer and am happy to be able to represent UTEP students with my story. This is a recognition for all of them. Being an immigrant makes me feel so proud to be recognized for not only what I accomplished but the example I leave others; showing them that anything, no matter where you come from, your story or past, anything is possible."

Esta exalumna de UTEP ha sido aclamada como una de las latinas más poderosas e influyentes en el mundo. Vivió en Chihuahua, México de pequeña y nunca se imaginó que llegaría donde hoy se encuentra pero se atrevió a soñar en grande.

Martínez es una de las presentadoras de "*Despierta América*," uno de los programas matutinos de Univision con mayor nivel de audiencia. Comenzó su carrera televisiva en KINT-FM (Canal 26), una de las estaciones afiliadas a Univision en El Paso mientras estudiaba en la Universidad de Texas en El Paso. En 1995, esta joven reportera fue descubierta por la cadena Univision y se convirtió en la corresponsal de Texas para "*Primer Impacto*," una revista de noticias nacionales. Posteriormente, trabajó como reportera para "*El Gordo y la Flaca*," uno de los principales programas de noticias de entretenimiento y fue presentadora de "Control," un programa sobre estilos de vida enfocado a los jóvenes.

Además de su rol en *Despierta América*, Martínez ha sido copresentadora de diversos programas especiales de Univision y en el 2013 fue una de las presentadoras de ABC's "Good Morning America" y "The View" al lado de Barbara Walters, una de las periodistas que más admira. También fue reconocida por la revista *People en Español* como una de las 25 personas más bellas y como una de las 25 mujeres más poderosas y en el 2018, por las revistas norteamericanas *Vogue México* y *Vogue Latin America* como una de las 100 personas con mayor influencia.

Martínez añadió recientemente el premio Emmy a su lista de logros, cuando *Despierta America* ganó como el programa matutino más reconocido en español. También es la autora de *El Poder de una Sonrisa*, un libro que se enfoca en la forma de superar los momentos difíciles de la vida.

"Soy un claro ejemplo de soñadora y estoy feliz de poder representar a los estudiantes de UTEP con mi historia. Este es un reconocimiento para todos ellos. El hecho de ser una inmigrante hace que me sienta orgullosa de ser reconocida no solo por lo que he logrado sino por el ejemplo que puedo dar a los demás, al mostrarles que no importa de dónde vengas, cuál sea tu historia o tu pasado, todo, todo es posible."

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES SPRING 2019

Congratulations Class of 2019! As you leave your alma mater to make your mark upon the world, we want to stay connected with you and be part of your journey.

PICKS UP! GO MINERS!

¡Muchas Felicidades Generación 2019! Al dejar su alma mater para comenzar a dejar su huella en el mundo, queremos seguir en contacto con ustedes y ser parte de su travesía.

¡VAMOS MINEROS Y ARRIBA ESOS PICOS!



COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

BACHELOR OF ARTS

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Ana Grecia Antunez
Erik Ivan Prieto

Art

Latrell E. Archer
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Joseph Bueno
Brandy L. Caldera
Brooke Nichole Crisp
Blanca Edith Duenas
Karen S. Flores
Ruby Anahi Franco
Mariana Lopez
Kellie Margaret Newport
Perla G. Perez
Alberto Jorge Romo
Dania Vance
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Zachary Martin Silva

Art/Media Advertising

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Art History

Aaron Nicholas Clark
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Rocio Nayely Mendez
Maria Luisa Torres

Chicano Studies/ Political Science

Johnathan Andrew Cereceres
Ana Carol Hernandez

Chicano Studies/Psychology

Jolene Roa

Communication Studies

Matthew Donald Brink
Alexis Valeria Bustillos
Karina R. Carrasco
Sandra Elizabeth Dominguez
Edna Elena Fitzmaurice
Javier Eduardo Garcia
Xzavier Martinez
Vacil Gonzalez Zabanal

Criminal Justice

Melissa Aguero Orozco
Cristal Viridiana Aguirre
Santiago Fernando Alcantar
Joanna Alvarez
Sammy J. Apodaca
Hilda Nohemi Arellano
Jacqueline Balderas
Christopher Bejarano
Juan Antonio Beltran Jr.
Alexandra Berrios
Fernando Borboa
Andrea Bouche
Jose Daniel Briseno
Osiris Maleny Burley
Adelene Miran Bustillos
Kevin Calleros
David Cardenas Jr.
Jeremy David Cardona
James R. Carrillo
Jannie Casas
Ashely Belle Casillas
Nelida Guadalupe Castor
Arlene Elaine Caudillo
Kara Leigh Cervantes
Ramon Alejandro Chaparro Jr.
Francisco Chavarria
Jasmin Irene Chavez
Alejandra Coronado
Ricardo Iram Cortes
Miguel Alfredo Cruz
Hugo Dominguez
Julia Duenas
Carmen O. Duran
Kimberly Ann Durr
Michelle Elias
Albert Enriquez
Asael Enriquez
Shani Enriquez
Christopher M. Esparza
Luis Fernando Esparza
Laura Andrea Espinoza
Joshua Falconi
Paul Folis
Kaelyn L. Foster
Cody Roger Galloway
Linda Beatriz Garcia
Vivian Alexis Garcia
Tianny Gomez
Darlene Gonzalez-Rosales
Itzel Gutierrez
Alexander Javier Guzman
Jasmin Anahi Hernandez
Laura Hernandez
Julio Cesar Jaramillo-Reyes
Cenaida Georgina Lather II

Andrew Jesus Lopez
Diana Lizet Lopez
Ricardo Javier Loya
Darsy L. Lozano
Stephanie Paige Lozano
Jasmine Monique Luna
Melissa L. Macias
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Paola E. Marrero
Jorge R. Martinez
Mario Martinez
Heriberto Melendez III
Gilbert Mendoza
Gabriela Irani Miranda
Jose Javier Monsisvais
Milca Morales
Megan R. Moreno
Brittany Moyers
Brittney Munoz
Estevan Michael Murillo
Giselle Murillo
Jesenia Priscilla Navarrette
Anthony Jessie Nunez
Biridiana Nunez
Aprial G. Ochoa
Jaqueline Olivas
Mayra Eydie Pacheco
Jazmin Padilla
Ramon Daniel Pagan
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Jacob Jorda Rodriguez
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Leticia Romero
Alexandra Christine Rubio
Daniel Paul Ruskowski
Joseph I. Salgado
Jose A. Samaniego
Lorena Serrano
Jared Timothy Sievek
Gerald Wayne Stewart
Katie Lynn Tepezano

Christopher Ryan Thompson
Ronnie Antonio Uribe Jr.
Mario Jonathan Valadez
Christie Marie Valenzuela
Stephanie Sarahi Vargas
Rosalingda Villarreal
Ricardo Zaragoza

Criminal Justice/Organizational & Corporate Communication

Amanda Renae Sosa

Criminal Justice/Psychology

Ivan Marquez
Adrian Martinez

Criminal Justice/Sociology

Felipe Ernesto Terrazas

Creative Writing

Marisol Adame
Carson Scott Bennett
Lizette Liliana Bibriescas
Mia Francesca Carreon
Mario Omar Muniz
Celeste Reyes

Digital Media Production

Cierra Nicole Bustamante
Jon Erik Castro
Troy Allen Evans
Domingo Farias
Oscar Franco-Morales
Jezrael Raul Gandara
Jose Antonio Gonzalez
Abel Alexander Jaquez
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UTEP'S MILESTONES DURING DIANA NATALICIO'S PRESIDENCY

Look back at key milestones in campus history from the past 30 years



Thank you Dr. Natalicio for 30 years of commitment to the development of the region's most valuable assets.

- 1988 Diamond Jubilee celebration of the University's 75th anniversary begins.
- 1988 The National Science Foundation recognizes UTEP with a Minority Research Center of Excellence grant.
- 1989 UTEP forms the 2001 Commission, charged with assessing the campus' capacity to contribute to the human and economic development of this region, and set benchmarks for what UTEP should accomplish by the year 2001.
- 1989 UTEP becomes the largest Hispanic-majority university in the continental U.S.
- 1990 Minerpalooza festival is launched.
- 1992 El Paso Collaborative for Academic Excellence established. It is a broad-based, citywide collaboration of education, business and civic leaders that has worked for more than 25 years to transform the PreK-16 educational pipeline and ensure academic success for all young El Pasoans.
- 1993 The South Texas/Border Initiative, an outcome of the LULAC v. Richards lawsuit, enables UTEP to launch growth in doctoral degree programs.

- 1994 UTEP awarded a five-year, \$15 million grant as part of the National Science Foundation's Urban Systemic Initiative, a program aimed at bringing about systemwide improvements in science, mathematics and technology education for urban students.
- 1995 UTEP designated a Model Institution for Excellence by the National Science Foundation.
- 1996 UTEP creates closer ties with El Paso Community College to ensure that students who wish to pursue baccalaureate degrees have a smooth pathway to transfer.
- 1997 UTEP launches the \$50 million Legacy Campaign, the University's first major fundraising initiative.
- 1997 Don Haskins is inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame, and the Special Events Center is renamed the Don Haskins Center.
- 1998 UTEP celebrates its 100th Commencement in the Sun Bowl. Texas Gov. George W. Bush is the speaker.
- 1999 Enrollment begins two decades of steady growth.
- 2000 UTEP is designated by The Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education as a doctoral/research intensive university.
- 2003 UTEP is awarded \$29.3 million from the National Science Foundation's Math/Science Partnership (MSP) program to support the work of the El Paso Collaborative for Academic Excellence for five years.
- 2004 UTEP celebrates its 90th anniversary.
- 2005 UTEP's Centennial Commission, co-chaired by alumni Larry K. Durham and Philip Martinez, presents its vision for UTEP in 2014, its 100th anniversary.
- 2005 UTEP organizes the first Bhutan Days celebration, introducing UTEP and the El Paso community to Bhutanese music and culture.
- 2006 "Glory Road," a film celebrating the 1966 Texas Western men's national basketball championship team, premieres in El Paso, with participation by 1966 team members, the film director and cast members.
- 2007 UTEP's enrollment surpasses 20,000.
- 2008 UTEP is designated as a Center of Excellence for Border Security and Immigration.

- 2010 UTEP launches “At the Forefront: The Centennial Campaign for UTEP,” the most ambitious fundraising campaign to date with a goal of raising \$200 million by 2014.
- 2010 “Mining Minds,” an iconic piece of public art created by Michael Clapper, is installed in the roundabout at University Avenue and Sun Bowl Drive.
- 2011 UTEP awards its 100,000th degree.
- 2011 UTEP receives the largest single gift to date — \$10 million from alumnus Mike Loya.
- 2011 UTEP earns the Carnegie Foundation designation as an Engaged Institution, one where “teaching, learning and scholarship engage faculty, students and community in mutually beneficial and respectful collaboration.”
- 2012 The U.S. Department of Education lists UTEP as having the lowest out-of-pocket cost, or net price, of all research universities in the nation.
- 2013 Washington Monthly magazine ranks UTEP among the top 10 of all U.S. universities. In the social mobility category, UTEP is ranked No. 1.
- 2014 UTEP celebrates its 100th anniversary. Among its most impactful activities is UTEP Celebrates, an outreach initiative that engaged more than 180,000 children in 260 local schools in the Centennial Celebration.
- 2014 NSA designates UTEP as a Center for Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense. The Director of National Intelligence designates UTEP as an Intelligence Community Center of Academic Excellence.
- 2014 UTEP is presented with the sculpture, “Esfera Cuántica Tlahtolli” by Mexican artist Sebastián, to recognize UTEP’s success in educating thousands of Mexican students.
- 2015 Construction of Centennial Plaza is completed, and the Bhutanese Lhakhang opens.
- 2017 A study by the Brookings Institution ranks UTEP No. 1 for its success in achieving both competitive research and student social mobility.
- 2017 Fall enrollment surpasses 25,000.
- 2018 UTEP attains R1 designation for doctoral universities with very high research activity in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. It is one of only 130 universities among 2,883 four-year higher education institutions to earn the distinction.

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Clarissa Isabel Bernal
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Joslyn J. Bringas
Evelyn Castaneda
Ayleen Castro
Sarah Elizabeth Chavez
Adela Marie Colmenero
Zoe Elizabeth Contreras
Karen Pearl Copp
Adriana De La Torre
Afton Donne Deleon
Rachell Dawn Dixon

Ana Isabel Fernandez
Alexandra Alyse Furman
Janice Gomez Lira
Kyle Morris Graham
Fernanda Iliana Grajeda
Antionette Grove
Cassandra Alexis Hellard
Reahhna Hernandez
Charity Kiplagat
Linda Lelingis
Beatriz Lopez
Carolina Sarahi Lucero Salas
Amy Miller
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Ana Patricia Nouel
Joe Pabon
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Karen V. Palacios
Tara Michelle Paxton
Mattye A. Rash
Jodi Yvonne Reyes
Stacy Romero
Lilly Sanchez-Hernandez
Wesley R. Solis
Novelyn A. Tapia
Kristina Anita Therese Torres
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COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Patricia Ablanado Morales
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Hassan Nazir Aldaz
Gloria Juarez Aldrete
Taylor Alexandria Alonzo
Guadalupe Alvarez Rodriguez
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Daniel Andrade
Miriam Rebeca Aragonese
Pablo Arenaz III
Nikkita Marie Arras
Melinda Sue Arrieta
Bianca Victo Augustain
Athulya Gijo Augustine
Francisco Ayala Rodriguez
Seham Zoheir Azzam
Madelyn Kenna Babst Jr.
Isabel Barraza
Claudia Isabel Becerra
Karla Gabriela Cano Hernandez
Yuliana Cardoza
Deidrah Carrillo
Melissa Casas
Luisa Fernanda Castillo
Aaron Nicholas Clark
Anita Cherie Deblois
Karma Dema
Georgina Diaz-Escandon
Valeria Simone Diaz-Pacheco
Jose Ignacio Echeverri Alegre
Christina Marie Eckels
Joachin Daberechi Eddi
Theresa Rose Edmonston
Alondra Elizalde
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Victor Hugo Erives Jr.
David Esparza Jr.
Jerrica Michelle Foster
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Hiram Gamos Garcia
Adalberto Isaiah Garcia
Lizette Garza
Alejandra Gomez
Celia Elena Gonzalez
Meela Grey
Oscar Manuel Guerra
Dawa Wangchuk Gyalpo
Hazael Hernandez
Raymond Holguin
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Karina Leon
Bruce Nicholas Lomeli
Leslie Ayleen Lopez
Luis Alejandro Lopez Ledezma
Adrian Gustavo Luna
Karla Martinez
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Magda Christine McClendon
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Alondra Navarrete
Krysten A. Navarro
Susan Giselle Nevarez
Janet Jaqueline Olivas
Samantha Renee Pena

Breanna Chantal Pence
Alejandra Pina
Sara Ezat Pourjavaheri
Angelica Quinones
Preetha Rajkumar
Idalis Malika Ramirez
Jesus Manuel Reyes
Daniela Arian Rodriguez
David Rodriguez
Leslie Rodriguez
Vanessa Rodriguez
Ysenia Nicole Rodriguez
Aldo Isac Rojas
Ronal Alberto Ruiz
Ibrahim Feras Salama II
Luis Alberto Salazar
Brianna Brissa-Marie Sanchez
Luisa Maria Sanchez
Maria D. Sanchez
Pamela Isabel Sanchez
Adrian Silerio
Maria Isabel Siles Asaff
Ruta Simanavicius
John Byron Snell
Itzel A. Tejeda
Kira Maria Tiula
Dina Torres
Ugyen Samdrup Tshering
Humberto Galo Urrutia Cedillos
Ivan Rene Valenzuela
Kassandra Mae I Valerio
Neha Vijay
Hyung Kyung Suh Yi
Gerardo Zavala

DISTINGUISHED LEADER AWARD

Juan Aguilera Health Sciences
Kristen Ahumada. Science
Laura Marquez. Health Sciences
Kaelin Walker Liberal Arts

MEN & WOMEN OF MINES

Bianca Alvarez. Engineering
Paulina Espinoza-Gonzalez Business Administration
Alejandra Gutierrez Education
David McLain Health Sciences
Laura Mendoza Graduate School
Ryan Metz Graduate School
Aiyana Ponce Science
Bethany Portillo Liberal Arts
Tatiana Soltero Science

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U.S. Army

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Quarter Master
National Guard

Troy A. Evans
Signal
U.S. Army

Meshelemiah Henderson
Military Intel
National Guard

Stephen J. Hernandez
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National Guard

Kimberly Rubio
Chemical
U.S. Army

Roger D. Vu
Quarter Master
U.S. Army

Niluk Wikkramatillake
Adjutant General
U.S. Army

HONORS REGALIA

University Academic Honors candidates are recognized by cords with the following designations:

3.9 – 4.0 Summa Cum Laude (Highest Honors)Gold
3.8 – 3.89 Magna Cum Laude (High Honors)White
3.5 – 3.79 Cum Laude (Honors)College Colors

Business Administration	Drab	Nursing	Apricot
Education	Light Blue	Science	Golden Yellow
Engineering	Orange	Honors Degree	Gold Stole
Health Sciences	Salmon	Honors Certificate	Lilac
Liberal Arts	Royal Blue	Honors Senior Thesis	Dark Green

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Beta Alpha Psi, Theta Beta–Black/Red Cords National, Scholastic and Professional Financial Information Honor Society
Beta Gamma Sigma–Blue/Gold Cords and Stole International Honor Society
Omicron Delta Epsilon Economics Academic Honor Society

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Chi Sigma Iota, Upsilon Tau Epsilon–Blue/White National Counseling Honor Society
Kappa Delta Pi International Education Honor Society
Double Gold 3.9 - 4.0 Green/Purple/White 3.5 - 3.79
Double White 3.8 - 3.89 Green/Purple 3.25 - 3.49

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Alpha Pi Mu – White Cowl Industrial Engineering Honor Society
Alpha Sigma Mu – Yellow Metallurgy and Materials Engineering Honor Society
Chi Epsilon – Purple Cowl National Civil Engineering Honor Society
IEEE – Eta Kappa Nu (Zeta Delta) Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers Honor Society
Tau Beta Pi – White/Orange Stole Engineering Honor Society

COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND SCHOOL OF NURSING

Eta Sigma Gamma, Lambda – Gold/Forest Green Stole National Honorary Health Education Organization

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

Iota Iota Iota – Lavender Honor Society for Women’s Studies
Honors Program Student Organization – Blue/Orange Stoles Honorary Student Organization
Phi Alpha Theta – Red/Blue Cords National History Honor Society
Pi Kappa Delta – Red/Gray Cords National Honorary Society
Pi Sigma Alpha Epsilon Epsilon – Red/White/Black Cords National Political Science Honor Society
International Honor Society in Psychology – Silver Double Cords with Silver/Blue Tassels International Honor Society in Psychology
Lambda Pi Eta – Red and White Cords National Honor Society
Sigma Tau Delta – Red/Black Cords, and Red Stole International English Honor Society

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Sigma Gamma Epsilon – Gold/Blue/Silver Cords National Honor Society for the Earth Sciences

UNIVERSITY HONOR SOCIETIES/PROGRAMS

Alpha Chi, Texas Alpha Beta Royal Blue/Emerald Green Cords National Honor Society for Juniors, Seniors, and Graduates
Alpha Lambda Delta – Red/White/Gold Cords National Honor Society for Freshmen Year Students
EPCC Transfer Honor – Orange/Teal Cords All EPCC Transfer Honor Candidates
Delta Alpha Phi – Royal Blue and Gold Cords International Honor Society
Golden Key International – Blue/Gold Cords
Gold Medallion with Blue/Gold Ribbon, and Gold Stole International Honor Society
Order of Omega – White/Gold Cords, and Gold Stole National Honor Society
Sigma Alpha Pi (NSLS) – Black and Silver Cords and Silver Stole National Society of Leadership and Success
Society for Collegiate Leadership & Achievement Royal Blue/Gold Cords Honor Society of Collegiate Leadership & Achievement
Tau Sigma National Honor Society, Alpha Eta – Gold/Burgundy Cords National Academic Honor Society
The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi Navy Blue/Gold National Honor Society for “The Unity and Democracy of Education”
The National Society of Collegiate Scholars
Gold/Maroon or Gold Sash (officers) National Society of Collegiate Scholars for First and Second Year Students
University Honors Council – Royal Blue/Orange Honors Program Honor Society
United States Military Honor – Red/White/Blue Cords All Military Candidates

REGALIA

HISTORY

Prior to 1980, The University of Texas at El Paso (and its predecessors, the Texas College of Mines and Metallurgy and Texas Western College) borrowed regalia for ceremonial occasions. In 1980, drama department faculty member C.L. Etheridge suggested that the time had come for UTEP to have its own unique regalia. President Haskell Monroe established the University Heritage Commission to raise funds for the creation of official regalia, to include a mace, chains of office for the President and the Vice President for Academic Affairs, a UTEP banner and seal, and a banner and seal for each of the colleges.

A University seal, depicting El Paso's sun, mountains and river, had been created for Texas Western College in 1949 by renowned local artist José Cisneros. This seal was incorporated into the official heraldic layout for the University banner designed by art department faculty member Sally Bishop Segal, who also designed seals for the colleges of Liberal Arts, Science, Nursing and Allied Health (now the College of Health Sciences), and the Graduate School. Albert Ronke, drama department faculty member, designed the seals for the colleges of Business Administration, Education and Engineering. All nine seal designs in their heraldic layout were then crafted into fabric by Esther "Terrie" Cornell. In 2001, the seals for Engineering, Business and Health Sciences were updated by Sally Segal to reflect new programs offered by those colleges.

UTEP alumnus James Love created the Chain of Office for the President, consisting of eight seals reproduced on two-inch-diameter enameled disks; the Chain of Office for the Vice President for Academic Affairs; and the University Mace. C.L. Etheridge developed the ceremonial rituals used in University Commencements since 1981.

BANNERS

Among the many traditions associated with Commencement, the presentation of the ceremonial University and college banners symbolizes the accomplishments of the graduates whom we honor on this occasion and the University's commitment to their success. Each banner bears a unique seal placed on a 4 x 6-foot heraldic field, or saltire, and each incorporates symbols and colors that define it:

University Banner

Colors: Orange, White and Blue

Symbols: Open Book – the learning process; the Sun, Mountains and River – the city of El Paso; Star – The Lone Star of Texas; Laurel Branch – high academic achievement; Oak Branch – solidity and permanence

COLLEGES

Business Administration

Colors: Brown – Business and Accounting

Copper – Economics

Symbols: Flame – depicts knowledge and enlightenment; Miner's Pick – represents unity with the University's identity; Column – symbolic of strength and an emblematic inference to the importance of international accreditation; Scroll – associated with commerce and contracting; Laurel Branches – denote academic and professional success; Globe – international

Education

Color: Light Blue

Symbols: Lamp – lamp of learning; Book – learning and literacy; Sigma – Greek symbol for "all-encompassing;" Book, Ruler and Compass – the tools of learning

Engineering

Color: Dark Orange

Symbols: Castle Structure – civil engineering; Gear – mechanical engineering; Bolt of Lightning – electrical engineering; Hammer and Assaying Scale – metallurgical and mining engineering; Human Form – industrial engineering; Computer Card and Binary Numbers – computer science

Health Sciences

Colors: Green – Healing Arts

Symbols: Dark Red Field – blood of life; White Shield and Red Cross – humanitarian aid; Human Figure – physical care and therapy; Beaker, Needle and Test Tube – laboratory research and application

Liberal Arts

Color: White – Humanities, Arts and Letters

Symbols: Alpha/Omega – first and last letters of the Greek alphabet symbolizing the scope of studies in liberal arts; Torch – knowledge; Open Book – the learning process and literacy
Color stripes denote disciplines within liberal arts: Brown for Fine Arts, Crimson for Journalism, Pink for Music, Dark Blue for Philosophy, Violet for Psychology, Scarlet for Religion, Citron for Social Work and Silver Gray for Speech and Drama

Nursing

Color: Apricot

Symbols: Maltese Cross – exceptional service to humanity; Lamp of Knowledge – tribute to Florence Nightingale; Eternal Flame – lifelong quest for knowledge; Laurel Leaves – honor; "Corpus Sanare" – healing the body; Burnt Orange Ring – School of Nursing becomes part of The University of Texas System in 1972; Columbia Blue and Navy Blue – past and present colors; Stars – the State of Texas with Miner Orange

Science

Color: Golden Yellow

Symbols: Clouds/Sky – the atmosphere surrounding the Earth; Globe – Earth and geography; Methane molecule – chemistry, biology and physics; Five Mathematical Symbols – basic and higher math concepts; Tree – the history of science; and the Mountains, Earth and Strata – geology

Graduate School

Colors: University colors of Orange, White and Blue and other colors from academic areas offering graduate study

Symbols: Rainbow – the spectrum of disciplines forming the Graduate School; Star – the Lone Star of Texas and the skyward direction of the flames; Pan of Flames – group knowledge; and Laurel Branches – high academic achievement

THE UNIVERSITY MACE

A symbol of authority and dignity of office, the Mace has been associated with civil and academic ceremonies from at least the 14th century. The Mace is designed to convey honor, optimism, hope, accomplishment, learning and scholarship, and its association with special events denotes tradition, solemnity and a commitment to excellence. At The University of Texas at El Paso, the Mace plays a prominent role in all Commencement and Convocation ceremonies.

The University Mace is a timeless and inspiring symbol that combines forms selected from the distinctive Bhutanese architecture of the UTEP campus; the natural landscape of the Chihuahuan Desert; and the multicultural heritage of the U.S.-Mexico border region. The Mace captures the University's rich history as well as its highly promising future, from its beginnings as Texas' first mining school in 1914 to today's competitive research university serving a 21st century student demographic.

GOWNS, CAPS AND HOODS

The tradition of the gown, cap and hood worn at UTEP events dates back to universities in the Middle Ages, when such garments had very practical applications. The gown and hood kept the chill away as students and teachers labored in halls of learning that were often damp and drafty.

Originally, the mortar board, or flat square cap, was a hat which, when removed, provided its wearer with a flat writing surface. Writing instruments and paper were kept in the long sleeves of the gown.

Until modern times, caps and gowns were made of black fabric to illustrate the gravity of learning. Although today's gowns, caps and tassels are available in a variety of colors, the symbolism of color remains. For example, students who graduate from UTEP wear a tassel whose color represents the college from which they receive their degrees.

The hood drapes over the shoulders and is worn by those who have earned a master's or doctoral degree. It consists of a black shell, lined in satin, and bears the color of the

institution that conferred the degree. The hoods worn by UTEP graduates have an orange lining crossed with a white chevron. The velvet on the border bears the color of the field of learning in which the degree was earned.

COMMENCEMENT STOLES

The University of Texas at El Paso Alumni Association honors Faculty and Student Marshals, Banner Bearers and the University Banner Bearer with an orange satin stole bearing the Class Medallion and Alumni Association logo. Inaugurated in May 2004, the stoles are proudly worn by students who were selected to represent their college based on their exceptional academic achievement.

The University Banner Bearer – selected based on academic achievement, leadership and campus involvement – is considered the highest honor bestowed upon a student during Commencement. This student follows the Grand Marshal and leads the college banners in the processional. The University Banner Bearer is the second to receive their diploma in their respective college.

In the second phase of the processional, undergraduate and graduate Student Marshals lead their fellow candidates and are the first in their college to receive their diplomas.

The College Banner Bearers carry their college banner and lead their college in the second phase of the processional. These students are second in their college to receive their diploma except in the college represented by the University Banner Bearer.

CLASS MEDALLION

The first class medallion was created to commemorate UTEP's 100th Commencement ceremony in May 1998 at the Sun Bowl featuring The Honorable George W. Bush, then Governor of Texas. Because of the medallion's popularity, University officials decided to create a Class Medallion for each year's graduating class starting in the new millennium. The Class Medallion unifies graduates of the spring, summer and winter graduation classes into a single class determined by the graduation year. A scholarship from the Medallion Endowed Scholarship Fund is awarded to a Commencement candidate during the spring and winter ceremonies.



DECORACIONES, INSIGNIAS Y TRAJES CEREMONIALES

HISTORIA

La Universidad de Texas en El Paso, al igual que sus antecesoras, Texas College of Mines and Metallurgy y Texas Western College, pedían prestados los trajes que se usaban en algunas ocasiones solemnes que tuvieron lugar antes de 1980. En el verano de dicho año, el profesor C.L. Etheridge, miembro del cuerpo docente del Departamento de Arte Dramático, sugirió que ya era hora de que UTEP contara con sus propios trajes de ceremonia. El Presidente Haskell Monroe fundo la Comisión Patrimonial de la Universidad con el fin de recaudar fondos destinados a la creación de una serie de elementos decorativos o ciales, que incluirían un bastón de mando, collares emblemáticos de los cargos de Rector y Vicerrector de Asuntos Académicos, el estandarte universitario y el escudo, así como estandartes y escudos para cada una de las facultades.

En 1949, el renombrado pintor paseño José Cisneros creó un escudo universitario para Texas Western College. Más tarde, se incluyó el escudo que representaba el sol, las montañas y el río de El Paso en el diseño heráldico oficial del estandarte de la universidad, diseñado por la profesora y pintora Sally Bishop, quien también creó los diseños de los emblemas para las facultades de Artes Liberales, Ciencias, Enfermería y Ciencias Afines (actual facultad de Ciencias de la Salud), y la Escuela de Graduados. A su vez, Albert Ronke, profesor de arte dramático y escenógrafo, concibió los diseños de los escudos para las Facultades de Administración de Empresas, Educación e Ingeniería.

Los ocho diseños de los escudos y su disposición heráldica fueron plasmados en tela por Esther "Terrie" Cornell. En el 2001, los escudos de la Facultad de Ingeniería, de Administración de Empresas y de Ciencias de la Salud fueron rediseñados para que se incluyeran los nuevos programas ofrecidos por dichas facultades. Un ex-alumno, James Love, artista y joyero de El Paso, elaboró el collar del cargo oficial de Rector, que comprendía ocho escudos reproducidos sobre discos esmaltados de dos pulgadas de diámetro, así como el collar de cargo de Vicerrector de Asuntos Académicos y el bastón de mando de las Universidad.

Los procedimientos y procesiones ceremoniales que se siguen actualmente fueron ideados por C.L. Etheridge y fueron puestos en práctica en 1981.

ESTANDARTES

Entre las diversas tradiciones relacionadas con la Ceremonia de Graduación, la presentación de los estandartes ceremoniales de la Universidad y de las Facultades simboliza los logros alcanzados por los graduados a los cuales honramos en cada ocasión, así como el compromiso de la Universidad para que tengan éxito. Cada estandarte ostenta el escudo oficial de la universidad colocado en un campo heráldico de cuatro por seis pies, y cada uno de ellos muestra los colores y símbolos que identifican a cada una de las facultades.

Estandarte Universitario

Colores: Naranja, Blanco y Azul

Símbolos: Libro Abierto – el proceso de aprendizaje; el Sol, las Montañas y el Río – La ciudad de El Paso; La Estrella – La Estrella Solitaria de Texas; La Rama de Laurel – logros académicos superiores; La Rama de Roble – solidaridad y permanencia.

FACULTADES

Administración de Empresas

Colores: Café – Administración y Contabilidad Cobre – Economía

Símbolos: Flama – conocimiento e iluminación; Pico Minero – unidad con la identidad de la Universidad; Columna – fortaleza y es una inferencia emblemática a la importancia de la acreditación internacional; Pergamino – relacionado al comercio y contratos; Ramas de Laurel – éxito académico y profesional; Mapa Mundial – internacional

Educación

Color: Azul cielo

Símbolos: Lámpara – luz del conocimiento; Libro – aprendizaje y alfabetismo; Sigma – símbolo griego que signi ca "quo lo abarca todo"; Libro, regla y compas – las herramientas del aprendizaje

Ingeniería

Color: Anaranjado oscuro

Símbolos: Castillo – ingeniería civil; Engranaje – ingeniería mecánica; Relámpago – ingeniería eléctrica; Martillo y Balanza de Ensaye – ingeniería metalúrgica y materiales; Forma Humana – ingeniería industrial; Tarjeta de Computadora y Números Binarios – Informática

Ciencias de la Salud

Color: Albaricoque – Enfermería Verde – Artes de Curación

Símbolos: Campo Rojo Oscuro – la sangre de vida; Campo Blanco y Cruz Roja – ayuda humanitaria; Figura Humana – cuidado y terapia física; Vaso de precipitado / Aguja / Tubo de Ensaye – investigación de laboratorio y su aplicación

Artes Liberales

Color: Blanco – Humanidades, Filosofía y Letras

Símbolos: Alpha / Omega – Primera y última letra del alfabeto Griego simbolizando los ámbitos de estudio en las Artes Liberales; Antorcha – conocimiento; Libro abierto – el proceso de aprendizaje y el alfabetismo.

Las Franjas de colores denotan las disciplinas que forman parte de las artes Liberales: Café para las Bellas Artes, Carmesí para Periodismo, Rosa para Música, Azul Rey para Filosofía, Violeta para Psicología, Escarlata para Religión, Verde Lima para trabajo Social y Gris plateado para Declamación y Drama.

Enfermería

Color: Albaricoque

Símbolo: Cruz de Malta – Servicio excepcional a la humanidad; Lámpara del Conocimiento – Tributo a Florence Nightingale; La Llama

Eterna – Búsqueda del conocimiento durante toda la vida; Hojas de Laurel – Honor; “Corps Sanare” – Sanador de cuerpo; Aro Naranja Quemado – La Escuela de Enfermería forma parte del Sistema de la Universidad de Texas en 1972; Azul Columbia y Azul Marino – Tonos anteriores actuales del color azul designados como oficiales; Estrella – El estado de Texas con el color naranja de los mineros.

Ciencias

Color: Amarillo dorado

Símbolos: Nubes / cielo – la atmosfera que rodea la tierra; Globo – la Tierra y la geografía; Molécula de Metano – química, biología y física; Cinco Símbolos Matemáticos – conceptos matemáticos básicos y superiores; Árbol – la historia de la ciencia; las Montañas, la Tierra y el Estrato – geología

Escuela de Graduados

Colores de la Piedra Angular: los colores universitarios Anaranjado, Blanco y Azul y otros colores de áreas académicas que ofrecen estudios para graduados

Símbolos: Arco iris – el espectro de las disciplinas que forman la escuela de graduados; Estrella – la estrella solitaria de Texas y las amas dirigidas hacia el cielo; Bandeja de Flamas – conocimiento grupal; y Ramas de Laurel – conocimiento académico superior.

EL BASTÓN DE MANDO UNIVERSITARIO

El bastón de mando, símbolo de autoridad y dignidad del cargo, ha sido asociado con ceremonias civiles y académicas desde el Siglo XIV, por lo menos. El bastón de mando esta diseñado para transmitir honor, optimismo, esperanza, logro, aprendizaje y sabiduría y su vínculo con acontecimientos especiales denota tradición, solemnidad y un compromiso hacia la excelencia. En la Universidad de Texas en El Paso, el bastón de mando representa un papel importante en todas las ceremonias de graduación y de convocación.

El Bastón de Mando Universitario es un perenne símbolo de inspiración que combina las formas seleccionadas de la característica arquitectura Butanesa del campus de UTEP, el paisaje natural del Desierto Chihuahuense y la herencia multicultural de la región fronteriza de Estados Unidos y México. El bastón de mando capta la rica historia de la Universidad así como su futuro sumamente prometedor, desde sus inicios como la primera escuela de minería de Texas en 1914, hasta la universidad de hoy en día, dedicada a la investigación competitiva, que ofrece sus servicios a la población estudiantil del Siglo XXI.

TOGAS, BIRRETES Y ESCLAVINAS

La tradición del uso de las togas, birretes y esclavinas que utilizan en las ceremonias de UTEP tiene su origen en los albores de las universidades medievales, cuando dicha vestimenta tenia usos prácticos. La toga y la esclavina eran utilizadas por los estudiantes y profesores para abrigarse del frío y la humedad imperantes dentro de los salones de aprendizaje. En un principio, el birrete, o sea la gorra plana cuadrada, se utilizaba para cubrir la cabeza del estudiante, y cuando se quitaba podía emplearse como una superficie plana para escribir (el papel y los instrumentos para escribir se guardaban en las amplias mangas de la toga). Incluso actualmente, las togas y birretes se fabrican con tela negra para simbolizar el aspecto sombrío de la educación.

Aunque hoy en día existe variedad en los colores de las togas, birretes y borlas, el simbolismo del color permanece. Por ejemplo, los estudiantes que se gradúan de UTEP utilizan borlas cuyo color representa la facultad de la cual se están graduando.

La esclavina la portan únicamente aquellos que han obtenido un grado de Maestría o Doctorado. Consiste en una capa negra forrada en satín que cuelga sobre la espalda de la toga; el color del forro varía según el color de la institución que con ere el título. Las esclavinas que portan los graduados de UTEP ostentan un forro color naranja atravesado por un listón blanco. El terciopelo del borde ostenta el color del campo de estudios del cual se está obteniendo el título.

ESTOLAS DISTINTIVAS DE GRADUACIÓN

La Asociación de Ex-Alumnos de la Universidad de Texas en El Paso honra con una estola de satín color anaranjado que ostenta el Medallón de la Generación y el Emblema de la Asociación a aquellos estudiantes y profesores que fueron distinguidos para fungir como Marshals, como portadores del estandarte universitario y de la insignia de cada facultad. Los estudiantes que llevan con orgullo estas estolas instauradas en mayo de 2004, son seleccionados para representar a su escuela en base a sus logros académicos.

Ser Portador del Estandarte Universitario, es el mayor honor que se otorga durante la ceremonia de graduación a un estudiante que ha sido elegido por su desempeño académico, liderazgo y participación en el campus. El galardonado sigue al Grand Marshal, guía a los estandartes de las facultades durante la ceremonia y es el segundo en recibir el diploma en la facultad que le corresponde.

En la segunda fase de la procesión ceremonial, los estudiantes de licenciatura y de posgrado que fueron designados como Marshals guían a sus compañeros graduados y son los primeros en recibir el diploma de su facultad.

Los Portadores del Estandarte de la Facultad llevan el que representa a su escuela, sirven de guía para los graduados de la misma en la segunda fase de la ceremonia y son los segundo en recibir el diploma de su facultad, a excepción de la representada por el Portador del Estandarte Universitario.

MEDALLÓN DE LA GENERACIÓN

El primer Medallón de la Generación fue ideado con el fin de conmemorar la Ceremonia de Graduación del Centenario de UTEP en mayo de 1998 en el Estadio Sun Bowl. La ceremonia contó con la presencia del Honorable George W. Bush en ese entonces, Gobernador de Texas.

Debido a la popularidad del medallón, los funcionarios universitarios decidieron crear uno para cada generación a partir del nuevo milenio. El medallón de generación une a los graduados de las generaciones de primavera, verano e invierno en una sola generación que se determina por año de graduación. Durante las ceremonias de primavera e invierno se otorgara a un graduado una beca del Fondo de Becas del Medallón. Medallón, ilustrado en pagina 43.



MINING MINDS

To honor the graduates, "Mining Minds," the iconic piece of public art installed in 2010 to enhance the entrance of The University of Texas at El Paso campus, will glow in orange and blue through the weekend of Commencement. Michael Clapper, the sculptor who created "Mining Minds," honored President Diana Natalicio by selecting and converting into binary code on the pick the final lines from her Fall 2008 Convocation remarks: "Believe in yourself and in your dreams. Believe in UTEP and its aspirations. Share the dream!"

At night, orange light illuminates the steel structure, while LEDs emanate from the perforated ones and zeros at each end of the pick. On special occasions, including historic dates, annual milestones and to celebrate special accomplishments, the pick illuminates the campus' entrance in orange and blue. The majestic pickaxe sculpture is located in the roundabout at University Avenue and Sun Bowl Drive, in front of the UTEP Bookstore.

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La icónica pieza de arte público Mining Minds, instalada en el 2010 para realzar la entrada del campus de la Universidad de Texas en El Paso, brillará de color naranja y azul este fin de semana de graduaciones para celebrar a los graduados. El escultor que elaboró Mining Minds, Michael Clapper, hizo honor a la Rectora Diana Natalicio al seleccionar y convertir en código binario las palabras de la convocatoria de Otoño del 2008 para añadirles al pico: "Crean en ustedes mismos y en sus sueños. Crean en UTEP y en sus aspiraciones. ¡Compartan el sueño!"

Por la noche, la luz naranja ilumina la estructura de acero, mientras que los pequeños focos LED emanan de los unos y ceros perforados en cada orilla del pico. En ocasiones especiales incluyendo fechas históricas, hitos anuales y para celebrar logros especiales, el pico ilumina la entrada del campus en naranja y azul. La majestuosa escultura de la punta de pico está ubicada en la glorieta de la Avenida Universidad y calle Sun Bowl Drive, en frente de la librería de UTEP.

Traducciones al español por Victoria Alicia García

“MEN O’ MINES” (1932; Alma Mater 1956)

In 1932, biology professor Burt Franklin Jenness wrote a seven stanza poem titled “Men O’ Mines” that was published in that year’s yearbook. Band director Rayo Reyes set it to music and Katherine Owsley arranged the music for four-part choir. By 1934 the song was regularly performed at games, assemblies and special functions. Copies were sent to civic clubs throughout El Paso for popularization by club song leaders.

In 1956, music graduate student J. Sande Morrison rewrote the song for choir. Its first two verses and chorus were adopted with some minor changes as the new alma mater for Texas Western College after approval by the Music Department, executive council of the student body, and alumni. Sometimes the chorus is played alone and called “Miner Victory.”

The University premiered a new version of the Alma Mater at the 2015 Spring Commencement. It was arranged by Edward Rodriguez, then a Choral Music Education student and a member of the UTEP Chamber Singers.

*1. Far beneath the crags of Franklin
Stand our Alma Mater’s halls.
Gleams afar her rock-hewn campus,
Dust brown walls against the hills.
Gem of learning in a country
Whose own wealth of lore enthalls.
Hail the light of Texas Western
And the mission she fulfills!*

Chorus:

*Up! Men of mines, and hit the trail;
The Texas spirit shall not fail;
Miners fight for the right!
For the orange and white!
Tamp! Tamp! Tamp! Men of mines,
Tramp! Tramp! Tramp! Men of mines,
Now clear the way, for it’s today,
That we must gain the victory.*

*2. May the canyon walls above her
Echo back her classic name,
And the deeds of men who leave her
Stir the heights on which she stands.
May the pangs of recollection
Set their memories aflame,
Till they see again the beauty
Of the vista she commands.*

Burt Franklin Jenness, profesor de biología, compuso en 1932 un poema de siete estrofas titulado “Men O’ Mines” que fue publicado en el anuario de ese año. Rayo Reyes, director de la banda le puso música y Katherine Owsley hizo los arreglos musicales para un coro en cuatro partes. Para el año de 1934, la canción se interpretaba regularmente en juegos, asambleas y reuniones especiales. Se enviaron copias a los clubes cívicos por todo El Paso para que los líderes de canciones de clubes la popularizaran.

En 1965, J. Sande Morrison, un egresado de UTEP, reescribió la canción para coro. Se adaptaron sus primeros dos versos y coro con algunos cambios menores como nueva Alma Mater para el Texas Western College, después de haber sido aprobada por el Departamento de Música, el Consejo Ejecutivo del cuerpo estudiantil y los ex-alumnos. En ocasiones, se toca el coro solo y se le llama “Miner Victory”.

La Universidad estrenó una nueva versión del Alma Mater en la Ceremonia de Graduación de la primavera del 2011. Los arreglos fueron hechos por Edward Rodríguez, en ese entonces estudiante de educación en música coral y miembro de los cantantes de Cámara de UTEP.

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