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# PROGRAM

Saturday, December 11, 2021 | 1 p.m.

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**Concert** . . . . . Ceremonial Brass Ensemble  
Stephen Haddad, Conductor  
Senior Lecturer, Music

**Academic Procession** . . . . . Commencement Stage Party

## National Anthem

*Star Spangled Banner* . . . . . UTEP Chamber singers  
Elisa Fraser Wilson, Conductor  
Associate Professor, Music

**Welcome and Introductions** . . . . . Heather Wilson, President

## Alma Mater

*Men O'Mines* . . . . . UTEP Chamber Singers

**Conferral of Degrees** . . . . . John Wiebe, Provost

The College of Health Sciences . . . . . William Robertson, Interim Dean

The School of Nursing . . . . . Leslie Robbins, Dean

The Graduate School . . . . . Stephen Crites, Dean

**Announcement of Candidates' Names** . . . . . Denise Pinal  
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Patricia Lara  
Clinical Associate Professor,  
Speech-Language Pathology

**University Faculty Marshal of Students** . . . . . Maria O. Duarte  
Health Sciences

Myrna Anchondo  
Nursing

# ORDER OF ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Saturday December 11, 2021 | 1 p.m.

Grand Marshal of the University . . . . . Harry Meeuwssen  
The University Banner Bearer . . . . . Paola Quiroz  
Graduate School Banner Bearer . . . . . Alyssa Andrea Martinez  
College of Health Sciences Banner Bearer . . . . . Natalia Aviles  
School of Nursing Banner Bearer . . . . . George Rodriguez  
President . . . . . Heather Wilson  
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs . . . . . John Wiebe  
Vice President for Student Affairs . . . . . Gary Edens  
Vice President for Information Resources . . . . . Luis Hernandez  
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Chair, Graduate Council . . . . . Aaron Velasco  
President, Faculty Senate . . . . . Guillermina Núñez-Mchiri  
Chair, Staff Council . . . . . Ana Diaz  
President, Alumni Association . . . . . Bernardino Olague  
President, Student Government Association . . . . . Austin Stephens

## The Graduate School

Dean . . . . . Stephen Crites  
Faculty Marshal of Students . . . . . Cory Smith, Health Sciences  
Karen B. Fowler, Nursing  
Student Marshal . . . . . Stephanie Nevarez, Health Sciences  
Stephanie M. Sugg, Nursing

## The College of Health Sciences

Marshal . . . . . Julia Lechuga  
Interim Dean . . . . . William Robertson  
Faculty of the College  
Faculty Marshal of Students . . . . . Dahlia Castillo  
Student Marshal . . . . . Desiree Weatherly

## The School of Nursing

Marshal . . . . . Franchesca Nuñez  
Dean . . . . . Leslie Robbins  
Faculty of the College  
Faculty Marshal of Students . . . . . Erin Mina  
Student Marshal . . . . . Elias Adair

The University Librarians Marshal . . . . . Marissa Testerman  
The University Staff Marshal . . . . . Diana Valadez

# PROGRAM

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The College of Science . . . . . Robert Kirken, Dean

Graduate School . . . . . Stephen Crites, Dean

**Announcement of Candidates' Names** . . . . . Yvonne Carranza Rolph  
Director of Student Services, Liberal Arts

Francisco Montes de Oca  
Assistant to the Dean, College of Science

**University Faculty Marshal of Students** . . . . . David Zubia  
Engineering

Marc Cox  
Science

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Graduate School Banner Bearer . . . . .	Aaron I. Castro
College of Engineering Banner Bearer . . . . .	Gina Zavala Alvarado
College of Science Banner Bearer . . . . .	Guillermo Ornelas
President . . . . .	Heather Wilson
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. . . . .	John Wiebe
Vice President for Research . . . . .	Roberto Osegueda
Vice President for Student Affairs. . . . .	Gary Edens
Chair, Graduate Council . . . . .	Aaron Velasco
President, Faculty Senate . . . . .	Guillermina Núñez-Mchiri
Chair, Staff Council . . . . .	Ana Diaz
President, Alumni Association . . . . .	Bernardino Olague
President, Student Government Association . . . . .	Austin Stephens

## The Graduate School

Dean . . . . .	Stephen Crites
Faculty Marshal of Students . . . . .	Rodrigo Romero, Engineering Amy Wagler, Science
Student Marshal . . . . .	Cristan Valdiviezo, Engineering Tolulope A. Ale, Science

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Interim Dean . . . . .	Patricia Nava
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Faculty Marshal of Students . . . . .	Cole Joslyn
Student Marshal . . . . .	Mario A. Perez

## The College of Science

Marshal . . . . .	Kyung-An Han
Dean . . . . .	Robert Kirken
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Faculty Marshal of Students . . . . .	Tunna Baruah
Student Marshal . . . . .	Angela M. Al-Hanna

The University Librarians Marshal. . . . .	Les Arms
The University Staff Marshal . . . . .	Margaret Gutierrez



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Director of Student Services, Liberal Arts

Mauricio Gomez  
Associate Registrar, Registration & Records

**University Faculty Marshal of Students** . . . . . Aarin Walston  
Liberal Arts

Frank G. Perez  
Liberal Arts

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The University Banner Bearer . . . . . Andrea Cecilia Herrera Aguirre  
Graduate School Banner Bearer . . . . . Marco Schinella  
College of Liberal Arts Banner Bearer . . . . . Morgan Jude Robledo  
President . . . . . Heather Wilson  
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. . . . . John Wiebe  
Vice President and Chief of Staff . . . . . Andrea Cortinas  
Vice President for Student Affairs. . . . . Gary Edens  
Vice President for Information Resources . . . . . Luis Hernandez  
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President, Faculty Senate. . . . . Guillermina Núñez-Mchiri  
Chair, Staff Council . . . . . Ana Diaz  
President, Alumni Association . . . . . Bernardino Olague  
President, Student Government Association . . . . . Austin Stephens

## The Graduate School

Dean . . . . . Stephen Crites  
Faculty Marshal of Students for Liberal Arts . . . . . Paul D. Ashby  
Student Marshal for Liberal Arts. . . . . Nicole Cebak

## The College of Liberal Arts

Marshal . . . . . Andrea Cote-Botero  
Charles Boehmer  
Dean . . . . . Dennis O'Hearn  
Faculty of the College  
Faculty Marshal of Students . . . . . Crystal G. Herman  
Maria Cristina Morales  
Student Marshal . . . . . Bryan Mena

The University Librarians Marshal. . . . . Joy Urbina  
The University Staff Marshal . . . . . Julio Rogers

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The College of Education . . . . . Clifton Tanabe, Dean

Graduate School . . . . . Stephen Crites, Dean

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Registration & Records

Elena Izquierdo  
Associate Professor, Teacher Education

**University Faculty Marshal of Students** . . . . . Fernando Jimenez-Arevalo  
Business

Arturo Olivarez  
Education

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The University Banner Bearer . . . . . Paige Dorsey  
Graduate School Banner Bearer . . . . . Joe Pabon  
College of Business Administration Banner Bearer . . . . . Adriana Olivas Ureno  
College of Education Banner Bearer . . . . . Valeria Lopez  
President . . . . . Heather Wilson  
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. . . . . John Wiebe  
Vice President for Student Affairs. . . . . Gary Edens  
Chair, Graduate Council . . . . . Aaron Velasco  
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Chair, Staff Council . . . . . Ana Diaz  
President, Alumni Association . . . . . Bernardino Olague  
President, Student Government Association . . . . . Austin Stephens

## The Graduate School

Dean . . . . . Stephen Crites  
Faculty Marshal of Students . . . . . John Hadjimarcou, Business Administration  
Jesus Cisneros, Education  
Student Marshal . . . . . Eduardo P. Rosas-Blum, Business Administration  
Cynthia Girard, Education

## The College of Business Administration

Marshal . . . . . Zuobao (Eddie) Wei  
Dean . . . . . James Payne  
Faculty of the College  
Faculty Marshal of Students . . . . . Mengee Li  
Student Marshal . . . . . Chiara Chanoi

## The College of Education

Marshal . . . . . Kristopher Veager  
Dean . . . . . Clifton Tanabe  
Faculty of the College  
Faculty Marshal of Students . . . . . Justice Walker  
Student Marshal . . . . . Mary Grace Eroy

The University Librarians Marshal. . . . .Harvey Castellano  
The University Staff Marshal . . . . . Daniel F. Perez

## DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

The University of Texas at El Paso is proud to recognize its 2020-2021 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.



J. STEVE DEGROAT,  
BBA, 1972 | MBA, 1975

As a UTEP alumnus, J. Steve DeGroat has remained engaged with the University as a volunteer and a

philanthropist. He has served as president of the Alumni Association and as a member of multiple boards to include Friends of the Library, Legacy Campaign Cabinet, and the College of Business Administration Advisory Council.

In line with his belief in access to higher education, DeGroat and his wife, Martini, have established and funded two UTEP scholarships — the J. Stephen DeGroat and Martini DeGroat Endowment Scholarship and the Robert C. Heasley Endowment Scholarship in Business. Additionally, DeGroat and some of his colleagues established the L. Marcus Fry Endowment Scholarship Fund.

DeGroat retired in 2019 as the longtime owner of Lincoln Financial Advisors' El Paso branch, a financial planning firm. The leadership experience he has honed has yielded opportunities to serve the El Paso community as chairman of the board at University Medical Center and the YMCA, president of the Ronald McDonald House and the Sun Bowl Association, and currently as chairman of El Paso Health.

"Giving back is a way to pay back those who helped me in my growth, development and education," DeGroat said. "Once I got involved in community activities, more and more opportunities came my way and I was enriched by my participation."



JOE M. GOMEZ,  
B.A. HISTORY, 1970

Joe M. Gomez serves as the director of business development and community affairs at Jordan Foster

Construction in El Paso. He has served the El Paso community tirelessly and has received numerous awards and accolades for his service, such as the City of El Paso's Conquistador Award and the McDonald's *Hispanos Triunfadores* Award, and was inducted into the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame. In 2017, Texas Gov. Greg Abbott appointed him to serve on the Pathways to Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) Advisory Council.

Gomez's contributions to the University have been numerous. He served on UTEP boards, raised money for various departments and programs, and provided pro bono work for several campus projects. In 2006, the College of Liberal Arts selected him as one of its Gold Nugget Award recipients.

For decades, Gomez has been known for his steadfast dedication to promote and preserve the history of the 1966 Texas Western College (now UTEP) men's basketball team that won the NCAA Championship. He has worked on three documentaries about the team's accomplishment, assisted the Disney production team on the 2006 film "Glory Road" by providing historical artifacts and memorabilia used in the movie that told the team's story, and was awarded the El Paso Historical Society Hall of Honor Award for his work to preserve the team's history.

"I graduated but never really left because of my love for UTEP, and wanted to make things better through time or treasure," Gomez said.



**BUZZ GRAVES,**  
*B.S. PHYSICS, 1977 |*  
*M.S. PHYSICS, 1979*

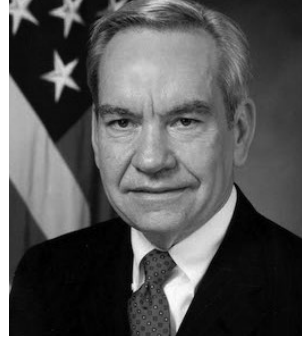
The National Solar Observatory in Sunspot, New Mexico, immediately recruited Buzz Graves after he earned his

graduate degree from UTEP to assemble its refractive solar coronagraph telescope. Two years later, he joined Kitt Peak Observatory near Tucson, Arizona, where he pioneered the use of digital sensors for ultraviolet, visible and infrared observations. In 1989, Graves traversed the Pacific Ocean to join the University of Hawaii Institute for Astronomy, home to some of the world's largest optical telescopes atop Mauna Kea on the Big Island.

While in Honolulu, Graves obtained funding for 11 years from the National Science Foundation to invent adaptive optics, a concept that revolutionized astronomical observations. Ground-based telescopes with larger apertures could now surpass the resolution of the Hubble Space Telescope once the atmospheric blurring could be removed. This emerging technology brought notoriety for Graves through abundant publications, citations and a place in astronomy textbooks.

In 2000, Graves founded Laplacian Optics Inc., which later became AOptix Technologies, in Campbell, California. At AOptix, he applied his adaptive optics experience to obtain 20 patents in areas of free space laser communications and iris identification. In recent years, Graves has worked as a consultant with Koshla Ventures, KLA-Tencor and SA Photonics. Today, he is a full-time employee with Apple who works on current and future products.

"I owe a great debt to so many people I have been privileged to know and work with over my career, understanding that accomplishing major goals is not a solo adventure, it is the collective work of many who can reach for amazing things," Graves said. "UTEP was critical in helping mold a work and relationship ethic that lives with me today."



**R. NOEL  
LONGUEMARE,**  
*B.S. ELECTRICAL  
ENGINEERING, 1952*

R. Noel Longuemare began his professional career with Westinghouse, where he played a lead role in the development of

modern radar and avionics systems for airborne, land and surface applications, as well as advanced space systems. The Westinghouse Electronic Systems Group later named him corporate vice president and general manager of its systems development and technology divisions.

After 41 years at Westinghouse, Longuemare accepted a four-year appointment by President Bill Clinton to serve as the principal deputy under secretary of defense for acquisition and technology at the Pentagon, where he was responsible for the U.S. Department of Defense's (DoD) \$100 billion acquisition budget. Within that assignment, he served as Acting Under Secretary of Defense, and represented the United States on the NATO Defense Ministers panel in Brussels, Belgium. Additionally, he hosted the 1997 Tri-Lateral Defense Conference in Vancouver, Canada. For his many contributions, he was awarded three DoD Distinguished Public Service awards and the prestigious David Packard acquisitions award.

Throughout his career, Longuemare has served in top-level management and technical positions for the DoD and the aerospace industry. Additionally, Longuemare holds eight patents and 17 patent disclosures.

Today, he oversees Longuemare Consultants Inc. and continues to participate in studies and advisory boards for the government and industry. He is a member of the executive advisory board for the U. S. Navy, the Strategic Red Team for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology/ Lincoln Laboratories, and UTEP's Engineering Advisory Board.

"Attending UTEP was a pivotal point in my life," Longuemare said. "It opened up amazing new doors, and gave me the confidence to take advantage of the many resulting opportunities."

# CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES FALL 2021

Congratulations, Class of Fall 2021! 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 2021! 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!**



# 2021 FALL CANDIDATES

## COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

#### *Health Promotion*

Adam T. Apodaca  
Johnivan Marquez Burton  
Zulema Chavez  
Angela Vianey Cordova  
Paola N. Galindo  
Raneem Ismail Muhammad  
Karboji  
Maria Moreno  
Cassandra Ocampo  
Lluvia Celeste Rivero  
Valerie Rossi  
Jair R. Silvera

#### *Kinesiology*

Crystal Aguilera  
Andres D. Almodovar  
Daniel Anaya  
Daisy M. Avila  
Jessica M. Avila  
Abril Barraza  
Kristopher Anthony Barraza  
Michael James Bolaski  
Emilia Trinidad Canava  
Isabel Virginia Candelaria  
Jesus Cerpa Jr.  
Jacqueline Chico  
Rosemarie Corral  
Sean Justin Cowans  
Christian A. De La Cruz  
Javier Adrian Diaz

Zoser Emmanuelle Dunston  
Elias Domenico Figueroa  
Cesar Matthew Flores  
Iris Lynnette Gallardo  
Brandon Wayne Garcia  
Cristian Ivan Garcia  
Divina Mia Garcia  
Elizabeth G. Garcia Gonzalez  
Alexa Gonzalez  
Valerie Gonzalez  
Oscar Octavio Gutierrez Jr.  
Nathan P. Hernandez  
Maria Del C Jimenez  
Brianna Juarez  
Raquel Licon  
Alfonso Macias  
Arlene Nichole Macias  
Jasmine Marie Marshall  
Austyn James-Baldosano  
Mason  
Karla Mcdonald  
Kristina Esperanza Mchone  
Benjamin Jude Melendez  
David Andrew Moriel Jr.  
Nyssa Channele Muela  
Angelica Munoz  
Christopher A. Myrda  
Gabriel Fernando Narvaez  
Melissa Navarro  
Joshua E. Nieto  
Alissa Nieves  
Brian Anthony Olivares

Vicente Olvera  
Jorge Luis Ortiz  
Obadiah Malik Ovbieko  
Ariadna E. Perez  
Sergio C. Porras Villalba  
Richard L. Powers  
Steven Michael Ramirez  
Oscar Alan Rodarte  
Luis Roberto Santelices  
Karla Ariadne Slack  
Tyler J. Smith  
Natalie Nicole Sotelo  
Jacquelyn P. Soto  
Demetrius Richard Steel  
Haley Nicol Torres  
Tristin Antho Tuialuuluu  
James O. Tupou  
Pedro Pablo Valverde  
Gustavo Vasquez Jr.  
Joshua R. Velasquez  
Desiree Azalee Weatherly  
Aleksandria M. Wheeler  
Anthony A. White  
Rami Taisir Yousuf  
**Public Health**  
Sonja Ashley Bernal  
Briana A. Bustillos  
Cynthia Campos-Valadez  
Linda Ivonne Fierro  
Kayla M. Larry  
Wendy Isamar Lozano  
Ashley Nicole Ludden

Karina Gabrielle Pedroza

#### **Rehabilitation Sciences**

Natalia Gabriela Aviles  
Christian Yair Casas Ortiz  
Lailani Chehedeh  
Elijah Orion Duran  
Nathalia Elise Estrada  
Martin A. Faivre  
Jordan Lynn Fierro  
Karina Gutierrez  
Kristen S. Martinez  
Raquel Andrea Mejia  
Tyler Nicole Michel  
Stephanie Yvonne Orrantia  
Carolina Y. Pulido  
Laura Helen Quevedo  
Priscilla Nichole Quezada  
Paola Quiroz  
Alondra Teresa Ramirez  
Melero  
Alyssa B. Rivera  
David Denzel Roberts  
Kimberly Rose Sanchez  
John Louie Soledad  
Jessica Joanna Valencia  
Berenice Vazquez  
Nayeli Vazquez  
Noemi Villarreal



## SCHOOL OF NURSING

### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Dominique Sarinana Acosta	Destinee M. Cruz	Carmen Patricia Maldonado	Alyssa Noelani Saenz
Selena Esmeralda Acosta	Giovanny De La Rosa	Rocio Abril Marquez	Salanieta Lomani
Elias J. Adair	Sonia Elsa Diaz	Angela Marie Martinez	Mocevinaka Salacieli
Jasmine Jessica Adriano	Simon Dominic Vela	Christina Skie Martinez	Clarissa Salinas-Arrieta
Yazmine A. Aguilar	Dy-Prieto	Samantha Martinez	Daniela Sanchez
Salma Giselle Aguirre	Sheena Lynn Dequinia	Marissa Mata	Keren Esmirna Sanchez
Veronica G. Aguirre	Edquiban	Melissa Mata	Stephanie Renee
Jessica D. Alcalá-Pena	Aylin Escarcega	Luz Maria McDowell	Santamaria
Lisa Jo Amaya	Ruby Espino	Krystal Marie Mendoza	Sophia Annelise Sepulveda
Miguel Angel Apodaca	Victoria Rae Espinoza	Andie Marie Menichelli	James Maxwell Sering
Susannah Estelle Aquilina	Holly Ann Fernandez	Jazmin Andrea Molina	Doris Slay
Lizzette Annette Araiza	Luis Fernandez	Anahi Morado	Makayla A. Sloss
Genesis Elaine Arana	Delilah Franco	Ailena Rene Mulkey	Lina Alejandra Solis
Vianna S. Astorga	Andrew C. Francois	Priscilla Diane Nash	Idahlys A. Soto
Alondra Avila	Ashley Daniela Garcia	Alan David Nunez	Lorena Soto
Brianna E. Barraza	Patricia Michelle Garcia	Alejandro Nunez Hernandez	Daveonte Alexis Spence
Michelle Benham	Austin F. Garibay	Laura Ordonez	Jennifer Marie Stephens
Steven Lewis Biggs	Priscilla Gibbs Ebarguen	Alexis Marie Oropeza	Evalinn Tafoya
Henry Bravo Jr.	Madison Gabrielle Gibson	Kassandra Pacheco Carrillo	Paulina Trejo
Jazmin Cabada	Roxanne Guerra	Lyzeth Pena	Cynthia Elena Trevizo
Raquel Calderon	Natalie Nicole Gutierrez	Samantha Pereyra	Clarissa R. Trillo
Jose Alber Casas	Frank Jacob Hahn-Martinez	Valeria L. Pereyra	Abigail Valdivieso
Cameron D. Castillo	Jasmine Alexis Haraugthy	Lauren R. Pinon	Amanda Victoria Valencia
Ivan Jesus Cepeda	Leticia A. Herrera	Diego Puch	Maria Luisa Vargas
Chasity Nicol Cerros	Andrea Nickole Hajar	Natalia Alejandra Ramirez	Sarys Vasquez
Nichole Maire Charnews	Raul Huerta	Jocelyn Hazel Ramirez	Stephanie Michelle Vasquez
Belinda Contreras	Jessica Ibarra	Mandujano	Alan E. Villarreal
Ryan Emmanuel Contreras	Genevieve Monique Juarez	Cristina Regalado	Diana Lizbeth Vizcarra
Jude Kyron Vendi Cordero	Daniel Patrick Kennelly	Cynthia D. Remes	Alvarado
Luis Fernando Corona	Jasmine Latuff	Paola M. Renteria Jr.	Kelsey Leigh Wickliffe
Quezada	Toni E. Leyba	Julia Joanne Reyes	Karen Ann Williams
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Dissertation Title: *In Vitro Investigation of Tumor Selective Piperidones as Therapeutic Agents against Leukemia Cancer Cells*

##### **Richard Joaquin Ortiz**

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Dissertation Title: *Comprehensive Study of Human Pathogenic Trypanosomatids: From Chemotherapies to Disease Ecology*

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Dissertation Title: *Land Use and Land Cover Change Impact on Sustainability in the United Arab Emirates: A Big Data Approach using Google Earth Engine*

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##### **Gabriela Henriquez Rodriguez**

Dissertation Title: *Impact of Xenobiotics on Neuronal Outcomes*

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**\$106 million+**

UTEP's annual research and development expenditures

**Top 10 universities in America**

for helping graduates move annual family incomes *from the lowest 20% to the highest 20%.*

**49%**

First-generation college students

**83%**

Hispanic student enrollment, the most of any R1 research university in America

**Low-cost education**

Tuition is among the lowest of any national research university

**1 million**

Volunteer hours contributed by students, faculty and staff per year

**1 of 3**

Texas universities to earn top tier research and community engagement designations from the Carnegie Foundation

# Historic high retention

In 2019, UTEP surpassed the average first-year retention rate among selective four-year institutions.

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*Mechanical Engineering*

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*Biomedical Science*

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Zhefen Chen . . . . .	Accounting
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Leonardo Bretado . . . . .	Finance
Diana Fernandez . . . . .	Finance
Dakota Bazar . . . . .	Finance
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Alejandra Chavez . . . . . Criminal Justice  
Ana Guerrero . . . . . Criminal Justice  
Andrea Cecilia Herrera Aguirre . . . . . English and American Literature  
Alondra Elizabeth Corral Fabela . . . . . Linguistics  
Sophia Hernandez . . . . . Media Advertising  
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Alexa Jo Tellez . . . . . Neuroscience  
Mariana Castañeda . . . . . Neuroscience  
Jesus Lopez . . . . . Neuroscience  
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# HONORS REGALIA

## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Beta Alpha Psi, Theta Beta Chapter—Black/Red Cords . . . . . International Honor Organization for Financial Information  
Beta Gamma Sigma—Blue/Gold Cords and Stole . . . . . International Business Honor Society  
Omicron Delta Epsilon—Blue/Gold Cords and Stole . . . . . International Honor Society for Economics

## COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Chi Sigma Iota, Upsilon Tau Epsilon Chapter—Royal Blue/White Cords and Stole . . . . . International Counseling Honor Society  
Kappa Delta Pi . . . . . International Honor Society in Education  
Double Gold . . . . . 3.9 - 4.0 Double White . . . . . 3.8 - 3.89 Green/Purple/White . . . . . 3.5 - 3.79 Green/Purple . . . . . 3.25 - 3.49

## COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Alpha Pi Mu – White Cowl . . . . . Industrial Engineering Honor Society  
Alpha Sigma Mu – Yellow Cords . . . . . International Professional Honor Society for Materials Science and Engineering  
Chi Epsilon – Purple Cowl . . . . . National Civil Engineering Honor Society  
IEEE – Eta Kappa Nu, Zeta Delta Chapter—  
Yellow Cords with Blue/Orange Tassels and Stole . . . . . Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers Honor Society  
Pi Tau Sigma, Texas Delta Gamma Chapter—Teal/Red Cords . . . . . International Honor Society for Mechanical Engineers  
Tau Beta Pi—White/Orange Cowl . . . . . National Engineering Honor Society  
Upsilon Pi Epsilon – White Cowl and Maroon/White Cords . . . . . International Honor Society for Computing and Information Disciplines

## COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Eta Sigma Gamma, Gamma Lambda Chapter – Gold/Forest Green Cords and Stole . . . . . National Professional Health Education Honorary  
Phi Alpha—Blue/Gold Cords and Stole . . . . . National Honor Society for Social Work  
Pi Theta Epsilon, Alpha Chi Chapter—Blue/Gold Cords . . . . . National Occupational Therapy Honor Society

## COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

Iota Iota Iota . . . . . National Honor Society for Women's and Gender Studies  
Lambda Pi Eta – Red/White Cords and Stole . . . . . National Communication Honor Society  
Liberal Arts Honors Program– Blue/Orange Stoles . . . . . Scholar Student Organization  
Phi Alpha Theta – Red/Blue Cords and Stole . . . . . National History Honor Society  
Pi Alpha Alpha – Gold/Baby Blue Cords and Stole . . . . . The Global Honor Society for Public Affairs and Administration  
Pi Kappa Delta – Red/Gray Cords . . . . . National Honor Society  
Pi Sigma Alpha, Epsilon Epsilon Chapter—Red/White/Black Cords . . . . . National Political Science Honor Society  
Psi Chi—Silver Double Cords with Silver/Blue Tassels . . . . . International Honor Society in Psychology  
Sigma Tau Delta, Alpha Iota Beta Chapter—Red/Black Cords and Red Stole . . . . . International English Honor Society

## COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Sigma Gamma Epsilon, Alpha Lambda Chapter—Gold/Blue/Silver Cords and Stole . . . . . National Honor Society for the Earth Sciences

## SCHOOL OF NURSING

Sigma Theta Tau, Delta Kappa Chapter—Purple/White Cords . . . . . International Honor Society of Nursing

## SCHOOL OF PHARMACY

Phi Lambda Sigma, Epsilon Kappa Chapter—Green/Gold Cords . . . . . International Pharmacy Leadership Society

## UNIVERSITY HONOR SOCIETIES/PROGRAMS

Alpha Chi, Texas Alpha Beta Chapter—Royal Blue/Emerald Green Cords and Stole . . . . . National Honor Society for Juniors, Seniors, and Graduates  
Alpha Lambda Delta – Red/White/Gold Cords . . . . . National Honor Society for First Year Students  
EPCC Transfer Honor – Orange/Teal Cords . . . . . All EPCC Transfer Honor Candidates  
Delta Alpha Pi – Royal Blue/Gold Cords . . . . . International Honor Society  
Golden Key International – Blue/Gold Cords and Stole . . . . . International Honour Society for Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors and Graduates  
Order of Omega – White/Gold Cords and Gold Stole . . . . . National Honor Society for Greek Leaders  
Sigma Alpha Pi—Black/Silver Cords and Silver Stole . . . . . National Society of Leadership and Success  
Society for Collegiate Leadership & Achievement—Royal Blue/Gold Cords . . . . . National All-Discipline Honor Society  
Tau Sigma, Alpha Eta Chapter—Gold/Burgundy Cords . . . . . National Honor Society for Transfer Students  
Terry Scholars Student Organization—Silver Cords (Officers) and White Stoles . . . . . Scholars Student Organization  
The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi—Navy Blue/Gold . . . . . National All-Discipline Honor Society  
The National Society of Collegiate Scholars—Gold/Maroon Cords or Gold Sash (officers) . . . . . National Honor Society for First and Second Year Students  
University Honors Council – Royal Blue/Orange Cords . . . . . Scholars Student Organization  
United States Military Honor—Red/White/Blue Cords . . . . . All Military Affiliated Candidates

# REGALIA

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## 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

## Pharmacy

**Colors:** Orange, Blue, and Silver

**Symbols:** Bowl of Hygieia - International symbol for the pharmacy profession; Mandala - recognizable feature of UTEP's Bhutanese architecture; Mortar & Pestle - symbols of a pharmacist's specialized skills; Typeface - The typeface used in this design is Jenson, a serif font that brings traditional serif to a contemporary setting. The "R" features a slightly elongated leg that alludes to the Rx (Prescription) symbol.

## 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.





## 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 then-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 Sun Bowl-University Roundabout, in front of the University Bookstore.

## “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 a 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 enthralls.  
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.*



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