



BAYLOR UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT

December Sixteenth, Two Thousand Twenty-three
Ferrell Center • Waco, Texas

Baylor University Commencement

December Sixteenth, Two Thousand Twenty-three

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**The Diana R. Garland School of Social Work,
The School of Engineering and Computer Science, The School of Music,
The Hankamer School of Business, The Louise Herrington School of Nursing,
The School of Education, and The Graduate School**

Saturday, December 16, 2023, Half After Nine in the Morning – Ferrell Center

Prelude

Ceremonial Piece on CWM Rhondda by William Mac Davis
Brass Ensemble

Processional

Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1 by Sir Edward Elgar
Brass Ensemble

Procession Order

Candidates for Doctoral Degrees
Candidates for Master's Degrees
Candidates for Baccalaureate Degrees
Faculties of the University
Bearer of the Saint John's Bible
President of the University
Regents of the University
Administrators and Deans of the University

Presiding

Linda A. Livingstone, Ph.D.
President
Baylor University

The National Anthem

Performed by the Brass Ensemble

The Invocation

William E. Mearse
Chair, Board of Regents
Baylor University

Message to the Graduates

President Livingstone

Presentation of Degree Candidates

President Livingstone
Assisted by Nancy Brickhouse, Ph.D.
Vice President and Provost

Jon E. Singletary, Ph.D.
Dean of the Diana R. Garland School of Social Work

Daniel J. Pack, Ph.D.
Dean of the School of Engineering and Computer Science

Michael N. Jacobson, D.M.A.
Associate Dean of the School of Music

Sandeep Mazumder, Ph.D.
Dean of the Hankamer School of Business

Linda Plank, Ph.D.
Dean of the Louise Herrington School of Nursing

Shanna Hagan-Burke, Ph.D.
Dean of the School of Education

J. Larry Lyon, Ph.D.
Dean of the Graduate School

Paul Larson, *Reader*

Welcome to New Alumni

Toby Barnett
Interim Vice President, University Advancement
Baylor University

The Benediction

Rev. Erin Moniz, D.Min.
Associate Chaplain and Director for Chapel
Baylor University

“That Good Old Baylor Line”

Directed by Dr. Jacobson

Recessional

“Fanfare” from *La Peri* by Paul Dukas
“Triumphal March” from *Aida* by Giuseppe Verdi,
arranged by Bill Holcombe
Brass Ensemble

Candidates Presented December 16, 2023

The Diana R. Garland School of Social Work

Presented by Jon E. Singletary, *Dean*

Bachelor of Social Work
Caitlin Olivia Joy O'Neill

The School of Engineering and Computer Science

Presented by Daniel J. Pack, *Dean*

**Bachelor of Science in
Computer Science**

Varun Apte
Francis Michael Boyle,
Mathematics***
Patrick Gabriel Boyle,
Mathematics***
Ruiqi Zhao

**Bachelor of Science
in Informatics**

Bioinformatics
Katherine Lynn Beard

**Bachelor of Science in
Electrical and Computer
Engineering**

Tianqi Ding
Oscar Alexander Elizondo
Jace Kent Flinn
Henry Riley Hollman
Oliver Jarvis**
Julieus Ahkeam Markle
Mariah Montgomery,
Instrumental Music
Performance***

Ryan Alexander Morrison,
Theatre Arts ☉*
Coleman Juste Vairin
Harrison Cole Williams
Huayu Zhang

**Bachelor of Science in
Mechanical Engineering**

Margaret Louise Bowersox ☉
Matthew Herrick Johnson ♦***
Annika Marie Moser*
Oscar Ramirez
Mary Katherine Rourke ♦*
Nathan James Styslinger

**Bachelor of Science in
Engineering**

Olivia Annalee Cesarone
Victoria R. Geraci
Gino Johnny Melendez*
Dylan D. Murphey**
Kaliyah Donyale Shearod

**Bachelor of Arts
Computer Science**

Joseph Anthony Cranney

The School of Music

Presented by Michael N. Jacobson, *Associate Dean*

Bachelor of Music

Applied Music
Alison Laine Marseglia*

Church Music
Daniel Thomas McIntosh

Composition
Collin J. McEneaney

**Bachelor of Music
Education**

Choral Music
Emily A. Brinsfield*
Sofia M. Briones
Drew C. Jackson
Kelsey Carolyn Taft

Instrumental Music

Clayton L. Boyd
James Collin Caldwell
Audrey Maree Cascarelli***
Nathan J. Denman
Zackary Benjamin Grahn
Kateri Mae Matzke
Kaylee Ruth McGuire ♯***
Tori N. Stone*

The Hankamer School of Business

Presented by Sandeep Mazumder, *Dean*

**Bachelor of Business
Administration**

Accounting
Seth Emmett Attenborough
Zachary Austin Bakewell,
Management Information
Systems

Brennan Joseph Briddle
Andrew Cole Dodgen ○
Nereyda Espinoza
Michael Lawrence Harman ☉
Eric Charles Joekel,
Management***
Samuel Gregory Kavan ☉
Samuel Jacob Michalk, Finance
Raul Silva

Adrienne Olivia Suglia ☉
Pennelope Victoria Williams,
Economics***
Matthew James York
Xinrui Zhang, Management*

Baylor Business Fellows

Ashley Grace Anderson,
Accounting, Economics,
Mathematics**
Cole Zachary Bourland,
Accounting,
Management***
Kevin Liam Collins, Finance,
Spanish**
Jonathan Brent Cromartie,
Economics

Luke Jenkins Griffin, Finance,
Entrepreneurship and
Corporate Innovation,
Management Information
Systems*

Christian David Hoffman,
Marketing, Supply Chain
Management***
Morgan Bethany Kelley,
Finance, Economics**
James Thomas McNeal,
Finance, Spanish ♯ ☉*
Drue Alexander Powers,
Economics, Finance***
Aaron C. Schaff, Professional
Selling, Entrepreneurship
and Corporate Innovation
Josiah Paul Virmig, Marketing

Economics

Natalie Morales, Management
Information Systems
Julian John Valenzuela***
Morne Landman Wolmarans**

**Entrepreneurship and
Corporate Innovation**

Benjamin Ozbun Allen ★
Riley Alexandra Anderson,
Economics
Taylor Griffin Ball,
Management
Conner Wade Dobbs
Erin Feely
Caleb William Howard,
Marketing
Luke Colbert Lasseter, Finance

*cum laude **magna cum laude ***summa cum laude

☉ Completed Baylor Interdisciplinary Core requirements

♯ Completed Honors Program requirements

○ Degree requirements completed August 2023

♦ Receiving Commissions as Second Lieutenants, United States Air Force

★ Receiving Commissions as Second Lieutenants, United States Army

Alec Gregory Olson
Michael Jack Ranaldi
Rachel Grace Ricard, Risk
Management and Insurance
Noah Dean Sullivan,
Management
Gregory Wayne Tiner
William Wesley Walker IV

Finance

Austin Blake Castro
Alexander Kent Child,
Entrepreneurship and
Corporate Innovation
Clayton Richey Deimund,
Risk Management and
Insurance*
William Wade Heidenreiter**
BreAnna Nicole Hughes
Allyson Renee Kennedy,
Management
Colton Michael Maihen
Jack Robert Marlin ☉
Camille Leigh McCleary**
Madelyn Constance Murphy,
Entrepreneurship and
Corporate Innovation
Quang Duy Nguyen, Supply
Chain Management
Brody David Phalen**
Kate Elizabeth Poe***
Lucas Sage
Brooke Anne Shrader, Supply
Chain Management***

Thomas Jackson Stigall,
Entrepreneurship and
Corporate Innovation*
Rebecca Grace Urbanczyk,
Entrepreneurship and
Corporate Innovation*
Jiayi Yang

Human Resources Management

Morgan Lindsay Mayers,
Marketing

Management

Timothy Ryan Berger
Jack William Booth
Briar Mason Conner
Amariah Erickson,
Entrepreneurship and
Corporate Innovation*
Dantong Liu
Madison Emily Martin*
Anna Jocelyn McBride,
International Business*
Margaret Rose Myers
Spencer James Michael Norton
Brady Dale Richards
Meg Reuter Tebow
Paulina Torres, International
Business
Brandon Alexander Yap
**Management Information
Systems**
Luke Boydston, Supply Chain
Management

Alysha Srilekha Cooper
Valeria Favela Cano
Jacob Edmond Fowler,
Marketing
Isaac Daniel Magana
Luciri Maryeri Nazario,
Political Science
Ziqi Ren
William Logan Taylor
Naomi Belicia Thevatheril,
Marketing ☉*
Bryan Truong

Marketing

Jessica K. Batton
Gabriella Allison Bozzelli,
Management
Chloe Grace Brown ○
Rachel Nichole Brunet, Supply
Chain Management
Levi Jack Caraway
Eleanor Grace Cline,
Entrepreneurship and
Corporate Innovation*
Cody Hayes Collins,
Management
Kristen Karis Garner
Lingxiao He
Kristen Nicole Hillegeist,
Management*
Natalie Eileen Hilty*
Faith Noel Holt
Elliott Danwon Hong,
Management

Katherine E. Ingram,
International Business***
Kayla Rae James,
Entrepreneurship and
Corporate Innovation
Kaiyu Li
Grace Victoria Lindell □
Emily Grace Morfoot, Human
Resources Management
Abigail Grace Smith
Logan Hunter Smith*
Alise Kathleen Swann
Kinsey Grace Todd,
International Business
Dylan Charles Uthman
Graham Michael White
Ruiyang Zhao

Professional Selling

Matea R. Floryance, Finance**
Benjamin Todd Hamilton

Supply Chain Management

Abigail Lynn Bardin**
Cristobal Camberos Cardenas
Dany Nouhad Demashkiah,
International Business
Kabir Grover
Jack Threshie
Andrew Stephen Vacek
Changyue Yang, International
Business ☉
Maxwell Joseph Yao, Finance**

The Louise Herrington School of Nursing

Presented by Linda Plank, *Dean*

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Crissy Abada
Martha A. Aidoo
Catherine Lin Altemus**
Carley Reis Antwine
Destiny Moenae Ards
Elaine Cristina Barrera
Mariela G. Barrientez
Kate Ashlea Bauder*
Anna Joy Bazaldua
Noah Marcos Benavidez
Halle E. Bittick
Kennedy Nicole Blass
Molly Susan Bridges
Peyton Marie Bridges
Jaden Deity Broadway
Stephanie O. Brobby
Megan Marie Broyles
Kayla Maeve Callaway
Nataly Camarillo
Ashlyn Shae Carey
Jayme Elizabeth Cayce
Claire Elise Coates
Carrigan Lee Collinsworth
Rosita Elida Conde
Claire Elise Cooper

Thaddeus Torres Corpuz
Chona Cubarrubia
Michael B. Cuss
LaRicka A. Davis
Michelle Andrea Diez
Lourenzo
Kialie Faith Dodson
Lauren Elise Donovan
Katelyn Doyle
Sakura Megumi Duncan
Tabitha Marie Easton**
Abby Mae Eystad
Brooke Elizabeth Farrer
Morgan Elisabeth Fontenot
Brandi L. Ford
Dianna Michelle Fridye
Samaira Maria Garcia
Yunlong Geng*
Lance Romeo Paningbatan
Geronimo
Lillian R. Ghaly**
Mehreen Amin Ghulamali
Rachel Mackenzie Glasser
Bianca Cristy Gonzalez
Maritza Gonzalez*
Katelyn Marie Gordon
Madelyn Raquel Guerra
Vanessa Carolina Guio**

Chelsea Elizabeth Gunter
Yesenia Lopez Guzman
Teresa Marie Hanska
Jady Brook Hataway
Charity Heggland*
Alissa M. Heimer
Christopher Michael Henry**
Stephen Gevant'e Henry
Susan Joyce Higgins
Austin Nicholas Hinrichsen
Amanda Whitney Horgan
Shweta M. Jasani
Emily Jauregui
Andrea Leighann Jenkins
Glenn Meade Kaufman
Ethan B. Kigozi
Kamri Beth Knippa
Alexandra L. Kolacz
Camille Rae Langston
Kyle Zhan Lee
Tabohra Win Ler
Shelby Nicole Liles
Alexis Hope Lipic
Kala Ann Malan
Sarah Kathryn Maraist
Julia Elise Marshall
Onyinyechi Sandra Mbadiwe
Sarah Elizabeth Medina

Lizette Mejia
Christopher Michael Montes
Jennifer Marie Mote
Sophia Marie Muniz
Claire Elizabeth Neely
Autumn Elizabeth Nelson
Amy Nguyen
Natalie Phimmaly
Nounennady
Nnume C. Nwankwo
Edith Chioma Nwosu
Melody D. On
Winfrida Kwamboka Ondieki
Giajaira Palmero
Rikita Darshan Patel
Alicia Krysta Pequeno
Cadee Sophie Pfefferman
Ann Ngoc Pham**
Tran Phan
Eduardo David Porras Aguilar
Kathryn Ann Powell
Michal L. Prince
Safe S. Qotami
Carolina Quipuzco Lostaunau
Bethany Hope Rodgers-
Rajkowski
Syed Muhammad Ramadan**
Cintia Ramirez

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☉ Completed Baylor Interdisciplinary Core requirements

□ Completed Hankamer Scholars requirements

○ Degree requirements completed August 2023

Matt Reynolds
Leslie Segovia Rodriguez
Juan Javier Ruiz
Lillian Abigail Ryan**
Faith MacLayne Rylands
Rhea Saini
Brandy L. Salazar
Madison Kristine Sales
Brianna Salinas

Marcus Ray Sapp
Olivia Louise Segura
Emma Mae Elizabeth
Shepherd
Genesis Jeannette Sorto
Ordonez
Maison Lee Stanphill
Dylan J. Stewart
Emily Noelle Stewart

Morgan Rilee Sweet
McKenzie Katherine Taylor
Nicole Renee Taylor
Avery Elizabeth Thomas
Hannah Marie Tomashek*
Olivia Belle Torres
Grace Isabella Tracy
Mallory Danielle Trotter
Lochlynn R. Tucker**

Precious Chinyere Uchendu
Aleira C. Urbina
Deja Monaé Vercher
Brooke Elizabeth Vernier
Jensy White
Cassandra Leah Widmann
Margaret Yi
Phoebe Jane Zackary

The School of Education

Presented by Shanna Hagan-Burke, *Dean*

Bachelor of Science in Education

Elementary Education

Jessica Ann Farmer
Melissa Gabriela Mora
Elleana Jasmine Roseburgh*

Rachel Ann Taylor
Jaclyn Christine Wickersham*
Korbyn Collier Woodard

Integrated Studies

James Austin Carothers
Jacob Scott Compton

Josue C. Duran
Brooke Anne Foit
Trey Dion Gibson
Carson Huguenard
Trevor Anthony Irion
Talia Violet Morman

Marion Martinez Palomino
Madison Michele Reid
Gabriela Rizo*
Eduardo Gonzalez Rosas
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Qinyu Yu

The Graduate Program in the Diana R. Garland School of Social Work

Presented by Jon E. Singletary, *Dean*

Master of Social Work

Sarah Elizabeth Benderoth
Jimmy Ray Brewer, Jr.
Rowan Scott Brown
Susan Machel Banick
Buchanan
Izabel Eda Burd-Tamdogan
Jaycee Danielle Canter

Christopher Lee Craig
Nada Antoun Dorman
Salma Elharoun
Alyssa Isabel Ely
Jenna Kathryn Failingier
Madison M. Finnerin
Mayra Elizabeth Gamez-Diez
Andrietta Gayles

Patricia Ann Goodwin
Claudia Thalia Grant
Joseph Julius Jackson
Michele Moreno Lake
Anna Joan Mansour
Jasmine Shanae McDonald
Christlin Nieto-Jimenez
Alexis DeeAnn Rush

Ashley Danielle Simmons
Naria Arlene Neal Stephens
Hannah Derrick Taylor
Danielle Tysha Tuttle
Guadalupe Valdez
Sarah E. Weatherwax
Britten Ling Wheeler
Andrea Monet Wilson

The Graduate School

Presented by J. Larry Lyon, *Dean*

Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Jason Brian Pierce
Kirtunia Rahul
Jagjeevan Singh Thind

Mehang Rai □
Yudeep Rajbhandari ○
Alejandro Rodríguez Pérez
Pratik Siwakoti
Korn Sooksatra
Sadia Nasrin Tisha

Master of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Matthew Daniel Newton
Savanah Lee Smith

Master of Accountancy and Bachelor of Business Administration

Marcos Acosta*
Daniel James Atkins*
Grace Elizabeth Benedict*
Victoria Danielle
Bloodworth**
Benjamin Bryan Broadus*
Lindsey Theresa Broske
Kyle Edwin Brown
Olivia Ruth Brown**
Rebecca Brogdon Corkern***
Nathan Scott Crosier
Jordan Joshua DiLuccia
Connor David Eslick
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Business Fellows,
Accounting**

John Emerson Hershfeld*
Grant Andrew Holden, Supply
Chain Management*
Nicholas Charles Johnson
Isabel Grace Lea, Baylor
Business Fellows,
Accounting*
Daniel Ryan Mann,
Baylor Business Fellows,
Accounting, Management
Information Systems
Erin Elizabeth McCaffrey
Jahnice Alejandra Menéndez**
Christopher Joel Miller
Jackson William Mitschke,
Baylor Business Fellows,
Accounting, Finance**
Preston Knox Pittard,
Entrepreneurship and
Corporate Innovation
Logan John Stoecker*
Andrew Paul Wydner
Noah Alexander Zarate

Master of Business Administration and Master of Engineering

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Master of Business Administration

Kayode Ayodele Adewumi
Adelyn McKay Allen ○
Ty Alan Atteberry
Mohammed A. Azeem
Anna Rose Bilton
Cadesman Clark Brickley
Lisa Thi Bui
Kevin Dewayne Bullock
Hayley Dawn Campbell
Stephen Parker Cannon
Marylee Caraballo
Zachary Edward Carrell
Andrew Edouard Charbine
Jacoby Mark Clarke
Erin Marie Cyrier
Colby Mark Delashaw
Kelley Elizabeth Dellafave ○
Chevalier Rachel DeShay
Anthony M. Dietz

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★ Receiving Commissions as Second Lieutenants, United States Army

□ Degree requirements completed August 2021

○ Degree requirements completed August 2023

Kristina Olivia Dill-Wilfon
 Nicholas Donkers
 Francis Dur
 Kayla Billington Etheredge
 Carl S. Faraon
 Jared Javier Flores
 Klancy Garrett Foote
 Perla Castaneda Garcia
 Tavaris Jones
 Clement Kurian
 Kinley Nicole Kyro
 Ashley Taylor Lane
 Chett Michael Larkey
 Greta Leza
 Michael A. Madonia ○
 Adam Bryant Marsh
 Ericka Dawn Martin
 Anahi McGrail
 Leonard Mermea
 Taylor Alexis Moon
 Terra Delin Matsumoto
 Mulrenan
 Robert Kane Murphy II
 Caroline Joy Nance
 Opeyemi Abimbola Oduyemi
 Jennifer Lynne Oliver
 Chidinma Onabolu
 Mallory Hope Prescott
 Katrina Kei Reese
 Douglas Shaun Rothery
 Isaac Sada
 Ruby J. Sanders
 Benjamin Schade
 Carson Robert Seeger
 Billal Siddiq
 Michael James Sims
 Cameron Maxwell Sipes
 Carson Ray Solley
 Ji Won Song
 Matthew R.W. Standish
 Summer Lindsay Strickland
 Gerald Thompson, Jr.
 Patrick Elliott Thornton
 Nathan Ryan Van Noy
 Joseph McDaid Warner
 Thais Da Silva Watts

Master of Science in Information Systems and Master of Business Administration
 Agathas Chinenye Agu
 Amanda Rose Mockaitis

Doctor of Education

Traniece Antwonette Brown-Warrens
 Dissertation, Educational Administration: *Assistant Principals: The Disruptors of Oppressive Discipline*
 Mentor: Dr. Angela Urick

Gabrielle Amber Wallace
 Dissertation, Educational Administration: *Examining the Implementation of Culturally Responsive Leadership and Critical Self-Reflection in Texas Urban Schools: A Quantitative Study*
 Mentor: Dr. Angela Urick

Master of Science in Information Systems
 Bhavita Jain
 Megha Lal Krishnan
 Vijayamma
 Tahsina Tamanna

Master of Science in Education
Educational Psychology
 Madeleine Grace Boschen
 Courtney Danielle Moen
 Xana A. Toth
 Alaina Kathryn Touchet

Higher Education and Student Affairs
 Dana Lyn Christenson
Sports Management
 Michael Timothy Foy

Master of Arts
School Leadership
 Charis Elizabeth Mariano
 Valmores Bootsma
 John Thomas Chung
 Angela Marie Coleman
 Fred R. Eaves
 Chad Alan Fair
 Joe Fesler
 Adam Williams Gilliland
 Rachel Ann Harker
 Kailee Lane Hawthorne
 Brianna Jeanne Hubnik
 Rose Margaret Johnson
 Lynn Marie Keim-Sanborn
 Sahira Geneva Kodra
 Joseph Daniel LaBorde
 Rebekah Christine LaBorde
 Tammy Corby Mathis
 Austin Dub McClinton
 Kelsey Leigh Miller
 Krystle Moos
 Charmaine Fennell Murrell
 Jared Paul Nazarian
 Adam Andrew Nulph
 LuAnna Marie Odum
 Esther Elizabeth Pewterbaugh
 Sabrina Dawn Reynolds
 Philip Christian Stanton
 Christina Elizabeth Wilson
 David Sunshine Yu

Professional Doctorates
Doctor of Nursing Practice

Executive Nursing Leadership
 Kerri Elizabeth Bayer
 Tara Leigh Buckenmyer
 Sara Maria Caiazza
 Joycelyn Shipman Craighead
 Andrea Jo Criss
 Melody Ford Dickerson
 Jon W. Fairchild
 Cassie Lee Fees
 Susan Elaine Greenwood
 Ronald C. Griffin
 Deborah Lynn Hill-Rodriguez
 Sarah Nicole Homer
 Sandra Hurley
 Jeanne Theresa Kelly
 Christine M. Kramer
 Alexandria Monique Massey
 Amy Diane McTaggart
 Julie Anna Moore
 Linda Alisa Parnell
 Juan Sanchez, Jr.
 Najia Shah
 April Tinsley
 Veena Sanjay Kumar Vangari
 LynnMarie Catherine Verzino
 Robin Elwell Winebar
 Kimberly B. Young

Nurse-Midwifery
 Angelica Barajas Gallegos
 Laura Rennie Dickerson
 Sylvia Flores
 Suzanna Carolyn Rusco
 Heldenbrand
 Rhanishia Gonzolez Smith

Nurse Practitioner
 Molly Bai Adams
 Meghan Elizabeth Allred
 Dina Al-Rafati
 Kari M. Ammon
 Kelly Celeste Anderson
 Tara Harrison Aycock
 Holly Ann Bartlein
 Michelle Carol Biedron
 Cassandra Borjas
 Simonne Danielle Boswell
 Karyn Rebecca Brewer

Megan Danielle Casto
 Diaz Elfaego Clark
 Paige C. Collins
 Kayla Daniels
 Alexa Rose Denaro
 Mohni Kaur Dhillon
 Madison Kay Ebnt
 Anne Fredericks
 Catrin Tabor Gagne
 Madeline Faith Gandy
 Jeani Edmondson Heffelfinger
 Katherine Hettenhaus
 Khara Holland
 Molly Rose Honeycutt
 Mercedes Rebeca Jasso
 Sae Hae Jeong
 Alyssa Danielle King
 Kelcey Yanez King
 Felicia Marie Knott
 Natalie Anne Koster
 Katie Marie Kukowski
 Aashaqali Karim Momin
 Tarra Lynn Moran
 Adriana Celena Mossontte
 Caila E. Muhlbauer
 Riki Jo Munn Williamson
 Melissa-Jo Meredith Nason
 Sara Elizabeth O'Brien
 Brittany Renee Percy
 Michaela Lynn Posey
 Mileena Marie Pratt
 Sarah Michelle Ragsdale
 Claire Frances Roberts
 Hannah Grace Sarna
 Mandy Cherie Selner
 Anjali Sethi
 Zoya Younus Siddiki
 Kelly Ann Stace
 Macqualine Monkiya Triplet
 Shriyani Taylor Tysen
 Andrea Clare van Ee
 Shaquilla Vazquez Clark
 Krissa B. Vieth
 Ashley Nicole Williams
 Tara Elizabeth Wise
 Titilope Odunmorayo
 Witemire
 Karina Yanez
 Michelle E. Yost

Anthony Lee Abell
 Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Examining Admissions Variables as Predictors of Student Retention in a Small Bible College: A Quantitative Correlational Study*
 Mentor: Dr. Ryann Shelton

Petula Arlene Alvaradous-Phillander
 Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *The Associated Impact of Multiple Developmental Courses on the Academic Self-Concept of First-Year Community College Students: A Qualitative Single Case Study*
 Mentor: Dr. Jennifer Guerra

○ Degree requirements completed August 2023

- Shelby Denise Anderson-Smith
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Internal Inferno: A Qualitative Case Study Examining How Burnout Impacts the Job Performance and Job Satisfaction of Faculty and Staff of Color at Higher Education Institutions*
Mentor: Dr. Marquita Foster
- Megan M. Bearden
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Black Males' Perceived College Readiness and College Achievement After Attending a Charter High School: A Multiple Case Study*
Mentor: Dr. Ryann Shelton
- Amanda Renee Brown
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Here to Help: A Multiple Case Study Examining School Reform and the Implementation of Elementary School Counselors' Comprehensive School Counseling Programs*
Mentor: Dr. Brenda Davis
- Monique Adrienne Brown
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Undervalued and Unseen: A Multiple Case Study Exploring the Underrepresentation of African American Women in Division I Athletic Director Positions*
Mentor: Dr. Leanne Howell
- Kendra J. Cash
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *A Qualitative Single Case Study Evaluating Anti-Deficit Approaches in Teachers' Approaches and Perceptions in Addressing Black Students' Math Achievement*
Mentor: Dr. Marquita Foster
- Margaret Chandler
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Teacher Well-being in Christian Schools Influenced by Administrator Leadership Style within a School Culture: An Explanatory Sequential Mixed Methods Study*
Mentor: Dr. Brenda Davis
- TaLaya L. Clanton
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Thriving Through Their Eyes: A Single Case Study Exploring How Black Female Undergraduate Students Thrive at a Predominantly White Institution*
Mentor: Dr. Ryann Shelton
- Elizabeth Nicole Cummings-Lewis
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Unlocking the Early Impact: A Multiple Case Study on the Underrepresentation of Black Men as Early Childhood Educators – Exploring Their Career Choice, Retention, Long-term Sustainability, and Influence on Black Students*
Mentor: Dr. Corina Kaul
- Jarad J. Davis
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *"A Miracle in Motion": A Multiple Case Study Exploring the Leadership Development Experiences of Black Superintendents Participating in a National Leadership Development Cohort*
Mentor: Dr. Shama Thompson
- Morgan Dillingham
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *The Impact of Educators' Social Emotional Competence: A Mixed Methods Explanatory Sequential Study*
Mentor: Dr. Karon LeCompte
- Tony Dunkel
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Psychometric Validation of the Collaboration Maturity Model (Col-MM) with Credit Union Employees*
Mentor: Dr. Ashley Gibson
- Miranda Elise
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Latina Leaders: A Multiple Case Study of Successful Latina Administrators Who Have Been Recruited, Promoted, and Retained at Three Universities in South-Central Texas*
Mentor: Dr. Julia Earl
- Abigail Beth Feely
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Exploring Student-Centered Learning in the College History Classroom: A Single Case Study*
Mentor: Dr. Ryann Shelton
- Kyle Scott Gammenthaler
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *The Transformative Effect of Generosity: A Single Case Study Exploring the Long-Term Implications of an Undergraduate Experiential Philanthropy Course*
Mentor: Dr. Ryann Shelton
- Kimberly Ruth Gasaway
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *A Different Lens: A Qualitative Multiple-Case Study Exploring the Interrelationships Between Environmental, Personal, and Behavioral Determinants and STEM Perspectives for Middle-School Girls*
Mentor: Dr. Brenda Davis
- Fawn Erica Nichole Reid Girard
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Influencing New Teacher Retention: A Qualitative Single Case Study on K-12 Teachers' Experiences in Their First Five Years of Teaching*
Mentor: Dr. Brenda Davis
- Bethany Dawn Gochnour
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *SMART Moves: A Convergent Mixed Methods Investigation of the Outcomes of a Two-Year Science of Reading (SOR) Professional Development in the State of Idaho*
Mentor: Dr. Barbara Purdum-Cassidy
- Alma Gonzalez
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Hispanic Males Students' Perceptions of the Direct and Signal Influences that Affect their Academic Performance : A Single Case Study*
Mentor: Dr. Ryann Shelton
- Ann Janette Gay Griffin
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Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *The Environmental Factors that Influence the Beliefs and Behaviors of Alternatively Certified New Teachers to Affect Attrition: A Single Case Study in Central Texas*
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- Rashonda D. Harris
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The Invisible Purple Sheep: A Multiple Case Study Exploring the Invisibility of Black Women Leaders in Research Administration in Higher Education
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Decision-making Processes of Teachers that Use Gamification for Student Driven Engagement: An Exploratory Case Study
Mentor: Dr. Barbara Purdum-Cassidy
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Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change:
Future Force: A Single Case Study of Military Culture, Leadership, Retention, and Willingness to Accept Change
Mentor: Dr. Jennifer Guerra
- Roberto Luis Poblete Ibarra
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change:
Breaking the Cycle of "Surviving Day by Day on the Island" A Multiple Case Study on Native Hawai'ian and Pacific Islanders' College Degree Success in O'ahu, Hawai'i
Mentor: Dr. Leanne Howell
- Kelly S. Jones
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change:
Mastering A Profession: A Multiple Case Study on How Authentic Leadership Theory Drives Organizational Leader Development in the U.S. Army
Mentor: Dr. Leanne Howell
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It's How They Be Talking: A Qualitative Case Study About the Pedagogical Strategies Used in the Classrooms of African American Vernacular English-Speaking Students
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- Brandon Meade Kinsey
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change:
Symphony Orchestra Education Programs in the Community: A Qualitative Case Study Assessing Student Understanding from an Arts-Integrated Program
Mentor: Dr. Brenda Davis
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Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Was College Really Worth It? A Multiple Case Study Exploring the Role of Student Loan Debt on the Decision-Making Processes of Female First-Generation College Students in the United States After Graduation*
Mentor: Dr. Jennifer Guerra
- Amie Marie Macbeth
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Athletic Directors' and Trainers' Perceptions of Mental Health Support Systems in College Athletics: A Multiple Case Study*
Mentor: Dr. Ryann Shelton
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Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Exploring Teachers' Perceptions of Students' Motivation to Learn Through Digital Game-based Learning: A Qualitative Descriptive Single Case Study*
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- Ruby D. Mannankara-Cabrera
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Cultural Responsiveness in Behavior Analytic Treatment: A Qualitative Multiple-Case Study*
Mentor: Dr. Leanne Howell
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Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change:
Acculturation and Its Influence on the Social Relationships, Identity, and Sense of Well-Being in Middle School Immigrant Adolescents: A Descriptive Single Case Study
Mentor: Dr. Barbara Purdum-Cassidy
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Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Exploring Employee Job Satisfaction and Job Dissatisfaction at NASA Headquarters: A Single Case Study*
Mentor: Dr. Ryann Shelton
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Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Cracking the STEM Ceiling: A Qualitative Single Case Study Analysis Examining the Intersectional Impact that Race and Gender have on Black Women who Enter into STEM Education and Professions*
Mentor: Dr. Amy Sloan
- Todd Alan Miles
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change:
Balancing Student's Cognitive Load in Instruction Design to Ignite Academic Achievement in the Fire Academy: An Exploratory Case Study
Mentor: Dr. Jessica Meehan
- Abigail Molina
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Do You Want to Keep Them? A Multiple Case Study Exploring Teacher Retention Strategies Using Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs at a Charter School in South Texas*
Mentor: Dr. Marquita Foster
- Tammra Charlene Nelson
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *How Women in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Professions Describe the Benefits of Belonging to a Professional Network: A Multiple Case Study*
Mentor: Dr. Jennifer Guerra
- Casey Michelle Newberry
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change:
Elementary Special Education Teachers' Self-Determination and Perceptions of Barriers Related to the Implementation of Individualized Education Plans During the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Single Case Study
Mentor: Dr. Ryann Shelton
- Jessica Leigh Williams Pace
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *The Impact of Academic Advising Practices on Rural Community College Students' Self-Determination: A Single Case Study*
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- Mushimie Lona Panda
Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Paving the Way: A Case Study Exploring the Career Development and Advancement of Women of Color to Reach Senior Leadership at a Corporate Organization*
Mentor: Dr. Brenda Davis

Marlena Parker

Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *A Case Study: How a Top-Ranked Public Institution in Georgia Addresses the Demand for Mental Health Services*
Mentor: Dr. Brandi Ray

Stephen David Perez

Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *A Single Case Study Exploring United States Navy Service Members' Perceptions of their Apprenticeship-Level Training*
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Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Retiring Military Veterans' Transition Issues Adapting to The Civilian Lifestyle: A Multiple Case Study*
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Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Why Women Go Elsewhere: A Case Study of Women's Underrepresentation in Computer Science*
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Adriane Leigh Schoch

Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *A Quantitative Examination of the Social-Emotional Competence, Beliefs About Social-Emotional Learning School Culture, and Job Satisfaction Among Teachers in Restorative Practice Schools*
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Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *A Quantitative Analysis of the Relationship Between Current College Students' Levels of Financial Literacy and Financial Socialization*
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Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Preparation of Teachers to Teach Diverse Populations through New Teacher Induction Programs: A Quantitative Study*
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Alison Trimper

Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Trauma-Informed Care in the Classroom: A Qualitative Study of Teachers Who Effectively Create Safe Spaces for All Students in the Classroom*
Mentor: Dr. Leanne Howell

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Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *Can You Get "Clean" in Dirty Water?: A Qualitative Case Study Exploring the Prison Environment, Basic Needs, and the Barriers to Substance Abuse Rehabilitation.*
Mentor: Dr. Leanne Howell

Keith Allen Yorman

Dissertation, Learning and Organizational Change: *At Ease! Letting go of the Rank, Responsibility, and Regalia: A Case Study of U.S. Marines and their Tenuous Transition to Civilian Life*
Mentor: Dr. Karon LeCompte

Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Samuel M. Haug

Dissertation, Electrical and Computer Engineering: *Real-Time Adaptive Circuitry to Support Simultaneous Radar and Communications*
Mentor: Dr. Robert Marks

Doctor of Philosophy

Shan Jiang

Dissertation, Educational Psychology: *Piecewise Latent Growth Modeling: Introduction, Moderation, and Demonstration in R*
Mentor: Dr. Sara Tomek

Kristina Medora McGinnis

Dissertation, Educational Psychology: *Social Validity Practices in Telehealth Delivered Interventions for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities*
Mentor: Dr. Jessica Akers

MacKenzie Raye Wicker

Dissertation, Educational Psychology: *Interventions to Support Employment-Related Transferable Skills for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities*
Mentor: Dr. Tonya Davis

Zachariah E.M. Mills

Dissertation, Higher Education Studies and Leadership: *Organizational Socialization of New Professionals in Student Affairs: A Model for Improving Early Career Outcomes and Combatting Attrition*
Mentor: Dr. Rishi Sriram

Ramona Maria Ionescu ○

Dissertation, Information Systems: *The Effectiveness of Employee Tracking Technologies*
Mentor: Dr. Dorothy Leidner

Barah Ahn

Dissertation, Mechanical Engineering: *Comprehensive Experimental Investigation of Liquid Piston Ga*
Mentor: Dr. Paul Ro

Ziwen He

Dissertation, Mechanical Engineering: *Air entrainment dynamics of droplet impact: from Newtonian to non-Newtonian fluids and their applications*
Mentor: Dr. Min Pack

Stephanie Erin Fritz

Dissertation, School Psychology: *A Rapid Review and Meta-Analysis of the Effectiveness of Cognitive Behavioral Therapies for Anxiety in School-Age Children Who Have an Intellectual Disability*
Mentor: Dr. Nicholas Benson





**The Robbins College of Health and Human Sciences, The Honors College,
The College of Arts & Sciences, and The Graduate School**

Saturday, December 16, 2023, Half after Two in the Afternoon – Ferrell Center

Prelude

Ceremonial Piece on CWM Rhondda by William Mac Davis
Brass Ensemble

Processional

Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1 by Sir Edward Elgar
Brass Ensemble

Procession Order

Candidates for Doctoral Degrees
Candidates for Master's Degrees
Candidates for Baccalaureate Degrees
Faculties of the University
Bearer of the Saint John's Bible
President of the University
Regents of the University
Administrators and Deans of the University

Presiding

Linda A. Livingstone, Ph.D.
President
Baylor University

The National Anthem

Performed by the Brass Ensemble

The Invocation

William E. Mearse
Chair, Board of Regents
Baylor University

Message to the Graduates

President Livingstone

Presentation of Degree Candidates

President Livingstone
Assisted by Nancy Brickhouse, Ph.D.
Vice President and Provost

Jason R. Carter, Ph.D.
Dean of the Robbins College of Health and Human Sciences

Douglas Henry, Ph.D.
Dean of the Honors College

Lee C. Nordt, Ph.D.
Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences

J. Larry Lyon, Ph.D.
Dean of the Graduate School

Paul Larson, *Reader*

Welcome to New Alumni

Toby Barnett
Interim Vice President, University Advancement
Baylor University

The Benediction

Rev. Erin Moniz, D.Min.
Associate Chaplain and Director for Chapel
Baylor University

"That Good Old Baylor Line"

Directed by Michael N. Jacobson, D.M.A.

Recessional

"Fanfare" from *La Peri* by Paul Dukas
"Triumphal March" from *Aida* by Giuseppe Verdi,
arranged by Bill Holcombe
Brass Ensemble

Candidates Presented December 16, 2023

The Robbins College of Health and Human Sciences

Presented by Jason R. Carter, *Dean*

Bachelor of Science

Apparel Design and Product Development

Alejandro Rico Merkelz

Apparel Merchandising

Kelley Edward Carr
Madison Kennedy Delgado
Makenzie Kaye Henton

Child and Family Studies

Jane Emma Atwood
Ella Shea Cooke***
Caroline Faith Hesbrook
Elisa Izel Martinez
Catherine Renae Price

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Emma Adair Aldridge
McKenna Leigh Becker
Ashley Janay Boyce**
Haylee Nicole Burnett***
Amanda Devohra Cabrera
Abigail Anna Carroll
Riya Vikas Desai**
Hannah Morgan Fisher▲***
Ashlyn Marie Gage**
Lucy Charlotte Hatrick*
Amanda Katherine Haynes*
Grace Katherine Heslep*
Rachael Kathryn Kenny▲**
Kylie Marie Knepler***
Emily Anne Mahler*
Chloe Mackenzie Martin
Abril Perez
Mallory Margaret Remm***

Alicia Nicole Rincon
Daniela Sofia Sanchez
Victoria Gayle Spencer***
Madison Noel Turbeville
Sophie Madsen Wallbruch
Hannah Marie Weber**
Kelby Drew Willhite**

Exercise Physiology

Peyton Elizabeth Galloway

General Family and Consumer Sciences

Jingwen Wang

Health Science Studies

Noel Kaleo Nero Acfalle▲
Della Sofia Angelakos*
Cora Faith Ayers**
DeLana Elizabeth Baker
Hannah Liann Barnes
Carlos Ulises Bonilla
Abrianna Alexis Carrera
Abby Grace Carroll**
Virginia Grace Childers**
Claire Cho
Isabella Ann Cho*
Samantha Ray Davis
Ryan Weston Donham**
Lucas Dale Edwards*
Avery Brooke Fabre
Gianelle Esther Fernandez
Emily Dawn Goodspeed
Jennifer Ivy Graves**
Ashley Nicole Haggerty***
David L. Harris, Jr.
Anna Jade Hirth**
Delaney Anne Huntley

Ellada Khachaturova*
Katelyn Kim***
Maali Akoth LaFrance
Emily Marie Lazenby
Thanh-Tam Huynh Le
Elisha Faith Tecson Magno
Miranda Arelli Martinez▲▲
Sophia Ruth Metzger
Emilee Elise Morgan
Marcella Eve Nguyen
Crystal Thuy Trang Doan
Phi**
Hannah Elizabeth Shipman
Sydney Kate Smith
Jaelon John Tenison
Ysabelle Nicole Loria Tugano
Alejandro Julian Villegas
Maddison Elaine Vrazel*
Wesley Wael Wassef
Colby Shea White***
Emma Marie Williams
Kaitlynn Rose Williams
Aryssa Lynne Womack
Tyler Jai Wyatt
Tessa Rose Yasuda

Nutrition Sciences

Jie Zhao

Bachelor of Science in Education

Health, Kinesiology, and Leisure Studies

Anna Cameron Bell
Abigail Torres Corpuz
Naomi Cuzuban

Jillian Gray Davis
Regan Anh Dinh
Elijah Dontray Ellis
Seion Fernandez
Ella Grace Guerrero
Grace Michele Hobson
Grace Nnenna Ifokwe
William Biachi Johnson
Matthew Jones
Qualan Dion Jones
Brandon Ji Suk Kim
Rivika Kishor
Sarah Martin
Jackson Brooks Miller
Andleeb Mujtaba
Elise Marie Ohnheiser
Ryan Patterson
Garmon Alexander Randolph
Brianda Veronica Rodriguez
Britta Raye Snyder**
Samuel S. Snyder
Braden Strauss
Westin Wael Wassef
Claire Elizabeth Wehrly
Brandon Isaiah White

Bachelor of Science in Public Health

Krishna Prem Adhvaryu
Letitia Daphne Aloysius**
Isabella Renee Bouloy
Minori Ubukata

The Honors College

Presented by Douglas Henry, *Dean*

Bachelor of Arts

Great Texts of the Western Tradition

Leah Annise Caldwell***
Rainey Katherine Lowe

University Scholar

Kathryn Elizabeth Clewett,
Statistics, Political
Science▲***
Samuel Dean Dutschmann▲

Alagu Subramanian▲***

Noah von Engelhardt,
Philosophy▲**
Anna Louise Wages▲

The College of Arts & Sciences

Presented by Lee C. Nordt, *Dean*

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Studio Art

Claire Cameron Lynton
Abigail Rhea Olsen
Mary Grace Romanick

Emmarie Hope Rossiter
Virginia Starnes*
Sarah Elizabeth Tokich▲

Theatre Performance

Jack Norman IV

Bachelor of Science in Aviation Sciences

Aviation Administration

Ty Alan Thompson

Aviation Sciences

Jennifer Nicole Asmussen***
Parker L. Dunlap
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Bachelor of Science

Anthropology

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Brittany Rochelle Hegar
Cody Allen Moore

Biochemistry

Brody William Bandy
Adam Christopher Bradley
Lichao Cao
Victoria Pham Chu
Ethan Hoang Duong
Amanda Mae Ellis ☉**
Jarrett Wayne Foland**
Tayler Nakisha Freeman
Dakota Lee Gavin ♦
Dang Minh Nguyen Huan
Nolan Jeroid Jeffery, Jr.
Natalya N. Mehta*
Carson Christian Rezendes
Miguel Rodriguez Escalante ☉
Yesmeena M. Shmaitelly***
Hadden K. Swanzy***
Bhaarathi Venkata ☙*

Biology

Oluwaseye Gabriel Akinwale
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Hailey Madison Breaky
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Christopher I. Houston
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Haider Ali Khan
Hannah Marie Kilgo
Piper M. Levine
Sophia Elena Lopez
Kaitlyn Marengo
Brooke J. Meier**
Logan Christian Miller
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Brandon D. Mojica
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Jessica My-An Ngo**
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Sierra L. Trapolsi
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Chemistry

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Sebastian Martinez
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Environmental Science

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Isabella Nicole Brunner
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Claire Elise Hill
Tyson Charles Keyser
Grayston Wilhelm Licht
Brianna Nicole Lockwood
Regina Najera Lobo**
Katherine D. Page
Ariana Jasmine Smith
Olivia Anne Villanueva

Psychology

Hailey Baek
John Patrick Morrison
David Oluwafemi Oladejo
Viviana Sanchez Bocanegra
Sohan Reddy Tadi

Statistics

Tony Muñoz, Jr. ☉

Bachelor of Arts

Anthropology

Rachel Marie Berg,
International Studies ☉
Elizabeth Ashley Blanchard ☉
Natalie G. Foley***
Nicole Lorraine Magenheimer

Arabic and Middle East Studies

Luke Tyler Tepera

Asian Studies

Alexis Marie Madden-Tyler

Biochemistry

Cole Tyler Hogan

Biology

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Classics

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Communication

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Peyton Anderson
Abigail Kathleen Arend
Garrett D. Ashton
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William Alexander Bonadio
Connor James Carothers
Macey Lynn Cooper
Drake Ali Dabney
Jonathan Cade Davis
Quintin Michael Dooly

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Environmental Studies

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Boyd-Alan Brown ☉
Peter Chi
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Monikah Loraine Resendez
Xavier Jamar Robinson
Jillian Emma Walker
Matthew Scott Walls

German

August Walter

History

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Daniel Ricardo Chacon
Carson Lee Darnold
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Skyler Lee King
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Madelyn Paige Treat ☙**

International Studies

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The Graduate School

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Master of Public Health

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Marshall
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Bryce J. Holmes
Marjan Hossein Dust
Jaret Reid Huddleston
Ritchell Jean-Baptiste
Markia Delisha Jefferson
Katia Claire Jimenez
Bushra Tahir Khan
Phillipe Lake
Caroline Anne Lane
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Kaitlyn Danielle Leach
Diana Guadalupe Meijers
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Hannah Marie Susan Post
Parul Kailesh Pujary
Iesha Nicole Reid
Deandra Alyse Renaud
Claudia Minerva Rice
Presley Marie Rodriguez
Amy Guadalupe Rovira
Alejandra Saldana
Farrell Scappator
Nigam Sedhai
Taelor Ann Adnan Shweiki
Amna Shahadat Siddiqui
Joel José Silva
Karen Lisa St. Fort
Aurora Stegall
Lizbeth Villegas-Gomez
Amarra Tenee Washington
Madeline B. Wheelwright

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Hannah Elizabeth Skiest
Rachel M. Thompson

Master of Science

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Chemistry

Frances Charity Buchanan
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Reilly Hope Deavitt
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Erika Ann Garcia
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Abigail Whitney Leonard Hall
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Maria Georgia Kallinikos
Lindsay Margaret Kestler
Matthew Ian Krytzer
Lindsay Lee
Poliana Pompeo de Almeida
Lockard
Darlene Marie Lugo
Deborah Claire Lyles
Aliyah Janine Marcelo
Arbeleena Ashour Markarian
Jessica Marrero
Khianiqua R. McDonald
Abby Caroline McMillan
Jennifer McMillion
Nafiyeh Mehmeti
McKenzie Jaelynn Mercer
Meagan B. Mitchell
Mackenzie Skousen Norton
Delaney Lynn Nuez
Erika Danielle Nunez
Angelica Orzillo
Gabriela Marisol Palacios
Leslie Melissa Portillo
Zoë Kaitlyn Recks
Tessa Catherine Resek
Yazmine Sienna Rivera
Julie M. Sady
Jennifer Leigh Schildecker
Caroline Kolinek Seeger
Lauren Michelle Severns
Addison Leigh Spradling
Sarah Browning Stephenson

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☙ Completed Honors Program requirements

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Azhare Genice Thompkins
Carissa Jane Van Steenwyk
Rhianna Fae Weingarten
Heather Christine Wieman

Exercise Physiology

Kanika Bhardwaj
Swikriti Pokhrel ◊
Grace Ann Wilson

Medical Science

Luke Joseph Scott Bubela
Damaris Flores
Lesly Fabiola Gil
Ritika Gupta
Vy Xuan Nguyen
Fatoumata Elisabeth Sanogo
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Amanuel Eshetu Wonbera
Huey Zhong Chloe Wong

Army-Baylor Nutrition

Jane E. Carnett
William C. Hall
Lynette Victoria Mientus
Sarah Anne Nowroozian
Dana Cherilyn Robertson
Victoria Lynn Shapiro
Laura Marie Thompson
Jaclyn Marie Travaglini
Carla Janedth Trochez
Evan Tryon
Aireal Samantha Williams

Nutrition Sciences

Anna Marie Stephan

Physics

Suvadeep Roy

Sports Pedagogy

Blake Christopher George
Joseph Joe Manniparambil
Julie Ann Krebs
Joel Paul Lake Ramnath

Statistics

Clara Wallin Andersen
Derik Todd Boonstra
Nathen Archer Byford
Madison Rose De Boer
Anupama Kannan
Christian Lee Otto
Kaylee Michelle Pascarella
Terry Tsai

Master of Arts

Communication

Michelle Kristina Cefaratti-
Bertin
Faith Erin Stafford

Journalism

Victoria Elizabeth Brewster-
Martinez
Rebecca Ann Fiedler Chapman
Madison Mariella Walkes

Physics

Evan David Collins
Jacob Aaron Matulevich
Shayan Nadeem
Manjula Raman
Jonathan Jacob Samudio

Professional Doctorates

Doctor of Occupational Therapy

Javeria Ahmed
Madeline Bryant Ahumada
Lacey Mikel Andrews
Taryn Antoine
MaKaya D. Banks
Monica Baza
Thomas Everett Benet
Meghan Olivia Blumenthal
Gabriella M. Borboa
Rebecca Lynn Brackin
Anne Elizabeth Bradley
Allyson Cambre Britton
Katie Alisha Brown
Alexandria Marisa Brushaber
Maira Janet Castellon
Leanna Ruth Colindres
Kara Lynn Dalquist
Celia Kendell Dennis
Sommer Elizabeth Diller
Jenna Lynn Fanelli
Samuel Chen Fang, Jr.
Raena Marie Purugganan
Fegurgur
Andy Christian Florian-
Escarate
Ashleigh Stoddard Gabbard
Analicia Garza
Kamryn Harvey George
Riley Shea Giblin
Sarah Mae Gomez
Luzviminda Paguio Grossi
Veronica Guardiola
Jennifer Gunn
Leanne Lachica Gutierrez
Alison Joseph Haralson
Timber DeAnn Hardbarger
Celina Maria Hawthorne
Kaleigh Noelle Helms
Holly Rae Hilliard
Marissa Keani Holguin
Titus Daniel Hughes
Delaney Reagan Jones
Dorian Helena Shalie Jordan
Brianna Kilbane
Bryona La'Shei Knight
Amy Eileen Knott
Lauren Catherine Lake
Keely Laminack
Angelica Estela Leal
Madison Grace LeBlanc
Jillian Boudoin Lee
Meghan Terese Logeais
Maria Elena Lopez
Ashle Delightner Love
Nicole Desiree Masker
Madison Grace McElwee
Michael S. Melancon, Jr.
Samantha Michelle Metzler
Nancy Navarro - Garcia
Valerie Elena Neira
Angela Thien Trang Nguyen
Ensiel Jesique Dolor Parades
Bianka Jahmeya Parrish

Danielle Raye Piascik
Jessica M. Pinkston
George Azan Pusey
Dalia Belinda Ramirez
Mia Eden Rampezzotti
Veronica Rodriguez Reyna
Amber Linnen Roberts
Adriana Valeri Rudd
Amanda Dawn Salazar
Kelsey Saul
Monica Nicole Schleg
Danielle Sebastian
Tara Jordan Sekora
Shelby C. Sharp
Isata Ada Sheriff
Kaylee Sue Simon
Taylor Brazil Sims
Bailey Elizabeth Smith
Cailin McKenzie Joyce Smith
Jonathan J. Smith
Britney Nolen Stoddard
Melissa Lanier Stokes
Sarah M. Sturm
Lindsey Sutton
Cameron Tatem Sweeney
Megan Nicole Treadway
Liana Rachel Treviño
Madeline Avery Underwood
Kathryn E. Voelkel
Alexis Waltemeyer
Charlotte Grace Wardle

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Doctor of Physical Therapy

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Lynn Ann Anderson
Maria Fernanda Betancourt
Tyler Bewley
Kathryn Rae Carley
Makayla Rose Carney
Rebecca Lily Cisler
Morgan Shā Claxton
Henry Jackson Conkle
John Angelo Cruz
Kyan Daniels
Ashleigh Hixson Dao
Anthony E. Dickey
Kara Eder
Selvana Eshak Ghattas
Ashley Fattig
Hallie Fernandes
Elizabeth Lee Fugitt
Arthur Vernizzi Ganancio
Colten B. Gardner
Clary Anne Girdner
Ashley Elaine Glausier
Emily Rae Greer
Kristina M. Guth
Christopher Evan Hardy
Mason David Harrell
Kayla Anne Harvey
Melissa Ann Hemphill

Natasha Alondra Hernandez
Vazquez
Roman Herrera III
Madelyn Romano Huber
Paige Frances Hurlburt
Kale-ane Saro Idee Igboh
Aubrey Jegier
Emily Grace Jones
Michael David Kawazoe
Abigail Suzanne Kelling
Jonathan Kim
Sarah Catherine Kubiak
Jessica Marie Lammert
Emily Faith Lapes
Andrew Jeffery Lee
Sofia Itzel Leija Solis
Madison Jolynn Mahanay
Kristen Maizus
Emily Horsch Martinez
Morgan Rayne Martinez
Sarah E. McBride
Kristen Joy McGee
Malik Jerome Minter
Courtney Payge Mitchell
Hannah Joy Wykae Moffatt
Katherine Rose Moore
Jaselyn Catherine Nacke
Ryan Patrick Nader
Parker Michael O'Regan
Ciara Shay Parris
Antonio Perez
Humberto Perez, Jr.
Christopher John
Pietraszkiewicz
Rocky Joseph Pimentel, Jr.
Julie Ann Pitler
Gunner Potts
Diamond Destiny Quinn
Maëlle Celia Inès Rémond
Kaitlin Portia Richcreek
Amanda Madeline Rickman
Reagan Sandford
Kinley Ann Searcy
Gordon Blake Simmons
Danielle Marie Sommers
Emma Kelly Stetler
Tan Ta
Isabel Elissia Tank
Keyona Yvonne Taylor
Calvin Minh Quan Thai
Allison Leah Thompson
Noah Tiemeyer
Tayler Alyse Timmons
Sally Turkel
Brittany Brown Vrabel
Anjoilynn Ladrado Vreeland
Micaiah J. Wagner
Tiffany Lyne Walker
Aldrich Tio Wang
Madison Nicole Wessling
Jennifer Holland White
Zachary Austin Woods
Elizabeth Novak Woods
Madison Ann Louise Wright
Nicholas Young
Kenny Jordan Zaldana
Maxwell Allen Zapp

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Doctor of Science in Physician Assistant Studies

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Camron Drake Castle

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Brooke Army Medical Center
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Samuel Tucker Cheek

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William Beaumont Army Medical Center
Fort Bliss, Texas*

Ashley Dalessandro

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David Grant USAF Medical Center
Travis Air Force Base, California*

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Nicole Lisa Sparks

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Jacob Wittenauer

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Fort Hood, Texas*

Christopher M. Henderson

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Mike O'Callaghan Military Medical Center
Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada*

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Carl R. Darnall Army Medical Center
Fort Hood, Texas*

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Doctor of Philosophy

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Dissertation, Chemistry and Biochemistry: Investigating Structural and Stability Characteristics of Native-like Proteins Using Ion Mobility-Mass Spectrometry (IM-MS) in Positive- and Negative-Ion Mode
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Joseph Daniel Kaszubowski ○

Dissertation, Chemistry and Biochemistry: DNA Polymerase Interactions and Their Role in Translesion Synthesis Substitutions
Mentor: Dr. Michael Trakselis

Jessica Helm Kostyo

Dissertation, Chemistry and Biochemistry: Design, Synthesis, and Activation of Prodrugs of the Sulfonamide Drug TAK-242 (Resatorvid) for Localized Immunosuppression
Mentor: Dr. Bob Kane

Lin Liu

Dissertation, Chemistry and Biochemistry: Total Synthesis of phyllantidine Total synthesis of Flueggeacosine C
Mentor: Dr. John L. Wood

Patrick J. Sutter

Dissertation, Chemistry and Biochemistry: Single Electron Studies of Acylammonium Intermediates, Zinc-Mediated Carboxylations in Flow, and the Total Synthesis of Inthomycin C
Mentor: Dr. Daniel Romo

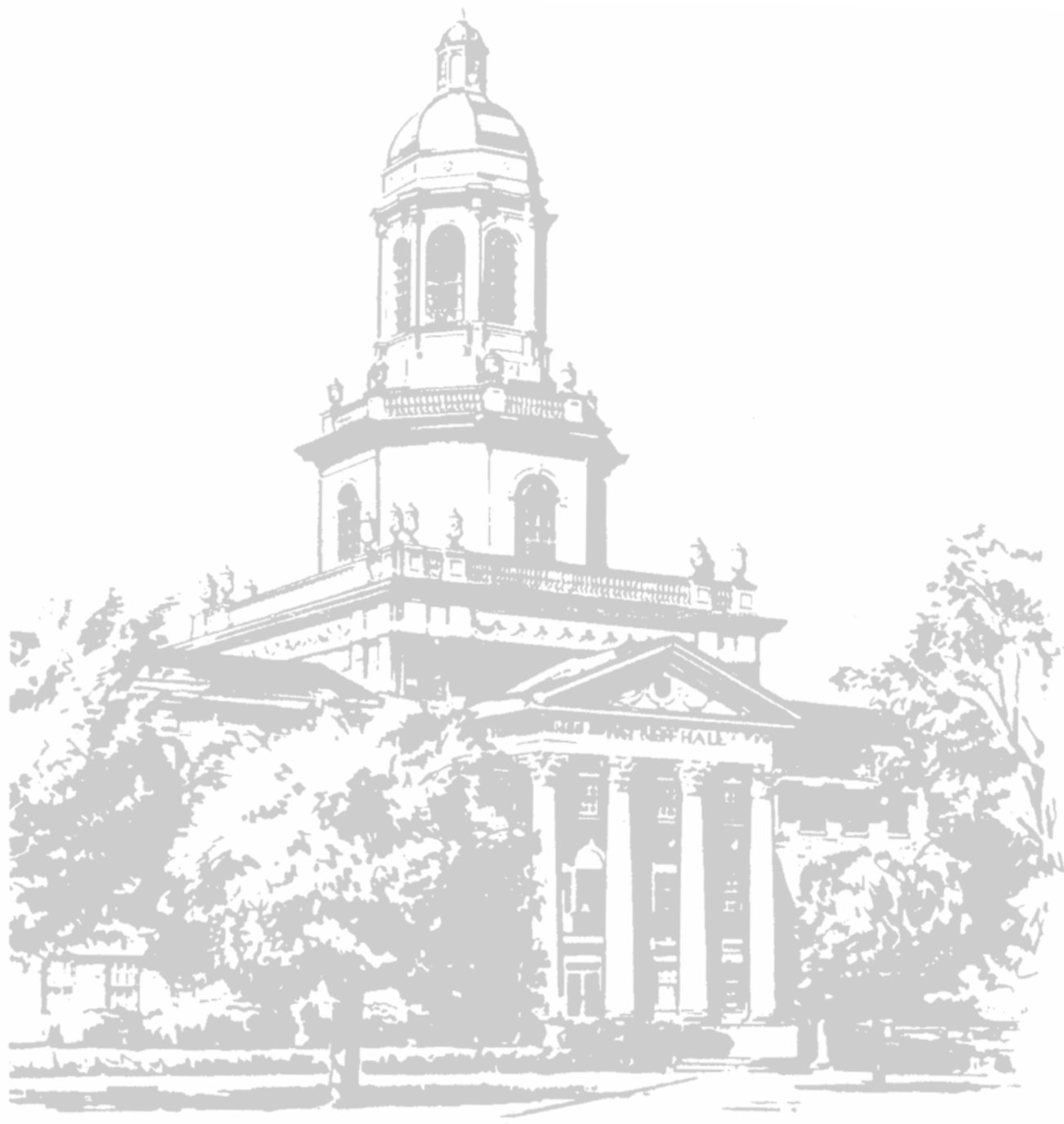
Lois Jennifer Johnson

Dissertation, English: Multiple, Misaligned Subjectivities: How Representative Twentieth Century Authors Resolve the Tension Between American Individualism and Femininity
Mentor: Dr. Luke Ferretter

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- Sarah Lynn Guberman VerPloeg
Dissertation, Environmental Science: *Assessing urban atmospheric chemistry effects on the environmental fate of current-use pesticides in the Houston Metropolitan Area*
Mentor: Dr. Sascha Usenko
- Michael Thomas Penrose
Dissertation, Environmental Science: *Evaluating Paraben and Paraben Transformation Product Release in Effluent Following Wastewater Treatment and Their Movement into River Water and Fish Tissues in the Surrounding Environment*
Mentor: Dr. George Cobb
- Kendall Rose Scarlett
Dissertation, Environmental Science: *Examining the Aquatic Hazards of the Cyanobacterial Toxin, Cylindrospermopsin in Common Larval Fish Models*
Mentor: Dr. Bryan Brooks
- Matthew K. Williams
Dissertation, Exercise and Nutrition Sciences: *Psychological Factors of Athletic Injury: The Role of Personality, Resilience, and Stress in Sport Related Musculoskeletal Pathology*
Mentor: Dr. Shane Kopenhagen
- Zhen-Chuan Liu
Dissertation, Mathematics: *On Noncommutative Lacunary Multipliers*
Mentor: Dr. Tao Mei
- Robert William Verrill
Dissertation, Philosophy: *The EPR-Bohm Paradox and Kent's One-World Solution*
Mentor: Dr. Alexander Pruss
- Brooks C. McMaster
Dissertation, Physics: *Search For Higgs Boson Decays to a Pair of New Scalars in the 4 b-quark Final State Using 2018 Data Collected by CMS at the LHC*
Mentor: Dr. Andrew Brinkerhoff
- Stefan Andrew Koppert
Dissertation, Political Science: *Receiving the Self and the World Back Again: A Foray in Kierkegaardian Politics*
Mentor: Dr. Ann Ward
- Christina Louise Pavlov
Dissertation, Psychology and Neuroscience: *Appraisal of Child Care Resources Moderates the Relationship between Work-schedule flexibility and Quality of Life*
Mentor: Dr. Christine Limbers
- Paige Deann Womble
Dissertation, Psychology and Neuroscience: *Vitamin D does not rescue ASD-like behavior in a murine model of fragile x syndrome*
Mentor: Dr. Joaquin Lugo
- Timothy Andrew Lauve-Moon
Dissertation, Sociology: *Intersections of Ignorance and Power: A Sociological Analysis of Individual and Structural White Ignorance*
Mentor: Dr. Jerry Park
- Kimberly Anne Trevino-Boissel
Dissertation, Sociology: *Labor Market Complexities: Economic Segmentation, Dual Labor Markets, and Workforce Inequalities*
Mentor: Dr. Carson Mencken





Commencement Traditions

A History of Baylor Commencement

Baylor University was chartered by the Republic of Texas in 1845 and Baylor trustees voted to grant certificates and diplomas in 1854, following a similar policy of Brown University, a Baptist school in Providence, Rhode Island. That same year Baylor celebrated its first official commencement at Independence, Texas, with the granting of an A.B. degree to Stephen Decatur Rowe. The following year the University granted a degree to the first woman graduate, Mary Kavanaugh Gentry. By 1856, the number of graduates increased to six men and two women.

The University moved from Independence to Waco in 1885 and commencement ceremonies were likely held each spring in the chapel of Old Main. Starting in 1903, commencement ceremonies were held in the chapel of Carroll Library. After the 1922 Carroll Library fire, the third floor chapel was not rebuilt and a new chapel-gymnasium structure served as the venue.

In 1930, commencement ceremonies were moved to Waco Hall, the newly constructed Baylor facility funded by the City of Waco. In 1943, the spring ceremony reflected the effects of World War II, when 43 of the 282 degrees conferred were given "in absentia" due to students serving in the armed forces.

By the early 1950s, commencement was held at either Municipal Stadium or Baylor Stadium (later known as Floyd Casey Stadium). Spring commencements moved to the Heart of Texas Coliseum from 1956 to 1988. With the completion of Ferrell Center in fall 1988, Baylor commencement ceremonies returned to campus. In 2009, spring graduation was expanded to three ceremonies over two days and more than 1,800 students participated.

From 400 to more than 800 students graduate in summer and fall ceremonies.

In 1889, the University began holding summer ceremonies, which were held at a local Baptist church, then Waco Hall and now Ferrell Center.

In 1984, the tradition of December ceremonies was begun. The December 2011 commencement marked the first time that two winter ceremonies were held.

In spring 2021, Baylor held its first commencement ceremonies at McLane Stadium in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. Six ceremonies were held over three days after an 18-month hiatus due to the virus. The ceremonies were the first to be held outdoors since 1955 at Floyd Casey Stadium.

Separate ceremonies are held for George W. Truett Theological Seminary and Baylor Law School.

Participating in Commencement

Conferral of an academic degree is a separate event from the public commencement ceremony that symbolically commemorates that academic achievement. Baylor students who participate in commencement ceremonies are considered candidates for a degree. The final awarding of degrees and honors is contingent upon the satisfactory completion of the appropriate requirements by each candidate. Degree conferral is not official until grades are posted and candidates are certified as having completed all requirements. Only then do graduates receive their diplomas.

The Saint John's Bible

The Saint John's Bible is the first hand-scripted on vellum, fully illuminated version of the Bible commissioned since

the creation of the printing press more than 500 years ago. It was commissioned in 1998 by the Benedictine monks of Saint John's Abbey and University in Minnesota to ignite the spiritual imagination of believers throughout the world and to illuminate the word of God for a new millennium. In 2019, Baylor University acquired a limited Heritage Edition of the Saint John's Bible — the 105th of 299 that were created. The Heritage Edition series features the only full-size, handbound, signed and numbered fine art editions that will ever be produced. Each volume measures two feet by three feet, and its 1,115-plus pages include the calligraphy, vibrant imagery and gold and silver foil illuminations handcrafted by artists across the world. Volume seven of the Bible is on display today and opened to Romans 12:2, the scripture inspiration for President Livingstone's inaugural speech given during her installation ceremony as Baylor's 15th president.

The display stand for the volume of the Heritage Edition of the Saint John's Bible was handcrafted by Saint John's Abbey Woodworking and made of quarter-sawn red oak sustainably harvested from the Abbey's own forests. Generations of monks and local craftsmen have designed and created custom furniture at the shop for 150 years, utilizing traditional woodworking techniques, and today, they seek to give witness to the value of manual labor, stewardship and perpetuation of craft in the 21st century.

Academic Regalia

Academic dress traces its beginnings to the Middle Ages. When English universities were forming in the 12th and 13th centuries, scholars were also clerics and they adopted robes similar to those of their monastic orders. Caps were a necessity in drafty buildings and capes with hoods attached were needed for warmth. In 1895, the Intercollegiate Commission specified a code that was adopted by American institutions of higher learning to standardize the regalia worn by faculty and graduates. It has stood virtually unchanged to present time.

The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves, while the gown for the master's degree has an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist. The doctoral gown, which may be worn open or closed, is trimmed down the front with velvet and has three velvet bars on the bell-shaped sleeves. These facings and crossbars may be black or may be the color distinctive to the discipline to which the degree pertains.

The hood is the most distinctive feature of American regalia. At Baylor, hoods are worn for the master's degree, the education specialist degree, and all doctoral degrees. The doctoral hood is longer and marked by a wider velvet binding. The color of the velvet edging of the hood indicates the degree; the color of the lining represents the university that confers the degree.

Colors for the various disciplines include white for the Master of Arts; gold for Master of Science; Fine Arts, brown; all music degrees, pink; social work, citron; business administration, drab; divinity and theology degrees, red; law, purple; education, light blue; nursing, apricot; engineering and computer science, orange; public health, salmon; Doctor of Psychology, dark blue; Doctor of Science, golden yellow; and Doctor of Philosophy, royal blue. All master's degree candidates wear black tassels with the appropriate hood.

The University introduced unique doctoral regalia in 1995, its sesquicentennial year. The gown is forest green with dark green velvet crossbars on the sleeves, outlined in gold braid. The velvet on the matching doctoral hood reflects the degree. A velvet, eight-sided tam with gold bullion tassel completes the regalia.

The Diploma

The design of the diploma was introduced in 2000 and features an original pen-and-ink drawing of Pat Neff Hall by Baylor art professor Berry Klingman. The diploma is 14 inches x 11 inches horizontal. Signatures of the chair of the Board of Regents, the president, the provost, and the appropriate dean, along with a gold embossed seal, are on the diploma.

Graduating with Latin Honors

Undergraduate students are eligible for graduation with Latin honors by meeting the following GPA requirements:

Cum Laude	3.75
Magna Cum Laude	3.85
Summa Cum Laude	3.95

Only Baylor University residence credit is considered in calculating these averages. For ceremony purposes, Latin honors are based upon the prior term GPA. Final Latin honors will be calculated once all grades are in and degrees are awarded. The most accurate information will be reflected on the diploma and the transcript.

The Honors Program

The Honors Program offers smaller, distinctive classes and encourages an in-depth approach to learning with close faculty contact. Students choose this program for the opportunity to delve more deeply into courses and a topic of their choosing by engaging in independent research opportunities that culminate in the senior thesis.

Baylor Interdisciplinary Core

The Baylor Interdisciplinary Core (BIC), one of the four programs housed in the Honors College, provides students with an alternative core curriculum for their general studies requirements.

Honor Societies at Baylor

Baylor University is proud to host chapters of national and international honor societies in almost all academic departments and disciplines. These honor societies recognize scholastic excellence among undergraduate and graduate students. Students are accepted as members based on scholastic rank within their academic discipline. It also is common among many societies to include criteria relating to the character of a member, requiring leadership or service credits. Many of these organizations also have an induction ceremony for their graduates. Members of national academic honor societies are recognized in the ceremony by displaying approved insignias, cords or stoles on the standard academic regalia. Honor societies play a valuable role in student life.

The Official Baylor Ring

The Official Baylor University Ring is a longstanding tradition among alumni, visually celebrating the academic achievement of Baylor graduates. Seniors wear the ring with the Baylor seal facing them. Graduates turn the ring on graduation day so the seal is read by those who look at the ring. This change signifies their preparedness to face the world with an education in hand. Official Baylor Rings are presented in spring and winter ceremonies where they hear the Baylor story beautifully portrayed in the details incorporated into the ring's design.

Baylor Senior Class Gift

For over a century, members of each graduating senior class have joined together to leave their mark at Baylor by contributing a gift to the University. From a concrete bench from the class of 1906 to the restoration of the historic sign that marked the entry to Carroll Field, and a new walkway in Traditions Plaza, senior class gifts are among the most meaningful and lasting contributions of our graduates.

This year's seniors and their families and friends are invited to give to Baylor traditions that have been meaningful to them. Baylor traditions tell the story of the University's heritage, honor its past, and bind generations of Bears together in a shared experience that transcends time, culture and trends. One of former Baylor President Pat Neff's favorite quotes is engraved on the side of Pat Neff Hall: *"The keepers of history are as heroic as its makers."* Each student's time at Baylor becomes part of the fabric of Baylor's history. Each gift helps preserve the traditions that connect members of the Baylor Family for years to come.

To honor those who are graduating or leave your mark at Baylor, go to baylor.edu/seniorclassgift and make a gift today!

"To you seniors of the past, of the present, of the future, I entrust the care of Baylor University. To you I hand the torch."

Samuel Palmer Brooks
Baylor President, 1902-1931

Congratulations on becoming Baylor Alumni!

Baylor Alumni is the University's official alumni engagement program. It celebrates the shared memories, experiences and connections of Baylor alumni that transcend geography and span generations. It is an organization with a diversity of ways to engage and an innovative approach to growth, led by dedicated volunteers and a committed team of professionals. We are united for Baylor. Learn more at baylor.edu/alumni.

Graduates, let's stay in touch! Update your contact information at baylor.edu/contactupdate.

Ushers for Commencement

Brandy Brown	Les Palich
Aurea Chu	Matthew Piech
Gae Connally	Jennings Sheffield
Jessica Feda	Kevin Tankersley
Amy Giles	Margaret Wooddy
Mieke Lahousse	Rachel Woods
Leilani Mercado	

Marshals for Commencement

Jeffrey Olafsen, *Chief Marshal*
Denyse Rodgers, *Chief Marshal*

Justin Adeyemi	Tom Longbottom
Bill Booth	Lorin Matthews
Jennifer Borderud	Ann McGlashan
Rochelle Brunson	Mark McGraw
Soku Byoun	Dorina Mitrea
Gia Chevis	Mike Mowchan
Melinda Coogan	Jessica Muncey
Erik Davidson	Marlene Neill
Owen Davidson	Patsy Norman
Jay Dittmann	Charles North
Cari Edison	Kathryn Osteen
Jose Luis Escorcia	Joshua Patrick
Lauren Farish	Sara Perry
Mykka Fisher	Deborah Petty
Amy Giles	Lyn Prater
Kathy Hillman	Drew Risinger
Emily Hunter	Carol Schuetz
Esther Hur	Allen Seward
David Hurtt	Scott Spinks
Kathy Hurtt	Nadine Welch
David Jack	David White
Hope Koch	John White
Marion Kopulos	Breanne Wilburn
Bradley Lail	Stanley Wilfong
Beth Lanning	John Wood
Paul Larson	Matthew Wright

Brass Ensemble

J. Eric Wilson, *Conductor*

Trumpet

Matthew Burn*
Jacob Lira
Alison Marseglia
Joel Reaves
Camden Smith
Mason Stokes

Trombone

Gannon Allen
Mark Bennett
Grant Hayes

Tuba

Nick Tesmer
Armando Pena

Horn

Lucas Hamilton*
Javier Hernandez
Blake Moreland
Arianna Parks

Percussion

Connor Ainsworth

**Graduate Associate*

Office of the Registrar

Jessica Alford	Ellen Huffman
April Benson	Michelle Johnson
Sandra Groves	Dawn Khoury
Carol Hanes	

Athletic Event Management and Facilities

Henry Howard, *Associate Athletics Director*
for Capital Projects and Championships
Drew Pittman, *Associate Athletics Director*
for Event Management and Facilities

Chris Baima	Greg Parke
Jonathan D. Berry	Terry Tucker
Will Lattimore	

BaylorVision

Chris Humphreys, *Senior Director of BaylorVision*

Hunter Anderson	Hannah Steed
Kyle Brodt	Abby Stokes

General Information

Guests are asked to help maintain the dignity of this ceremony. We understand and encourage your show of appreciation for graduates, but guests must refrain from loud, disruptive cheering and use of any noise-making devices.

SEATING: Seating on the concourse level is open to all guests on a first-come, first-served basis. Seats may be saved, but we ask that you relinquish seats 15 minutes prior to the start of each ceremony.

ASL INTERPRETATION: Sign interpretation will be provided for guests in the lower rows of section 112 for all commencement ceremonies.

PHOTOGRAPHY: Personal cameras and video recorders are allowed in Ferrell Center for commencement, but guests are not allowed on the floor where the degree candidates are seated. Visit baylor.edu/commencement for information about professional photography and video recording of today's ceremony. The professional photographer will send proofs from today's ceremony to each degree candidate's Baylor email address. Recordings of each ceremony will be posted to the commencement website shortly after commencement weekend.

NO SELFIES ON STAGE: As a show of respect to all graduates and in consideration of the length of the ceremonies, no selfies by graduates while on stage will be allowed.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE: An EMS station is located on the Ferrell Center concourse at section 102. In the event of an emergency, ushers are available to assist guests to the EMS stations.

USHERS: Faculty ushers, assisted by Ferrell Center staff, are available throughout the building. They are available to assist guests during the ceremony.

PHONES: All mobile phones and pagers should be turned off or changed to a silent or vibrate mode for the duration of the ceremony.

PUBLIC WIRELESS ACCESS: Free wireless internet service is available inside the Ferrell Center. Choose the wireless or Wi-Fi option in your Settings app, select the "Ferrell-WiFi" network and click "Complete Registration" to accept the terms and conditions.

NOTE: This program is not an official University document. The exclusion of the names of students is not to be taken as indicative of their official status as non-graduates, nor is the inclusion of the names of students to be taken as certification of their official status as graduates.

The National Anthem

O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?

And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.
O say, does that Star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Francis Scott Key, 1814



Please recycle.



That Good Old Baylor Line

*That Good Old Baylor Line!
That Good Old Baylor Line!
We'll march forever down the years
As long as stars shall shine.
We'll fling our Green and Gold afar
To light the ways of time,
And guide us as we onward go:
That Good Old Baylor Line!*