



SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

Commencement Weekend

TWO THOUSAND AND ELEVEN





“Commencement is a momentous occasion

FOR YOU, YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

I am never more proud of SMU

AND OUR ACCOMPLISHED GRADUATES

than at Commencement, when the entire University

CELEBRATES YOUR SUCCESS.”

- Paul Ludden, Provost of the University



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INVITATION FROM *the President*
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Greetings,

On behalf of the Southern Methodist University community, I invite you to attend SMU's 96th annual Commencement Weekend, May 13 and 14, 2011. The activities that make up Commencement Weekend showcase some of the University's best traditions and are designed to recognize the pride we all feel in our students' accomplishments.

The Baccalaureate service on Friday evening enables graduating seniors and their guests to worship together. Later, as these seniors march through the Rotunda of Dallas Hall for the tradition known as Rotunda Recessional, they mark the end of their undergraduate years and the beginning of their lifelong association with SMU as alumni.

On Saturday morning, the University Commencement Convocation assembles degree candidates from all of SMU's schools. Moody Coliseum becomes transformed by the pageantry of students and faculty in academic regalia marching behind the colorful banners of their respective schools, accompanied by music and applause from their families.

The personal attention so important to SMU takes center stage at ceremonies later in the day, when schools and departments individually recognize each graduate. The spirit of community combined with our celebration of the individual is what makes SMU's Commencement Weekend a special time. We hope you will join us in May as we pay tribute to the students graduating in 2011! I extend my warmest wishes as you celebrate this joyous occasion.

Sincerely,



R. Gerald Turner
President of the University



..... COMMENCEMENT WEEKEND *Schedule*

*“Obviously, we have the summa cum laude,
THE MAGNA CUM LAUDE, THE CUM LAUDE,
and then about 85 percent are the ‘thank you, laudés.’”*
- Comedian Bill Cosby, 1995 SMU Commencement Speaker

Friday, May 13

CLASS OF 2011 GROUP PHOTO, 6:00 - 6:40p.m.

Main Quadrangle in front of Dallas Hall

**Wear full academic regalia*

Please check the Commencement web site Events Schedule the week of Commencement for confirmation of time and location of the photograph.

EVENING BELLS, 7:30 p.m.

Fondren Science Bell Tower

Lorn L. Howard, Chief Marshal Emeritus

ASSEMBLY OF CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE, 7:30 p.m.

Main Quadrangle in front of Dallas Hall

(Undergraduate Students Only)

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE, 8:00 p.m.

McFarlin Auditorium

**Live simulcast held in Theater, Hughes-Trigg Student Center*

Baccalaureate is a religious service with a special sermon for undergraduate candidates and their guests. Candidates are entitled to **two guest tickets only**. A simulcast location will be available. Early arrival is advised. The Rotunda Recessional follows Baccalaureate, when graduates, led by faculty and alumni marshals, march through the Rotunda of Dallas Hall. This ceremony welcomes graduates into their new life as SMU alumni.

Saturday, May 14

ASSEMBLY OF CANDIDATES FOR PROCESSION, 8:40 - 9:20 a.m.

Dedman Center for Lifetime Sports

(Candidates Only)

**Academic regalia required for admission into building*

ALL-UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT CONVOCATION, 9:30 a.m.

Moody Coliseum

Commencement Convocation is a formal ceremony in which all schools participate. Graduation candidates, faculty and other University guests wear academic regalia and formally process into Moody Coliseum. The ceremony lasts approximately an hour and a half; it is a lengthy and formal ceremony. Guests do not need tickets to attend.

COMMENCEMENT LUNCHEON, 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Umphrey Lee Center

Please visit www.smudining.com for details.

DIPLOMA PRESENTATION CEREMONIES

Annette Caldwell Simmons School of Education & Human Development, 12:30

Highland Park United Methodist Church, Wesley Hall

Contact: Anne Dilday, 214-768-2780

A reception for candidates and their guests will be held in the Wesley Hall foyer immediately following the ceremony.

Bobby B. Lyle School of Engineering, 1:30 p.m.

McFarlin Auditorium

Undergraduate Contact: Karen Coleman, kcoleman@lyle.smu.edu

Graduate Contact: Jim Dees, jdees@lyle.smu.edu

A reception for candidates and their guests will be held in the plaza between the Embrey and Junkins Buildings from 3:30 until 5:00 p.m.

Dedman School of Law Hooding Ceremony, 6:30 p.m.

Law School Quadrangle

Contact: Bobbye Heine, 214-768-2108 or Maggie Froneberger, 214-768-2557

A reception will be held for all candidates and their guests immediately following the ceremony in Karcher Auditorium located in Storey Hall.

Edwin L. Cox School of Business, 1:30 p.m.

Undergraduate Ceremony

Moody Coliseum

Contact: Dee Powell, 214-768-3012

A reception will be held for candidates and their guests immediately following the ceremony in the School of Business Courtyard.

Edwin L. Cox School of Business, 3:30 p.m.

Graduate Ceremony

Moody Coliseum

Contact: Dee Powell, 214-768-3012

A reception will be held for candidates and their guests immediately following the ceremony in the Collins Center.

Meadows School of The Arts, 6:30 p.m.

Owen Fine Arts Center - Outside

Contact: Lisobel Bernal, 214-768-2754 (for academic related questions)

Meadows Facilities and Events Office, 214-768-2713 or 214-768-4211

(for questions regarding logistics, parking, location of ceremonies, accessibility and other non-academic questions)

A reception for candidates and their guests will be held in the lobby of the Greer Garson Theatre at 4:00 p.m.

Perkins School of Theology, 2:00 PM

A Celebration of Degrees and Academic Achievements

Highland Park United Methodist Church, Sanctuary

Contact: Janelle Hampton, 214-768-2152

A reception for candidates and their guests will be held in the Great Hall of Prothro Hall immediately following the ceremony.

DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES

A reception for all Dedman College candidates and guests will be held in the Dallas Hall Rotunda from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Anthropology, 3:00 p.m.
Martha Proctor Mack Grand Ballroom,
Umphrey Lee
Contact: Pamela Hogan, 214-768-2684

Bio-Chemistry and Chemistry, 1:30 p.m.
Theater, Hughes-Trigg Student Center
Contacts: Kim Orcutt, 214-768-2730
(Bio-Chemistry)
Laurieann Ram-Kern,
214-768-2480 (Chemistry)

Biology, 4:00 p.m.
Ballroom, Hughes-Trigg Student Center
Contact: Mary Varela, 214-768-2217

Earth Sciences, 12:30 p.m.
McCord Auditorium, 306 Dallas Hall
Contact: Sandi Herrera, 214-768-2750

Economics, 4:00 p.m.
McFarlin Auditorium
Contact: Margaux Montgomery,
214-768-4337

English, 1:00 p.m.
Martha Proctor Mack Grand Ballroom,
Umphrey Lee
Contact: Brooke Guelker, 214-768-4689

Foreign Languages, 2:30 p.m.
Caruth Auditorium, Owen Fine Arts Center
Contact: Debbie Garland, 214-768-1406

History and Ethnic Studies, 1:00 p.m.
Lawn of Dallas Hall
Rain Location: Bob Hope Theater,
Owen Fine Arts Center
Contact: Mildred Pinkston, 214-768-2967

*Mathematics, Statistical Science,
and Physics*, 12:30 p.m.
Theater, Hughes-Trigg Student Center
Contact: Liz Berry, 214-768-2506

Medieval Studies, 4:00 p.m.
Bridwell Library
Contact: Bonnie Wheeler, 214-768-2949

Philosophy, 2:00 p.m.
McCord Auditorium, 306 Dallas Hall
Contact: Charee Stewart, 214-768-2118

*Political Science, International Studies,
Latin American Studies, and Public Policy**,
12:30 p.m.
Caruth Auditorium, Owen Fine Arts Center
Contact: Jimmecca Dorsey, 214-768-4171

*Psychology**, 2:15 p.m.
Ballroom, Hughes-Trigg Student Center
Contact: Ann Conner, 214-768-4924

Religious Studies, 3:30 p.m.
McCord Auditorium, 306 Dallas Hall
Contact: Kenitra Brown, 214-768-2095

Sociology and Markets & Culture, 12:30 p.m.
Ballroom, Hughes-Trigg Student Center
Contact: Karen Delk, 214-768-4011

**Ticketed Ceremony. Ticket information will
be available as of 04/05/11.*

Pick up your
Official SMU Graduation Shirt
 on the Dallas Hall Quad at Baccalaureate
Friday, May 13 &
 on the Moody Quad at Commencement
Saturday, May 14

\$20⁰⁰ CASH ONLY

For more information on Commencement Weekend go to smu.edu/commencement



ANNOUNCEMENTS *and Invitations*

Personalized announcements and invitations may be ordered at the SMU Bookstore or directly from Herff Jones at www.herffjones.com/college/smu. Announcements and invitations contain the name and degree of the candidate.



..... ACADEMIC *Regalia*

We are excited to share a special SMU Commencement tradition! Graduates began wearing academic regalia designed especially for SMU in May 2009. Incorporating our school colors and symbols, our custom regalia represents the spirit of the University.

- Academic regalia is worn by undergraduate students during the Baccalaureate Service, and by all students during Commencement Convocation and the Diploma Presentation Ceremonies.
- All Master's candidates will wear the hood for the degree they are about to receive.
- MDiv, DMin, and JD candidates will need to rent their hoods from the Bookstore and bring them to the ceremony.
- Ph.D. and D.E. candidates' hoods are provided as a gift from the University. Students must be present during the all-University Commencement Convocation ceremony to receive the hood.
- Honor ribbons, medals, flowers, and other decorations or adornments may **not** be worn during the Baccalaureate Service or Commencement Convocation ceremonies. This includes messages or images on mortar boards.

PRE-ORDERING REGALIA

Academic regalia must be pre-ordered through the SMU Bookstore or on the Herff Jones web site at www.herffjones.com/college/smu. *The reservation system will remain open until 11:59 p.m. on Saturday, April 2.* Telephone and in-person orders are not accepted at the SMU Bookstore. If you do not place your regalia order in advance, the Bookstore may have your size available the week of May 9, but there is no guarantee.

Payment will be accepted upon pick-up, not during the ordering process. If you're a potential candidate and unsure if you will graduate in May, please place an order. If you don't require the regalia, you will not be responsible for the rental fee.

Pre-ordered academic regalia will be available for pick-up at the SMU Bookstore May 7 – 8. If you do not pre-order your regalia, a limited selection will be available at the SMU Bookstore the week of May 9. For your convenience, the Bookstore will be open the following hours:

Saturday, May 7	10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 8	12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Monday, May 9 – Friday, May 13	8:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 14	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 15	12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Rented regalia must be returned to the SMU Bookstore by 10:00 p.m. on graduation day. To accommodate the later ceremonies, the SMU Bookstore will offer Sunday as a grace period. Please note that a \$10.00 per-day late return fee will be applied on Monday morning, May 16.

All graduates keep their caps and tassels. Undergraduates keep their stoles. All gowns and hoods should be returned to the SMU Bookstore.

PRICING

Prices quoted are for pre-packed academic regalia orders.

Bachelor Regalia	\$62.00
Master's Regalia	\$82.00
Law Regalia	\$105.00
Theology Regalia	
Master's	\$82.00
Doctor of Divinity	\$105.00
Doctoral Regalia (Ph.D. and D.E.)	\$85.00

..... DINING, LODGING AND *Transportation*

Preferred Commencement Hotel Sponsors



W Dallas – Victory

- Complimentary overnight valet parking
 - Two Cool Cocktails in the Living Room Bar
 - A Wonderful Room you'll love starting from \$209
- 2440 Victory Park Lane Dallas, TX 75219 | 214-397-4100
Mention "SMUPKG", or book through our website at <http://www.whotels.com/dallasmu/>.



Hyatt Place Dallas/Park Central

SMU visitors enjoy a very attractive \$89 rate on all suites! Please contact the hotel at 972.458.1224 to make your reservation. Complimentary hotel shuttle serve to and from all Commencement Weekend activities.



The Embassy Suites Dallas Love Field

Embassy Suites is proud to offer a new special SMU Rate of \$99 for standard suites excluding applicable taxes. To make a reservation or for more information please contact the hotel at 214-357-4500, or book directly on our website at <http://dallaslovefield.embassysuites.com/smu>.



The Stoneleigh Hotel & Spa

SMU visitors will receive a special rate starting at \$169 for a Deluxe room accommodation. Please call 214-871-7111 for reservations and ask for the SMU rate. Visit www.stoneleighhotel.com for more information and photos.

Additional information on our commencement hotel sponsors can be found at www.smu.edu/commencement.

DISCOUNTED TRANSPORTATION

Air Travel



Automobile Travel

Avis Rent-A-Car also offers a discount. The Avis Worldwide Discount (AWD) number is 9951BG. Please use the AWD number when calling AVIS directly at 1-888-754-8878.

A flyer for the Commencement Luncheon. The text reads: "Commencement LUNCHEON SATURDAY MAY 14, 2011 FOR RESERVATIONS CONTACT 214.768.2367 | KWILSON@SMU.EDU www.smudining.com". There is a small circular logo at the bottom right corner of the flyer.

..... INFORMATION FOR *Candidates*

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

The Baccalaureate Service is held in McFarlin Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, May 13. Undergraduate students begin forming three columns at 7:20 p.m. on the sidewalks in the quadrangle in front of McFarlin. You may choose to march in any column, although you may be asked to change columns so that participants are equally distributed. The candidates, lined up two abreast, begin moving to the auditorium at 7:58 p.m.

In the line of march, keep a distance of four feet between pairs. Upon reaching your seat, remain standing until the President of the University is seated.

In case of rain, there is no procession. Each candidate goes directly to the foyer of the auditorium no later than 7:30 p.m. where faculty marshals direct participants to the seating section reserved for candidates.

The Rotunda Recessional will immediately follow the ceremony. Directions for the recessional will be given during the ceremony. In case of rain, there is no formal processional, but the Rotunda will be open for an informal walk of remembrance.

COMMENCEMENT CONVOCATION

All candidates must wear SMU custom regalia to participate in Commencement Convocation. Students without regalia will be directed to the SMU Bookstore to rent a cap and gown. Doors to the Dedman Center open at 8:00 a.m. Assemble with your degree group, groups begin forming at 8:40 a.m. Signs will be posted and faculty marshals will be available to assist you. The doors to the Dedman Center will close at 9:20 a.m.

Ph.D. and D.E. candidates assemble in Studio II of the Dedman Center.

The student procession begins moving at 9:25 a.m. Faculty marshals will direct you to your seat; please follow the marshals' directions. Remain standing until invited to sit by the Provost.

No honor ribbons or other decorations or adornments are worn to the morning ceremony. This includes messages on mortar boards.

Baccalaureate candidates

You will not wear a hood. When directed to do so by President Turner after conferring of degrees, change your mortarboard tassel from right to left.

Post baccalaureate candidates

You may wear a hood for the degree you are about to receive.

Ph.D. and D.E. candidates

Do not wear a hood. You will be hooded at the ceremony.

DIPLOMAS AND PRESERVATION FRAMES

The attainment of your degree represents the culmination of much effort and diligence, and we join your family and friends in offering our congratulations on this special day. Diplomas will be distributed during the diploma presentation ceremonies on Saturday, May 14, 2011. Diplomas not picked up during the ceremonies will be returned to the Registrar's Office. Students may pick up diplomas from the Registrar's Office on Thursday, May 19, 2011. All remaining diplomas will be mailed on Tuesday, May 24, 2011.

You will have the opportunity to purchase a diploma preservation frame from the Michael Sutter Company after graduation. Each diploma preservation frame will contain a second, complimentary diploma! Please visit www.michaelsutter.com to view the variety of frames available.

Please Note: Candidates who owe money to the University may participate in the graduation ceremony, but diplomas will be held until accounts are cleared. For questions regarding your account, please contact Enrollment Services by calling 214-768-3417.

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"Follow your instincts, lead from your head, and decide for yourself

WHO YOU WILL BE AND HOW YOU WILL LIVE YOUR LIFE."

- Actress and SMU Alum Kathy Bates, 2002 SMU Commencement Speaker
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INFORMATION FOR *Guests*

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

Guest tickets are required for admittance to the Baccalaureate Service in McFarlin Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. on Friday evening. All undergraduate candidates are entitled to *two tickets* for their guests, requests for guest tickets must be made by the graduation candidates in person. The tickets will be distributed from the Registrar's Office Service Counter in the Laura Lee Blanton Building from May 9 through May 12.

Doors to McFarlin Auditorium will open at 6:45 p.m. and early arrival is advised, as all seats will be released at 7:30 p.m. Guests unable to be seated in McFarlin Auditorium will be directed to the Theater, Hughes-Trigg Student Center where the Baccalaureate Service will be simulcast. Tickets are not required for the simulcast of the Baccalaureate Service.

Guests without Tickets: May wait in a queue for any seats in McFarlin that may become available at 7:30 p.m. The queue line will be formed beginning at 6:45 p.m. on the sidewalk at the southeast corner of the front steps to McFarlin. In the event of rain, the queue will be formed in the lower lobby of McFarlin.

COMMENCEMENT CONVOCATION

Parents and guests of graduation candidates do not need a ticket to attend the Saturday morning Commencement Convocation ceremony in Moody Coliseum. Doors open at 8:00 a.m. Guests are encouraged to be seated by 9:15 a.m. When taking your seat, please do not leave empty seats within your group or between your group and others.

DIPLOMA PRESENTATION CEREMONIES

Wearing caps and gowns, graduates are personally recognized in school or departmental ceremonies following Commencement Convocation on Saturday afternoon and evening. Please consult the contacts listed on the Events Schedule on pages 7-9 to see if guest tickets are required.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Personal photographs may be taken only before and after the Baccalaureate Service and Commencement Convocation. No one is permitted in the aisles during the ceremonies.

Arrangements have been made with a professional photographer to take Doctoral candidates' photographs as they are hooded at Commencement Convocation. Each Doctoral candidate will receive a proof after the ceremony. If you have questions concerning photographs, please contact Flash Photography at 214-443-9393, Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Please check with your student's school for their photography policy and for questions regarding photographers at the diploma presentation ceremonies.

GUESTS WITH DISABILITIES

Doors to Moody Coliseum open at 8:00 a.m. Disabled guests are encouraged to be seated soon after the doors open. Disabled guests who are driving themselves may park on Binkley Avenue, the road adjacent to Moody Coliseum. Guests' current state-issued disabled parking placard and license plates are needed to park in this area. Additional parking passes are not needed. Guests with mobility issues riding with family may be dropped off at the Mustang Statue at the corner of Airline Road and Binkley Avenue. No pass needed.

Disabled guests should use the northeast entrance to Moody Coliseum at the bottom of the large downward ramp, each guest will be permitted to have one attendant join them. A total of 7 seats for guests and 7 seats for attendants are available on the Coliseum level and a limited number of guest and attendant seats are available on the Moody floor. Seats are first-come first-served and ushers will be available to escort guests to the proper area.

Persons with difficulties climbing stairs may be seated with one attendant in the first three rows of Sections A, B, C, D, O, P & Q. These seats are accessible via the front doors of Moody Coliseum and a total of 142 seats for guests and 142 seats for attendants are available. Ushers will be available to escort guests to the proper area.

Please contact 214.768.3417 or ceremonies@smu.edu for additional questions regarding guests with disabilities. *Please note: SMU is unable to provide wheelchairs for guests attending the ceremonies.*

"TODAY BEGINS A PERIOD

of incredible liberty and adventure,

A TIME TO FIND YOUR CALLING

and to demand the most from life

BEFORE LIFE MAKES SPECIFIC DEMANDS ON YOU.

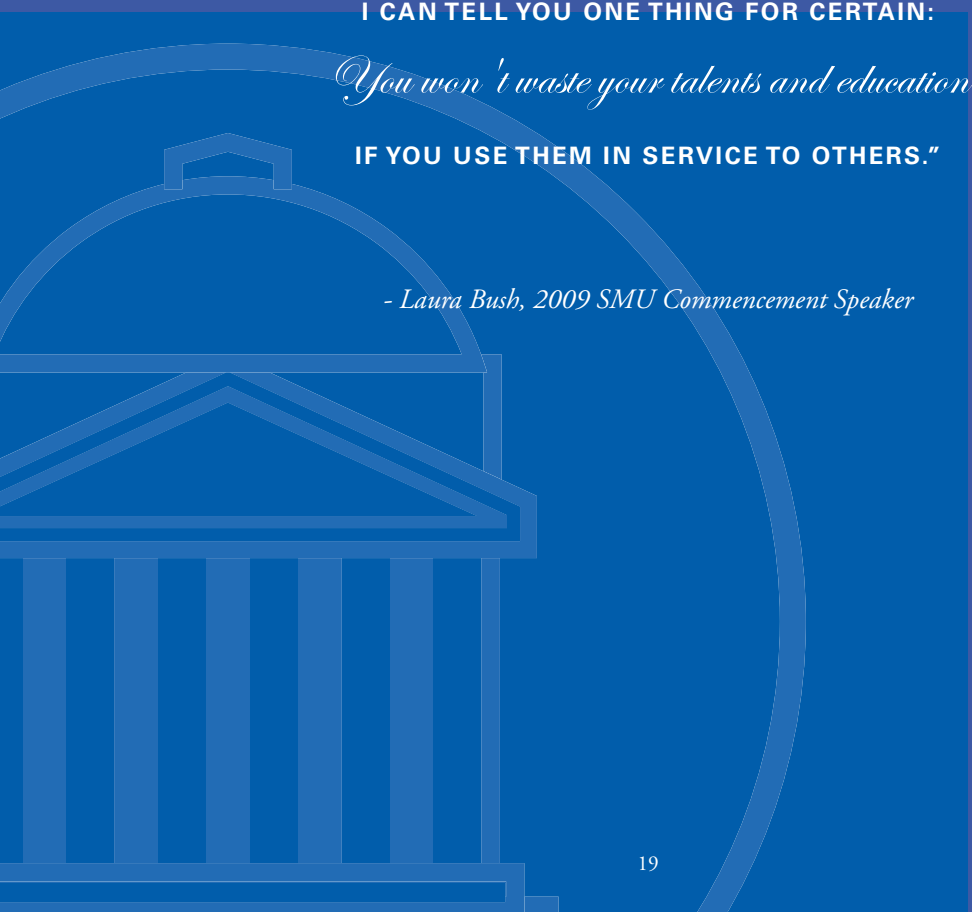
And as you face this new chapter of life,

I CAN TELL YOU ONE THING FOR CERTAIN:

You won't waste your talents and education

IF YOU USE THEM IN SERVICE TO OTHERS."

- Laura Bush, 2009 SMU Commencement Speaker



A MESSAGE FROM *The Chief Marshal*



Dear SMU Graduation Candidate,

On behalf of the faculty, congratulations to you on your upcoming graduation. We are proud of your accomplishments and wish you the very best in your future endeavors.

Undergraduates should plan to join us for the Baccalaureate service on Friday, May 13 at 8:00 p.m. in McFarlin Auditorium and then all candidates on Saturday, May 14 at 9:30 a.m. for the all-University Commencement Convocation in Moody Coliseum. These ceremonies bring us together to celebrate your accomplishments and to give thanks for the support you have received from your family and friends while pursuing your education at SMU.

We look forward to seeing you and meeting your family and friends at these important ceremonies.

Sincerely,

Tom Fomby
Chief Marshal to the University

MAPS AND *Parking*

Maps showing the location of parking lots, campus buildings, and directions to campus are available at <http://www.smu.edu/maps>.

Those attending Commencement activities on Friday and Saturday, May 13 and 14, may park free of charge in any of SMU's parking facilities. Please allow extra time to find parking for events being held in McFarlin Auditorium and Moody Coliseum.



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST *Golden Mustangs!*

The SMU Class of 1961 celebrates their 50-year reunion the weekend of May 13-14, 2011. Led by reunion co-chairs Ellen Terry and Guy Marcus, our Golden Mustangs receive special recognition as they process to the Commencement ceremony. The celebration culminates at the SMU 50-year Reunion Class Party on Saturday, May 14, 2011 at The Adolphus. For more information or to register for your 50th reunion, please contact SMU Reunion Programs at 1-800-766-4371, by e-mail at reunionyear@smu.edu or by visiting www.smu.edu/61.

smu.edu/ya

welcome class of 2011





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Look inside for valuable information or visit our Web site at
www.smu.edu/commencement
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SMU's commitment to equal opportunity includes nondiscrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.



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