Today we salute our graduates,

who stand ready to take the next steps

into the future. And we honor the

students, faculty, staff, parents and friends

who shaped SMU's first 100 years

and laid the foundation for an

extraordinary second century.



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#### ORDER OF EXERCISE

#### CARILLON CONCERT

Half Past Eight in the Morning Cchea Nugent, Carillonneur Fondren Science Tower

#### WELCOME

Kevin Paul Hofeditz, Ceremony Marshal

#### PRELUDIAL CONCERT AND FANFARES

Imperial Brass

#### ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL

The audience remains seated during the academic processional and recessional.

Thomas Osang, Chief Marshal Maribeth Kuenzi, Platform Marshal Joseph F. Kobylka, Marshal Lector

Candidates for Graduation

Representatives of the Faculties

The Platform Party

Alex Alarcón '24, Howard Lantern Bearer and Student Body President Abby Herrera '24, SMU Banner Bearer, Student Representative and ex officio member of the SMU Board of Trustees

#### CALL TO ORDER

Elizabeth G. Loboa, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

#### INVOCATION

Elisabeth A. Garvin, Chaplain and Minister to the University

## NATIONAL ANTHEM

John Stafford Smith and Francis Scott Key Imperial Brass Sarah Elise Navy '24, Commencement Vocalist

## WELCOME ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

David B. Miller '72, '73, Chair of the SMU Board of Trustees

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Elizabeth G. Loboa

## REMARKS

Alex Alarcón '24

Michael S. Harris, President of the SMU Faculty Senate and ex officio member of the SMU Board of Trustees

# PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT AND INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER

R. Gerald Turner, President of the University and *ex officio* member of the SMU Board of Trustees

#### COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Ambassador Antonio Garza '83, Member of the SMU Board of Trustees

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

SMU Forever Jimmy Dunne Imperial Brass Sarah Elise Navy '24

#### CONFERRING OF DEGREES IN COURSE

Please refrain from applause until all candidates have been presented.

Conferred by R. Gerald Turner Presented by Elizabeth G. Loboa

Deans of the Schools and Programs

Gary Brubaker, Director of SMU Guildhall

Thomas DiPiero, Elisabeth Martin Armstrong Dean of Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences

Samuel S. Holland, Algur H. Meadows Dean of Meadows School of the Arts

Nader Jalili, Mary and Richard Templeton Dean of Lyle School of Engineering

Stephanie L. Knight, Leon Simmons Dean of Annette Caldwell Simmons School of Education and Human Development

Bishop Michael McKee, Leighton K. Farrell Dean *ad interim* of Perkins School of Theology

Matthew B. Myers, Dean and Tolleson Chair in Business Leadership of Cox School of Business

Jason Nance, Judge James Noel Dean of Dedman School of Law Robin Poston, Associate Provost for Graduate Education and Dean of the Moody School of Graduate and Advanced Studies

#### Assisting:

Robert L. Lothringer, University Registrar Christopher Ham, President of the SMU Staff Association

## THE FAREWELL

Philip Wise '78, '81, Chair of the SMU Alumni Board and ex officio member of the SMU Board of Trustees

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#### BENEDICTION

Bishop Michael McKee

## ALMA MATER

Varsity Imperial Brass

Oh we see the Varsity,

Varsity, Varsity,

As she towers o'er the hill

Over there.

And our hearts are filled with joy,

SMU, SMU,

Alma Mater, we'll be true

Forever!

## RECESSIONAL

#### OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PLATFORM PARTY

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Melinda Sutton '97, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
The Honorable Jeanne L. Phillips '76, Member of the SMU Board of Trustees
Paul J. Ward, Vice President for Legal Affairs, General Counsel, and Secretary to the Board of Trustees

## OTHER MEMBERS OF THE GUILD OF MARSHALS

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#### COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

#### AMBASSADOR ANTONIO GARZA '83

Antonio Garza '83 is an SMU graduate, a member of the University's Board of Trustees, a director to the George W. Bush Foundation and a distinguished diplomat and attorney who served as the U.S. Ambassador to Mexico from 2002 to 2009.

A native of Brownsville, Texas, Garza's career in public service began in 1988 when he was elected to the position of Cameron County Judge. At that time, Garza, then 27, was the youngest individual and the first Republican since Reconstruction elected to a countywide post in South Texas. As the county judge and executive, Garza championed essential water and wastewater projects aimed at serving underprivileged communities, expanded the delivery of health services to the indigent and oversaw the permitting and development of two international bridges.

This early experience in government set the stage for what would become the defining theme of Garza's life – addressing problems and fostering mutual understanding within the North American countries.

In 1994, he was Governor-elect George W. Bush's first appointment and served as Texas' 99th Secretary of State, where he oversaw elections and served as the state's liaison to Mexico. Garza was elected to the Texas Railroad Commission in 1998, an office regulating the exploration, production and transportation of oil and natural gas in Texas. Garza also served as chairman of

that commission and as vice-chairman of the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission, representing the governors of 30 member and eight associate states in the development of energy and conservation policies.

Garza's expertise and deep understanding of the southern border were pivotal in his role as U.S. Ambassador to Mexico under President George W. Bush. His tenure was marked by his commitment to strengthening the bilateral relationship between the U.S. and Mexico, a partnership of immense importance to both countries due to their shared border and intertwined economic, cultural and political ties.

Today, in his role as counsel at White & Case LLP, a top global law firm, Garza serves as a director to a number of publicly and privately held companies and acts as a strategic advisor to CEOs, investors and entrepreneurs. He is acknowledged as one of the top experts on U.S.-Mexico relations and on the business and political environments of both nations.

In addition to his juris doctor from SMU, Garza holds a bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Texas at Austin and has been honored as a distinguished alumnus at both institutions.

Garza is a member of the State Bar of Texas, the District of Columbia Bar and is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court. Garza is married to Dr. Liz Atkinson Garza; they reside in both Mexico City and Texas.

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## DECEMBER 2023

## CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL DEGREES WITH HONORS

The students listed below have anticipated Latin honors based upon estimated academic information.

Katherine Boyd Jae Jun Cho Eunbyul Cho Natalie Celeste Gama

#### CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREES WITH HONORS

The students listed below have anticipated Latin honors based upon estimated academic information. These honors include Honors in Business, Honors in Liberal Arts, Departmental Distinction and Latin honors.

Sophia Ana Achar
Laura Christine Alasad
Alex Christopher Barbour
Sinan Martin Beskok
Sydney Grace Boneno
Abigail Grace Carter
Hannah Gabrielle Clark
Emily Rose Davidson
Derek Wolf Dickerson
Cole Ethan Elkins
Samina Tajammul Faheem
Benjamin Trevor Feinstein
Phillip Albert Ferguson
Fenisha Ruth Franklin
Benjamin Charles Gisquet

Michelle Hoang
Dylan Tyler Hoffman
Claire Emily Janssen
Grace Elizabeth Johnson
Collin Scott Krapf
Madison Simone Levy
Emma Katherine Lochabay
Ronnie Eugene McAda
Evan David Miles
Sarah Franchot Millett
Rachel Margaret Morrow
Regina Phuong Vi Nguyen
Eleni Alexandra Orfanos
Ashley Camille Owens
Nishta Patel

Esha P. Reddy
Thomas D. Reedy
Mackenzie Lynn Rudden
Michael Reza Rundgren
Kendall Renee Stieben
Alexa Miguelina Tapia
Karthik Datta Tummala
Jane Anna Vickery
Daniel Enrique Villegas
Olivia Nicole Watson
Cedar Shaye Wilson
Hannah Lee Wrigley
Dylan Zlatinski

## DECEMBER 2023

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

#### IN DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES

#### DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

#### +Seth Emblem Economics

BS Texas Christian University

MA Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: " Essays on Political Economy and Behavior"

Adviser: Timothy Salmon

## \*Norah Abubakar M. Hakami Computational and Applied Mathematics

BS Jazan University, Saudi Arabia

MS Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "Practical Implementation of the Immersed Interface Method with Triangular Meshes for 3D Rigid Solids in a Fluid Flow"

Adviser: Sheng Xu

#### Xi Jiang Biostatistics

BS University of Chinese Academy of Sciences, China

Dissertation: "Bayesian Statistical Modeling of Spatially Resolved

Transcriptomics Data" Adviser: Daniel Heitjan

## Nischal Komal Karki Chemistry

BS University of Southern Mississippi

Dissertation: "Navigating the Photochemical Regulation of Life: LOV and

CRY"

Adviser: Brian Zoltowski

#### Rebekah Napier Jameson Molecular and Cell Biology

BS Delta State University

MS Stephen F Austin State University

Dissertation: "Regulation of mRNA and circRNA as a Cause and

Consequence of Aging in Caenorhabditis Elegans

Adviser: Adam Norris

#### +May term 2023 recipient

#### Chenyu Yang Statistical Science

BA Southwestern University of Finance & Economics, China

MS Heriot-Watt University, Scotland

MS Rutgers University - New Brunswick

Dissertation: "Interpretable Word-Level Sentiment Analysis with Attention-

Based Multiple Instance Classification Models"

Adviser: Jing Cao

## Sen Yang Biostatistics

B.ENGR. Beihang University, China

ME North Carolina State University, Raleigh

MS University of Connecticut

Dissertation: "Deep Learning for Microbiome-based Integrative Modeling and Microbial Biomarkers Identification

Adviser: Hon Keung Tony Ng

## Hang Zhao Molecular and Cell Biology

BS Southern Medical University

MS Northeastern University

Dissertation: "Dynamics and Inhibition of ABC and RND Transporters Associated with Multidrug Resistances in Cancer and Pathogenic Bacteria"

Adviser: John G. Wise

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## IN MEADOWS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

#### DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Danielle Rebecca Ezor Art History

BA Wellesley College MA Williams College

Dissertation: "Whiteness at the Dressing Table: Race, Gender, and Materiality

in Eighteenth-Century France and the French Caribbean"

Adviser: Amy Freund

#### IN BOBBY B. LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

#### DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Abdullah Sulaiman M. Alnasser Civil and Environmental Engineering

B.ENGR. Qassim University

ME Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "Assessment and Sourcing of Heavy Metal Contamination of Middle East Semi-Enclosed Marine Environs via Near-Shore Sediment Analysis"

Adviser: Andrew Norman Quicksall

\*Anuruddha Bhattacharjee Mechanical Engineering

BSME Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology

Dissertation: "Electromagnetically Actuated Modular Robots with Controlled Self-Assembly and On-Demand Disassembly"

Adviser: Minjun Kim

\*Mohammad Karim Dehghan Manshadi Mechanical Engineering

BSME ME Shiraz University

Dissertation: "Transport Mechanisms in Electrochemical Immunoassay Biosensors With Applications to SARS-COV-2 Neutralizing Antibody Detection"

Adviser: Ali Beskok

Bin Huang Electrical Engineering

B.ENGR. Huazhong University of Science and Technology

ME South China University of Technology

Dissertation: "Learning Algorithms for Grid Integration of Renewable Energy: Operation, Modelling, and Planning"

Adviser: Jianhui Wang

Hao Jiang Operations Research

BS University of Kansas

MA University of California-Santa Barbara

Dissertation: "Essays in Robust Optimization with Applications to Finance and Renewable Energy"

Adviser: Aurelie Charlotte Thiele

+ Konstantinos Kalfas

M.S., University of Surrey, United Kingdom

Diploma, Civil Engineering, National Technical University of Athens, Greece

Dissertation: "Component Testing and Characterization of an Innovative

Pressurized Sand Damper for the Response-Modification of

Civil Structures" Adviser: Nicos Makris Yanling Lin Electrical Engineering

B.ENGR. Shandong University, China

PhD Xi'An Jiaotong University, China

Dissertation: "Advances in Modern Power Distribution System Planning,

Operation, and Market Participation"

Adviser: Jianhui Wang

Scott McWilliams Electrical Engineering

BA Sonoma State University

MA San Jose State University

MBA SUNY College, Oswego

MS San Jose State University

Dissertation: "Design and Fabrication of a Low Power 7.2 Terabit

Transmitter for Exascale Computing"

Adviser: Gary Alan Evans

Bryan D. Rodriguez Electrical Engineering

BS BSEE MSEE Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "Modeling and Compensating of Noise in Time-of-Flight

Sensors"

Adviser: Dinesh Rajan

Tao Wu Electrical Engineering

BSEE Chongqing University, China

Dissertation: "On the Integration of Hydrogen into Integrated Energy

Systems: Reliability Assessment and Optimal Operation and Planning"

Adviser: Jianhui Wang

Guang Yang Electrical Engineering

B.ENGR BAS Huazhong University of Science and Technology

ME MS Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "Series Aperture Couple Fed Phased Array Antenna"

Adviser: Choon S. Lee

## IN ANNETTE CALDWELL SIMMONS SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

#### DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

#### Bethany Bradley Edwards Education

BS Texas A&M University

MA Columbia University

Dissertation: "Racial/Ethnic Disproportionality in Special Education in an

Urban Texas School District" Adviser: Meredith Paige Richards Brooke Elizabeth Istas Education

BS Southwestern College

MS Kansas State University

MS Southwestern College

Dissertation: "Hidden Teachers: Stories of Adult Basic Math & Numeracy

Educators in the United States" Adviser: Candace Ann Walkington

Claire Elise Trotter Education

BS Southern Methodist University

MS University of Colorado-Colorado Springs

Dissertation: "Alterations to Cardiovascular Control in Females with Multiple

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Sclerosis at Rest and During Stress"

Adviser: Scott L. Davis

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#### DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Jameile Reshad Choice Educational Leadership, PK-12

BBA LeTourneau University

MED University of North Texas, Dallas

Dissertation: "How Strong Teacher-Student Relationships Shape the K-12

Educational Experiences of African American Students"

Adviser: Roxanne Baker Burleson

DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF LIBERAL STUDIES

Mary Margaret Carrillo

BA Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi

MLS Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "Cultural Educational Narratives: An Exploration of Latina Stories-The Impact of Cultural Educational Narratives on Decision-Making for Latinas"

Adviser: Bruce Levy

Ann Marie Dell

BA MA University of Illinois, Urbana

Dissertation: "Profiles in Justice: The Men and Women of the Office of

Special Investigations" Adviser: Rick Halperin

John Drew Dickens

**BB** Baylor University

MDV Dallas Theological Seminary

Dissertation: "A Comprehensive Examination of the Impact of Generative Artificial Intelligence on the Landscape of Spiritual Direction and Divine

Inquiry"

Adviser: Ashley Mag Gabbert

Ryan Lee Holmes

BFA Savannah College of Art and Design

MA Dallas Theological Seminary

Dissertation: "Unmasking Epistemic Ignorance and Injustice: A Critical Analysis of Knowledge, Power, and White Male Supremacy"

Adviser: Harold J. Recinos

Erin O'Neal Crosby Educational Leadership, PK-12

BA Southern Methodist University

MS Boston University

Dissertation: "Shades of Power: Centering the Experiences of Lower-Income

Families of Color in a Gentrifying School"

Adviser: Alexandra Pavlakis

Joseph William Mazzola

BA University of West Florida

MA George Washington University

MPA The University of Texas, San Antonio

Dissertation: "Improving Organizational Culture and Employee Engagement

in Local Government: A Guide for City and County Managers"

Adviser: Ashley Mag Gabbert

Jennifer Ann McNabb

BA University of London

MLS Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "Time, Space, and Power: The Experience of Imprisonment for

U.S. Male Prisoners in the Era of Mass Incarceration"

Adviser: Rick Halperin

Fergal Joseph Purcell

BS University College, Dublin, Ireland

MBA MLS MADR Southern Methodist University

MA MA University of Texas, Dallas

Dissertation: "Forgotten Voices on a Long Arc to Justice: Sixteenth and Seventeenth-Century Iberian Theologians, Clerics, and Jurists as

Forerunners of the Abolitionist Movement"

Adviser: Bianca Lopez

#### IN IN PERKINS SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF MINISTRY

Jimmy Decee Greene, Jr.

Deborah DeFrank Tipps

**Brandon Lacey** 

DEGREE OF MASTER OF DIVINITY

Sandra Rene Allison Eunbyul Cho

Emmanuel Edore Asekhame Reyner Daniel De la Torre

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Katherine Boyd Natalie Celeste Gama

DEGREE OF MASTER OF THEOLOGY

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LaToya Chameka Johnson Edna Faye York

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DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF THE SCIENCE OF LAW

Meshal Ghazai M. Almutairi Law Chinonso Anozie Law

DEGREE OF MASTER OF LAWS

COMPARATIVE & INTERNATIONAL LAW

Abdullah Khalid A Aljarboa

Van Lian Cung Su Pyae Kyaw Win Siyu Zheng

Law

Delia S. Garcia

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Robert Caillo Gojuangco Kadia Wright

DEGREE OF JURIS DOCTOR

Caleb Edward Beaman Madison Helenn Jenos Martin F. Gaines Erica Mellon Nathan Bruce Packard **Peyton Emory Jennings** 

William C. Paltz

## IN DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES

DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS

Joshua Brett Pollard English Melissa Joy Sitton Psychology

> Thesis: "Caregiver Emotional Support Following Child Sexual Abuse: Using Multiple Reports for

a More Comprehensive Picture"

Cecilia Gonzalez Cueto Fernandez

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE

Delaney Grace Helgeson Applied Statistics and

Data Analytics

Allison Renée King Applied Statistics and Data

Analytics

Michael Litke Physics

Thesis: "Application of Overburden Effects to the

Elastic Scattering Limit for CDMSLITE

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Nnamdi Francis Okeifufe Geophysics

Joseph Renzaglia Geophysics

Thesis: "Transport and Mixing of Water Masses Across the Southeast Caribbean Ocean Imaged

by Seismic Reflection Data" James Brandon Stevenson Physics

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED ECONOMICS AND PREDICTIVE ANALYTICS

Ryan Joeseph Cochran Nafisa Ebtisam Esha

Salim H. Sharif

**Zhixi Song** Nanjing Wang

Raja Reddy Morusupalli Yeduguri Sandinti

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Lauren Moss Advertising Shelby Lynn Steur Advertising

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Management

Lise Amel Sophie Barbaza International Arts

Management

Jordane Rose Marie Pichon International Arts Management

Katherine Marie Rubush International Arts Management

Lisa Sofia Varouxis International Arts Management

Qizhen Wang International Arts Management

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Jasmine Larin Favreau International Arts Management

DEGREE OF PERFORMER'S DIPLOMA

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Adina Nate' Ducre' General Business
Nicholas Mark Ellington Business Analytics
Brent Michael Elliott General Business
Lauren Brooke Faircloth General Business
Mia Alexandra Fiore General Business
Jason Daniel Fiscus General Business
Kyle Watson Fitzpatrick General Business

Kellie Ford Strategy and Entrepreneurship Jasmine Leandra Francis General Business Martin F. Gaines General Business Baltazar Garcia General Business Jessica Jane Garcia General Business Calixto Garcia-Velez IV General Business Joseph Matthew Getty General Business Blaine Steven Gibke Real Estate Kayla A. Gilchrist General Business Rogelio Gonzalez General Business Vinay Gorley Strategy and Entrepreneurship John Thomas Hale General Business Dustin Douglas Harbert General Business Laura Catherine Harrell General Business Dawson Kendall Hawkins General Business Casey Lee Hernandez General Business Julius Bernard Hill General Business Akan-Inyene Kevin Ikpo Management; Strategy and Entrepreneurship

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Edwin Buchanan Lyon Finance
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DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN FINANCE

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Divya Gaihar

Ana Paula Ramirez Perea

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DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS

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DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE

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Raul Alaniz Systems Engineering
Fikirte T. Asfaw Network Engineering
Michael Barnes Network Engineering
Dalton Philip Bishop Network Engineering
Savannah Brilliant Manufacturing Management

David Soto Sustainability and Development

Yohan Chari Computer Science
\*Michael Byron Cassidy Cybersecurity
Joel Hiram Chavez Verastegui Cybersecurity
Joel Anthony Collins Software Engineering
Lauren Ashli Davis Operations Research
Nicholas Dockrill Systems Engineering
Nathan A. Gage Computer Science
Palak Gandhi Network Engineering

Jacquelyn Wong Sustainability and Development

Alexander Mark Gregory Computer Science
Dominic Jonathan Hoefer Systems Engineering
Henry Howell Computer Science
Alexander Hsu Computer Science
Rashmi Jain Cybersecurity
Kylie Erin Jordan Cybersecurity
Venkatesh Rambhau Karadbhajne Computer
Science

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Ross Godwin Peterson Network Engineering
Dylan Ray Systems Engineering
Eduardo Rocha Systems Engineering
Jarred Ross Network Engineering
Wyatt Bliss Saltzman Computer Science
Justin R. Scott Cybersecurity
Marwa Monzer Shurrab Network Engineering
William L. Sizemore Software Engineering
Kyle Jacob Smith Computer Science
Hans Soland Computer Science

Nicholas Edward Wall Computer Science
\*Soham Deepak Warde Network Engineering
Jacob Thomas Weems Cybersecurity
Yujie Yi Datacenter Systems Engineering
Larry Junhong Yu Computer Science
Nay Khant Zaw Network Engineering
Chen Zhao Network Engineering
Guowei Zhu Network Engineering
Daniel Wayne Zoch Computer Science
Justin Lang Zweig Systems Engineering

Degree of Master of Science in Civil Engineering

Mohammed Wazid Shaik

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN DATA ENGINEERING

Cynthia Erandy Barajas Irvin Andres Lazaro Nashrah Shaikh Juan Zepeda

Degree of Master of Science in Computer Engineering

Amanda Jayne Johnson

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Maria Paula Sanchez Rendon

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT

Nicco Alexander Ciancarelli

Raul Armando Franco Vieyra

Justin Jacobson

Grant Mathews LaSelle

Dom Pierce

Jonathan Michael Sanchez

Shobhika Sejwal

Paola Michelle Verboonen Sergio Paul Verboonen

Degree of Master of Science in Environmental Engineering

Ruben Salinas Alvarez

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Adam Bonilla Ricardo Elizondo Clark

## IN ANNETTE CALDWELL SIMMONS SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Degree of Master of Arts in Dispute Resolution

Maillil Alejandra Acosta Rivera Elizabeth Lynn Cox Mollie Gilmore Rivas

DEGREE OF MASTER OF EDUCATION

Rachael Adler Regan Mackenzie Arnold Kyleigh McClure Campbell

Susan Cope Dima ElQasem Grace Isabelle Kirchof Megan Ann McDowell

Felicia Patel Madeline Adele Pearson Sandra Elizabeth Romero Jessica Sanchez Rueda Edmund Steele Smith Celina Marie Spinazzola Emily K. Streidl Alexandra Claire Wallis

Degree of Master of Liberal Studies

Gillian Barth Blair B. Jackson

John Sentell Cunningham Sam Hullender

Dominic Gustavo Gierber

Carlos Enrique Mongrut Gonzales

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DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COUNSELING

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Victoria Grace Franklin Colleen McKenzie Gillis

Benjamin Chalmers Pike

## SMU GUILDHALL, LINDA AND MITCH HART ECENTER

DEGREE OF MASTER OF INTERACTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Marlo Maureen Jimenez Digital Game

Development - Production

Thesis: "Reducing Female Gender Bias through Playing a Video Game with Trauma-Based Emotions"

## IN RESEARCH AND GRADUATE STUDIES

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN DATA SCIENCE

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John Girard Christopher Dean Haub Ryan A. Herrin
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Rudranil Mitra
Sufiyan Jaffer Mohammed

Raag Patel Jon Paugh

Elyjiah Potter William Timothy Rogers Alonso Salcido

Katharine Anna Schuerger

Kendall Scott Roslyn Smith Luke Stodgel Philip Traxler Austin Webb

## IN DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES

DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Ruth G. Abebe Political Science Simran Ray Aggarwal Economics Ahmed Qader Ahmed Human Rights; International Studies

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Sydney Grace Boneno Psychology
Anneliese Bring Political Science
Christian Bridge Brinkmann Economics
James Frederic Byers Markets and Culture
Andreas Clark Camahort History
Sierra Rose Carlson Psychology
Colin Raul Kelly Casas Philosophy
Kameryn Rose Chambers Psychology
Reid Thomas Clemmenson World Languages German

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Megan Christine Dolan Psychology

Siphosami E. Dongozi Human Rights
Cameron Davis Duval Philosophy
Sophie Alicia Elias International Studies
Roman Keeson Fedak Philosophy
Benjamin Trevor Feinstein History
Nico Suarez Feldman Political Science
Phillip Albert Ferguson Anthropology; History
Beau Hinman Delafield Getz Markets and
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Collin Scott Krapf Markets and Culture Morgan B. Leath Psychology

Junghyuk David Lee Psychology Margaret Raymond Leonard Psychology Luke Jordan Logan Economics Robert Emmett Lynch Economics

Alexa Kayde Marcus Psychology Cristina Rose Victoria Marsocci Psychology Luke Thornberry Martin Political Science Denise Monzerat Martinez Political Science

 ${\bf Miguel~R.~Martinez~} {\it Anthropology}$ 

Alejandro Winston Martynek Economics
Paul Michael Matzkin Markets and Culture
Matthew Frederick McDonald English
Casey Richard McGeehan Markets & Culture
Staten Michelle McKellum Psychology
Isabella Christina Mignone Psychology
Roberto Mijangos Political Science
Cesar Gabriel Morales Psychology
Henry Mossberg Markets and Culture
Nicole Marie Navarro Economics
Kaothar Adewunmi Olateju Biological Sciences

Justin Lee Osborne History
John Anthony Pauline History

Natalie Dolores Perdue Psychology Johnathn Porter II Philosophy Brynn Caroline Price English Rebekah Anne Ramos Psychology Melissa Rivera Spanish

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Laura Christine Alasad Economics
Alexa Victoria Anderson Economics
Charles Beck Anderson Economics with Finance
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Leah Michele Chancey Statistical Science Sarah Elizabeth Chandler Economics with Finance Applications

Peyton Beatrice Dersch Health and Society Kennedy Nicole Derzapf Statistical Science Xavier Jared Diaz Economics with Finance Applications

Colin William Aspegren Duggan Economics with Finance Applications

Juan Pablo Esparza Limon Earth Sciences Cristina Maria Ferman Economics with Finance Applications

Brandon Robert Garcia Mathematics

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Claire Emily Janssen Health and Society
Grace Elizabeth Johnson Biological Sciences
Matthew Pham Kearney Statistical Science
Chase Lee Kurth Economics

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Kendall Renee Stieben Biological Sciences
Desirae Nina Tahajjod Economics with Finance
Applications

Oluwaseun Priscilla Taiwo Biochemistry
Carter Brooks Thompson Mathematics
Karthik Datta Tummala Psychology
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Cedar Shaye Wilson Biological Sciences
Yuang Xia Economics with Finance Applications
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Dylan Zlatinski Economics with Finance Applications

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DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Sara Alice Aguinaga Public Relations and Strategic Communication

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Lauren Elizabeth Burke Public Relations and Strategic Communication

Sierra Rose Carlson Music

Claire Josephine DeVoe Public Relations and Strategic Communication

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Bailie Angelita Meadows Fashion Media Rachel Margaret Morrow Corporate Communication and Public Affairs; Public Relations and Strategic Communication

Ava Catherine Murray Fashion Media
Diego H. Olson Advertising
Ashley Camille Owens Advertising
Ishani Patel Public Relations and Strategic
Communication

Sergio Miguel Perez Communication Studies Haley Kaye Reed Fashion Media Melissa Rivera Public Relations and Strategic

Communication
Sofia Isabella Roman Fashion Media; Journalism

Ana Maria Salazar Advertising
Lexie Elyse Schmitt Film and Media Arts
Alexis Giovanna Scroggins Journalism
Daniel Song Corporate Communication and
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Claire Elizabeth Stephens Public Relations and Strategic Communication

Caroline Emily Stonnington Fashion Media
Mannie Alyce Tanner Corporate Communication
and Public Affairs

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Kimberly Kay Vollmer Corporate
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Peter Clinton Warner Journalism

Garrett Richard Webb Creative Computing Sebastian Nelson Winkler Film and Media Arts

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DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

Sinan Martin Beskok *Theatre* Logan J. Beutel *Theatre* Benjamin Douglas Everett *Theatre*  Itzel Quintero Marmol Ramos Film and Media Arts Alexa Miguelina Tapia Dance Performance

Degree of Bachelor of Music

Julia Alexis Annabi Music Therapy Fenisha Ruth Franklin Music Therapy Michael Reza Rundgren Music Education; Trombone Performance

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Austin Louis Boyte Business Analytics and Supply

Chain Management

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Case Scott Connor Marketing

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Derek Wolf Dickerson Real Estate
Thomas Andrew Dickerson Finance
Pierce Lleyton Dunne Accounting

Cole Ethan Elkins Finance
Alesia Carien Foote Accounting
Matthew John Fraanje Marketing

Margaret McEwan Gillespie Girard Finance Benjamin Charles Gisquet Finance

Mitchell Reid Gress Finance

Michael Amir Habib Management

Alexandra Hecht Finance Maxwell Robert Henry Finance Dylan Tyler Hoffman Finance

Steffani Megan Hunter Marketing Ngoc N. Huynh Finance

Olivia Jaskula-Dybka Marketing Jordyn Laura Jones Marketing Matthew Pham Kearney Finance

Jack Steven Kersen Finance Thomas Koch Finance

Collin Scott Krapf Accounting Rhyse Carolyn Laginess Accounting Christian Thomas Lawn General Business

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George Louis LoFrisco Real Estate Emma Katherine Lochabay Finance Dallas Lan-Men Mak Management Elizelda Cristina Martinez Management

Ronnie Eugene McAda Accounting Nathan Wade McPherson Accounting Matthew James Medina General Business

Evan David Miles Finance
Sarah Franchot Millett Finance
Eleni Alexandra Orfanos Accounting
Charles Windham Ott Finance

Olivia Nicole Overby Marketing
Natalie Christine Owings Marketing
Ford Cannon Parker Real Estate

Dasia Jean Parks Real Estate
Nishta Patel Management
Nikheil Patel Finance
Alexander Peters Finance
Anjali Polley Accounting
Thomas D. Reedy Finance
Jacob Paul Scheibe Finance
Nicholas David Seitz Finance
Maya A. Shah Accounting
Noah Philip Stomberg Finance

Alexa Miguelina Tapia Accounting
Thi Kim Oanh Tran Business Analytics and
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Lam Gia Han Vo Finance
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Scarlett Wang Finance

Olivia Nicole Watson Marketing Justin Ryan Williams General Business Tess Bridget Wisor Marketing

Hannah Lee Wrigley Business Analytics and Supply Chain Management

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DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

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Armaan Iqbal Mitha Computer Science Kassi Bertrand Billy Nzalasse Computer Science Samantha Marie Perez Computer Science Richard A. Wooten Computer Science

DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

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John Landon Wood Computer Science

Degree of Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering

Patrick Christopher Brahney Raoult B. D'Lorm

Cintya Mariana Orozco

Regina Phuong Vi Nguyen Erick Quiroga Zapata

DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING

DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Rasikh Amirali Emma G. Eades Lauren Elizabeth Devore Ze Hui

Arman Sanatinia

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Hannah Gabrielle Clark William Robert Goldberg Dallas Lan-Men Mak

Nathaniel Sean McGurk Matthew Carraway Mills Jackson Joseph Ritz

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DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

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Owen Easley

William Edward Fitzgibbon V Nathan J. Grossman Nicholas Carl Heck Cole James Johnson Kendra Grace Kaericher Sydney Grace Kellam Madison Simone Levy Benjamin Daniel Mandiya Nolan Dwight Wayne Matthews

Allegra Bo Misitano Jordan Jeffrey Odale Ryan Henry Ognall Nicholas Doyle Perry Victoria Ramirez Ana Sofia Reyna Educational Studies Jose Rafael Rivera

Daniel Ryan Rosado Mackenzie Lynn Rudden Tatum Rose Ruthenberg Alexis Giovanna Scroggins Max Gordon Shuster Julian Noah Steinhausen

Gabrielle Frances White Educational Studies

Sebastian Nelson Winkler

## **SUMMER 2023**

RECIPIENTS OF DEGREES

#### IN DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES

#### DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Talhah Ahmed Alvi Psychology

BS The University of Texas, Dallas

MA Columbia University

MA Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "Examining the Association Between Social Anxiety and Social

Cognition on Daily Interpersonal Stress"

Adviser: Benjamin Adam Tabak

Jinyu Du Statistical Science

BS Zhengzhou University, China

MA MS Missouri University of Science and Technology

MS Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "A Comparison of Confidence Intervals in the State Space

Models"

Adviser: Ronald Butler

Patricia Kathryn Gower Psychology

BA McGill University, Quebec

MA Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "A Longitudinal Investigation of Positive Biases and

Psychological Functioning during the Coronavirus Disease 2019

Pandemic"

Adviser: Holly J. Bowen

Anni M. Hasratian Psychology

BA Southern Methodist University

BA University of California-Irvine

MA Pepperdine University

Dissertation: "Examining the Mediating Role of CO2 in Symptom Change

during Capnometry-Assisted Respiratory Training (CART) using a

Transdiagnostic Sample" Adviser: Alicia E. Meuret

Shea K. Hennum English

BA The University of Texas, Dallas

MA Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "The Texture of Everyday Life: Carceral Realism and

Abolitionist Speculation" Adviser: Jayson T. Sae-Saue Divya Kumar Psychology

BA Southern Methodist University

BA Washington University

Dissertation: "A Randomized Controlled Trial of Behavioral Activation Plus

Savoring for Positive Affect Dysregulation in University Students"

Adviser: Alicia E. Meuret

Jonathan Brice Lefton Chemistry

BS MS Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville

Dissertation: "Leveraging Non-Covalent Interactions between Small Organic

Molecules and Inorganic Scaffolds in the Design of Advanced Materials"

Adviser: Tomce Runcevski

Lizuo Liu Computational and Applied Mathematics

BS Shanghai Jiao Tong University, China

MS Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "Neural Network Learning for PDEs with Oscillatory Solutions

and Causal Operators"

Adviser: Wei Cai

Mateus Macedo Quintano Theoretical and Computational Chemistry

BS MS Federal University of Minas Gerais, Brazil

Dissertation: "The Decomposition of Normal Vibrational Modes in Different

Chemistry Problems"
Adviser: Elfriede M. Cremer

Hannah O'Reilly Nordberg Psychology

BA University of Southern California

MA Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "Hippocampal Neurochemistry, Cognitive Function, and Lifestyle Factors in Middle and Older Age Adults with Asthma"

Adviser: Thomas E. Ritz

Santosh Parajuli Physics

MS The University of Texas, Dallas

BS MS Tribhuvan University, Nepal

Dissertation: "Hippocampal Neurochemistry, Cognitive Function, and

Lifestyle Factors in Middle and Older Age Adults with Asthma"

Adviser: Thomas E. Ritz

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William Gunter Roudabush English

**BA Rhodes College** 

MA Southern Methodist University

MA University of Alabama

Dissertation: "Perspective, Invention, and Metatheater in Renaissance

Literature"

Adviser: Daniel D. Moss

Sharyl Esther Wee Psychology

BA University British Columbia, Canada

MA Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "Daily Stress and Negative Affect as Predictors of Orthorexia

Nervosa Symptoms among College Students: Testing Direct and Moderated Associations using Daily Diary Methodology"

Adviser: Chrystyna D. Kouros

Yang Yu Statistical Science
BS Nankai University, China
MS Bowling Green School
Dissertation: "Optimal Experimental Planning of Reliability Experiments
Based on Coherent Systems"
Adviser: Hong T. Ng

#### IN BOBBY B. LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Nada Ibrahim Alzaben Computer Science

BS MS King Saud University, Saudi Arabia

Dissertation: "End to End Routing Algorithms in Arbitrary Networks"

Adviser: Sukumaran Nair

Han Gao Electrical Engineering

B.ENGR. South China University of Technology

ME Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "Study of Radiation Effects in Gan-

Based Devices"

Adviser: Ronald Alan Rohrer

## IN ANNETTE CALDWELL SIMMONS SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

#### DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Rachael Nicole Becker Education

MS University of Central Florida Dissertation: Surviving the Lions' Den:

Preparing Statistics Graduate Students for

Their Role as Educators"

Adviser: Tim Jacobbe

Tryna H. Knox Education

BA University of Central Florida

MBA Brenau University

MED Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "How Middle School Students

Describe and Explain Their Elementary

Science Experiences"

Adviser: Leanne Ketterlin Geller

#### DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Vincent E. Battles Higher Education

BS Texas A&M University Commerce

Dissertation: "Men in White Coats: How do Black Men earn their White Coats in

Dental Medicine?"

Adviser: Sondra Nicole Barringer

DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF LIBERAL STUDIES

Michael Croden Esquivel

BS United States Military Academy

MBA University of Phoenix

MLS Southern Methodist University

Dissertation: "A Theoretical Argument for the Potential Benefits of Expressive Writing Therapy

in Natural Settings as a Treatment for Veterans Experiencing Posttraumatic Stress Disorder:

A Systematic Review"

Adviser: Ashley Mag Gabbert

Daniel Thomas Kistner

BA Western Oregon University MS Oklahoma State University

Dissertation: "The Fire Service Culture Change

Dilemma: A Liberal Studies Dissertation"

Adviser: Ashley Mag Gabbert

GayMarie West Vaughan

BA Pennsylvania State University

MLS University of Dallas

Dissertation: "Trans-formation: Establishing

Interdisciplinary Support for the Transgender Experience Through Historical, Biological, and

Religious Lenses"

Adviser: Ashley Mag Gabbert

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## IN PERKINS SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

DEGREE OF MASTER OF DIVINITY

Tamara Marie Schlueter Bayo Ethan Truth Sechler Cutrone Courtney Patrick Mitchell Michele Anne Mrak Anita Cheramie Pittenger Genie Ellen Potes Claudia Stephens Dario M. Vargas Deborah Lynn Wade

DEGREE OF MASTER OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

Caleb E. Palmer

DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS IN MINISTRY

Dre'Shun' Demarcus James Brady McQueeney

DEGREE OF MASTER OF THEOLOGY

Cletis Wayne Rogers

#### IN DEDMAN SCHOOL OF LAW

DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF THE SCIENCE OF LAW

Khaled Maayd Alharthi Law

DEGREE OF JURIS DOCTOR

Michael Jonathan Adray, Jr.

#### IN DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES

DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS

Phillip Garrett Bax English Macklin Fanning English Kendall Dinniene Meador English

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE

Mohammed Ahmed Abdelrazek Aboelela *Physics* Tao Chen *Chemistry* 

Thesis: "The Investigation of Singlet Fission From the Perspective of Hierarchy of Pure States (HOPS)" Kennedy Taylor Lincoln Gifford Computational and Applied Mathematics

Qing He Computational and Applied Mathematics Claire Lamberti Chemistry

Thesis: "Clear as Glass: Novel Antibiotic Glasses Vitrified from Solution" Mason Andrew-Cole McCallum Computational and Applied Mathematics

Emmanuel Chinweuba Nworie Computational and Applied Mathematics

#### IN MEADOWS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Degree of Master of Arts

Jackson William Ferris Advertising Samuel Clayborne Rushing Art History

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Kelton Robert Burnside Music Education Diana Lynn Deming Music Education

Zachary Michael Woolhouse Music Education

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Jessica Ann Bendig General Business
Harrison Carl Biro General Business
Nicholas Daniel Blazek Real Estate
Matthew Edward Bogobowicz Strategy and
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Emily Bianca Bonadelle General Business
Alyssa Candace Brooks General Business
Aryana Monique Burgos Finance
Jacob Allen Burkholder General Business
Philip John Bush General Business
Neeti Nilesh Butala General Business
William Colin Byk General Business
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Amber Renee Casey General Business
Ariana Joy Catalano General Business
Haley Ranae Coates Real Estate
Carey L. Colley General Business

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Coleman Karst Cornelius General Business
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Durel Eugene Dolford General Business
Abigail Locke Evans General Business
Roy Don Flowers General Business
Kristopher Sterling Ford Strategy and

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Luke Aaron Gibbons General Business
Juan Jose Gonzalez General Business
John Edward Good Finance
Grant Robert Gorman Finance
Elizabeth Ann Graham Strategy and
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Magnus John Jacob Strategy and Entrepreneurship

Parker Scott Johnson General Business
Dorothy Robinson Jones General Business
Kody Lee Jones General Business
LaMar Alvin Jones Real Estate
Eric Robert Kayne General Business
Brooke Caroline Kellam Strategy and
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Tae Il Kim General Business

Sienzhi Kouemo Strategy and Entrepreneurship Michele Giese Landes Strategy and

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Claiborne Manchester Lord Real Estate
Nathaniel Mitchel Lovato Finance
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Antonio Rafael Matta III General Business
Duncan William McAulay Finance
Adrian R. McClure General Business
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Luke Thomas Meyer Management
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Treston L. Moore General Business

Amanda Nicole Narvaez Strategy and Entrepreneurship

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Brandt Fletcher Payne General Business

Senanga Joseph Perera General Business Christopher Shayne Peterson General Business Thais Gomes Pimentel General Business Mark Christopher Pruett Strategy and Entrepreneurship

Rojin Rahimzadeh Nobari General Business Justin James Regan Real Estate Adam Robert Rice General Business James Lewis Rimer Strategy and Entrepreneurship Darrah L. Rippy General Business Lauren Mary Ritson General Business Michael John Salvador Real Estate Cesar Arturo Sanchez Gallardo Strategy and

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Hunter Christian Sheuerman Supply Chain and Operations Mn

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William Oakley Smith General Business
Madison Alaina Spears General Business
Carinne Michelle Stiles Finance
Sarah Alexandra Stratton General Business
Stephen Andrew Stuart General Business
Catherine Yike Sun Accounting
Chad Gaston Susman General Business
Matthew James Svoboda General Business
Nathaniel Andrew Taylor Strategy and
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Brandon Lee Thomas General Business Estefania H. Torres General Business Alexandra Marie Underhill Strategy and Entrepreneurship

Melis Defne Uzkan General Business
Scott William Valencia General Business
Robert Steven Vick Real Estate
Shelby Nicole White Finance
Tempest Marie Williams General Business
Bradley Robert Wilson General Business
Joshua Curtis Wormington General Business
Dana Yuanzheng Zhang General Business
Li Zi Zhou General Business

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ACCOUNTING Giovanna Elena Olivieri

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS ANALYTICS Jonathan Robert Grams

Degree of Master of Science in Finance

Pranav Kumar JunHong Li Franklin Mark Pakes Ryan Matthew Stover Jackson Matthew Winkler

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Avishek Ghimire Network Engineering

Chari Guidry Cybersecurity David Jurado Manufacturing Management

Engineering

Victor Lin Systems Engineering Xuan Liu Network Engineering Stephen Timothy Shoemaker Computer Science Samuel Luis Timmins Computer Science Xiong Yin Software Engineering

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

Kamellia Kaylie Firouzi

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Austin Brian Modoff

Lingyu Yang

Thesis: "High Performance Scene Generator for

Testing of Imaging Sensors"

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT

Mandi Maxwell

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ENGINEERING ENTREPRENEURSHIP

**Dylan Michael Morris** 

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

Michaela Ashley Eamma

Thesis: "Climate-Driven Changes in Water Quality by Physiographic Region: A Case Study of Taos County, New Mexico"

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Abigail Elizabeth Hays

Thesis: "Effect of Surface Fluid Entrapment in a Laminar Flat Plate Boundary Layer"

#### IN ANNETTE CALDWELL SIMMONS SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS IN DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Nicole Alphin Bartholow

Randall Blake

John Vaughan Hill

Aaron Bertram Zeman

DEGREE OF MASTER OF BILINGUAL EDUCATION

Olga Anderson

Cassandra Macias

Evelyn Negrete

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Laura Elena Almendariz Educational Leadership

Melina María Aponte Gómez

Diocelin Martinez Castruita Educational Leadership

Paige Marie Darstein

Brian Eisele Educational Leadership

Jill Patricia Emery Educational Leadership

Alayna Enos

Angelica Gomez Educational Leadership

Sabrina Annette Gonzales Cameron Thomas Hedden

Brittany Mari Hudson Educational Leadership Abril Nataly Jimenez Educational Leadership

Zari Daviona Josey

Logan Kleiman Educational Leadership

Charles Wayne Lee Educational Leadership

Misha McGuin Educational Leadership

Carissa Nicole Moreno Educational Leadership

Tamara Ricketts

Kathryn K. Roberson

Cristina Nicole Romero Educational Leadership

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Anne Snell

Victoria Taylor Educational Leadership

Khadijah Thibodeaux

Christina Marcelina Vasques-Varnell

Randi Dorothy Walker

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Ernest William Kuehne

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COUNSELING

Kathryn Elizabeth Anderson Lindsay Ivory **Taylor Owens** Jeremy Daniel Jones Maria Estela Ayala James Michael Pacifico Rachel Diane Beach D'Anna Grace Klassen Monica Rios Jose Jaime Cervantes Makenzi Joan Kostel **Danielle Sanders** Kailey Dale Derting Lillie Anna Loncar Shivani Solanki Destinee Dickinson Emi Liechty Long **Christopher Washington** 

Baylee Lynn Frank Alyssa Rose Martin MacKenzie Bruck Woodley Autumn Maree Green Kate Walker McBrayer Devyn Elizabeth Hagan Jessica Eileen Moe

DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SPORT MANAGEMENT

Matthew Avres Pearson John Byrne Taylor Johnson

Sydney Luisa Brunette Tori A. Coleman Marcelo Uribe Hernandez Ryan Bujcevski William Dominic Gibson

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DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN DATA SCIENCE

Kevin Nicholas Albright Matthew Norton Eric Laigaie Ahmed Amr Awadallah Alexander Lopez Juan Edgar Nunez Gonzalez Clifton Andre Mauldin Miguel Edgardo Bonilla, Jr. Robert Price

Jason Lee McDonald Shravan Kumar Reddy Dhruba Dey David John George Ioshua Mitchell Tamas Toth

Domicia Neomia Herring Alexy Chidera Morris Lihao Wang

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Raul Estrada Human Rights; Philosophy Michael Anthony Filoso World Languages -

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Christopher Wimberly Piekarsky Advertising
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Dylan Alexander Caro Computer Science

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Justin Christopher No

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Degree of Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering Ross M. Elliott

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#### SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

In 1911, a Methodist education commission made a commitment to establish a major Methodist university in Texas. More than 600 acres of open prairie and \$300,000 pledged by a group of Dallas citizens secured the University for Dallas, and it was chartered as Southern Methodist University. In appreciation of the city's support, the first building to be constructed on the campus was named Dallas Hall. It remains the centerpiece and symbol of SMU. When the University opened in 1915, it consisted of two buildings, 706 students, a 35-member faculty and total assets of \$636,540. The original schools

of SMU were the College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Theology and

the School of Music.

Today SMU offers more than 115 undergraduate majors, master's degrees in more than 121 areas, Ph.D. degrees in 25 fields and more than 77 certificate programs. Enrollment for the fall 2022 term was 12,003, including 7,031 undergraduate students and 4,972 graduate students. SMU students come from 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and 90 countries. About 73% of first-year students received some form of financial assistance for fall 2022.

In addition to preparing students for graduate and professional schools, or more directly for their life's work, the University strives to enhance their

social, moral, intellectual and religious development so that they may lead worthy lives as individuals and citizens of the nation and of the world.

## ACADEMIC PROCESSION, REGALIA TRADITION AND SMU REGALIA

The academic procession and the regalia worn by the faculty and officers of the University symbolically represent the continuing link between the modern American university and the founding of the great medieval universities in Europe – chief among them Bologna, Paris and Oxford. As those institutions were derived from the Catholic Church, the universities adopted many of the ceremonial trappings of the church in their official public functions.

The caps and gowns worn in the procession vary from place to place. There are variations in design to indicate the degrees held by the wearers, and many universities in America have introduced colorful gowns and other distinguishing details (in place of the customary clerical black from which all originated). The caps, too, vary according to the customs of the university from which the wearer received a degree. While most American universities adopted the "mortarboard" style of Oxford, others have chosen styles based on other European institutions. The color of the tassel worn with the cap may be black for any degree, or the color may be that of the faculty of the major field of learning (e.g., Arts, Engineering, Law). Persons holding doctoral degrees and governing officials of institutions are entitled to wear tassels of gold metallic thread.

Within the great varieties of styles and colors in gowns and caps, there has been one universally accepted code for the hood worn trailing down the wearer's back. Originally, it was like the hood on the habit worn by monks and very useful for protection against the weather and even for begging for alms. Nowadays, the hood, through length and color, shows the degree and

the specialization of the wearer, and the university that granted the degree.

Candidates for degrees at SMU are robed in custom regalia, designed to incorporate SMU's colors and symbols.

The doctoral gown in dark blue includes velvet chevrons on each of the bell sleeves. The front velvet panels are embroidered in gold thread with the SMU seal, and gold braid outlines the chevrons and panels. An eight-sided, crimson-red velvet tam with a gold silk tassel completes the regalia.

The master's gown, also in dark blue, has a front yolk outlined in red braid, and the SMU seal is embroidered in red on the left side. Gowns have a long sleeve through a slit at the wrist. A mortarboard with a colored tassel representing the discipline in which the degree is earned also is worn.

Doctoral and master's candidates wear hoods that are  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet long and 4 feet long, respectively. SMU's hood lining is blue with a red chevron.

The bachelor's gowns' distinguishing characteristics are the long pointed sleeves and full front pleats. A red silk Stole of Gratitude embroidered in blue with the SMU seal is worn across the shoulders. It is tradition for graduates to present their stoles to individuals who have made a positive impact in their lives. Bachelor's gowns are worn with a tassel and mortarboard.

Through these colorful ceremonies, SMU symbolically displays the continuity of its educational purposes with the origins of organized learning in the Western world.

#### THE HOWARD LANTERN

The Howard Lantern is dedicated to Professor Lorn Lambier Howard, chief marshal *emeritus* of SMU from 1978–1987. Crafted out of steel, aluminum and water glass, the lantern depicts the Rotunda of Dallas Hall. Engraved around the base is the University's motto, *Veritas Liberabit Vos*, which means "The truth will make you free."



Around the top band are the words to "Varsity," SMU's *alma mater*. The lantern serves as a reminder of the important traditions that make up our University life and the light of learning and intellectual curiosity that shines within the students, faculty and staff at SMU.

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## THE PRESIDENTIAL COLLAR AND MEDALLION

Chains of office, also known as collars, were used as badges of office in the Middle Ages. Today they are custom-designed metal necklaces worn by the president during academic ceremonies as part of his or her regalia.

The chain of office designed for the 10th president of SMU, R. Gerald Turner, is made of bronze, a strong and durable metal. The medallion of the necklace is dominated by the University seal



design, just as the seal is the centerpiece in the floor of the Rotunda in Dallas Hall, SMU's historic first building.

The bail, joining the medallion and the chain, represents the institution's bond between the faculty and the student body. Equally, the 32-inch chain, a work of art whose two ends are clasped together, represents the joining of the desire to teach and the eagerness to learn demonstrated by SMU's faculty and students.

#### THE UNIVERSITY MACE

Staffs that call groups to order are as old as civilization itself. Today's ceremonial maces descend particularly from medieval armor-piercing clubs topped by bludgeoning balls. These fierce weapons swiftly acquired symbolic meaning. By the 14th century, a mace, carried at the front of formal processions, required bystanders to note the authority and integrity of the event. In the 16th century, this formidable weapon lost its battle utility but took a symbolic turn: the spiked head evolved into a decorative orb. The European tradition by which universities presented maces on solemn occasions to signify their independence and



bearer, who is the president of the Faculty Senate, leads formal ceremonies carrying this visible reminder of the University's history and status.

The 22-pound mace currently in use at SMU is linked to the inauguration of President Willis M. Tate (1954–1972 and 1974–75) and is known as the Tate Mace. The 57-inch staff is topped by a 10½-inch orb that represents not only the University's worldly authority but also echoes its distinctive neoclassical style. The orb is impressed with the seal of the University and is encircled with SMU's motto, *Veritas Liberabit Vos* ("The truth will make you free"). Surmounting the orb

protective power was adopted by their successors worldwide. The mace- is a cross painted vividly in SMU red, a reminder of SMU's religious heritage.

#### THE BRADLEY KENT CARTER BATON

The Bradley Kent Carter Baton is carried by the Chief Marshal during academic ceremonies and represents the authority of the collective faculty in the academic life of the institution and of the role of Chief Marshal as master of ceremonies at formal university convocations.

A tradition dating back 500 years to the University of Oxford, the Chief Marshal oversees the faculty members of the Guild of Marshals. Faculty marshals are responsible for the execution of the ceremony, the upholding of decorum and traditions, and the

processions of candidates, faculty and the platform party. SMU's marshals are identified by their bright red gowns with black chevrons.

The Carter Baton is dedicated to Associate Professor *emeritus* of Political Science and Chief Marshal *emeritus* Bradley Kent Carter, who served for



many years in the Guild of Marshals before serving as Chief Marshal from 1991–2008. Professor Carter is a staunch supporter of the traditions and customs of academic ceremonies, but also added his own mark in fostering a number of the traditions now celebrated.

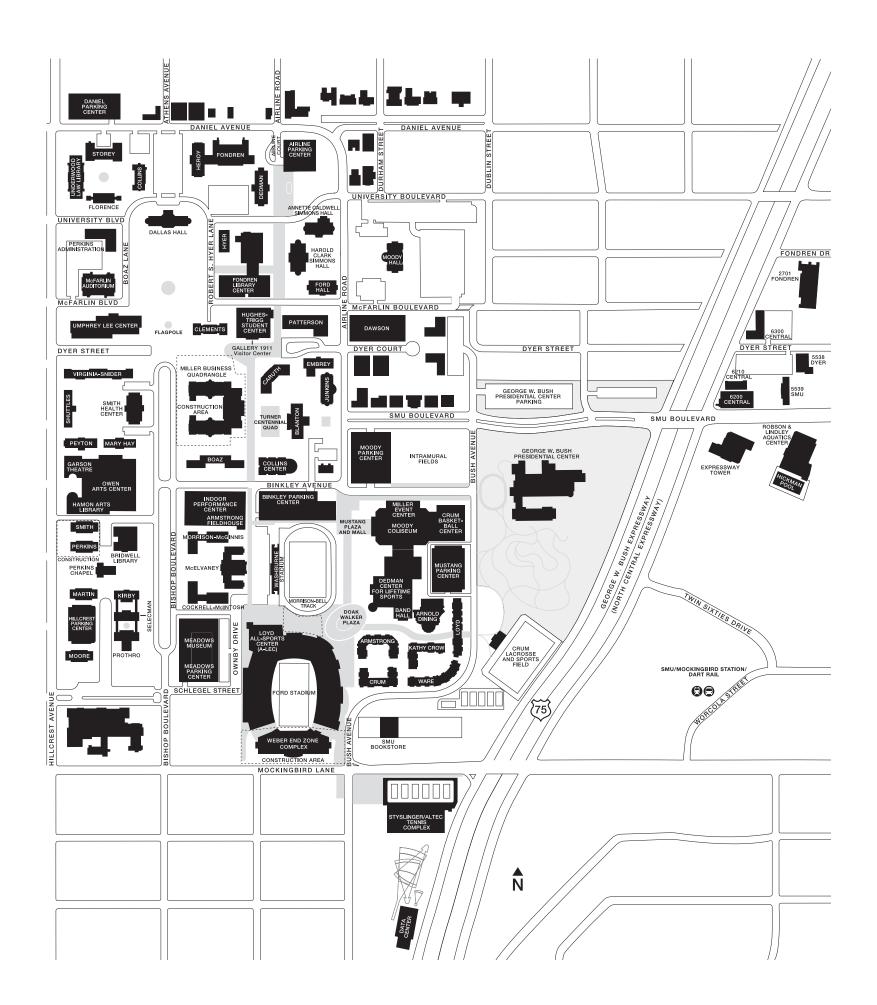
Made from rosewood, the Carter Baton initially served as the University's first official academic ceremonial mace until it was replaced in 1954 by the Tate Mace, currently still in use. The orb of the Carter Baton bears the seal of SMU. In the fall of 2017, it was

refurbished with bronze bands honoring all known chief marshals in SMU's history. During the ceremony it is placed on a custom stand. The original designer and manufacturer of the baton are unknown. Refurbishment was completed by Medallic Art Company.

## SMU

SMU is the nationally ranked global research university in the dynamic city of Dallas. SMU's alumni, faculty and more than 12,000 students in eight degree-granting schools demonstrate an entrepreneurial spirit as they lead change in their professions, communities and the world. Building on its history of excellence, the University has launched SMU Ignited: Boldly Shaping Tomorrow – a multiyear \$1.5 billion campaign to empower outstanding students, to enrich teaching and research, and to enhance our campus and community.

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