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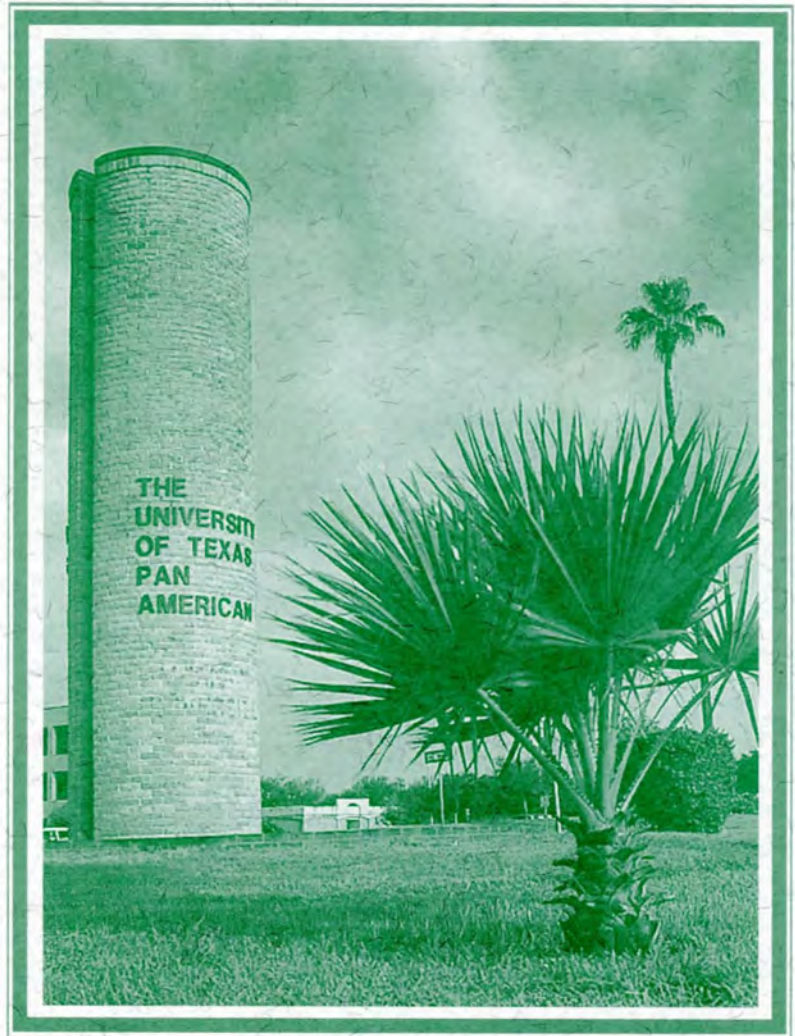
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*The University of Texas  
Pan American*



*Commencement*

*78th Ceremony  
Saturday, December 19, 1998*

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## December 19, 1998 - 11:00 A.M. CONVOCATION

College of Arts and Humanities, College of Health Sciences and Human Services, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

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### PRELUDE

*Eine Kleine Nachtmusik*  
*Royal Fireworks Music-Overture*  
The University of Texas-Pan American Brass Choir

W.A. Mozart  
G.F. Handel  
Dr. Lorne W. O'Neil, Director

### PROCESSIONAL

*Pomp and Circumstance*

William Walton

### OPENING REFLECTIONS

Ms. Judy Vinson, Vice President  
Student Affairs

The University of Texas - Pan American

### ALMA MATER

The University of Texas-Pan American Men's Ensemble

Dr. Vivian Munn, Director

### INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Dr. Miguel A. Nevárez, President

The University of Texas-Pan American

### INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

Chelsey Anne Perez, Top Graduate

College of Arts and Humanities

### COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Mr. Carlos I. Noriega, Astronaut

The United States of America

### INTRODUCTION OF ACADEMIC DEANS

Dr. Rodolfo Arévalo, Provost / Vice President  
Academic Affairs

The University of Texas-Pan American

### PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE AND MASTER'S DEGREES

Dr. Rodolfo Rocha, Acting Dean  
Dr. Helen M. Castillo, Dean  
Dr. James Lamare, Dean

College of Arts and Humanities  
College of Health Sciences and Human Services  
College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

### CERTIFICATION OF CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE AND MASTER'S DEGREES

Dr. Rodolfo Arévalo, Provost / Vice President  
Academic Affairs

The University of Texas-Pan American

### AWARDING OF BACCALAUREATE AND MASTER'S DEGREES

Dr. Miguel A. Nevárez, President

The University of Texas Pan American

### PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Dr. Miguel A. Nevárez, President

The University of Texas-Pan American

### CLOSING REFLECTIONS

Ms. Judy Vinson, Vice President  
Student Affairs

The University of Texas - Pan American

### RECESSIONAL

*Las Golondrinas*  
*Christmas Festival*

M.C. Meyerelles  
Leroy Anderson

### RECEPTION HONORING GRADUATES

Music provided by The University of Texas-Pan American Student Ensemble

### FIELDHOUSE COURTYARD

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## ***Faculty Marshals***

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<i>Grand Marshal:</i>	<i>Dr. Sue Mottinger</i>
<i>Faculty Marshals:</i>	<i>Dr. Dean R. Canty</i> <i>Dr. Daniel Dearth</i>
<i>Class Marshals:</i>	<i>Dr. Michael Faubion</i> <i>Dr. Sandra Tijerina</i> <i>Dr. Thomas G. Pozorski</i>

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## ***Announcing the Candidates***

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<i>Announcing the Candidates:</i>	<i>Dr. Lino Garcia, Jr.</i> <i>Dr. M. Sandra Sanchez</i> <i>Dr. Gary J. Mounce</i>
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## ***Graduating With Honors***

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Some graduates are inducted into honorary societies based upon high academic achievement in their major department. These are designated by a number following their name which indicates their membership in the society (referenced in the back).

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## ***Candidates for Graduation***

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The College of Arts and Humanities  
The College of Health Sciences and Human Services  
The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

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# COLLEGE OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES

*Dr. Rodolfo Rocha, Acting Dean*

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## MASTER OF ART

Jennifer Jewel Atwood  
David O. Bowles Jr.  
Dongmei Cao  
Richard Carrera  
Anna Isabel Cepeda  
Ana Cristina Downing de DeJuana  
Patricia G. Ellis

Trinidad Gonzales  
Gina R. Koehn  
Jesus Angel Martinez  
Elizabeth Ortega  
Judith Ellen Peabody  
Laura Amalia Ramirez  
Colleen Moore Rios

Virginia Rios  
Stevan Miles Schiefelbein  
Dorothy E. Shelton  
Juan Antonio Silva  
Evert Villarreal  
A. Gene Wendorf

## MASTER OF ARTS INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

William Bernard McTaggart

David Pena Jr.

## BACHELOR OF ART

Christoph L. Aguilar  
Lauriano Aguirre  
Nayda Alvarez  
Adrian Abel Arriaga  
Idalia M. Balderas  
Jessica L. Balladares  
Ellen Cook Ballenger  
Jaime Ociel Barrera  
Sandra Aimee Benitez  
Jamie L. Brewster  
Mia Marisol Buentello  
Maria Guadalupe Castillo  
Domingo Cavazos Jr.  
Patricia Cavazos  
Miguel Chacon  
Ramon R. Contreras  
Celinda Eileen Cordova  
Herminia Esmeralda Cuevas  
Alfredo DeLeon  
Maria Irlanda Italia DeLeon  
Guadalupe DelaCerde  
Geronimo Disla  
Augustine Jesse Farias  
Jennifer Lyn Favia  
Stanley Franklin Fehr III  
Rosa Isela Fernandez  
Idalia Flores  
Jose Flores Jr.  
Maria Cristina Flores  
Melinda Flores  
Melissa Flores  
Veronica Flores  
Yvonne Flores  
Norma Lizeth Galvan  
Albert Garcia  
Alvaro Garcia  
Mayra Garcia  
Paula I. Garcia  
Viola Garcia  
Jesus Garza Jr.  
Javier Francisco Garza  
Raudel Garza

CL

Victor Hugo Garza  
Julia Ann Gillard  
Abdias Gomez  
Brenda Marie Gomez  
Debra Denise Gomez  
Patricia Gomez  
Dora Lisa Gonzales  
Jose Luis Gonzalez  
Yolanda C. Gonzalez  
Thomas Grimes Green  
Noemi Guerra  
Stacie Annette Heltcel  
Alejandra Iris Hernandez  
Sonia Hernandez  
David Jaime III  
Sonny Abel Jasso  
Jaime Jimenez  
David Keith  
Julie Lynn Kucia  
Esteban Lomas  
Senovia Garcia Lomas  
Abundio Lopez  
Maritza R. Lopez  
Nydia Lopez  
Claudia Patricia Loyo  
Joaquin Noberto Lugo  
Juan Luna  
Marleen M. Martinez  
Perla G. Martinez  
Hector Matamoros  
Hortencia Medeiros  
Victor Louis Mejia Jr.  
Carlos Mendez  
Marisela Molina  
Gerardo Monreal  
Jeffrey L. Moore  
Maria Del Rosario Mora  
Karen Carmel Myers  
Arnoldo Olivares  
Enrique Ornelas  
Ricardo Palomin  
Paula J. Pena

MCL

CL

CL

Sylvia Pena  
Chelsey Anne Perez  
Christine Ann Perry  
Octavio Quintanilla Jr.  
Nancy Ramirez  
Olga Orietta Ramirez  
Alfredo Ramos  
Gloria Ramos  
Prudencio Reyna  
Maria Rios  
Fernando Alberto Rivera  
Adrian Robles  
Anna Rodriguez  
Daniel Rodriguez  
Deanna Marie Rodriguez  
Karla Rodriguez  
Kim Rodriguez  
Maria Leticia Rodriguez  
Martha Patricia Rodriguez  
Teresa Rodriguez  
Dawn R. Roe  
Larissa Y. Saenz  
Edgar Mizael Salazar  
Julio Cesar Salinas  
Victor Salvador  
Edgar Jose Sandoval  
Maria Delcarmen Sandoval  
Shanon Marie Schroeder  
Nohemi Serna  
James D. Simpson  
Jennifer Solis  
Brian Glenn Spring  
Pedro Torres  
Esmeralda Marisol Trevino  
Monica Marie Trevino  
Judith Lynn Trummel  
Melissa Vasquez  
Andrea Lynn Weseman  
Cynthia Ybarra  
Marcolfa Zamora  
Maria R. Zavala

SCL

MCL

5, CL

## **BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS**

Cecilia Lucia Carranza  
Lilia Deanda  
Emmy Cris Diaz  
Carolina Felix Ethridge

CL

Jose Manuel Garcia  
Maribel Garza  
Robert Gonzalez  
Herlinda Gerusa Medrano

Cruz Isidro Rodriguez  
Omar I. Rodriguez  
Juan Saenz  
Maria Del Consuelo Trevino

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## **COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND HUMAN SERVICES**

*Dr. Helen M. Castillo, Dean*

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### **MASTER OF ART**

Teresa Lyn Esquivel  
Vanessa L. Gonzalez  
Olga Olivia Medrano

Sandra M. Panola  
Norma Linda Rodriguez  
Ricardo Tamez

Betsaida Tijerina  
Sandra Esther Vargas

### **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING**

Arcelia G. Aguilar  
Margaret H. Fernandez  
Alma Flores

Nelsie Lorraine Hagner  
Ruth Munoz  
Julia Ava Niehaus Soper

Karyn Elizabeth Taplay  
Hermila Villarreal

### **BACHELOR OF ART**

Laurie Lynn Ahlman  
Reva M. Balli  
Rachel Cantu  
Melissa Yvette Castaneda

CL

Elisa Galvan  
Ninfa Gomez  
Geneva Ann Lopez  
Irma Yolanda Mesa

CL

MCL

Jessica A. Molina  
Norma Linda Parras  
Andrea M. Pedraza  
Maria Elena Sital

### **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

Jose Guadalupe Alvarado  
Cynthia Caballero  
Jose Alfredo Flores  
Eric Fong  
Norma J Hernandez

Ilerette Herrera  
Alejandro Longoria  
Idolinda Ozenbaugh  
Alex Riojas  
Mario Rodriguez

Rosa I. Saenz  
Corrine Trevino  
Elizabeth Ann Yanez  
Velma V. Zuniga

### **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING**

Rosa Yvette Alaniz  
Rosemary Alaniz  
Gabriel Alcantar Jr.  
Rita Zavala Alejandro  
Jorge I. Arroliga  
Marcela A. Arroliga-Rincon  
Anna Gilda Botello  
Sandro Braga  
Gabriel Calderon  
Isaac Canales  
Veronica Michelle Cantu  
Maria G. Castillo  
Cynthia Laura Cordell  
Alicia Ruth De Leon  
Irma De Leon  
Janie Patricia Espino  
Nancy Espinoza

MCL

Kathleen Gail Files  
Deborah G. Garcia  
Marina Clementina Garcia  
Pamela Y. Garcia  
Valerie Ann Garcia  
Zita Minette Gaytan  
Dora Alicia Gonzalez  
Misty Renee Gonzalez  
Dalia R. Guerra  
Ariadna B. Hamby  
Monica Elisa Hernandez  
Mariejulie Christine Hockaday  
Jo E. Hunt  
Kristin C. Jimenez  
Lorena C. Jimenez  
Migdalia Leal  
Juan Roberto Llanes

Veronica Loera  
Karina L. Lopez  
Denise N. Lugo  
Catherine E. Magness  
Vanessa A. Malagon  
Sydney Dellanira Marquez  
Yvette Martinez  
Beatrice Adriana Melendez  
Rose M. Montelongo  
Arturo Munoz Jr.  
Carlos Alfredo Nunez  
Maritza Isela Ortiz  
Javier David Pena  
Adriana Perez  
Rosio Elizabeth Reyes  
Hector Rodriguez  
Lorena Rodriguez

CL

CL

CL

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Veronica C. Salazar		Dee Huntington Stokes		Kimberly D. Wright	
Guilibald Saldana		Elvira Isabel Stokes		Sylvia A. Zuniga	CL
Magda Leticia Saucedo	CL	Jennifer Ann Thomison			

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Mayra N. Cortez		Susan D. Lacombe		Rosario G. Saenz	
Enedina Elisa Enriquez		Lucina Lara		Beatriz Moreno Segovia	
Maricruz Flores		Veronica Martinez		Sandra K. Solis	
Norma L. Flores		Josefina Mata	CL	Maricela Soto	
Sandra Fuentes		Raquel Mata		Karla A. Tijerina	
Jose Galarza Jr.		Nora P. Molinero		Elizabeth Torres	
Rosemary Gamez		Alicia Ramos		Julia Valdez	
Dalia Sarahy Garza					

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# **COLLEGE OF SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES**

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*Dr. James Lamare, Dean*

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## **MASTER OF ARTS**

Sonya Rosa Flores	Eliud Roberto Maldonado	Deborah Cohen Woloski
Rossana Jimenez	Belinda Martinez	

## **MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

Michael John Fisher	Yolanda Lopez	John Frederick Vidaurri
Richard Mark Hansen	Ruben Javier Saldana	

## **MASTER OF SCIENCE**

Sreelatha Gobburu	Laura Arn Lyles Reagan
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## **BACHELOR OF ARTS**

Karina Aranda	Juan J. Garcia	1	Tania Lopez	1, CL
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Christina E. Barrera	Ricardo Garcia A.		Reina Angelica Martinez	
David Albert Canales	Roberto Garcia		Magdalaine Lizette Mejia	
Antonio Cantu	Diana Gonzalez		Melissa Yvonne Morin	
Robyn Lynn Carey	Gracie Gonzalez		Carlton Todd Nelson	1, CL
Reynaldo Cisneros	Hortencia Noemi Gonzalez		Jose Rafael Obregon	
Roberto Colegio	Roxanna Gonzalez		San Juana E. Palacios	
Christina M. Cruz	Ariel Guerra		Fidel Francisco Parra	
Richard Cruz	Lisa Michelle Guerra	CL	Shelly Kay Patterson	6
Zenia Cruz	Cynthia Adelina Gutierrez		Cristela Rivera Pena	
Marcie DeLaCruz	Julia Mariana Gutierrez		Rolando Ramirez	
Laura E. Duque	Lourdes Ofelia Gutierrez		Yasmin M. Ramon	
Mike Escobedo	Carlos Xavier Hernandez		Daniel C. Richardson	SCL
Ricky Alfonso Flores	Tami D. Hinojosa		Celia Rodriguez	
Anita I. Garcia	Rosalinda C. Kay		Hector Rodriguez	
Clemente Omar Garcia	Elias V. Leos		Rene R. Rodriguez	
Jesus A. Garcia	Raul Lopez		Nelda Marie Chapa Saenz	

Melissa V. Salinas  
Nancy Marie Salinas  
Abigail Segovia  
Javier C. Silva

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Julian Silva  
Dan Henry Snell  
Daniel Tijerina  
Roosevelt Roy Valdez

Gustavo Valenciana  
Norma Yvette Zamora  
Florencio Zepeda

## ***BACHELOR OF SCIENCE***

Marina Avila  
Karen Garza Ballejos  
Karen Elizabeth Bowley  
Robert Raul Cantu  
Teresa Yvette Chapa  
Erica Renee Chavez

Gabriel Elizalde  
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Nora E. Garcia  
Leonel Herrera Jr.  
Juanita Martinez  
Mayme A. Oxford

Aimee L. Pena  
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Anita M. Sandoval  
Yvette Silva  
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Reyna M. Vazquez

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Ross William Eason  
Nora Edmundson  
Santos Esparza  
Mary Ann Flores  
Olga Lidia Flores  
Armando Garcia  
Lorena Garcia  
R.J. Steve Garcia  
Sergio N. Garza  
Steven Albert Garza  
Angelica Gonzalez  
Celeste M. Gonzalez  
Israel Gonzalez

CL

Jesus R. Gonzalez  
Yadira Gonzalez  
Armando Guerra  
Marcos Gutierrez Jr.  
Moises Fidencio Ibarra  
Ricardo Ibarra  
Juan Martin Jaramillo  
William Christopher Keale  
Marco Lara  
Monica C. Leal  
Charles Edelmiro Lopez  
Maria Soraya Lopez  
Eduardo Luna  
Liliana Luna  
Antonio Marin  
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Roberto Xavier Melendez  
David Meza  
Daniel Milian  
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Noe Plata Jr.  
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Robert Reyna  
Rosalinda Robles  
Antonio Rodriguez Jr.  
John J. Rodriguez  
Gilda A. Sepulveda  
Gabriel Serda III  
Juan Jesus Singleterry  
Donato E. Vela  
Rosa Ella Venecia  
Everardo Villarreal



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**December 19, 1998 - 2:00 P.M. CONVOCATION**  
*College of Business Administration and College of Science and Engineering*

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**PRELUDE**

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*The University of Texas-Pan American*

**INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER**

*Romeo Sanchez, Top Graduate*

*College of Business Administration*

**COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS**

*Mr. Carlos I. Noriega, Astronaut*

*The United States of America*

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*The University of Texas-Pan American*

**PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR  
BACCALAUREATE, MASTER'S AND DOCTORATE DEGREES**

*Dr. Linda McCallister, Dean*  
*Dr. Jacob Chen, Dean*

*College of Business Administration*  
*College of Science and Engineering*

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**AWARDING OF BACCALAUREATE,  
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*The University of Texas-Pan American*

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*The University of Texas-Pan American*

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*Leroy Anderson*

**RECEPTION HONORING GRADUATES**

*Music provided by The University of Texas-Pan American Student Ensemble*

**FIELDHOUSE COURTYARD**

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## ***Faculty Marshals***

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<i>Grand Marshal:</i>	<i>Dr. Sue Mottinger</i>
<i>Faculty Marshals:</i>	<i>Dr. Raymond M. Crews</i> <i>Dr. Robert J. Edwards</i>
<i>Class Marshals:</i>	<i>Dr. Jerry Prock</i> <i>Dr. Ernest J. Baca, Jr.</i>

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## ***Announcing the Candidates***

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<i>Announcing the Candidates:</i>	<i>Mr. Victor Huerta</i> <i>Dr. John R. Villarreal</i>
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## ***Graduating With Honors***

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## ***Candidates for Graduation***

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The College of Business Administration  
The College of Science and Engineering

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# COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

*Dr. Linda McCallister, Dean*

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## **DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**

Alton Henry Cook Jr.

Rafael Otero

## **MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

Chetan Pravin Khetani  
Ozgür Koc  
David C. Plummer

Claudia Rodriguez  
Teresa De Jesus Sanchez  
Mehmet Kenan Tas

Richard Ernest Wilson  
Neil William Wohlers Jr.

## **BACHELOR OF ARTS**

Omar Davila

## **BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

Guillermo Abboud  
Esteban Abrego  
Jaime Acevedo  
Ana Maria Acosta  
Rogelio Alanis  
Linda Y. Alaniz  
Anna Marie Alvarez  
Veronica Arellano  
Alejandra A. Arredondo  
Laura Arredondo  
Susana Y. Arredondo  
Victor Hugo Arteaga  
Adela Ayala  
Miguel A. Baeza  
Vanessa Balderrama  
Thelma Irene Garcia Balli  
Melissa Banda  
Delia Isabel Barrera  
Rebekah Barrera  
Christopher Dominic Bazan  
Brenda C. Benavides  
Rosa N. Bochas  
Judy Ann Borjas  
Michael J. Brown  
Francisco Campos  
Ana Cantu  
Sonia Cantu  
Carlina J. Capelo  
Erol I. Cavusoglu  
Amancio J. Chapa III  
Carlos A. Chavez  
Ene delia Coronado  
Guillermo A. Cortez  
Veronica I. Cortez  
Courtney Suzanne Dane  
Antonio De La Cruz III  
Maria Elena DeLa Vega  
Patrick B. Delgado  
David Diamond

2, MCL

CL  
2, MCL

CL

Alma Duberney  
George Christopher Dudley  
Fernando J. Elizondo  
Adrian Eloy Escobar  
Daniel Escobar  
Miguel Espinosa Jr.  
Edgar R. Espinoza  
Rene Estrada  
Juanita Velasquez Flores  
Tanya K. Flores  
Sandra Galaviz  
Adela Galvan  
Javier Gamez  
Celia Gaona  
Hortencia Garcia  
Jesus Gilberto Garcia  
Mariella Isabel Garcia  
Monica L. Garcia  
Olga Nora Garcia  
Gerardo Garza  
Karen Leigh Garza  
Maria Magdalena Garza  
Pauline Garza  
Patricia Gauna  
Alexis Gonzaba  
Albesa V. Gonzalez  
Aleida Gonzalez  
Alejandro Gonzalez  
Angelica M. Gonzalez  
David Gonzalez  
Elizabeth Marie Gonzalez  
Gabriel Gonzalez  
Gerardo Gonzalez  
Jessica Gonzalez  
Ramiro Gonzalez  
Ronald Ray Greisler  
Fabiola Guajardo  
Carlota M. Guerra  
Maria T. Guerrero

CL

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CL

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Cesar Augusto Gutierrez  
Irene Gutierrez  
Jaime Guzman  
Maria A. Guzman  
Josh Anthony Haggerty  
Manuel Eduardo Heredia  
Guillermo Hernandez  
Martin Hernandez  
Miroslava L. Hernandez  
Mirta Dalia Hernandez  
Serafin Hernandez  
Renee Marie Huddleston  
Nancy Jasso  
Ernestine F. Jones  
Sergio Fernando Lagos  
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Norma Landeros  
Hector Ivan Leal  
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Claudia Mar  
Denise Martinez  
Erika Alvarez Martinez  
Glenda Allen Martinez  
Irma E. Martinez  
Kristina Martinez  
Oscar Armando Martinez  
Monica Mata  
Dina E. Mejia  
Julian Mendez  
Liza Ann Mendez  
Rosa Elia Molina  
Juan A. Montano  
Norma Linda Morales  
Domingo Morin

CL

Gabriela Morquin		Juan Ricardo Rodriguez		Abigail Sosa	
Marco A. Munoz		Meliza A. Rodriguez		Jennifer Grace Stevenson	
Patricia Y. O'Cana		Robert Rodriguez		Robert C. Swanson	
Gabriel Gerardo Ochoa		Roldan Rodriguez		Brenda Teran	
Eduardo R. Olamendi		Thomas Sean Rohan		Orlando Tijerina	
Carlos A. Ortiz		Patricia Lorraine Rojas	2, CL	Jose A. Torres	
Leidy Ana Osborne		Armando O. Rubalcaba		Daniel Trevino Jr.	
Jose Javier Pena		Christina L. Rutledge		Mayra Trevino	
Rodolfo Pichardo		Noelia O. Saenz		Jose Aurelio Turrubiates	
Elda A. Pruneda		Panfilo Salinas Jr.		Dayanne Vela	
David Ramirez		Rosaura Salinas		Eduardo Vela	
Nelda Teresa Salinas Ramirez		Yoelia Y. Salinas		Nancy Verastegui	
Osiel Ramos		Cecilia Sanchez		Arnoldo Villarreal	
Victor A. Ramos		Romeo Sanchez	2, 5, SCL	Erica F. Villarreal	
Penny Marialice Riley		Alfredo Santana		Jose Villarreal	CL
Maria Teresa Rios		Miguel Alejandro Santos	CL	Monica Michel Weigand	
Belinda Kay Rodriguez	CL	Roberto J. Saucedo		Alma Elizabeth Zepeda	
Carlos Alberto Rodriguez		David Segovia			
Ezequiel Rodriguez		Sandra A. Silva	CL		

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## COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

*Dr. Jacob Chen, Dean*

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*Eine Kleine Nachtmusik*  
*Royal Fireworks Music-Overture*  
*The University of Texas-Pan American Brass Choir*

W.A. Mozart  
G.F. Handel  
Dr. Lorne W. O'Neil, Director

## PROCESSIONAL

*Pomp and Circumstance*

William Walton

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*The University of Texas-Pan American Men's Ensemble*

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*Las Golondrinas*  
*Christmas Festival*

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*Leroy Anderson*

## RECEPTION HONORING GRADUATES

*Music provided by The University of Texas-Pan American Student Ensemble*

## FIELDHOUSE COURTYARD

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"A comparison of the Effects of Moderate and High Carbohydrate Diets on Coronary Heart Disease Risk Factors"

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"Culturally Congruent Care: Predictors of Patient Satisfaction Among Adult Mexican Americans"

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