



Commencement

MAY 10-11, 2024
Moody Coliseum • Abilene, Texas





OUR MISSION

To educate students for Christian service and leadership throughout the world.

OUR PROMISE

ACU is a vibrant, innovative, Christ-centered community that engages students in authentic spiritual and intellectual growth, equipping them to make a real difference in the world.



BEHOLD

GATE

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The Academic Hood

The academic regalia worn at college commencements, consisting of a gown, mortarboard cap and hood, originated in medieval Europe.

When universities began about the 12th century, the basic item of apparel worn by men and women alike was a long gown or robe. The colors and materials often indicated the social status and wealth of the wearer. An outer cloak was worn over the gown in cold weather. The cloak had a hood hanging down the back, which could be pulled up to cover the head. The modern academic hood has evolved from this medieval garment.

Over the centuries, fashion changed, but the European universities retained the medieval dress. The scholars' apparel was prescribed by university rules and distinguished the scholar from the commoner. In the 18th century, King's College (now Columbia University) in New York and other colonial colleges began to use the academic apparel of English universities at their graduation ceremonies. The practice spread widely in the U.S. after 1880, and in 1895 an Intercollegiate Commission adopted a code of academic dress that most colleges follow today.

The hood is a symbol of the degree the wearer holds and is the most distinctive part of the academic dress. The colors of the hood identify the degree and university or college that conferred it. Hoods worn by the faculty of Abilene Christian University in the Commencement processional are a colorful spectacle representing the many graduate schools faculty members have attended.

The hood is lined and carries the colors of the institution conferring the degree – the hoods for all ACU degrees are lined with the familiar purple and white. The velvet border on the outside of the hood identifies the degree: white for the B.A., M.A. and M.L.A.; gold for the B.S., M.S. and S.S.P.; tan for the B.B.A., M.Acc. and MBA; brown for the B.F.A.; pink for the B.M.; orange for the B.S.E.; apricot for the B.S.N. and DNP; sage green for the M.A.T. and M.H.A.; citron for the M.S.S.W.; light blue for the M.Ed., Ed.D. and Ed.S.; and scarlet for the M.Div., M.A.C.M., M.A.T.S., M.M.F.T. and D.Min.

The undergraduate hooding ceremony is one of the high points in an ACU Commencement, for in this ceremony a loved one or friend is privileged to place upon the graduate the centuries-old symbol of his or her academic degree.

ACU Commencement Stole

The ACU Commencement Stole is worn by bachelor's degree candidates during Commencement. The stole features the academic seal and the interlocking ACU logo, which symbolize the academic and co-curricular experiences that comprise the ACU student experience. After the ceremony, it may be passed on to encourage a current or future Wildcat to reach this same milestone themselves.



A Charge to the Graduate Class of 2024

Dr. Christopher W. Cobbler Sr.

Executive Director of the Center for Vocational Formation and Dean of Vocational Formation at ACU Dallas campus

Dr. Christopher W. Cobbler Sr was born in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, and currently lives in Macomb, Michigan, with his wife Kahra-lyn and their three children: Hannah, Christopher Jr. and Elijah. He has a wide variety of academic and

congregational experience in the field of spiritual and vocational formation.

His journey of faith was deeply shaped by the vivid spirit-driven passion of his Pentecostal background and the high view of scripture he shares with the Church of Christ heritage. He has served as a minister in Churches of Christ, Christian Churches and non-denominational churches in Canada and the United States.

Cobbler holds degrees from Alberta Bible College, Rochester University and Lipscomb University and has more than 15 years of pastoral experience. He is currently the executive director of the Center for Vocational Formation and dean of vocational formation at Abilene Christian University's Dallas campus. His greatest passion is to see Christian communities become a sign, instrument and foretaste of the kingdom of God.



A Charge to the Undergraduate Class of 2024

Michael Miller ('99)

Founder and Senior Pastor of UPPERROOM

In April of 2010, Michael Miller and his wife, Lorisa, started a small prayer meeting in an office space overlooking downtown Dallas. From that initial prayer meeting emerged a movement of prayer and worship that continues to grow globally. Many lives have been impacted by

UPPERROOM's house of prayer, as people online and from all over the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex come together to pray and worship every morning, noon and night. In addition to their work in Dallas, Michael and Lorisa travel internationally to support other UPPERROOM communities and houses of prayer in the U.S. and abroad.

Michael has been in full time ministry since 2001, and he and Lorisa live in Dallas, Texas, with their four children: Hannah, Salem, Freeland and Truman. Michael earned a Bachelor of Arts in marketing and management from ACU and served as the president of Sub T-16.



Dale and Rita Brown Outlive Your Life Award *Nancy Miller ('60)*

Nancy Miller, a compassionate champion for the interests of children, is the 2024 recipient of Abilene Christian University's Dale and Rita Brown Outlive Your Life Award.

The ACU graduate has used her bachelor's degree in elementary education and her polished organizational and relational skills to make an important difference in the lives of people of all ages.

Miller was the epitome of an involved student on the Hill, devoting time and energy to Omega Rho Alpha, Alpha Chi, Delta Theta, Big Purple Band, Kappa Delta Pi, W Club, Campus Service Organization and the Student Education Association. In 1964, she earned a master's degree in psychology with an emphasis in school psychology from Emporia State University.

In 1970, Miller began leading Christian Homes & Family Services in Abilene, which has served unwed pregnant mothers and helped place children for adoption since 1962. She was the ministry's longtime executive director and president who led its growth over 40 years, placing nearly 2,000 babies and children into adoptive homes, providing maternity assistance for more than 2,700 women, and care for more than 1,770 foster children.

Along the way, Miller was named president of the Texas Association of Services to Children and served on the Advisory Council for Texas Licensed Child Care Administrators and as a board member of the Christian Child Care Conference. Known as a genuine servant-leader at Christian Homes, she retired in 2010 as its president emeritus.

In 1987 she became a pioneer in Kiwanis International – an organization she admired for its work to benefit children – as one of the first women elected to membership in its 72-year history. She eventually became a board member, vice president and twice the president (1993-94 and 2017-18) of its Abilene Club, and twice was voted governor of the Texas-Oklahoma Kiwanis district (2001-02 and 2008-09).

A longtime member of Highland Church of Christ, she served on its SONshiners Committee for 20 years.

On campus, she has been a member since 1969 of Women for Abilene Christian University, the fundraising organization she has served as president for 14 years. She was named her alma mater's 1997 Outstanding Alumna of the Year, and received a Distinguished Alumni Citation in 1982.

The Outlive Your Life Award is named for its first recipients, Dale and Rita Brown, and takes its name from the book by ACU alumnus Max Lucado ('77), Outlive Your Life: You Were Made to Make a Difference, used with permission. The award recognizes all types of servant leadership exhibited by friends or alumni of the university.

Order of Ceremony

Friday, May 10, 2024 | 7 p.m.

Processional	“Pomp and Circumstance” by Sir Edward Elgar <i>Audience will please remain seated.</i>
Welcome	Dr. Susan Lewis <i>Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs</i>
Call to Worship “To God Be the Glory”	Dr. Joe Stephenson <i>Professor and Interim Chair, Department of Language and Literature</i>
Scripture Reading	Dr. Tera Harmon <i>Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Theology</i>
Invocation	Dr. Greg Straughn <i>Dean, College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences</i>
Introduction to Commencement	Dr. Robert Rhodes <i>Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs</i>
Master of Ceremonies	Dr. Phil Schubert <i>President</i>
Introduction of Commencement Speaker	Dr. George Saltsman <i>Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dallas</i>
A Charge to the Class of 2024	Dr. Christopher Cobbler, Sr. <i>Dean, Vocational Formation, Dallas</i>
Presentation of Doctoral and Master’s Degree Graduates.....	Dr. Robert Rhodes
Conferring of Doctoral and Master’s Degrees.....	Dr. Phil Schubert
Introduction of Doctoral and Master’s Degree Graduates	Dr. Brenda Bender <i>Associate Professor and Director, Master of Speech-Language Pathology, Dallas</i>
Hooding of Doctoral Degree Graduates	Dr. Melissa Long <i>Assistant Professor and Program Director, Master of Athletic Training</i>
Presentation of Diplomas	April Anthony <i>Chair, Board of Trustees</i>

Presentation of Awards and Honors Dr. Robert Rhodes

“Oh, Dear Christian College” Dr. Joe Stephenson

“Oh, Dear Christian College”

Oh, dear Christian College, we love you, Our dear Alma Mater, today;
Like the stars shining brightly above you, Your fame shall shine brightly for aye.
To you we'll prove faithful and loyal, While ever upholding the right,
And gladly we'll give forth the royal, Three cheers for the purple and white.
Then we'll pledge our love to Christian, To her is honor due;
While we gaily sing let praises ring, For our Alma Mater true.

Benediction Dr. Brad Crisp
Dean, College of Business Administration

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You” Dr. Joe Stephenson

Recessional “Crown Imperial” by Sir William Walton
Audience will please remain seated.

Each graduate will be greeted on stage by the dean of their college.

Dr. Phil Schubert, President

Dr. Robert Rhodes, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Dr. Susan Lewis, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Dr. George Saltsman, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dallas

Dr. Greg Straughn, Dean, College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Dr. Ken Cukrowski, Dean, College of Biblical Studies

Dr. Brad Crisp, Dean, College of Business Administration

Dr. Nannette Glenn, Dean, College of Graduate and Professional Studies

Dr. J. Dirk Nelson, Dean, College of Health and Behavioral Sciences

Dr. Carson Reed, Dean, Graduate School of Theology

Dr. Charla Miertschin, Dean, Onstead College of Science and Engineering

A reception for graduates and invited guests will follow the ceremony outside the south doors of Moody Coliseum in the mall area of campus.

NOTE TO AUDIENCE

Photographs for university publicity will be taken at this event.

Sign language interpretation is available in a reserved seating section in the front rows of section 02.





*Candidates for
Graduate
Degrees*

Doctor of Education

- Charmon Latwan Barksdale (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) DeSoto, Texas
Dissertation: Campus Leaders' Support of Culturally Responsive Classroom Management Strategies: Single Exploratory Case Study
Chair: Dr. John A. Harrison
- Jessica Lee Boyer (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Great Falls, Montana
Dissertation: Social Identity and Self Determination: A Case Study Exploring What American Indian Elders' Perspectives of Residential Boarding Schools Tell Us About the Lasting Effect of Historical and Intergenerational Trauma
Chair: Dr. Karmyn Downs
- † Jacob Charles Braddock (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Lubbock, Texas
Dissertation: Attrition and Turnover Intentions of Paramedic Program Directors in the State of Texas
Chair: Dr. Lawrence Santiago
- Jacqueline Wykeishia Jonea Brazile (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Pensacola, Florida
Dissertation: Examining Black Faculty Retention in Predominantly White Institutions
Chair: Dr. Dianne Reed
- Tiffany K. Chenier (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Houston, Texas
Dissertation: Representation of Gifted Blacks and Other Minorities in Gifted and Talented Programs is Lost in the Identification Process
Chair: Dr. Carlos Contreras
- Amanda Jo Childress-Kannan (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) McKinney, Texas
Dissertation: The Role of Organizational Leadership in the Success of Higher Education Institutions: A Portraiture Study on Ashesi University in Ghana
Chair: Dr. Faith Ngunjiri
- † Sonya Dee Coe (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Houston, Texas
Dissertation: A Phenomenological Study of School Psychologists: The Influence of Implicit Bias on the Disproportionate Identification Rates of African American Students Evaluated for Emotional Disturbance
Chair: Dr. Laura A. Perry
- Tonya Patrice Dixon (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Richmond, Texas
Dissertation: A Qualitative Descriptive Study Exploring the Perceptions of New Teacher Induction Supports
Chair: Dr. Karan Duwe
- Shari Donch (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Erie, Pennsylvania
Dissertation: Teacher Attrition
Chair: Dr. D. John McIntyre
- Keith K. Douglas (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Dayton, Ohio
Dissertation: Does My Voice Matter: Understanding the Lived Experiences and Turnover Intentions of Professional Academic Advisors
Chair: Dr. Timothy Atkinson
- Bianca Adele Dugas (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Houston, Texas
Dissertation: An Exploration of the Role of Alternative Certification Programs in Teacher Preparedness
Chair: Dr. D. John McIntyre
- Bobby F. Durst (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Crosby, Texas
Dissertation: Transition Plans: A Critical Phenomenological Study of the Black Male Children's Parents' Experiences at ARD Meetings
Chair: Dr. Scott Self
- † Scott Tyler Faust (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Apple Valley, Minnesota
Dissertation: Psychological Safety and Conflict Management Among Nurse Practitioners in Interprofessional Teams
Chair: Dr. Kristin O'Byrne

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- Tara Wade Franklin (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Plano, Texas
Dissertation: Disability Services as Related to Higher Education Leadership: An Exploratory Study
Chair: Dr. Julie M. Lane
- Christopher Allen Frazier (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Longview, Texas
Dissertation: A Phenomenological Study on the Lived Experiences of Black Male Faculty at Predominantly White Institutions (PWIs) in Texas, Louisiana, Georgia, Florida, and Oklahoma
Chair: Dr. Jeff Cranmore
- Mary Athena Geron-Newton (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Irving, Texas
Dissertation: Adjunct Faculty Perceptions of Leadership and Cultures of Engagement, Inclusion, Collaboration, and Value Through a Social Capital Theory Framework
Chair: Dr. Brian Cole
- Trisha Clay Giacomazzi (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Canyon, Texas
Dissertation: Resiliency, Mindset, and Academic Performance: A College Athlete's Perspective
Chair: Dr. Rick Zomer
- † LaShae Rene Grottis (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Flower Mound, Texas
Dissertation: Balancing Wellness and Leadership: Exploring Black Women Administrators' Subjective Well-Being, Resilience, and Radical Self-Care in Higher Education
Chair: Dr. Jennifer Butcher
- April D. Hall (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Norman, Oklahoma
Dissertation: The Impact of Resilience on a Middle Manager's Resistance to Organizational Change
Chair: Dr. Katherine Yeager
- Darrin Lamont Hemphill (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Garland, Texas
Dissertation: Why Teachers Write Office Referrals on Black Students: A Case Study
Chair: Dr. Amy Barrios
- NaQuiyah LaShawn Hodges (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Arlington, Texas
Dissertation: College and Career Readiness Effects on Minority Male College Retention
Chair: Dr. Bryan Patterson
- † Silian Molly Hornsby (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Trophy Club, Texas
Dissertation: Best Practices in Professional Learning Communities that Influence Teacher Self-Efficacy
Chair: Dr. Timothy B. Jones
- Ebony D. Johnson (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Fresno, Texas
Dissertation: Developing Teachers to Teach English Language Learners (ELLs) via ELL Notebook Strategies
Chair: Dr. Amy Barrios
- Rose Johnson (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Mesquite, Texas
Dissertation: The Relationship Between Job Challenge and Leadership Aspiration From the Perspective of the Entry-Level Nurse Leader
Chair: Dr. Lawrence Santiago
- Sonia Denise Gordon Jordan (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Houston, Texas
Dissertation: Educational Robotics and Computational Thinking in Elementary School Students
Chair: Dr. Christie Bledsoe
- Michael R. Lugo (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Corpus Christi, Texas
Dissertation: Portraits of Hispanic and/or Latino Leadership Development in the Military
Chair: Dr. Simone Elias
- † William G. Maxwell Jr. (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Colorado Springs, Colorado
Dissertation: Differentiating Leadership Competencies that Create Constructive or Destructive Conflict Cultures in a Nation's Military Service
Chair: Dr. Stuart Allen

- † Barton Douglas Morrison (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Houston, Texas
Dissertation: Exploring a Potential Preparedness Gap Between Undergraduate Ministry Programs and Real-Life Ministry in the Southern Baptist Convention
Chair: Dr. Jackie Halstead
- † Brandi Renee Munoz (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Houston, Texas
Dissertation: Empowering Voices: Exploring the Career Trajectories of Women of Color HR Professionals Amid Disruptive Change
Chair: Dr. Jennifer Butcher
- † Adebunola Obafemi (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Carrollton, Texas
Dissertation: The Correlational Effects of Academic and Demographic Factors on Nursing Students' Attrition, Progression, and Completion at a University College of Nursing
Chair: Dr. Carley Dodd
- † Trapper Kay Pace (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Highland Village, Texas
Dissertation: Harnessing the Power of CliftonStrengths®: How Multinational Corporations Can Use Deep-Level Diversity to Enhance Organizational Inclusion
Chair: Dr. José Perez
- Parker Sanderson (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Pearland, Texas
Dissertation: Intergenerational Factors That Contribute to Millennial Church Engagement
Chair: Dr. B.J. McMichael
- Lori Anne Shaw (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Woodway, Texas
Dissertation: Shame, Guilt, and Behavioral Responses to Conflict in Organizational Life: A Correlational Study
Chair: Dr. Jackie Halstead
- † Michael Snapp (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Springville, Utah
Dissertation: Empowerment in Patriarchy: A Phenomenological Study of Working Mothers in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
Chair: Dr. Scott Self
- Jeffrey M. Stear (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Houston, Texas
Dissertation: Community College Engineering Degree Partnerships with 4-Year Universities
Chair: Dr. Jeffrey White
- † Jordan Gabriel Tate (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Trophy Club, Texas
Dissertation: Dispositional Gratitude at Work Predicts Job Satisfaction of Software Developers
Chair: Dr. Kristin O'Byrne
- Bashelia H. Ward (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Fresno, Texas
Dissertation: An Exploration of the Influence of Occupational Mentorship on the Success of Black Female Executive Leaders in Educational Sales
Chair: Dr. Jennifer Butcher
- John Henry Weaver III (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) San Antonio, Texas
Dissertation: Examining the Influence of Adult Mentors on Fostering Prosocial Behaviors Among Teens
Chair: Dr. Jeff Cranmore
- Casey Richard Whittle (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Wylie, Texas
Dissertation: The Influence of the Principalship in Retaining Novice Teachers
Chair: Dr. John Kellmayer
- † Alexandria Widener (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) Overland Park, Kansas
Dissertation: The Impact of Gratitude on Academic Advisor Job Satisfaction
Chair: Dr. Kristin O'Byrne
- † Tamika Vanessa Taylor Young (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership) El Paso, Texas
Dissertation: An Interpretative Phenomenological Analysis of Urban Early College High School Teachers' Experiences
Chair: Dr. Scott Bailey

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Doctor of Ministry

- Beth Ann Fisher (D.Min). Abilene, Texas
Thesis: Evaluating “GRIT” (Genuine Relationship Intergenerationally Tied) Groups at the Highland Church of Christ:
An Intergenerational Enhancement of Small Group Community Life
Chair: Dr. Carson Reed
- Garrett David Harper (D.Min). Kingston Springs, Tennessee
Thesis: Protocols for Enhancing the Role and Value of Spiritual Care Resources in the Metropolitan Nashville
Police Department
Chair: Dr. Carson Reed

Doctor of Nursing Practice

- † Helen Adewole (DNP) Cypress, Texas
Project: Effectiveness of Antibiotic Stewardship for Healthcare Providers at Urgent Care Clinics
Chair: Dr. Molly Kuhle
- † Kristie Lynn Buchanan (DNP) Cibolo, Texas
Project: Increasing Folic Acid Self-Efficacy in College-Age Women of Childbearing Age
Chair: Dr. Cheryl Green
- † Ashley Calverley (DNP) Midlothian, Texas
Project: Coping Strategies and Stress of the Undergraduate Nursing Student in the Clinical Setting: An Evidence-Based
Practice Quantitative Study
Chair: Dr. Theresa M. Schwindenhammer
- Ngufor Fube Divine (DNP) Colombia, Maryland
Project: Culture Education Program to Improve Work Culture in Healthcare
Chair: Dr. Faisal Aboul-Enein
- Marcy I. Harris (DNP) Austin, Texas
Project: Effects of Compassion Fatigue on Surgical Staff Productivity
Chair: Dr. Christina Ryan
- Lisa Melanie Henry (DNP) Kingston, Jamaica
Project: Implementation of Bedside Shift Report on a Medical Surgical Unit in a Private Acute Care Hospital in
Kingston, Jamaica
Chair: Dr. Cheryl Green
- Robin Elizabeth Roberts (DNP) Athens, Texas
Project: Improving Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Education in Undergraduate Nursing Programs
Chair: Dr. Tricia Bernecker
- Lauren Elise Rosenthal (DNP) Memphis, Tennessee
Project: An Educational Program to Improve African American Women’s Knowledge and Self-Efficiency in Seeking
Treatment for Endometrial Cancer
Chair: Dr. Catherine Garner
- Olive K. Tariah (DNP) Houston, Texas
Project: Assessing Nurses’ Knowledge of the Prevention of Pressure Injuries
Chair: Dr. Cheryl Green
- Christine Natasha Thorpe-Gilpin (DNP) Houston, Texas
Project: Life After the Pandemic: Use of an Educational Coping Strategy Tool Kit for Healthcare Professionals
Chair: Dr. Tonya Sawyer-McGee

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College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Communication

† Mary Heather Johnson (M.A., Communication)	Claude, Texas
Thesis: "Vacation: All I Ever Wanted?": A Qualitative Analysis of Travel Narratives from Interabled Families	
Chair: Dr. Dorothy Andreas	
Tyler James Welch (M.A., Communication).....	Henderson, Nevada

English

† Kelsea Renae Abston (M.A., English)	Lubbock, Texas
Sarah Jo Blankenship (M.A., English)	Abilene, Texas

School of Education

Alexa Aponte Bojorquez (M.Ed., Teaching and Learning)	Abilene, Texas
Rebekah Lee Curry (M.Ed., Teaching and Learning)	Robinson, Texas
† Allison Nicole Dale (M.Ed., Teaching and Learning)	Willow Park, Texas
Aubrie Mikala Hutson (M.Ed., Teaching and Learning)	San Antonio, Texas
Leighton Sydney Meyer (M.Ed., Teaching and Learning)	Abilene, Texas
Abriyah Simone Skull (M.Ed., Teaching and Learning)	El Paso, Texas
Audra Jo Smith (M.Ed., Teaching and Learning)	Garland, Texas
Caitlyn Renee Woodman (M.Ed., Teaching and Learning)	Abilene, Texas

College of Biblical Studies

Graduate School of Theology

Vuyo Yeggie Adams (M.Div.)	Manzini, Eswatini
Sibusiso Samuel Adontsi (M.Div.)	Maseru, Lesotho
George Obeng Asare (M.A.C.M.)	Accra, Ghana
Emmanuel Boadu Ayebofo (M.A.C.M.)	Sunyani, Ghana
Kelly Lynn Bolin (M.Div.)	Liberty Hall, Texas
David Gregory Brooks (M.A.T.S.)	Abilene, Texas
† Shelby Ryane Coble (M.Div.)	Louisville, Kentucky
† Phillip Douglas Cochran (M.A.C.M.)	Midland, Texas
Emmanuel Danful (M.A.C.M.)	Accra, Ghana
Mark Penfield Eichorn (M.A.C.M.)	New York, New York
Jennifer Estrada (M.A., Global Service)	Allen, Texas
Lamonica D. Garner (M.Div.)	Dallas, Texas
Austin Charles Hackel (M.Div.)	Abilene, Texas
† Lane Andrew Jackson (M.A.C.M.)	Gonzales, Texas
† Ashli Sain Komistek (M.A.C.M.)	Knoxville, Tennessee
Joel Robert Moschetta (M.Div.)	Cypress, Texas
Olivia Rose Nabb (M.Div.)	Lincoln, Nebraska
Mariesha Roshel Shaw (M.Div.)	McKinney, Texas
Joseph Edward Waggoner (M.A.C.M.)	Alpine, Texas

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Marriage and Family Therapy

- Brandon Hunter Gardenhire (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy) Abilene, Texas
Thesis: Predictors of Sexual Behaviors of Launching Adults in a Post-Roe World
Chair: Dr. Greg Brooks
- Courtney Fay Hunter (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy) Pleasant Grove, Utah
- Noah Daniel Kelsch (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy) Abilene, Texas
- Ashley Sade Miller (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy) Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Thesis: Expectations and Marriageability in African Americans: A Qualitative Content Analysis
Chair: Dr. Joanna Méndez-Pounds
- Gabrielle Ashley Pendleton
(M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy) Channelview, Texas
- Elise Danielle Torres (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy) Synder, Texas
- Ying Zou (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy) Flower Mound, Texas
Thesis: Structural Changes after Coming Out in a Christian Family
Chair: Dr. Lisa Merchant

College of Business Administration

Accounting

- Gabriele Hannah Cervantes (M.Acc.) San Jose, California
- Estefany Carolina Hernandez Samaniego (M.Acc.) Abilene, Texas
- † Makayla Paige Howell (M.Acc.) Amarillo, Texas
- Mitchell Scott Jennings (M.Acc.) Yorkville, Illinois
- Courtney Lee Latham (M.Acc.) Amarillo, Texas
- Sydney Marie Meyers (M.Acc.) Weatherford, Texas
- † Brandon Kyle Michaelis (M.Acc.) Trophy Club, Texas
- Grace Elizabeth Mihills (M.Acc.) Arlington, Texas
- Ashlyn Kate Peters (M.Acc.) Arlington, Texas
- † Matthew Dale Roberson (M.Acc.) Weatherford, Texas
- † Jose Alberto Rodriguez Cisneros (M.Acc.) Fort Worth, Texas
- † Kaylee Victoria Smoot (M.Acc.) Corona, California
- Anson Neil Stephens (M.Acc.) San Antonio, Texas
- Morgan Grace Wade (M.Acc.) Amarillo, Texas

College of Graduate and Professional Studies

Business Administration

- Farrin Davis (MBA) Harris, Texas
- Juan Jose De la Cruz Rodriguez (MBA) Plano, Texas
- Monica Elizabeth Gallaga (MBA) Baytown, Texas
- Renata Gonzalez Leon (MBA) Zapopan, Mexico
- † Dustin Lee Inness (MBA) Phoenix, Arizona
- Karlyrose Bolinao Kaaihue (MBA) Dyess Air Force Base, Texas
- Kristen Hope Kesner (MBA) Plano, Texas

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Patrick R. Leger (MBA)	Warren, Texas
Ethan David Long (MBA)	Tempe, Arizona
Kevin Douglas McClure (MBA)	Tom Bean, Texas
† Christy Michelle Mercado (MBA)	Dickinson, Texas
Dax Riley Neece (MBA)	Albany, Texas
David Sanchez (MBA)	Kentwood, Michigan
Jack Ryan Schultz (MBA)	Granada Hills, California
Graham Matthew Sensing (MBA)	Abilene, Texas

Conflict Management and Resolution

James Rhodes (M.A., Conflict Management and Resolution)	Haslet, Texas
† Tara Therese Sheehan (M.A., Conflict Management and Resolution)	Crowley, Texas
† Sheryl Lynn Thomas (M.A., Conflict Management and Resolution)	Abilene, Texas
Brenda L. Yenkolé (M.A., Conflict Management and Resolution)	Gardnerville, Texas

Educational Leadership

Konstance Necole Crownover (Ed.S., Education Specialist)	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Darius Isaiah Davis (M.Ed., Higher Education)	Abilene, Texas
Oswaldo Garcia (M.Ed., Higher Education)	Abilene, Texas
† Taylor Delaney Hilliard (M.Ed., Higher Education)	Abilene, Texas
Terry Christopher McBeth (M.Ed., Higher Education)	Fort Worth, Texas
LaTronda Karol Phanor (Ed.S., Education Specialist)	Houston, Texas
Mirana Rabemananjara (M.Ed., Higher Education)	Dallas, Texas
Dana Marie Simmons (M.Ed., Higher Education)	San Antonio, Texas
James Michael Smith (Ed.S., Education Specialist)	Abilene, Texas
† Jordan Michelle Sutter (M.Ed., Higher Education)	Abilene, Texas
Kelia K. Thao (M.Ed., Higher Education)	Coon Rapids, Minnesota

Healthcare Administration

Miranda Kay Lund (M.H.A., Healthcare Administration)	Madison, Wisconsin
† Linley Riediger Pierce (M.H.A., Healthcare Administration)	Arlington, Texas
Marianna B. Romero (M.H.A., Healthcare Administration)	Phoenix, Arizona
Victor H. Sanchez Jr. (M.H.A., Healthcare Administration)	San Antonio, Texas

Information Technology

Roscelee Torres Lubina (M.S., Information Technology)	Dallas, Texas
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Management

Joseph Elijah Pleasant (M.S., Management)	Overland Park, Kansas
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Marriage and Family Therapy

Erica Rachelle Allen (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Glenn Heights, Texas
Tristan Breane Bowers (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Pearland, Texas
Rachel Cude (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Munday, Texas
Laura Angelica Derry (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Shallowater, Texas

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Nita Guadalupe Garcia (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Grand Prairie, Texas
Isaiah Marquail Glenn (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Cypress, Texas
Kyle Matthew Greenhalgh (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Ormond Beach, Florida
Lawrence Thaddeus Hackman (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Port Orchard, Washington
Angela Ren'e Hall (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	South Jordan, Utah
Amy Elizabeth Hansen (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Schertz, Texas
Felicia Renee Harmon Richardson (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Iowa, Louisiana
Tranisha Wallace Hawkins (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Schertz, Texas
Felisha Marie Ibarwen (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Houston, Texas
Krystal Kay Ruth Jones (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Quinlan, Texas
Jory Andrew Kaiser (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Salem, Utah
Nancy Prince (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Plano, Texas
Melissa MacDonald (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Conroe, Texas
Amelia Melendez (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Granbury, Texas
Brandi Reschon Phillips (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Texarkana, Arkansas
Mark C. Porter (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Lubbock, Texas
† Stacy Reynolds (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Abilene, Texas
Karina Rocha (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	El Paso, Texas
† Solice Surlis-Ingram (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Arlington, Texas
† Amber Renee Treybig (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Schulenburg, Texas
Samantha Elaine Wade (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	San Antonio, Texas
Daisia Brijon Walker (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Killeen, Texas
Rochelle Ward (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)	Bacliff, Texas

Nutrition

Allison Rene Borrego (M.S., Nutrition)	Fort Worth, Texas
Kenyon Owen Gaar (M.S., Nutrition)	Omaha, Nebraska
Leah M. Hansen (M.S., Nutrition)	Maypearl, Texas
Isabella Houston (M.S., Nutrition)	Houston, Texas
Tori Naiser (M.S., Nutrition)	Round Rock, Texas
Marina Owusu-Ansah (M.S., Nutrition)	Mansfield, Texas
Mary Elizabeth Roberts (M.S., Nutrition)	Abilene, Texas
† Elizabeth Helena Sargeant (M.S., Nutrition)	Abilene, Texas
Takoyia Oneice Thompson (M.S., Nutrition)	Jacksonville, Texas
Anna Carroll Trammell (M.S., Nutrition)	Valley Mills, Texas
Ariana Celestina Trevino (M.S., Nutrition)	Schertz, Texas
Marissa Faith Wilks (M.S., Nutrition)	Fort Worth, Texas
Graysen Isabella Wright (M.S., Nutrition)	Abilene, Texas

Organizational Development

Angela Mechelle Chapman (M.S., Organizational Development)	Frisco, Texas
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Precision Medicine

Valerie Alvarez (M.S., Precision Medicine)	McAllen, Texas
Ian Bergfeld (M.S., Precision Medicine)	Phoenix, Arizona
Lorenza Black (M.S., Precision Medicine)	Phoenix, Arizona
Genna Gallas (M.S., Precision Medicine)	Avondale, Arizona
Carolina Martinez Murphy (M.S., Precision Medicine)	Abilene, Texas
Daniel Angelo Nogara (M.S., Precision Medicine)	Malverne, New York

College of Health and Behavioral Sciences

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Kaylee Lynn Adams (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Wichita Falls, Texas
Carol Addimando (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Whittier, California
Mary Claire Loring Banks (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Richardson, Texas
Torey Ann Bradshaw (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Abilene, Texas
Alyssa Nicole Campos (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Fort Worth, Texas
K'lynn Rae Carroll (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Abilene, Texas
Lauren Brooke Clevenger (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Farmers Branch, Texas
Rebecca Lynn Collier (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Farmers Branch, Texas
Madeline Denise Collins (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Addison, Texas
Lauren Nicole Corbett (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Fort Worth, Texas
Carissa Celeste Correa (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Dallas, Texas
Bailey Marie Davies (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Garland, Texas
Camryn Elizabeth Davis (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Clifton, Texas
Amanda Nicole Deno (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Pembroke Pines, Florida
Crystal Marie Dolan Delgado (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Watauga, Texas
Morgan Lynn Dyson (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Grapevine, Texas
Sarah Draughon Fream (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Plano, Texas
Julia Elizabeth Free (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Abilene, Texas
Ashton Faith Garner (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Stephenville, Texas
Ellie Grace Gribble (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Dallas, Texas
Emma Elizabeth Haston (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Carlsbad, New Mexico
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Madison Renee Kean (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	McKinney, Texas
Kaitlyn Dawn King (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Abilene, Texas
Emily Reine Larrea (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Austin, Texas
Autumn Marie Lattery-Robinson (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Rockwall, Texas
Anna Listmann (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Addison, Texas
Sarah Caitlin Mathews (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Abilene, Texas
† Nicole Mattern (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Sherman, Texas
Grace Meskerem Mekonnen (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Rowlett, Texas
Kayley Mileger Koenig (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Abilene, Texas
Abbey Ann Miller (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Addison, Texas
Keeley Moore Mungia (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Abilene, Texas
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Olivia Victoria Romanko (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Franklin, Tennessee
Shelby Santos (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Dallas, Texas
Jalyn Nicole Scott (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Abilene, Texas
Alyson L. Smith (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Carrollton, Texas
Emma Catherine Soth (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Abilene, Texas
Kaleigh Brooke Tom (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Abilene, Texas
Elizabeth Bailey Tutt (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Abilene, Texas
Emily Lauren Vallis (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Hoover, Alabama
Sarai Zamora (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Abilene, Texas
Allison Zitek Waterman (M.S., Speech-Language Pathology)	Abilene, Texas

Kinesiology and Nutrition

MeKaela Alyssa Bell (M.A.T.)	San Antonio, Texas
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Brianna Lyn Brauner (M.A.T.)	Seabrook, Texas
Courtney Nicole Bynum (M.A.T.)	Abilene, Texas
Brandon Wayne Garcia (M.A.T.)	Anthony, Texas
Halie J. Hall (M.A.T.)	Bakersfield, California
Jaci Delaine McElyea (M.S., Strength, Conditioning and Human Performance)	Sweetwater, Texas
Jonathan David Jay Olsson (M.S., Strength, Conditioning and Human Performance)	Emporia, Kansas
Maria Fernanda Rodriguez (M.A.T.)	Donna, Texas
Mackenzie Elizabeth Sellmyer (M.A.T.)	Amarillo, Texas
Rece Michael Stafford (M.S., Strength, Conditioning and Human Performance)	Frisco, Texas

Occupational Therapy

Anjaly Theresa Abraham (M.S., Occupational Therapy)	Abilene, Texas
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Caylee Michelle Brown (M.S., Occupational Therapy)	Abilene, Texas
Alexis Jade Burns (M.S., Occupational Therapy)	Abilene, Texas
McKenzie Nicole Creamer (M.S., Occupational Therapy)	Abilene, Texas
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Marisa Alyse Martinez (M.S., Occupational Therapy)	Abilene, Texas
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Hannah Leigh Clay Olsson (M.S., Occupational Therapy)	West Jordan, Utah
Sarah Hope Radtke (M.S., Occupational Therapy)	Abilene, Texas

Alexis Nicole Rule (M.S., Occupational Therapy)	Anna, Texas
Vincent Antwine Scott (M.S., Occupational Therapy)	Abilene, Texas
Savannah Marie Seipp (M.S., Occupational Therapy)	Alleyton, Texas
Summer Claire Snively (M.S., Occupational Therapy)	Winter Haven, Florida
† Micah Ann Thompson (M.S., Occupational Therapy)	Abilene, Texas
Valerie Lorraine Vaccari (M.S., Occupational Therapy)	Abilene, Texas
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Psychology

Haleigh Alyse Albrecht (M.S., Counseling Psychology)	Grapevine, Texas
Ella Tua-Talvikki Anttila (M.S., Counseling Psychology)	Helsinki, Finland
† Michael Edward Arruda (M.S., Counseling Psychology)	Abilene, Texas
Thesis: Efficacy of Suicide Prevention Trainings: An Analysis of Gatekeeper and Bystander Intervention Modalities	
Chair: Dr. Cherisse Flanagan	
Jonathan Barber (M.S., Counseling Psychology)	McDonough, Georgia
† Kathyanne Margaret Best (S.S.P., Specialist in School Psychology)	Carrollton, Texas
Samuel Austin Britten (M.S., Counseling Psychology)	Abilene, Texas
Hannah Lynee Cummings (M.S., Counseling Psychology)	Sugar Land, Texas
Taylor Rose Eldridge (M.S., Clinical Psychology)	Abilene, Texas
Thesis: Illness Perceptions and Health-Promoting Behaviors: The Buffering Role of Resilience in Adults with Congenital Heart Disease	
Chair: Dr. David P. McAnulty	
Julia Francisco (M.S., Counseling Psychology)	San Antonio, Texas
† Jacob Emerson Hanson (S.S.P., Specialist in School Psychology)	Grand Prairie, Texas
Caitlyn Ariel Irene Harvey (M.S., General Psychology)	Burleson, Texas
Thesis: Paranormal Beliefs and The Big Five: Extrinsic Optimism, Trust in People, and Fantasy Proneness	
Chair: Dr. Richard Beck	
Hannah Marie Holst (M.S., Clinical Psychology)	Abilene, Texas
Thesis: The Role of Impulsivity in Relation to the Co-Occurrence of Binge Eating and Binge Drinking	
Chair: Dr. Richard Beck	
Alexis Monay Miles (M.S., Counseling Psychology)	Abilene, Texas
† Mariah Bridget Primm (S.S.P., Specialist in School Psychology)	Fort Worth, Texas
Jessica Lynn Rickard (S.S.P., Specialist in School Psychology)	Abilene, Texas
Marlen Solis (M.S., Counseling Psychology)	Fort Worth, Texas
Sierra Laine Thompson (M.S., Counseling Psychology)	Merkel, Texas

School of Social Work

Rihan Katherine Carty (M.S.S.W.)	San Antonio, Texas
Keziah Kunnel Chacko (M.S.S.W.)	Abilene, Texas
Gloria Elizabeth Chappell (M.S.S.W.)	Rio Hondo, Texas
Ella Mckay Crimmings (M.S.S.W.)	Fort Worth, Texas
Thesis: Evaluating IMR-Defined Recovery Outcomes in Clients Receiving ACT Team Services	
Chair: Dr. Alan J. Lipps	
Anna Nicole Ecklar (M.S.S.W.)	Eules, Texas
Efrain Frank Ellin III (M.S.S.W.)	Abilene, Texas
Thesis: Comparative Analysis of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy's Effectiveness in an Intensive Outpatient Setting Program	
Chair: Dr. Alan J. Lipps	

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Madelyn Valleen Maxwell (M.S.S.W.)	Junction, Texas
Hannah Elizabeth Mercer (M.S.S.W.)	Abilene, Texas
Dakotah Lynn Orear (M.S.S.W.)	Abilene, Texas
Ashley Unique Perry (M.S.S.W.)	Abilene, Texas
Hannah Oceanna Rivera (M.S.S.W.)	New Braunfels, Texas
† Mackenzie Diane Stevens (M.S.S.W.)	Abilene, Texas
Grace Elizabeth Taylor (M.S.S.W.)	Abilene, Texas
Thesis: A Comparison of the Why Try Curriculum and Aggression Replacement Training in Adolescents at Risk for Family Breakdown	
Chair: Dr. Alan J. Lipps	
Anna Elizabeth Wasson (M.S.S.W.)	Corinth, Texas

Key to Degree Abbreviations

- D.Min. – Doctor of Ministry
- DNP – Doctor of Nursing Practice
- Ed.D. – Doctor of Education
- Ed.S. – Education Specialist
- M.A. – Master of Arts
- M.Acc. – Master of Accountancy
- M.A.C.M. – Master of Arts in Christian Ministry
- M.A.T. – Master of Athletic Training
- M.A.T.S. – Master of Arts in Theological Studies
- MBA – Master of Business Administration
- M.Div. – Master of Divinity
- M.Ed. – Master of Education
- M.H.A. – Master of Healthcare Administration
- M.M.F.T. – Master of Marriage and Family Therapy
- M.S. – Master of Science
- M.S.S.W. – Master of Science in Social Work
- S.S.P. – Specialist in School Psychology

Students listed in the program are candidates for the indicated degree, but inclusion in the program does not confirm a degree has been earned. The degree will only be awarded after all degree requirements have been completed.

Graduate Awards

Outstanding Dissertation

Amanda Jo Childress-Kannan (Ed.D., Organizational Leadership)

*The Role of Organizational Leadership in the Success of Higher Education Institutions:
A Portraiture Study on Ashesi University in Ghana*

Chair: Dr. Faith Ngunjiri

Outstanding Project

Marcy I. Harris (DNP)

Effects of Compassion Fatigue on Surgical Staff Productivity

Chair: Dr. Christina Ryan

Outstanding Thesis

Mary Heather Johnson (M.A., Communication)

“Vacation: All I Ever Wanted?”: A Qualitative Analysis of Travel Narratives from Interabled Families

Chair: Dr. Dorothy Andreas

Efrain Frank Ellin III (M.S.S.W.)

*Comparative Analysis of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy’s Effectiveness in an
Intensive Outpatient Setting Program*

Chair: Dr. Alan J. Lipps

Ashley Sade Miller (M.M.F.T., Marriage and Family Therapy)

Expectations and Marriageability in African Americans: A Qualitative Content Analysis

Chair: Dr. Joanna Méndez-Pounds



*Candidates for
Undergraduate
Degrees*

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
College of Biblical Studies
Onstead College of Science and Engineering

Order of Ceremony

Saturday, May 11, 2024 | 10 a.m.

Processional	“Pomp and Circumstance” by Sir Edward Elgar <i>Audience will please remain seated.</i>
Welcome	Dr. Susan Lewis <i>Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs</i>
Call to Worship “To God Be the Glory”	Dr. Jeff Goolsby <i>Associate Professor, Department of Music and Director, Choral Studies</i>
Scripture Reading	Dr. Nil Santana <i>Associate Professor, Department of Art and Design</i>
Invocation	Dr. Jerry Taylor <i>Associate Professor and Director, Carl Spain Center on Race Studies and Spiritual Action</i>
Introduction to Commencement	Dr. Robert Rhodes <i>Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs</i>
Master of Ceremonies	Dr. Phil Schubert <i>President</i>
Dale and Rita Brown Outlive Your Life Award	Dr. Phil Schubert <i>Honoree: Nancy Miller</i>
Senior Bible Presentation	Alli Dimmitt <i>President, Student Government Association, 2023-24</i>
Response	Josh Springer <i>President, Student Government Association, 2024-25</i>
Introduction of Commencement Speaker	Dr. Susan Lewis
A Charge to the Class of 2024	Michael Miller <i>Founder and Senior Pastor, UPPERROOM, Dallas, Texas</i>
Presentation and Conferring of Bachelor’s Degrees and Hooding of Graduates	Dr. Phil Schubert Dr. Robert Rhodes
Introduction of Bachelor’s Degree Graduates	Dr. Leslie Reed <i>Assistant Professor, Department of Language and Literature</i>
Presentation of Diplomas	April Anthony <i>Chair, Board of Trustees</i>

Presentation of Awards and Honors Dr. Susan Lewis

“Oh, Dear Christian College” Dr. Jeff Goolsby

“Oh, Dear Christian College”

Oh, dear Christian College, we love you, Our dear Alma Mater, today;
Like the stars shining brightly above you, Your fame shall shine brightly for aye.
To you we'll prove faithful and loyal, While ever upholding the right,
And gladly we'll give forth the royal, Three cheers for the purple and white.
Then we'll pledge our love to Christian, To her is honor due;
While we gaily sing let praises ring, For our Alma Mater true.

Benediction Dr. Houston Heflin
Professor, Department of Bible, Missions and Ministry

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You” Dr. Jeff Goolsby

Recessional “Crown Imperial” by Sir William Walton
Audience will please remain seated.

Each graduate will be greeted on stage by the dean of their college.

- Dr. Phil Schubert, *President*
- Dr. Robert Rhodes, *Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs*
- Dr. Susan Lewis, *Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs*
- Dr. George Saltsman, *Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dallas*
- Dr. Greg Straughn, *Dean, College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences*
- Dr. Ken Cukrowski, *Dean, College of Biblical Studies*
- Dr. Brad Crisp, *Dean, College of Business Administration*
- Dr. Nannette Glenn, *Dean, College of Graduate and Professional Studies*
- Dr. J. Dirk Nelson, *Dean, College of Health and Behavioral Sciences*
- Dr. Carson Reed, *Dean, Graduate School of Theology*
- Dr. Charla Miertschin, *Dean, Onstead College of Science and Engineering*

A reception for graduates and invited guests will follow the ceremony outside the south doors of Moody Coliseum in the mall area of campus.

NOTE TO AUDIENCE

Photographs for university publicity will be taken at this event.
Sign language interpretation is available in a reserved seating section in the front rows of section O2.

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Art and Design

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Westin Dane Brown (B.S., Graphic Design/Advertising) *Cum Laude* Fort Worth, Texas

Gena Rose Cabrera

(B.S., Graphic Design/Advertising) *Magna Cum Laude* Stockdale, Texas

Malinda Nicole Campbell (B.S., Interior Design) Blanco, Texas

Samantha Corinne Cole (B.F.A., Art) *Magna Cum Laude* Leander, Texas

Lainey Elizabeth Hale (B.F.A., Art) *Summa Cum Laude* Hamilton, Texas

Leah Jeannine Hanson (B.F.A., Art) *Summa Cum Laude* Gatesville, Texas

Noelle Ries Hess

(B.S., Interior Design; A.A., Architecture) *Magna Cum Laude* Waco, Texas

Emily Louise Kimball (B.S., Interior Design) *Magna Cum Laude* Lantana, Texas

Jacquelyn Hayley King (B.S., Interior Design; A.A., Architecture) Crowley, Texas

Rebekah Lyn Kooiman-Allcorn (B.S., Interior Design) *Magna Cum Laude* Spring, Texas

Daniel Eduardo Mejía Ochoa

(B.S., Graphic Design/Advertising) *Summa Cum Laude* Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Jacquelyn Wanyé Seiple (B.S., Interior Design) Carrizo Springs, Texas

Carly Marie Stewart (B.S., Graphic Design/Advertising) Flower Mound, Texas

Mary-Margaret Utter (B.F.A., Art) Carmel, Indiana

Brianna Lezah Van Sickle

(B.S., Interior Design; A.A., Architecture) Cedar Park, Texas

† Haley Alyce Warmsley

(B.S., Graphic Design/Advertising) *Summa Cum Laude* Mansfield, Texas

◇ Madison Grace Warren

(B.S., Interior Design; A.A., Architecture) *Summa Cum Laude* Abilene, Texas

Christina Nicole Zuzu (B.F.A., Art) Haslet, Texas

Communication and Sociology

Jessica Dale Boaz (B.A., Communication) *Magna Cum Laude* Stephenville, Montana

Abigail Marie Kallas (B.S., Communication) *Cum Laude* McKinney, Texas

† Christine Faith Kuenzi (B.S., Communication) Abilene, Texas

Terrance Donald Marshall Jr. (B.S., Sociology) Fresno, Texas

Kylie Nicole Patton (B.S., Communication) Sachse, Texas

Kayla Nicole Pedroncelli (B.S., Communication) Austin, Texas

◇ Hansen Alexander Penya (B.S., Sociology) *Summa Cum Laude* Abilene, Texas

◇ Chanlor Lawryne Pursley (B.S., Sociology) Abilene, Texas

†◇ Ashlee Avery Reed (B.S., Communication) *Summa Cum Laude* Cibolo, Texas

◇ Megan Renee Roos (B.A., Communication) *Summa Cum Laude* Robinson, Texas

◇ Emily Jean Van Dyke (B.S., Sociology) *Summa Cum Laude* Lathrup Village, Michigan

History and Global Studies

Mackenzie Beth Aduddell (B.S., Social Studies-Teaching)	Garland, Texas
◊ Lauren Eloise Angle (B.S., Social Studies-Teaching) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Princeton, Texas
Elizabeth Anne Barkus (B.A., History)	Escalon, California
Dayton-Turner Kekoalani Billington (B.S., Social Studies-Teaching) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Arlington, Texas
Kaleigh Brianne Martin (B.S., History-Teaching)	Abilene, Texas

Journalism and Mass Communication

Joseph Aidan Chapman (B.S., Multimedia)	Andrews, Texas
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Jennifer Kate Dement (B.S., Multimedia)	Baird, Texas
Jose Angel Enamorado (B.S., Multimedia)	Houston, Texas
Hailey Sarah Fletcher (B.S., Advertising/Public Relations)	League City, Texas
William Roland Fulbright (B.S., Advertising/Public Relations)	Fort Worth, Texas
Jalen Jordan Garrett (B.S., Multimedia)	Richardson, Texas
Damion St. Albert Hart Jr. (B.S., Advertising/Public Relations)	Shertz, Texas
Caroline Elizabeth Helm (B.S., Journalism)	Coppell, Texas
Amelia Lou Henderson (B.S., Advertising/Public Relations)	Boerne, Texas
Kaylee Rae Kahn (B.S., Journalism) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Wichita Falls, Texas
Ryland James Mallett (B.S., Multimedia)	Arlington, Texas
Bintu Raissa Malu-Malu (B.S., Journalism).....	Garland, Texas
Mariana Rosela Martinez Sandoval (B.S., Advertising/Public Relations)	Tatumbula, Honduras
Ella Faith Orlie (B.S., Advertising/Public Relations) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Arlington, Texas
Travis Poncho (B.S., Multimedia)	Houston, Texas
◊ Brenna Faith Raffels (B.S., Multimedia) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Magnolia, Texas
Holly Noel Reichling (B.S., Multimedia)	San Antonio, Texas
Zachary Robert Vogl (B.S., Multimedia)	North Richland Hills, Texas
◊ Jaylynn Corey Ward (B.A., Journalism) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Alaina Faith Willmon (B.S., Journalism) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Lufkin, Texas
Austin Scott Woomer (B.S., Multimedia)	Grapevine, Texas

Language and Literature

†◊ Micah DeLaney Bryant (B.A., English) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Joshua, Texas
Iveth Gabriela Bustillo Herrera (B.A., English)	Comayaguela, Honduras
◊ Madison Lynn Chedester (B.A., Spanish)	Sioux Falls, South Dakota
Brahlee Renee Chesnut (B.A., English)	Midland, Texas
†◊ Araliya Jennai Dooldeniya (B.A., English) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Austin, Texas
* Genevieve Faith Graessle (B.A., English) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Austin, Texas
Honors Thesis: "It's Literally Impossible to Be a Woman:" Female Depictions in the Films of Greta Gerwig	
Gabrielle E. Lucas (B.A., English)	Grapevine, Texas
Emily Grace Mazar (B.A., English) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Austin, Texas
† Katherine Elizabeth Spruce (B.A., English-Teaching) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Flower Mound, Texas
†◊* Eowyn Fair Stewart (B.A., English) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Honors Thesis: A Hero in Tears: How the Female Gaze Elicits Male Emotional Vulnerability in Romance Novels	

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◊ University Scholar

Liberal Studies

Joseph K. Baluti (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Grand Prairie, Texas
Joel Thomas Bell (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Lovington, New Mexico
Paige Madison Bevers (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Weatherford, Texas
Cameron Wayne Byrom (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Valley View, Texas
Matthew Brian Crisp (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Dallas, Texas
Benjamin Dewayne Greer (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Pearland, Texas
Shiori Iimuro (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Ibaraki, Japan
Faith Rachelle Johnson (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Dallas, Texas
Kaylin Jo Johnson (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Blaine, Minnesota
Amanda Hailey Klimisch (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Waco, Texas
Luke Tony Krkovski (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Woronora, Australia
Hunter Jack Madden (B.S., Liberal Studies)	La Junta, Australia
Jochebed Oduro (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Abilene, Texas
Alyssa Victoria Phillips (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Westlake, Texas
Alyssa J. Powell (B.S., Liberal Studies)	La Porte, Texas
Caleb Averill Queen (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Abilene, Texas
Doris Matea Sepulveda (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Edinburg, Texas
Airion Farad Simmons (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Little Rock, Arkansas
Thomas Wallace Sorensen (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Lewisville, Texas
Acailah Dyann Taylor (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Fort Worth, Texas
Yunxi Wei (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Shenyang, China
Timothy Alexander Yanta II (B.S., Liberal Studies)	Hobson, Texas

Music

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Jessica Shelby Gorski (B.A., Music)	Fulshear, Texas
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Josephine Meredith Mueller (B.A., Music)	Conroe, Texas
◇ Jenna Marie Rickerhauser (B.M., Music-Teaching, Voice-All Level) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Fredericksburg, Texas
Jalyn Monique Thomas (B.A., Music)	McKinney, Texas
Hannah Faith Yeates (B.A., Music)	Conroe, Texas
Ryan Mitchell Young (B.M., Vocal Performance)	Haslet, Texas

Political Science and Criminal Justice

Savannah Nicole Alaksin (B.S., Criminal Justice)	Big Spring, Texas
† Alli Nicole Dimmitt (B.A., Political Science) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Bonita Springs, Florida
Tristan Drue Edwards (B.S., Criminal Justice)	Pottsboro, Texas
Virginia Jacqueline Galindo (B.S., Criminal Justice)	Dallas, Texas
◇* Isabel Erin Hodgson (B.A., Political Science) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Lubbock, Texas
Honors Thesis: Dissatisfaction and Eroding Institutional Confidence: Examining German Perspectives of the 'Alternative für Deutschland' and Its Impact on the German Party System	
Trenton Owen Lacewell (B.S., Criminal Justice)	Fort Worth, Texas
◇ Hannah Rose Maniscalco (B.A., Political Science) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Spring, Texas

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◇ University Scholar

Sabrina Molina (B.A., Criminal Justice)	Kerrville, Texas
Tia Chambray Morris (B.S., Criminal Justice)	Humble, Texas
Stephanie Enya Newberry (B.A., Political Science) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Socorro, Texas
Jackson James Smith (B.A., Political Science) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Jazilyn L. Torres (B.S., Criminal Justice)	Abilene, Texas
◇ Emily Jean Van Dyke (B.S., Criminal Justice) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Lathrup Village, Michigan
Veronica Presley Vernon (B.S., Criminal Justice) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Clyde, Texas
Allison Anne Vogt (B.A., Political Science) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Jaylynn Corey Ward (B.A., Political Science) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Madison Faith Williams (B.S., Criminal Justice)	Abilene, Texas
Carson Kent Zimmerman (B.S., Criminal Justice) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Beaumont, Texas

School of Education

Alexis Grace Alvarez (B.S., Interdisciplinary Studies, Elementary) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Killeen, Texas
Kaylee Lauren Bentle (B.S., Interdisciplinary Studies, Elementary) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Annie Kate Bruck (B.S., Special Education, Elementary)	McKinney, Texas
Cally Renee Cook (B.S., Interdisciplinary Studies, Elementary) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Wylie, Texas
Kelsey Louise Davis (B.S., Special Education, Elementary) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	San Antonio, Texas
Taylor Marie Forestiere (B.S., Interdisciplinary Studies, Elementary)	Clovis, California
Kaylyn Mariann Hays (B.S., Interdisciplinary Studies, Elementary)	Kaufman, Texas
Ashley Janine Jacobson (B.S., Interdisciplinary Studies, Elementary) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Austin, Texas
† Abigail Ann Jameson (B.S., Middle School Education) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Mansfield, Texas
Lauren Elizabeth McMahan (B.S., Interdisciplinary Studies, Elementary) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Hurst, Texas
† Audrey Elizabeth McReynolds (B.S., Interdisciplinary Studies, Elementary) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Burleson, Texas
Anissa Marie O'Dell (B.S., Interdisciplinary Studies, Elementary) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	San Antonio, Texas
Elizabeth Claire Pitcock (B.S., Interdisciplinary Studies, Elementary) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Katy, Texas
† Erin Samantha Schlotzhauer (B.S., Special Education, Elementary) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Burleson, Texas
Kaitlyn Michele Sears (B.S., Interdisciplinary Studies, Elementary) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Rockwall, Texas
Grace Elizabeth Thielen (B.S., Middle School Education) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Lakewood, Colorado
Katy Elizabeth Wall (B.S., Middle School Education) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Midland, Texas
Vanessa Gail Williams (B.S., Interdisciplinary Studies, Elementary)	Arlington, Texas

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Theatre

Samantha Shea Brant (B.F.A., Theatre)	Abilene, Texas
Ryan Po Kiu Chu (B.F.A., Theatre)	Cedar Park, Texas
Nouwen Katarina Craft (B.F.A., Theatre) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Murphy, Texas
† Melissa Ann Henderson (B.F.A., Theatre)	Abilene, Texas
Joshua Roy Hervey (B.F.A., Theatre)	Abilene, Texas
Rose Ralston Lee-Alliston (B.F.A., Theatre)	Bedlington, England
Gabriella Mackenzi Lopez (B.F.A., Theatre)	Haslet, Texas
Chloe Noelle Munson (B.F.A., Theatre) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Grapevine, Texas
Morgan Lee Whitley (B.F.A., Theatre)	Georgetown, Texas

College of Biblical Studies

Bible, Missions and Ministry

Brayden Walker Ashorn (B.A., Ministry and Vocation) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Sealy, Texas
Amanda Grace Barrett (B.A., Ministry and Vocation)	San Antonio, Texas
Lane Carpenter Bloomer (B.A., Bible and Ministry) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Lubbock, Texas
Hannah Nicole Brooks (B.A., Ministry and Vocation) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Liberty Hill, Texas
Ryan Tyler Burks (B.A., Bible and Ministry)	Double Oak, Texas
◇ Emma Sue Daman (B.A., Bible and Ministry) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Midland, Texas
Abigail Duran (B.A., Bible and Ministry) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Las Vegas, Nevada
Madelyn S. Daly (B.A., Bible and Ministry)	Georgetown, Texas
Hailee Elizabeth L. Holtz (B.A., Ministry and Vocation)	Kaufman, Texas
Emma Grace Hurst (B.A., Ministry and Vocation) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Southlake, Texas
Hannah Marie Irby (B.A., Ministry and Vocation)	Celina, Texas
Ashley E. Kearns (B.A., Bible and Ministry) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Houston, Texas
Isaiah Joseph McDaniel (B.A., Ministry and Vocation)	Boerne, Texas
Dan Rainey Owen (B.A., Bible and Ministry)	Lindale, Texas
Rivers Kayden Rich (B.A., Bible and Ministry)	Boerne, Texas
Michael Alexander Roberts (B.A., Bible and Ministry) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Liberty Hill, Texas
Oscar Angel Rocha (B.A., Ministry and Vocation)	Abilene, Texas
◇ Genevieve Grace Sukach (B.A., Ministry and Vocation; Bible and Ministry) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> ...	Grapevine, Texas
Sunshine Aurora Taylor (B.A., Ministry and Vocation)	Abilene, Texas
Nadyne Elizabeth Wilson (B.A., Ministry and Vocation)	San Antonio, Texas
Tyler Davis Young (B.A., Bible and Ministry) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Chattanooga, Tennessee

Marriage and Family Studies

Brianna Marie Arnold (B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Marble Falls, Texas
Logan Jaye Bourland (B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Zoe Grace Dalessandri (B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Glendale, Arizona
Payton Leechele Dove (B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Lubbock, Texas

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◇ Audrey Grace Dykhoff	(B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Austin, Texas
Alexis Jade Flores	(B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Celina, Texas
† Gabriela Nicole Garcia	(B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	San Antonio, Texas
Marlee Ryane Goode	(B.S., Child and Family Services)	Abilene, Texas
Haley Lynn Hanson	(B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Baird, Texas
Sage Monet Kroeger	(B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Keller, Texas
Amberly MaRee McCright	(B.S., Child and Family Services)	The Colony, Texas
Zoe Kathryn McMillen	(B.S., Child and Family Services)	Rowlett, Texas
Paige Renee Petree	(B.S., Child and Family Services)	Abilene, Texas
Hannah Megan Reynolds	(B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	El Paso, Texas
Madison Kate Ross	(B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Ada, Oklahoma
Andie Jae Sheppard	(B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Midland, Texas
Mya Alexia Sifuentes	(B.S., Child and Family Services)	San Antonio, Texas
Nikki Leanne Smith	(B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Sadler, Texas
Darcy Elizabeth Stiefer	(B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Tyler, Texas
Olivia Grace Weatherford	(B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Mansfield, Texas
† Céci R. Widder	(B.S., Child and Family Services) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Jessica Loren Wright	(B.S., Child and Family Services)	Delaware, Ohio

Onstead College of Science and Engineering

Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

Teresa Irene Alegria	(B.S., Animal Science)	Saginaw, Texas
McKensy Marie Cleek	(B.S., Agribusiness)	San Antonio, Texas
Rylee Ann Fick	(B.S., Environmental Science)	Richmond, Texas
Brissa Marie Guzman	(B.S., Environmental Science)	Abilene, Texas
Avy Marie Langston	(B.S., Environmental Science)	Colleyville, Texas
◇ Elizabeth Anne Locke	(B.S., Animal Science) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Franklin, Tennessee
Ian J. Massey	(B.S., Environmental Science)	Benbrook, Texas
Rafael Orozco Jr.	(B.S., Agribusiness)	Abilene, Texas
Kendyl Grace Rogers	(B.S., Environmental Science)	Arlington, Texas
Taylor Anne Stephen	(B.S., Animal Science)	Southlake, Texas
◇ Emily Brooke Thornock	(B.S., Environmental Science)	Shawano, Wisconsin

Biology

Macy Elizabeth Alexander	(B.S., Biology)	Ledbetter, Texas
†◇ Evan Milton Babb	(B.S., Biology) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Lubbock, Texas
◇ Noah David Bales	(B.S., Biology)	Valley Center, California

† Parker Cooke Carson (B.S., Biology) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Turkey, Texas
Maryjoe Rachel Crisologo (B.S., Biology) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Surrey, Canada
David Randal Denton (B.S., Biology) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Tioga, Texas
Gabriel John Embree (B.S., Biology) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Decatur, Texas
Lily Michele Foster (B.S., Biology) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Couer D'Alene, Idaho
Daniel Joshua Garton (B.S., Biology)	College Station, Texas
Evan Tyler Gordon (B.A., Biology)	Arlington, Texas
Victoria Eve Haynes (B.S., Biology) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Garland, Texas
† Joshua Ryan Holt (B.S., Biology) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Fort Worth, Texas
◇* Darby Elizabeth Ice (B.S., Biology-Teaching) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Honors Thesis: Effects of the Implementation of Mastery Grading in an Introductory Biology Course	
Gentry Olivia Lamberth (B.A., Biology) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Fort Worth, Texas
† Juandedios Angel Mendoza III (B.S., Biology) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Odessa, Texas
Cayden Job Meyer (B.S., Biology) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Salado, Texas
Bianca Selene Porras (B.S., Biology)	Midland, Texas
Ramon Ernesto Ramos III (B.S., Biology)	Flower Mound, Texas
Andrea Alejandra Saravia (B.S., Biology)	Converse, Texas
D'anna D'nae Smith (B.S., Biology)	Burleson, Texas
Cameron Lofness Steele (B.S., Biology) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Excelsior, Minnesota
†◇ Adam Kendall Thomas (B.S., Biology) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Austin, Texas

Chemistry and Biochemistry

†◇ Evan Milton Babb	
(B.S., Biochemistry; Chemistry) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Lubbock, Texas
Brookelynn Nicole Burks (B.S., Biochemistry) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Anchorage, Alaska
Oscar Giovanni Caballero (B.S., Biochemistry)	Mesquite, Texas
◇ Madison Lynn Chedester (B.S., Biochemistry)	Sioux Falls, South Dakota
Christopher Preston Combs (B.S., Biochemistry)	Austin, Texas
Miranda R. Davila (B.S., Biochemistry)	Belton, Texas
Meeyah L. Davis (B.S., Biochemistry)	Teague, Texas
Jessica Shelby Gorski (B.A., Biochemistry)	Fulshear, Texas
◇ Aspen Sienna Malone (B.S., Biochemistry) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Amarillo, Texas
◇ Sophia Faith Neale (B.S., Biochemistry) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Denton, Texas
◇ Emily Estella Osborn (B.S., Chemistry) <i>Cum Laude</i>	San Antonio, Texas
Allison Paige Roberts (B.S., Biochemistry) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Boerne, Texas
Ryan Jackson Rogers (B.S., Biochemistry)	Argyle, Texas
†◇ Adam Kendall Thomas (B.S., Biochemistry) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Austin, Texas

Engineering and Physics

†◇ Jesse David Becker (B.S.E., Engineering) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Springtown, Texas
Jared Michael Beltran-Guerrero (B.S.E., Engineering)	El Paso, Texas
Lawson Dean Berry (B.S.E., Engineering)	Granbury, Texas
Matthew Santos Castillo-Flowers (B.S.E., Engineering)	Canutillo, Texas
Dawson James Cate (B.S.E., Engineering)	Boerne, Texas
Jonathan D. Creel (B.S.E., Engineering)	Abilene, Texas
John Carter Dalton (B.S.E., Engineering)	Little Rock, Arkansas

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Ziyu Gao (B.S., Physics)	Shanghai, China
Katelyn Victoria Graham (B.S.E., Engineering) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Roswell, New Mexico
Ashton Elizabeth Guerry (B.S.E., Engineering) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Carrollton, Texas
Kathryn Jean Hise (B.S., Physics) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	McKinney, Texas
Rylie Lorraine James (B.S.E., Engineering) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Aubrey, Texas
Sydney Michelle Kaiser (B.S.E., Engineering) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Pflugerville, Texas
Scott Matthew Marston (B.S.E., Engineering) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Keelin Rose McKeon (B.S.E., Engineering)	Abilene, Texas
◇ Skylar Gage McLerran (B.S., Physics) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Corinth, Texas
Nganizi Theodore Mirimo (B.S., Physics)	Kicukiro, Rwanda
Zacchaeus Caleb Morphew (B.S.E., Engineering) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Devine, Texas
Makayla Rose Moulton (B.S.E., Engineering)	Burleson, Texas
Carson John Noack (B.S.E., Engineering)	Manvel, Texas
Julia Grace Parker (B.S.E., Engineering) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Dallas, Texas
Wyatt Lee Reeves (B.S.E., Engineering)	Runaway Bay, Texas
Kaleb Jared Reyna (B.S.E., Engineering)	Abilene, Texas
Cornelio Christopher Rodriquez Jr. (B.S.E., Engineering) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Bertha Carolina Sanchez (B.S.E., Engineering) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
†◇ Colby James Smith (B.S.E., Engineering) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Weatherford, Texas
Evan James Stone (B.S.E., Engineering)	San Antonio, Texas
Aubrey Johnette Trumbo (B.S., Physics)	Hawley, Texas
†◇ Kaden P. Vasquez (B.S., Physics) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Wichita Falls, Texas
O'Brien David Verdin (B.S.E., Engineering)	Carlsbad, New Mexico
Nicholas Michael Viola (B.S.E., Engineering)	Abilene, Texas





*Candidates for
Undergraduate
Degrees*

College of Business Administration
College of Graduate and Professional Studies
College of Health and Behavioral Sciences

Order of Ceremony

Saturday, May 11, 2024 | 2 p.m.

Processional “Pomp and Circumstance” by Sir Edward Elgar
Audience will please remain seated.

Welcome Dr. Susan Lewis
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Call to Worship “To God Be the Glory” Dr. Jeff Goolsby
Associate Professor, Department of Music and Director, Choral Studies

Scripture Reading Dr. Nil Santana
Associate Professor, Department of Art and Design

Invocation Dr. Jerry Taylor
Associate Professor and Director, Carl Spain Center on Race Studies and Spiritual Action

Introduction to Commencement Dr. Robert Rhodes
Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Master of Ceremonies Dr. Phil Schubert
President

Dale and Rita Brown Outlive Your Life Award Dr. Phil Schubert
Honoree: Nancy Miller

Senior Bible Presentation Alli Dimmitt
President, Student Government Association, 2023-24

Response Josh Springer
President, Student Government Association, 2024-25

Introduction of Commencement Speaker Dr. Susan Lewis

A Charge to the Class of 2024 Michael Miller
Founder and Senior Pastor, UPPERROOM, Dallas, Texas

Presentation and Conferring of Bachelor’s Degrees and Hooding of Graduates
Dr. Phil Schubert
Dr. Robert Rhodes

Introduction of Bachelor’s Degree Graduates	Monica Garcia <i>Instructor and Director of Clinical Education, Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders</i>
Presentation of Diplomas.....	April Anthony <i>Chair, Board of Trustees</i>
Presentation of Awards and Honors	Dr. Susan Lewis
“Oh, Dear Christian College”	Dr. Jeff Goolsby
Benediction	Dr. Houston Heflin <i>Professor, Department of Bible, Missions and Ministry</i>
“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”	Dr. Jeff Goolsby
Recessional	“Crown Imperial” by Sir William Walton <i>Audience will please remain seated.</i>

Each graduate will be greeted on stage by the dean of their college.

Dr. Phil Schubert, *President*

Dr. Robert Rhodes, *Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs*

Dr. Susan Lewis, *Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs*

Dr. George Saltsman, *Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dallas*

Dr. Greg Straughn, *Dean, College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences*

Dr. Ken Cukrowski, *Dean, College of Biblical Studies*

Dr. Brad Crisp, *Dean, College of Business Administration*

Dr. Nannette Glenn, *Dean, College of Graduate and Professional Studies*

Dr. J. Dirk Nelson, *Dean, College of Health and Behavioral Sciences*

Dr. Carson Reed, *Dean, Graduate School of Theology*

Dr. Charla Miertschin, *Dean, Onstead College of Science and Engineering*

A reception for graduates and invited guests will follow the ceremony outside the south doors of Moody Coliseum in the mall area of campus.

NOTE TO AUDIENCE

Photographs for university publicity will be taken at this event.

Sign language interpretation is available in a reserved seating section in the front rows of section 02.

College of Business Administration

Accounting

Taylor Samuel Blankenship (B.B.A., Accounting)	Burleson, Texas
◇ Annie Catherine Carter (B.B.A., Accounting) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	North Richland Hills, Texas
Eunsu Choi (B.B.A., Accounting)	Yongsan, Korea
Mihaly Adam Deli (B.B.A., Accounting) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Budapest, Hungary
Zachary David Dodson (B.B.A., Accounting)	Plano, Texas
Dennis Byron Herrold (B.B.A., Accounting)	Fort Worth, Texas
Mathew Carey Hiscock (B.B.A., Accounting)	Abilene, Texas
†◇ Madison Lynn Hopcus (B.B.A., Accounting) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Seguin, Texas
Emma Kaye Jaax (B.B.A., Accounting) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Boerne, Texas
Benjamin Leon McDonald (B.B.A., Accounting) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Plano, Texas
Katelynn Olivia Oksanen (B.B.A., Accounting) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Wylie, Texas
Austin Cade Petree (B.B.A., Accounting) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Hayden Poorman (B.B.A., Accounting) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Buffalo Gap, Texas
Madalyn Zana-Jean Rickert (B.B.A., Accounting) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Granbury, Texas
Hannah Elizabeth Ruf (B.B.A., Accounting) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Frisco, Texas
Carlee Hope Schaeffer (B.B.A., Accounting) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Allen, Texas
Destini Tranise Smith (B.B.A., Accounting)	Dallas, Texas
Sarah Elizabeth Trollope (B.B.A., Accounting) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Leander, Texas
Brandon Lee White (B.B.A., Accounting)	Keller, Texas
Derick Ryan Willis (B.B.A., Accounting)	Anson, Texas
Yeshun XU (B.B.A., Accounting)	Zhejiang, China

Dukes School of Finance

Landon Scott Bible (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Abilene, Texas
Taylor Samuel Blankenship (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Burleson, Texas
Peyton Michael Bruce (B.B.A., Financial Management) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Keller, Texas
Micah Matthew Burrow (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Abilene, Texas
Zachary David Dodson (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Plano, Texas
Lacy Noel Dowdy (B.B.A., Financial Management) <i>Cum Laude</i>	New Braunfels, Texas
Jared Edward Farmer (B.B.A., Financial Management)	San Antonio, Texas
Neal Bradley Helgerson (B.B.A., Financial Management) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Temple, Texas
Dennis Byron Herrold (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Fort Worth, Texas
Reid Evan Heuerman (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Abilene, Texas
Mathew Carey Hiscock (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Abilene, Texas
†◇ Madison Lynn Hopcus (B.B.A., Financial Management) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Seguin, Texas
Emma Kaye Jaax (B.B.A., Financial Management) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Boerne, Texas
Yuliana Jaramillo (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Grand Prairie, Texas
Matthew Ryan Madison (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Midland, Texas
Nathan Thomas Marshall (B.B.A., Financial Management) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Whitewright, Texas

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Austin Cade Petree (B.B.A., Financial Management) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Hayden Poorman (B.B.A., Financial Management) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Buffalo Gap, Texas
Jeremiah K. Presley (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Abilene, Texas
Madalyn Zana-Jean Rickert (B.B.A., Financial Management) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Granbury, Texas
Hannah Elizabeth Ruf (B.B.A., Financial Management) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Frisco, Texas
Conner Ryan Ruffin (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Buffalo Gap, Texas
Carter Jay Sanders (B.B.A., Finance) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Carlee Hope Schaeffer (B.B.A., Financial Management) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Allen, Texas
Emma Kate Schecter (B.B.A., Finance)	North Richland Hills, Texas
† Robert Springer Serfass (B.B.A., Finance)	Austin, Texas
Shannon Grace Sosebee (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Abilene, Texas
Matthew Harold Trow (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Spring, Texas
Chaney Brock Tucker (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Abilene, Texas
Nathaniel Payne Webb (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Benbrook, Texas
Brandon Lee White (B.B.A., Financial Management)	Keller, Texas
Donovan Grant Young (B.B.A., Financial Management)	North Zulch, Texas

Management Sciences

Julia Faith Alfinito (B.B.A., Marketing)	Trophy Club, Texas
Bader Alsahli (B.B.A., Information Systems)	Kuwait City, Kuwait
Clayton Ryan Arnett (B.B.A., Information Systems)	Argyle, Texas
Benjamin Jace Brandon (B.B.A., Management; Marketing)	College Station, Texas
Bay Donald Brannan (B.B.A., Information Systems) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Buffalo Gap, Texas
Thomas Andersen Bridges (B.B.A., Information Systems)	Willow Park, Texas
Brooke Ainsley Bullock (B.B.A., Marketing)	Magnolia, Texas
† Zion Thomas Burton (B.B.A., Marketing) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Bryan Josiah Campbell (B.B.A., Management) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Converse, Texas
Bridget Elizabeth Clem (B.B.A., Management) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Mason Daniel Cochran (B.B.A., Marketing)	Midland, Texas
Rolando Rafael De La Cruz Rodriguez (B.B.A., Management)	Newark, New Jersey
Madison Jaymes Dobecka (B.B.A., Marketing)	Leander, Texas
Garrett Wesley Fowler (B.B.A., Management)	Spring, Texas
† Johnni LeAnn Fuller (B.B.A., Management) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Waxahachie, Texas
Kimberly E. Guido (B.B.A., Management; Marketing)	Farmers Branch, Texas
◇ Emiley Morgan Hale (B.B.A., Marketing) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Hamilton, Texas
Alyssa Leanne Hix (B.B.A., Management)	Westlake, Texas
◇ Blake Christopher Hoybach (B.B.A., Marketing) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Manvel, Texas
Charles Alexander Jackson (B.B.A., Marketing)	Norman, Oklahoma
Anna Lee Johnston (B.B.A., Management; Marketing) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Woodway, Texas
Marcayll Jones (B.B.A., Management)	Warner Robins, Georgia
Calvin Palmer Landis (B.B.A., Management)	San Antonio, Texas
Natalie Elizabeth Lewis (B.B.A., Marketing)	Spring, Texas

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Riley Scott Mankins (B.B.A., Management; Marketing)	San Antonio, Texas
Nathan Thomas Marshall (B.B.A., Information Systems) <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Whitewright, Texas
Tatum Denae McClellan (B.B.A., Marketing) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Abilene, Texas
Matthew Paul Mills (B.B.A., Marketing)	New Braunfels, Texas
Abigail Dawn Mitchell (B.B.A., Management)	Burleson, Texas
Michael Dax Morris (B.B.A., Management)	Abilene, Texas
Jackson Christopher Nielsen (B.B.A., Management) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Southlake, Texas
Rapha Shemeza Nsenga (B.B.A., Information Systems)	Fort Worth, Texas
Jessica Pam Pam (B.B.A., Management) <i>Cum Laude</i>	Princeton, Texas
Chloe Pryor (B.B.A., Marketing; Management)	Colleyville, Texas
Chloe Breann Robinson (B.B.A., Management)	Garland, Texas
Kaitlyn Elizabeth Rodriguez (B.B.A., Management) <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Collinsville, Texas
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Key to Degree Abbreviations

- A.A. – Associate of Arts
- B.A. – Bachelor of Arts
- B.B.A. – Bachelor of Business Administration
- B.F.A. – Bachelor of Fine Arts
- B.M. – Bachelor of Music
- B.S. – Bachelor of Science
- B.S.E. – Bachelor of Science in Engineering
- B.S.N. – Bachelor of Science in Nursing

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Anna Victoria Chen	Aspen Sienna Malone	Erin Samantha Schlotzhauer
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Peyton Jane Deffenbaugh	Audrey Elizabeth McReynolds	Ryder Smith
Alli Nicole Dimmitt	Daniel Eduardo Mejía Ochoa	Eowyn Fair Stewart
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Gabriela Nicole Garcia	Katelynn Olivia Oksanen	Haley Alyce Warmesley
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Honor Man

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Alli Dimmitt

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Meeyah Davis • Audrey Dykhoff
Erin Hodgson • Darcy Stiefer

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Evan Babb • Juan Mendoza
Matthews Mills

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For the Purple and White,



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