



THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY

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# COMMENCEMENT

FALL 2022



## National Champions

In April 2021, the UTRGV Chess Team defended its title as national collegiate chess champions and claimed its third consecutive President's Cup in the Final Four of College Chess.

## First-class University

UTRGV was named a 2021 Top Colleges for Your Money by Forbes.com, joining a prestigious list that also includes Stanford, Princeton, Georgia Tech, Harvard and MIT. UTRGV ranked eighth on the list (5th among public schools) and was the only Texas university ranked among the top 10.

## Tuition Advantage

Launching in Fall 2022, Tuition Advantage will cover the cost of tuition and mandatory fees for students with a family income of \$125,000 or less and who have unmet financial need.

## Transforming Healthcare

UTRGV's School of Medicine graduated its inaugural class in May 2020 and soon will graduate its fourth class. All graduates are continuing their clinical training in residency programs at hospitals here in the Rio Grande Valley, across Texas, and throughout the United States. UT Health Rio Grande Valley, the clinical practice of the UTRGV School of Medicine, proudly continues to support the Valley's medical response to the pandemic and currently has 32 clinical sites providing over 100 miles of care spanning from La Victoria in Starr County to Laguna Vista in Cameron County.



## Philanthropic Support

UTRGV has received almost \$210 million in private fundraising, including:

- A \$40 million donation from MacKenzie Scott
- A \$38 million donation to establish the THRIVE medical hub project
- The naming of The Robert C. Vackar College of Business and Entrepreneurship
- The establishment of hundreds of undergraduate and graduate endowed scholarships

## Cancer and Surgery Center

UTRGV and community leaders broke ground on the much-anticipated UT Health RGV Cancer and Surgery Center, which is part of UT Health RGV's commitment to expanding healthcare offerings in South Texas.

The three-story facility will include access to underserved medical specialties and clinical services in cancer care such as medical, radiation and surgical oncology, with additional opportunities to expand the cancer research being conducted at UTRGV and at its School of Medicine. The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, world leader in cancer care and research, is providing advisory services, to help develop and launch the cancer program in the Rio Grande Valley.



# Dear Class of 2022,

On behalf of everyone at the university, congratulations on your graduation!

You have truly accomplished something remarkable: You have gotten through the most disruptive period ever in the history of American higher education. Along the way, you learned about resiliency and perseverance — important life lessons that will only help you, as you embark on your professional career.

Chances are, you can probably name a few people who helped shape you into the person you've become. Your graduation milestone is also for them. UTRGV stands alongside your family and friends with a great sense of pride in your achievement. All the hard work and sacrifices you made have paid off. Though the homework and late-night study sessions are over, the friendships you made at UTRGV along the way will always remain with you.

You are now a UTRGV graduate, and you join a family of over 125,000 proud and successful alumni across the world. Like those who came before you, you have paved the way for students who will follow in your footsteps. As you begin the next chapter of your life, remember that the stature of UTRGV and the success of future students will be significantly enhanced by your success.

The Office of Alumni Relations invites you to stay connected with your alma mater and share your accomplishments. Follow the Office of Alumni Relations on Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter at UTRGV Alumni and Legacy or email them at [alumni@utrgv.edu](mailto:alumni@utrgv.edu).

Again, congratulations on your graduation. We wish you continued success, and we remind you that UTRGV will always be your home. You will forever be part of our Vaqueros family. Your friends, family, and everyone at UTRGV salute you - V's Up!

Sincerely,

**Guy Bailey, President**  
The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley



## Order of Exercises

Welcome Remarks .....	Master of Ceremonies
National Anthem .....	Monica Garza, UTRGV School of Music Alum
Alma Mater .....	
Presidential Remarks .....	Guy Bailey, Ph.D.
Conferral of Degrees and Executive Vice President and Provost's Remarks .....	Janna Arney, Ph.D.
Conferral of Degrees (Friday, December 16 at 1 p.m.) .....	Nolan Perez, M.D.
Deans' Remarks and Presentation of Graduates by College .....	Deans

## Bell Ringers

### Edinburg Ceremonies .....

9 a.m.	1 p.m.	5 p.m.	Brownsville Ceremony 4 p.m.
<b>John D. Medrano</b> College of Fine Arts	<b>Marco V. Charles</b> College of Engineering & Computer Science	<b>Jovanni K. Galvan</b> School of Social Work	<b>Andrew Delgadillo</b> College of Health Professions
<b>Natalia De La Garza</b> Robert C. Vackar College of Business & Entrepreneurship	<b>Megan S. Solis</b> College of Sciences  <b>Arely Solis-Gonzalez</b> College of Education & P-16 Integration	<b>Ailyn M. Arevalo</b> School of Nursing	<b>Alondra F. Gonzalez</b> College of Liberal Arts

## Mace Bearers

### Edinburg Ceremonies .....

9 a.m.	1 p.m.	5 p.m.	Brownsville Ceremony 4 p.m.
<b>Diana Paz, Pharm. D, MBA</b> College of Health Professions	<b>Jorge Vidal, M.Arch, ASCE, AEI</b> College of Engineering & Computer Science	<b>Nancy Nadeau, RN, BSN, MSN</b> School of Nursing	<b>Karin Lewis, Ph.D.</b> College of Education & P-16 Integration

## Master of Ceremonies

Carlo Tamayo, Ph.D.....	Associate Director of Outreach
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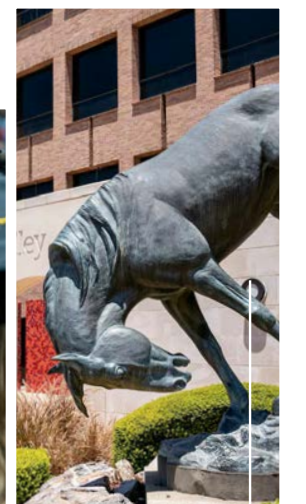
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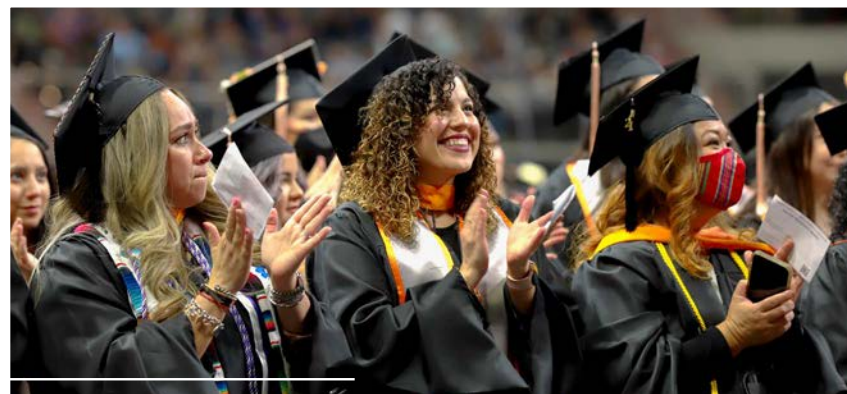
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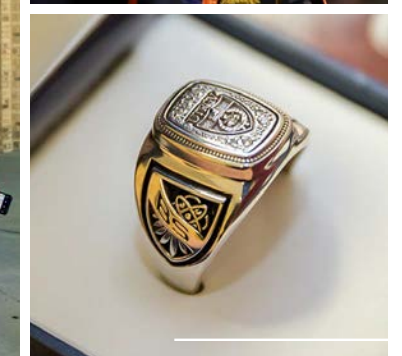
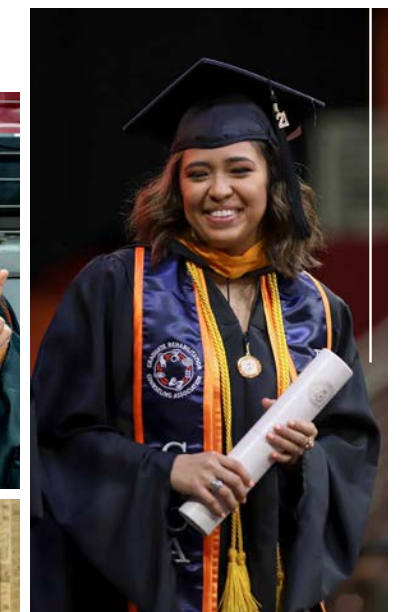
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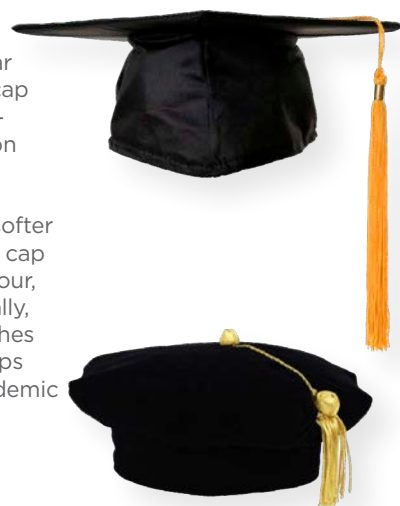


## Costumes and Customs of Commencement

The colorful costumes and traditional customs of college commencements trace their beginnings back to the origins of the contemporary university in medieval Europe. Modern American colleges and universities carry on many traditions that began at Oxford and Cambridge to demonstrate the continuity of learning over the centuries and to emphasize the importance attached to commencement exercises. Academic regalia refer to the distinctive attire worn by students, faculty, and other university officials at commencement. The origins of academic dress date back to the 12th and 13th centuries, when universities were taking form. The ordinary dress of the scholar, whether student or teacher, was the dress of a cleric. Though the custom of wearing academic dress was brought to America in colonial times, it was not until 1895 that a standardized code of academic dress was established and followed by most colleges and universities. The gown, hood, cap, and additional ornaments are the main categories of academic regalia and are distinctive for each degree.

### Caps

Headwear is an important component of the cap and gown, and the academic costume is not complete without it. The standard commencement headwear is the Oxford cap: a skullcap topped by a square cloth-covered board - the reason for its "mortarboard" nickname. Some doctoral faculty members wear a softer Cambridge version of the cap that is a velvet tam with four, six, or eight corners. Usually, the color of the cap matches the color of the gown. Caps are worn throughout academic processions and during the ceremony of conferring degrees.



### Tassel

The tassel is attached to a button on the top of the cap and hangs down to the right for bachelor's candidates until their degree is conferred. Many universities ceremoniously have graduates move their tassel from the right to the left. Both master's and doctoral candidates' tassels often begin and remain on the left.

### Gowns

The gown is the most basic of academic regalia. The Costume Code calls for three types of gowns: doctoral, master's and bachelor's. Most gowns are black, but some universities have adopted distinctive colors. The bachelor's gown is the simplest of the three, a plain gown with long, pointed sleeves. The master's gown is distinctive for its extremely long, closed sleeves (originally used as a place to carry small books or other materials), the arms protruding through a slit at the elbow. The doctoral gown is the most elaborate, with front-facing velvet and three velvet bars on each of the full, billowing sleeves. The velvet can be black, Ph.D. blue, or the academic color to which the degree corresponds.



### Hoods

The hood is derived from the cowls worn by clerics in the Middle Ages for warmth. Today, they are worn symbolically, hanging down the back. Master's hoods are 3 1/2 feet in length and have a velvet trim along the edge. Doctoral hoods are 4 feet in length and have a wider velvet trim. The satin lining of the hood, worn so that it can be seen, reflects the colors of the degree-granting institution. The color of the velvet trim signifies the academic discipline of the wearer's degree. As codified by the American Council on Education, some of the official colors associated with the various degrees and disciplines are:

White: Arts and Letters  
 Drab: Business/Accounting  
 Light Blue: Education  
 Orange: Engineering  
 Purple: Law  
 Lemon: Library Science  
 Green: Medicine  
 Pink: Music  
 Brown: Fine Arts  
 Apricot: Nursing  
 Olive Green: Pharmacy  
 Dark Blue: Philosophy  
 Sage Green: Physical Education  
 Salmon Pink: Public Health  
 Golden Yellow: Science  
 Citron: Social Work  
 Peacock Blue: Public Administration



In the case of the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree, the dark blue color represents the mastery of learning and scholarship in any field, not just the field of philosophy.

### Additional Ornaments

Some participants in the commencement ceremony will wear additional ornaments such as colored cords, medallions, stoles, or sashes. These ornaments signify the wearer's membership in an honor society or special group.

## Chain of Office and Presidential Medallion

The presidential medallion is the official insignia of the university president and is worn at commencement and other ceremonial occasions. Like many academic traditions, the display of a heavy "chain of office" comes from medieval regalia and represents the weight of responsibility for the wearer.

The UTRGV medallion and chain were designed in 2015 and executed by the jewelry students, jewelry faculty, and craftsman Lino Guiza in the UTRGV College of Fine Arts. The medallion is made up of two parts: the seal of The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley surrounded by an abstract sunburst created with a brick and mortar design. The cactus flowers on the outer edges of the seal are placed at the four cardinal points with the largest flower pointing south. The counter weight to the medallion is a representation of the native sabal palm. The Chain of Office is a circlet of art deco-inspired links representing the past, while revealing an infrastructure of bridges, aqueducts, and gears that speak to the importance of our solid foundation, water, and movement into the future. The chain features many aspects of the Rio Grande Valley that aid our growth and commitment to higher education:



Arches  
 Water  
 Turbine  
 Neuron Tree  
 Circuit Board

Abacus  
 Bone  
 Binary Code  
 Leaves/Quills

Butterfly  
 Tortoise  
 Finger Print  
 Road Junction  
 Satellite



### Ceremonial Mace

In medieval times, the mace was a symbol of authority and carried before or set near a high official when ceremonies or sessions were being conducted. Today, the mace symbolizes the university's governing authority and signifies the proceedings are officially sanctioned. Traditionally, the chair of the Faculty Senate acting as the Grand Marshal carries the mace to lead the academic procession at commencement and other special ceremonies.

The UTRGV 47" ceremonial mace was designed in 2016 by students in the College of Fine Arts and a committee of faculty from anthropology, archeology, geology, history, communication, and art. The head and seals of the mace were 3D printed and cast at the UTRGV College of Fine Arts. The mace is intricately imbued with historical, cultural, and architectural meaning.

The handles of the mace are made of mesquite wood locally sourced in the Rio Grande Valley and engraved with a decorative pattern of the state's official turtle, the Ridley, and wind turbines.

The helix, between the handles, represents the coming together of the legacy institutions. The helix is made of petrified palm, the official stone of Texas.

The base is crafted from mesquite and inlaid with blue selenite, thought to be associated with mental clarity, truth and honesty, and to represent the Rio Grande River.

The tip of the mace is made of El Sauz chert excavated and donated by Dr. Juan L. Gonzalez.



### Bell

Our stately bronze bell, circa 1850 is rung during commencement to symbolize a rite of passage and proclaims that a worthy and well-qualified individual has passed from one station in their life to a loftier one. Our bell is also the icon for the Bell Scholarship Endowment. Two outstanding students are selected to ring the bell at each commencement.



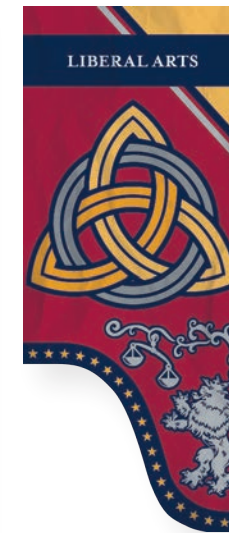
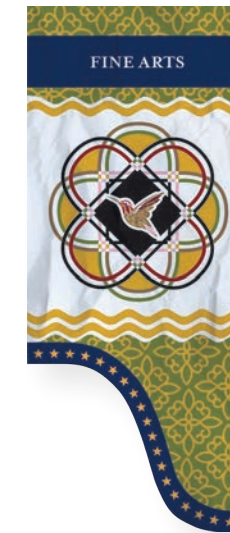
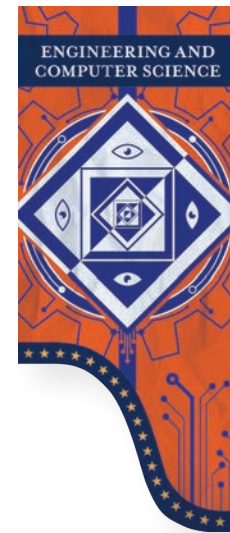
### Memory Stole

When students graduate from UTRGV they know they did not make the journey alone. The Memory Stole, a symbol of appreciation, is worn by graduates during the commencement ceremony. Following the ceremony they are encouraged to present the stole to a special family member, professor, or friend as a symbol of gratitude and appreciation for their support, inspiration, or mentorship.

## UTRGV College Gonfalons

The college gonfalon—or banner—with roots in the Middle Ages, was a symbol of units or family groups. Today, gonfalons are used at official university ceremonies as heraldic devices and are frequently carried during processions at commencement.

At UTRGV, each college has a custom-designed banner signifying its academic unit. Each flag is rich in unique symbolism while also showing unity through size, shape, and color. The swoop at the bottom of each gonfalon represents the border of Texas, and the field of blue with gold stars of Texas represents the distributed nature of UTRGV—from Rio Grande City to South Padre Island.



### SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

#### Symbols:

The central pattern intertwines the caduceus—a symbol for medical practice—with the tree of life.

This pattern is surrounded by a DNA helix—the foundation for all living beings — and roots, which connect the human condition with all forms of creation.

#### Colors:

Blue for healing, green for earth, and white for air.

### SCHOOL OF NURSING

#### Symbols:

A thousand petal lotus is the highest depiction of soul. Seven chakras symbolize the connection between mind, body, and spirit. Metatron's cube is for the profession's feminine and masculine side. Nightingale's Lamp represents beginning, laurel leaves for education and honor, and source of life.

#### Colors:

Apricot for nursing, green, and blue for health professions.

### SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

#### Symbols:

Hands represent care and trust, while the rays of color are specialized paths guiding individuals on their road to recovery. The micro, macro, and mezzo programs are represented by three humans, and the lotus flowers symbolize how a beautiful life can bloom, even in the toughest of situations.

#### Colors:

Citron for social work, gold for honor and wisdom, and blue and green for caring and healing nature.

### COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & P-16 INTEGRATION

#### Symbols:

The torch represents the guiding light – the ability for graduates to serve as a beacon for others and for the college to serve as a light that will lead the way for others.

The multicolored flame symbolizes the forward-thinking nature of the college, bringing power to ideas.

#### Colors:

Light blue for education, wisdom, intelligence and integrity.

### COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING & COMPUTER SCIENCE

#### Symbols:

The dominant image is an interpretation of Moore's Law: Every year, computer chips and components are able to compute twice as much data.

The eye of providence symbolizes the grand architect. In this case, the engineer takes all things into consideration.

#### Colors:

Orange for engineering and the metals involved in the processing and development of technology. Deep blue for social ethics.

### COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

#### Symbols:

The waves represent the flow of the mind, freedom, imagination and knowledge. The three waves symbolize creativity, imagination, and motivation.

The interlocking shapes represent unity and strength between the arts and sciences.

The hummingbird stands for joy, beauty, strength, movement and independence.

#### Colors:

Wineberry for writing, khaki for fine arts, gold for art, and pink for music.

### COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

#### Symbols:

The dominant image is the peony flower, symbolizing health and medicine in Greek mythology; Paeon was turned into the flower by Zeus because Asclepius was threatened by his pursuit of knowledge.

The two snakes are Asclepius representing health and Hygeia representing wellness.

#### Colors:

Blue for the caring nature of the health professions and green for health and medicine.

### COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

#### Symbols:

The trivium is derived from the medieval symbol for the seven liberal arts and sciences.

The symbols of the lion and the scales of justice represent the dialogue between the value of the emotions, power, and creativity within the rational, law, and historical institutions.

#### Colors:

Crimson, gold, silver and blue represent the disciplines within the college.

### COLLEGE OF SCIENCES

#### Symbols:

The infinity symbol for math and physics also represents perfection, unity, and balance.

The atom represents the sciences and the vertical pillars represent the foundation of all life and biology, while the vertical lines signify energy.

#### Colors:

Golden yellow is the color of science, mathematics, and physics, while gold represents wisdom, understanding, and enlightenment.

### ROBERT C. VACKAR COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

#### Symbols:

The two-headed eagle represents power and authority, while also symbolizing collaboration. Both heads are facing north, signifying innovation, looking forward, and success. Their wings are open, ready to fly and discover new horizons, and being open to new ideas. Wheat symbolizes wealth.

#### Colors:

Rust for economics, brown for business, and purple for leadership.

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# Alma Mater

Gather as one in voice ascending  
raising the song and anthem to thee.  
Orange and grey, your reign's unending;  
Hail to the mighty UTRGV!

Chorus:

Strength and devotion, we shall sustain.  
True to your colors we shall remain.  
Ever our song shall be raised on high.  
UT Vaqueros til' we die!

Joyful our days in halls eternal  
knowledge and skill forever endured.  
Let it be said "your love's maternal".  
Nurturing wisdom which all are ensured.  
(Repeat Chorus)



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