



2022

COMMENCEMENT

SATURDAY THE SEVENTEENTH OF DECEMBER



COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

PROCESSIONAL

NATIONAL ANTHEM..... Wind Ensemble
Conducted by Dr. Thomas Willmann

ALMA MATER - WORDS BY J.C. DENNEY Will Chandler
*Hail to thee dear Texas Wesleyan, from the heart I give my praise.
In the paths of high endeavor, fame and fortune crown your days.
Streaming forth a line of splendor, sons and daughters all declare,
Living testimony render, to the worthy name you bear.*

INVOCATION Gladys Childs
Dean of Freshman Success, University Chaplain

INTRODUCTIONS Glenn Lewis
Chairman of the Board

Frederick G. Slabach
President

EARL BROWN DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AWARD .. Alistair Maeer
Associate Professor of History

MEMORIAL AWARD OF PRESIDENTIAL DEGREE.... Frederick G. Slabach

CONFERRING OF ACADEMIC DEGREES Frederick G. Slabach

Hector Quintanilla
Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

AWARDING OF ACADEMIC DEGREES..... Ricardo Rodriguez
Dean, School of Arts and Sciences

Sameer Vaidya
*Dean, School of Business Administration
and Professional Programs*

Carlos Martinez
Dean, School of Education

Misti Sparks
Director of Masters in Marriage and Family Therapy

WELCOME FROM ALUMNI Eric Montoya
President of the Alumni Association

LITANY AND BENEDICTION Gladys Childs

RECESSIONAL

ORDER OF THE PROCESSIONAL

Cross Bearer

Bible Bearer

Banners are emblazoned with the seals of the six Texas institutions of higher education affiliated with the United Methodist Church.

Huston-Tillotson College

McMurry University

Southern Methodist University

Southwestern University

Texas Wesleyan University

Wiley College

Banner Bearers are represented by various student organizations at Texas Wesleyan University.

Academic Marshals

December 2022 graduating class

Faculty Marshal

Faculty

Grand Marshal

Platform Party

Provost

President Frederick G. Slabach

Ushers are members from various student organizations.

ACADEMIC REGALIA AND SYMBOLS

American academic regalia originated at European medieval universities, particularly Oxford University, about seven centuries ago. At that time, the teachers were clergymen, the students were studying to become clerics, and the cassock was their usual costume. The tradition has continued through the ages at colleges and universities in the wearing of the academic gown, hood and cap.

The cap, or mortarboard, is the same for all degrees with the exception of the tassel, which denotes the academic area of the degree. The tassel is worn on the right side of the cap until the bachelor's degree is conferred, at which time it is switched to the left side.

The gown is usually black. Some institutions have designated other colors to be worn by their doctoral graduates. The doctor's gown is faced with velvet and has three velvet bands on each sleeve. These distinguishing marks may be either black or in the appropriate color of the academic degree earned. The master's gown has no ornamentation, is always black and is distinguished by the shape and length of the sleeves. The sleeves are long and shaped with a square-cut corner at the back and an arc-cut from the front. The gown for the baccalaureate graduate has long pointed sleeves.

The most colorful and significant item of the academic regalia is the hood. The length indicates the degree; the color of the border denotes the academic area of the degree; the colors of the hood lining identify the college or university, which granted the degree. The doctor's hood is four feet long with a five-inch border. The master's hood is three and one-half feet long with a three-inch border and a long, large pocket at the bottom. The bachelor's hood is three-feet long with a two-inch border.

A TEXAS-SIZED HISTORY

Originally called Polytechnic College — which literally means "many arts and sciences" — the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, founded Texas Wesleyan University in 1890. The school held its first classes in September 1891, with 111 students.

In 1902, H.A. Boaz assumed the presidency and led the university's first period of substantive growth. During his tenure, new residence halls, a fine arts conservatory, a science hall and a gym were built. Enrollment increased each year at the new university, which was located a few miles from the growing city of Fort Worth.

When Dallas was selected by the church leaders as the site for Southern Methodist University, the Polytechnic campus was designated the Woman's College for Southern Methodism, eventually becoming Texas Woman's College in 1914.

During the 1920s, the tradition of robing, which commemorates the relationship between faculty and students through a ceremonial vesting of cap and gown, became a university tradition. The tradition remains to this day. And, it is an example of Texas Wesleyan's dedication to a small, personal educational atmosphere.

The college was renamed Texas Wesleyan College in 1935, and has remained a co-educational liberal arts institution with an increasingly

The academic colors most frequently associated with the Texas Wesleyan University academic community are:

Arts and Letters.....	White	Mass Communication.....	Crimson
Business.....	Light Brown	Music.....	Pink
Counseling.....	White	Nurse Anesthesia.....	Apricot
Criminal Justice.....	Purple	Paralegal Studies.....	Purple
Education.....	Light Blue	Science.....	Golden Yellow
Exercise Science.....	Sage Green	Sociology.....	Citron
History.....	White	Theatre.....	Brown
Language.....	White	Theology.....	Scarlet
Library Science.....	Lemon		

The green and blue tassels identify members of the Alpha Chi National Honor Society. These graduates are at or near the top two percent of their class.

The gold cord symbolizes membership in an honor society. The purple and teal tassels identify members of Kappa Delta Pi, an international honor society in education.

The mace is a common symbol of the authority and power of a corporate body. Its use as such originated in medieval times in legislative bodies and university faculties. It is carried by the presiding officer of the Faculty Assembly.

The presidential medallion is a symbol of the Office of the President of a chartered institution. It bears the seal of the college and is placed around the neck of the president at investiture to represent the yoke of responsibility for the welfare of the institution.



comprehensive academic and student life program. Law Sone became the President of Texas Wesleyan in 1935, which kicked off a 33-year period of growth and expansion.

Under Sone, athletics thrived, with dominant teams in golf and basketball; new facilities were built on campus, including a new library and residence halls; and new academic programs in business and education became points of pride for the university.



In addition to strong undergraduate programs, the university added graduate programs in education in the 1970s and in nurse anesthesia in the 1980s. Recognizing the growth in programs, Trustees changed the name of the institution to Texas Wesleyan University, effective in January 1989. The Graduate Programs of Nurse Anesthesia has grown into the largest in the nation, delivering courses to students throughout the United States.

President Frederick G. Slabach became president of the university in 2011. During his tenure, the university has launched and completed the Rosedale Renaissance, the first major revitalization of East Fort Worth in several generations, enrollment has grown steadily, new online programs have been launched and the university football program was reinstated after a 75-year hiatus.

CANDIDATES FOR DOCTORAL DEGREES

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Shawn Travissa Buchanan

Teachers' Perception of Sel Strategies That Impact School Success of African American Males

Matthew Clay Canafax

The Effect of Student Choice and Interest on Student Success: A Quantitative Study of the Outcomes of Specialized School Experiences in Texas

Tiffanie Coleman Goudy

An Investigation of Practices and Strategies to Prepare Preservice Teachers to Educate K-12 Culturally Diverse Learners: A Case Study of a Historically Black College and University

Adrienne Patrice Jenkins

Teaching Bilingual Students: Teacher Preparedness Through the Eyes of the Educator Committee

Ida Arlene Joiner

An Exploratory Qualitative Study of a University Organization Focused on Drone Education in Influencing University Students to Pursue STEM Careers

Melissa Ann Kasmeier

An Examination of the Influence of Years of Experience and Advanced Degrees on Teacher Retention in Texas Public Schools

Karen Leigh Schroeder

Identifying Educational Strategies to Engage Middle School Students in Math Class

Victoria Rebecca Sendejo

Behavior Management: An Examination of Perceptions Held by Early Career Teachers in Elementary Title 1 Schools in North Texas

SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

DOCTOR OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY

Sekou B. Fraser

Exploring the Impact of Structural Interventions On the Lives of Men Who Have Been Affected by Parental Alienation

Carrie Lynell Jones

A Solution-Focused Narrative Therapy Approach to Improve the Quality of Marriage in African American Women Who Have Experienced Childhood Sexual Trauma

KaSandra K. Jones

Effectiveness of Cognitive Behavioral Family Therapy for Caregiver Burden and the Quality of Life of Caregivers of Family Members Experiencing Prolonged Illness

Ulrica Tasha Kassar

Healing The Root: A Qualitative Analysis Examining the Experiences of African American Adult Children of Alcoholics and Drug Addicts (ACOADA)

Jose Matias Santos III

Postmodern Family Therapy and ADHD: A Discursive Analysis

Brandi Michelle Smith

Exploring the Usefulness of a Solution-Focused Intervention Within Families Affected by Pediatric Acute Onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome (PANS) To Improve Family Interpersonal Relationships

DOCTOR OF NURSE ANESTHESIA PRACTICE

Mehri Pahlavani (c)

Safety and Efficacy of Remimazolam: An Evidence-Based Review

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SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

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SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

MASTER OF ARTS IN PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING

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MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY

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Heather Jesstine Rose Brehms	Meredith Helen Covington
Marenid Planell Camacho	Flor Garcia

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SCHOOL COUNSELING

Cheryl Bonnick	Ciara Gunter
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MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING PRACTICE

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LITANY - "WISDOM"

Leader: Happy is the one who finds wisdom,
People: And the one who gets understanding.

Leader: For the gain from it is better than the gain from silver,
People: And its profit better than gold.

Leader: Wisdom is more precious than jewels,
People: And nothing you desire can compare with it.

Leader: Long life is in wisdom's right hand,
People: And in its left hand are riches and honor.

Leader: The ways of wisdom are ways of pleasantness,
People: And all its paths are peace.

Leader: Wisdom is a tree of life to those who lay hold of it,
People: Those who hold fast to wisdom are called happy.

Leader: The Lord by wisdom founded the earth,
People: And the Lord by understanding established the heavens.

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Here's how you can stay involved as a TXWES alumni.

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There's always something going on at Texas Wesleyan. Check out our monthly e-newsletter, The Ram's Horn, to find out about events like the Wesleyan Wine Walk, Alumni Reunion and the Wesleyan 5K.

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