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Texas State University-San Marcos
Summer Commencement

Friday, August 12, 2011
2:00 p.m.
Strahan Coliseum

Dr. Eugene J. Bourgeois, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Presiding

Processional  *Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1, Op. 39*
Sir Edward Elgar, Composer (Arr. Lindsey)

Musical Introduction  *National Anthem*
John Stafford Smith, Composer (Arr. Slechta)
Led by Ms. Catherine Clarke

Welcome and Introductions  Dr. Eugene J. Bourgeois
Provost

Special Music  *Texas, Our Texas!*
William J. Marsh, Composer
Led by Ms. Catherine Clarke and Mr. Zack Kibodeaux
Performed by the Texas State Ceremonial Brass
Conducted by Dr. Thomas Clark, School of Music

Remarks  Dr. Denise M. Trauth
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Conferring of Degrees  Dr. Trauth

Diploma Presentations  Doctoral Degrees, College of Education
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Closing Music  *Texas State Alma Mater*
Jessie Sayers, Composer
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Recessional  *Water Music*
G. F. Handel, Composer

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He is the chairman and co-founder of SWBC, which advises financial institutions on how to manage risk and increase profitability. Known and respected for his innovative, relationship-building approach, his company has more than 1,400 employees and now exceeds $1 billion per year in premiums and loans. The majority of SWBC’s products are targeted toward reducing risk, enhancing results, and improving profitability for clients.

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MAcy Master of Accountancy
MAGeo Master of Applied Geography
MAIS Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies
MBA  Master of Business Administration
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MM   Master of Music
MPA  Master of Public Administration
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MSCD Master of Science in Communication Disorders
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BA   Bachelor of Arts
BAAS Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences
BAIS Bachelor of Arts in International Studies
BBA  Bachelor of Business Administration
BESS Bachelor of Exercise and Sports Science
BFA  Bachelor of Fine Arts
BGS  Bachelor of General Studies
BHA  Bachelor of Healthcare Administration
BHWP Bachelor of Health and Wellness Promotion
BM   Bachelor of Music
BPA  Bachelor of Public Administration
BS   Bachelor of Science
BSAG Bachelor of Science in Agriculture
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*Inference of pCO2 Levels and Climate in the Late Cretaceous from Fossil Lauraceae*
Supervising Professor: Dr. Garland Upchurch, Department of Biology
The gowns, caps, and hoods worn at university functions date back to the early days of the oldest universities in the Middle Ages. Monks and students wore them to keep warm in the damp and drafty 12th century halls of learning. This traditional academic dress had been gradually revised to the modern form that you see today.

All gowns have a semi-stiff yoke, long pleated front, and intricate shirring across the shoulders and back. The bachelor’s gown is worn closed, reaches about 8 to 10 inches from the floor and has long sleeves from which the arms extend at the wrist. The master’s gown may be worn open or closed and has long, pointed sleeves closed at the end, the forearm coming through a slit near the elbow, with the flowing sleeve extending down the thigh. The doctor’s gown may also be worn either open or closed but is distinguished by broad velvet panels down the front and by three velvet bars on the full bell-shaped sleeves. This velvet trimming may be either black or the color distinctive of the field of learning.

The black cap with maroon and gold tassel is worn by the holders of bachelor’s and master’s degrees; the black velvet tam with gold tassel is worn by holders of doctoral degrees.

The hood (not usually worn by the holders of the bachelor’s degree) is a black shell, silk-lined in the color or colors of the institution conferring the degree. The colors of Texas State University-San Marcos are shown by a maroon lining crossed with a gold chevron. The velvet border of the hood is the color signifying the field of learning in which the degree was earned and not in the department in which the major was completed. Thus, a degree conferred as master of education with a major in physical education requires the light blue of education rather than the sage of physical education. Similarly, the “doctor of philosophy” degree requires the royal of philosophy, not the color of the department in which the major of study was completed.

Colors signifying various fields of study that you may see today include:

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The use of a mace during university graduation ceremonies combines symbolic communication with the principle of vested authority at the most traditional and sacred of academic celebrations. The Texas State ceremonial mace is made of bronze and walnut and displays the university seal in maroon and gold relief. Beneath the seal is a metal base inscribed with the words AUCTIONITAS, GRAVITAS, HUMANITAS, and VERITAS. These words come down to us from antiquity and represent our shared academic values:

Auctoritas: The sense of one’s standing gained through experience, industriousness, and service to others.
Gravitas: A sense of dignity, seriousness, and duty.
Humanitas: An appreciation for refinement, civilization, and learning.
Veritas: Truthfulness.

The mace adds meaning and dignity to the commencement ritual. It reminds both participants and spectators that education is one of the most cherished attributes of a free and democratic society.
TEXAS STATE OFFICIAL RING

The Texas State Official Class Ring is a lifelong representation of Texas State pride. The symbols on the ring capture the essence of Texas State.

Explanation of symbols
The top of the official ring features a Texas “lone star” set upon an oak-and-laurel wreath. Around the crown of the ring, the Texas State University name and the founding date of 1899 are spelled out.

The left side of the ring features Texas State’s original campus building, Old Main, with tubers floating by on the steady flow of the San Marcos River. The right side features the T-star-S-logo and is symbolic of the historic roots of Texas State. The T is for Texas and the S is for State. The star represents the star in both the university seal and the state seal of Texas. The school flower, the gaillardia, is engraved inside the ring. Also known as the Indian blanket, it is the source of Texas State’s school colors, producing showy gold-and-maroon flowers along freeways and highways, and representing Texas State throughout the state and beyond.

How to wear your ring
Before graduation: wear your ring facing in, so that when you look down at your hand you can read Texas State University.

At graduation: after you receive your diploma, turn your ring around so that the words Texas State University now face out, displaying your pride to the world.

TEXAS STATE TASSEL

Tassel turning is a time-honored tradition at Texas State. Baccalaureate and Master’s candidates wear a maroon and gold tassel adorned with a gold charm displaying the year of graduation. Doctoral candidates wear a solid gold tassel.

After diploma presentations, candidates are instructed to move their tassels from the right side of their cap to the left, signifying the completion of their degree at Texas State.
Ceremonial Brass, a student ensemble, performs for some 13 Texas State Commencement ceremonies each year. *A Texas State of Mind*, a medley of Texas tunes often performed at these events, was composed especially for them by former School of Music director Joseph Stuessy.

The Texas State School of Music’s wind and percussion ensembles have won national recognition and appeared at such distinguished festivals and conventions as the Texas Music Educators Association in San Antonio and the College Band Directors National Association in Seattle.

The Ceremonial Brass is one ensemble of many offered by the School of Music, including choirs, wind ensembles, symphony orchestra, mariachi, salsa bands, jazz bands, opera theater, modern music, percussion, steel drums, flute choir, trombone choir, horn choir, drumline, and, of course, Bobcat Marching Band! Though many ensemble members are music majors, many also come from a variety of disciplines across the entire campus, especially for Marching Band. Texas State music ensembles have performed across the U.S. and abroad, in South Africa, Italy, Austria, Switzerland, Ireland, Czech Republic, Mexico, and The Netherlands.

The School of Music offers a busy lineup of concerts for the public, frequently including acclaimed guest artists. The Somos Músicos concert series is designed for music students to perform for each other in a supportive, informal setting. Reaching beyond the idea of a learning laboratory, “Somos Músicos” (“We are Musicians”) has become a motto for the entire school, expressing a collective passion for making music together.

Alumni can keep up with Texas State Music on the Web at music.txstate.edu and by joining the new Facebook group, “Somos Músicos Connection”. 
Congratulations Graduates – and Families! As you receive your diplomas today, we welcome you into the Bobcat Alumni Family, a proud tradition that stretches back more than a century.

We applaud your accomplishments and know great things lie ahead of you. No matter where the future takes you, we want to share in your successes and make sure you stay connected with Texas State. Show your Texas State Pride by staying involved and joining the Alumni Association. Membership helps you network with other Bobcats and hear what’s happening on campus. Members receive great benefits like Hillviews magazine, access to Texas State Career Services, special event invitations, and retail discounts on goods and services. Plus, many cities have alumni chapters to help you stay in touch with your fellow alumni.

It’s easy to be involved. Join our alumni online community, be part of our Facebook Fan Page, connect with us on LinkedIn, follow us on Twitter – and make sure you tell your friends to stay connected too. Discover all that Texas State has to offer you not just now, but for a lifetime.

You worked hard to earn your degree and your alma mater is proud of you. You are now joining an alumni family that numbers over 130,000 and is growing strong. Be a part of your Alumni Association, demonstrate your Bobcat pride and join today – www.txstatealumni.org. Go Bobcats!

Connect, Support & Belong!

Jim T. Brown (BBA ’61)
Distinguished Alumnus
President
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