Texas State University
Fall Commencement

Friday, December 15, 2017
10:00 a.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. Elizabeth Adams

**Welcome and Introductions**  Provost Bourgeois

**Special Music**  *Big and Bright*
Joshua M. Cavazos, Composer
Performed by the Texas State Ceremonial Brass
Conducted by Dr. Kyle R. Glaser, School of Music

**Remarks**  Dr. Denise M. Trauth
President

**Conferring of Degrees**  President Trauth

**Diploma Presentations**  Doctoral Candidates: College of Education
Specialist and Master’s Candidates: College of Education
Bachelor’s Candidates: College of Education

**Closing Music**  *Texas State Alma Mater*
Jessie Sayers, Composer
Led by Mr. Benjamin Ruiz

**Recessional**  *Water Music*
G. F. Handel, Composer

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**Remarks and Introduction of Speaker**  
Dr. Denise M. Trauth  
President

**Address**  
The Honorable Antonio Garza  
United States Ambassador (Ret.)

**Conferring of Degrees**  
President Trauth

**Diploma Presentations**  
Master’s Candidates: McCoy College of Business Administration  
Bachelor’s Candidates: McCoy College of Business Administration

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Diploma Presentations  Doctoral Candidate: College of Applied Arts

Master’s Candidates: College of Applied Arts

Bachelor’s Candidates: College of Applied Arts and University College

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President

**Conferring of Degrees**  President Trauth

**Diploma Presentations**  Doctoral Candidates: College of Liberal Arts Group 1
Master’s Candidates: College of Liberal Arts Group 1 and College of Health Professions
Bachelor’s Candidates: College of Liberal Arts Group 1 and College of Health Professions

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Remarks  
Dr. Denise M. Trauth  
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Diploma Presentations  
Doctoral Candidates: College of Science and Engineering

Master’s Candidates: College of Liberal Arts Group 2 and College of Science and Engineering

Bachelor’s Candidates: College of Liberal Arts Group 2 and College of Science and Engineering

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**Diploma Presentations**  Master’s Candidates: College of Fine Arts and Communication
Bachelor’s Candidates: College of Fine Arts and Communication

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Commencement Address

The Honorable Antonio Garza
United States Ambassador (Ret.)

Friday, December 15, 2017
2:00 p.m. Ceremony

Antonio Garza serves as Counsel in the Mexico City office of White & Case LLP, one of the world’s leading global law firms with 39 offices in 26 countries.

Mr. Garza is a member of the Board of Trustees of Southern Methodist University, the Development Board of the University of Texas at Austin and formerly served as chairman of the Texas Exes, the alumni association of the University of Texas at Austin. The Ambassador is also a director of the Americas Society/ Council of the Americas and member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Garza is a past recipient of the “Aguila Azteca,” the Mexican government’s highest honor bestowed upon a foreign national.

Ambassador Garza, a National Association of Corporate Directors Governance and Board Leadership Fellow, currently serves as a director to Kansas City Southern and Chairman of its subsidiary Kansas City Southern de Mexico, a rail-based transportation company and MoneyGram, a global money transfer company. Mr. Garza also serves as an independent director to Grupo ODH, a privately held Luxemburg domiciled holding company, focused on the ultra-deep water drilling industry in Mexico.

Garza served as chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission from 1998-2002, as Secretary of State of Texas and Senior Policy Advisor to the Governor of the State of Texas from 1994 to 1997, and as Cameron County Judge from 1988 to 1994.

Garza holds a BBA from the University of Texas at Austin and a Doctor of Jurisprudence from Southern Methodist University School of Law and has been honored as a distinguished alumnus at both institutions. The Ambassador is a member of the State Bar of Texas, the District of Columbia and is admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court. Garza is married to Dr. Liz Atkinson Garza.
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PhD Doctor of Philosophy
EdD Doctor of Education
DPT Doctor of Physical Therapy
SSP Specialist in School Psychology
MA Master of Arts
MAcy Master of Accountancy
MAGeo Master of Applied Geography
MAIS Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies
MBA Master of Business Administration
MEd Master of Education
MFA Master of Fine Arts
MHA Master of Healthcare Administration
MHIM Master of Health Information Management
MM Master of Music
MPA Master of Public Administration
MS Master of Science
MSCD Master of Science in Communication Disorders
MSCJ Master of Science in Criminal Justice
MSIS Master of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies
MSN Master of Science in Nursing
MSRC Master of Science in Respiratory Care
MSRLS Master of Science in Recreation and Leisure Services
MSW Master of Social Work
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
BSCD Bachelor of Science in Communication Disorders
BSCJ Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice
BSCLS Bachelor of Science in Clinical Laboratory Science
BSFCS Bachelor of Science in Family and Consumer Sciences
BSHIM Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management
BSN Bachelor of Science in Nursing
BSRC Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Care
BSRT Bachelor of Science in Radiation Therapy
BST Bachelor of Science in Technology
BSW Bachelor of Social Work
COMMENCEMENT AT TEXAS STATE

Welcome to Texas State University’s Fall Commencement! In order to ensure your enjoyment and safety while visiting with us, please review the following information.

Live Streaming

For your convenience, the ceremonies will be streamed live on the commencement website at www.txstate.edu/commencement.

Processional and Diploma Presentations

At the beginning of the ceremony, candidates will process in, near section G, and be seated in order as indicated on the map in the back of this program. During diploma presentations, candidates will cross the stage from right to left.

Commencement and Graduation

Commencement is a ceremony in which preliminary degree candidates are recognized for their academic achievements. The commencement program reflects the name and degree of each preliminary degree candidate as well as the honors designation based on the previous semester’s progress. Conferral of the official Texas State degree occurs after commencement when final grades are posted and all degree requirements have been met. The program only lists those candidates who applied by the appropriate deadline. Therefore, this program should not be considered an official list of graduates.

Guidelines for Candidates and Guests

Commencement is a significant and solemn event that celebrates years of academic achievement. In order to ensure that the ceremony is meaningful for all in attendance, please avoid all unnecessary conversation and movement. Also, please refrain from using airhorns or other noisemakers during the calling of student names.

Recessional

At the end of the ceremony, all candidates will recess to Sewell Park. Guests should remain seated until all candidates have recessed. Then, guests are welcome to meet their candidates in the park near entrances 2 and 3. In the case of inclement weather, candidates will not process outside, but will leave their seats after the Platform Party has recessed.

We hope you enjoy your visit to Texas State, and congratulations to our degree candidates!
**SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

**Commencement Team**

The Commencement Team was formed in 2008 and its members are commencement stakeholders from the campus community. The team meets prior to and following each commencement season to evaluate commencement processes and ensure a safe and enjoyable ceremony for guests and candidates.

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**Faculty Involvement**

The following faculty members are serving as mace bearers or marshals for the ceremonies:

**College of Applied Arts**
- Dr. Jose E. Coll
- Dr. Wesley G. Jennings
- Dr. Christine Norton
- Dr. Rodney C. Runyan
- Dr. Christine S. Sellers
- Dr. P. Michael Supancic

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- Dr. Todd Jewell
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- Dr. Wilhelmina J. Pizzini
- Dr. Steven W. Rayburn, II
- Dr. Paula L. Rechner

**College of Education**
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- Dr. Ruben Garza
- Dr. Jodi P. Holschu
- Dr. Jon Lasser
- Dr. Karen S. Meaney
- Dr. Michael P. O’Malley
- Dr. Patrice Werner

**College of Fine Arts and Communication**
- Dr. Jonathan Babcock
- Ms. Jennifer L. Buschhorn
- Dr. Kristen N. LeBlanc Farris
- Dr. David S. Nolan
- Dr. Judith B. Oskam
- Dr. C. Erik Timmerman

**College of Health Professions**
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**College of Liberal Arts**
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- Dr. Robert Fischer
- Dr. Alberto Giordano
- Dr. Donald J. Huebner
- Dr. William L. Kelemen
- Dr. Vincent Luizzi
- Mr. Christopher K. Margrave
- Dr. Shirley M. Ogletree
- Dr. Aimee K. Roundtree
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**College of Science and Engineering**
- Dr. Dana M. Garcia
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- Dr. Kate Melhuish
- Dr. Vangelis Metsis
- Dr. Susan Morey
- Dr. Susan Schwinning

**University College**
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THE GRADUATE COLLEGE
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Barbara L. Sanders, Ph.D. Department of Physical Therapy
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Chad L. Smith, Ph.D. Department of Sociology

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DOCTORAL CANDIDATE, COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS

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Doctor of Philosophy
Major in Criminal Justice
Dissertation Title: Toward an Episodic Process of Corruption: An Analysis of the State Integrity Risk Assessment Tool
Research Professor: Dr. Marcus K. Felson, School of Criminal Justice

DOCTORAL CANDIDATES, COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

ANUMUDU, CHINEDU CLAIRE
Doctor of Philosophy
Major in Adult, Professional, and Community Education
Dissertation Title: Embodied Learning as a Tool for Meaning-Making: A Forum Theatre Training
Research Professor: Dr. Ann Brooks, Department of Counseling, Leadership, Adult Education, and School Psychology

GAMEZ, BLANCA URSULA
Doctor of Philosophy
Major in Adult, Professional, and Community Education
Dissertation Title: The Lived Experiences of the Latinx Mentor and the Role of Community Cultural Wealth
Research Professor: Dr. Melissa A. Martinez, Department of Counseling, Leadership, Adult Education, and School Psychology

JOHNSON, JOSLYN S.
Doctor of Philosophy
Major in Adult, Professional, and Community Education
Dissertation Title: When Purpose Calls: A Grounded Study on the Lifewide Learning Experience of High Potential Young Adults
Research Professor: Dr. Jovita M. Ross-Gordon, Department of Counseling, Leadership, Adult Education, and School Psychology

JONES, SHELIA R.
Doctor of Philosophy
Major in Adult, Professional, and Community Education
Dissertation Title: Creating Our Own Stories and Trusting Our Own Voices: Midlife, Black, Female Doctoral Students Navigating the Crossroads of Age, Race and Gender
Research Professor: Dr. Jovita M. Ross-Gordon, Department of Counseling, Leadership, Adult Education, and School Psychology

NIELSON VARGAS, ERIKA KOREN
Doctor of Philosophy
Major in Developmental Education
Dissertation Title: A Case Study of Students in a Developmental Literacy Course when Participating in a Mindfulness-Based Intervention
Research Professor: Dr. Eric J. Paulson, Department of Curriculum and Instruction

ODUM, GEORGE R.
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Dissertation Title: Professionalism and Professional Identity in American Expatriate English Teachers in Abu Dhabi Public Secondary Schools
Research Professor: Dr. Duncan Waite, Department of Counseling, Leadership, Adult Education, and School Psychology
DOCTORAL CANDIDATE, COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

MARTIN, ROSS HAMILTON
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Dissertation Title: The Geomorphic Nature of Mountain Bike Impacts on Selected Trail Systems near Austin, Texas
Research Professor: Dr. David R. Butler, Department of Geography

DOCTORAL CANDIDATES, COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

BORDIYA, YOGENDRA
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Dissertation Title: Epigenetic Regulation of the Defense Gene Induction in Arabidopsis thaliana in Response to Pseudomonas syringae
Research Professor: Dr. Hong-Gu Kang, Department of Biology

DABBAGHIANAMIRI, MAEDEH
Doctor of Philosophy
Major in Materials Science, Engineering, and Commercialization
Dissertation Title: Polymer/Clay Nanocomposite Self-Assembly for Gas Barrier Films Application
Research Professor: Dr. Gary W. Beall, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

GUJJARI, ARCHANA
Doctor of Philosophy
Major in Materials Science, Engineering, and Commercialization
Dissertation Title: Interaction of DNA and RNA Molecules with Nanoclays that Have Potential for Use in Gene Therapy
Research Professor: Dr. Gary W. Beall, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

PETERSEN, III, JOHN E.
Doctor of Philosophy
Major in Materials Science, Engineering, and Commercialization
Dissertation Title: Impurities in Antiferromagnetic Transition-Metal Oxides – Symmetry and Optical Transitions
Research Professor: Dr. Thomas H. Myers, II, Department of Physics

RAHMAN, MD SHAFIQUR
Doctor of Philosophy
Major in Materials Science, Engineering, and Commercialization
Dissertation Title: Integration of Multi-Functional Oxide Thin Film Heterostructures with III-V Semiconductors
Research Professor: Dr. Ravindranath Droopad, Ingram School of Engineering
**SPECIALIST CANDIDATES, COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**

Brown, Maggie Lora; SSP  
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Lecheler, Mishon Andrea; SSP  
McCown, Jason Carl; SSP  
Moreno, Ileana Jasmin; SSP  
Pedraza, Irma; SSP  
Ramos, David; SSP  
Reeves, Hilary Lea; SSP  
Rich, Jacqueline Diane; SSP  
Rivas-Lastra, Estefania; SSP  
Ruiz-Hawell, Elizabeth Scarlett; SSP  
Zecena Leiva, Carol Mariam; SSP

**MASTER’S CANDIDATES, COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS**

Andrews, Julie R.; MS  
Anic, Suncica; MSCJ  
Barinhill, Britanny Ann; MS  
Barry, Alyssa Catherine; MSCJ  
Becirovic, Ena; MSCJ  
Bridge, Megan Elizabeth; MSW  
Brown, Nicole Kristi; MSCJ  
Bustos, Darline L.; MSW  
Christal, Danielle Louise; MSW  
Coomer, Aundrienne A.; MSW  
Crowder, Lindsay Michelle; MS  
Czerw, Danielle Justine; MSW  
Dominguez, Alyssa Marie; MS  
Escamilla, Gina Marie; MSW  
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Gauntt, Renetta Shanee; MSW  
Goebeler, Chelsea Nicole; MS  
Gutierrez, Miriam; MSW

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Atkinson, John T.; MBA  
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Battelli, Carly Ann; MAcy  
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Bruning, Reuben N.; MBA  
Butler, Debra T.; MBA  
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Aguirre, Jesse; BA
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Cabada, Alexis; BS
Cadena, Veronica; BS
Caldwell, III, Azee; BA
Callahan, Amber Elaine; BAIS
Campbell, Cyndel Marie; BA
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Hernandez, Yajaira; BA
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Implemented in summer 2015, by the Office of International Affairs, the Texas State University Latin American Engagement Plan endeavored to comprehensively work on engagement in Latin America with educational partners, student and faculty mobility, and mutually beneficial projects. Along with the U.S. State Department’s 100,000 Strong in the Americas program, we recognized the need for intra-hemispheric cooperation to prepare our students and future workforce for an increasingly interdependent and competitive world. Through the Latin American Engagement Plan, we began encouraging more students to study abroad in Latin America, and actively welcomed more students to Texas State University from Latin America. From fall 2016 to fall 2017, the number of new international students from Latin America has more than doubled. As the number of Texas State students studying abroad continues to grow, the number of Bobcats studying abroad in Latin America grew by 15 percent from 2015 to 2017. Last year, over 170 Bobcats studied in more than 10 countries throughout the region.

Institutional partnerships with universities and governmental entities in Mexico, Ecuador, Chile, Colombia, Peru, and Costa Rica have contributed to increased opportunities for collaborations and partnerships. The creation of a new Associate Director for Latin American Engagement has enhanced Texas State’s ability to coordinate projects and communicate with partners, students, and families interested in exchanging culture, sharing ideas, learning languages, and creating new knowledge through experiential learning and research.

The Latin American Engagement Plan at Texas State University is an example of our institution’s commitment to diversity, campus internationalization, increasing cross-cultural understanding and developing long-lasting global connections for today’s students as we prepare them to be tomorrow’s leaders. This is yet another reason why we are proud to call ourselves Texas State Bobcats!
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 University ceremonial mace is made of cherrywood adorned with gold-plated brass accents. Atop the mace is the university seal, displayed on gold-plated bronze medals on both sides of a cherrywood disk. Beneath the seal, a cherrywood cylinder bears four 24-karat gold-plated bronze medals, engraved with the words auctoritas, gravitas, humanitas, and veritas. These words originated in 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.
COMMENCEMENT REGALIA

The gowns, caps, and hoods worn at university functions date back to the early days of 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 has been gradually revised to the modern form seen 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 dark blue.

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 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 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 dark blue 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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TEXAS STATE TASSEL

Tassel turning is a time-honored tradition at commencement ceremonies. Bachelor’s, Master’s, and Specialist 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 University.

CORDS, STOLES, AND MEDALLIONS

Cords, stoles, and medallions are worn around the neck of graduates, signifying academic honors or other achievements and affiliations. Cords are made of braided nylon in a variety of colors. Stoles are panels of silk that can be embroidered with letters or symbols. Medallions are made of metal or glass-like material and hang on colored ribbon.

Some items that you may see today include:

- Maroon and gold cords, solid: Academic Honors
- Maroon and gold cords, braided: Athlete
- Red, white, and blue cords, braided: Veteran, United States of America
- Crystal medallion with maroon ribbon: Honors College

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.

Class ring significance

Custom crafted for Texas State, the design of the Official Ring is based upon our revered heritage and culture. Centered on the top of the Official Ring is a Texas “lone-star” set upon an oak and laurel leaf wreath. As an option, the star can be highlighted with a cubic zirconia or diamond. Around the crown of the ring, the Texas State University name and 1899 founding date are spelled out.

The left side of the ring features Texas State’s original campus building, the red-gable roofed Old Main, with “tubers” floating by on the steady flow of the San Marcos River. San Marcos gave birth to the university by giving it Chautauqua Hill—the hill where Old Main opened its doors in 1903. Since the late 1800s, people traveled from miles around to Chautauqua Hill to meet. Today, Old Main is the focal point of campus, perched above the “Quad” which is still the central gathering place for students.

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.
Ceremonial Brass, a student ensemble, performs for all Texas State commencement ceremonies each year. It is comprised of top brass and percussion students in the School of Music, conducted by music faculty such as Director of Bands Dr. Caroline C. Beatty, Associate Director of Bands Dr. Kyle R. Glaser, Director of the Texas State Symphony Orchestra Dr. Carolyn N. Watson, and School of Music Director Dr. Thomas S. Clark.

The commencement ceremonies feature a composition created especially for the Texas State Ceremonial Brass. *Big and Bright* was composed by Master of Music graduate Joshua M. Cavazos, a composer, pianist, educator, and church musician from San Antonio, Texas. He studied composition with Dr. Michael Ippolito and orchestration and arranging with Dr. Thomas S. Clark. Mr. Cavazos’ diverse musical background includes composing four CD projects of instrumental piano music, teaching music in the public school system, and performing at various venues in South Texas.

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.

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 the marching band. Texas State music ensembles have performed across the U.S. and abroad, in South Africa, Italy, Austria, Switzerland, Ireland, Czech Republic, Mexico, Chile, China, 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 Facebook (Texas State University-School of Music), Twitter (@txstmusic), or on the Web at music.txstate.edu.
Congratulations, Bobcats! On behalf of the Texas State University Alumni Association, it is my pleasure to congratulate you on your graduation and welcome you to our Bobcat alumni family.

As you embark on the next phase of your life, remember you are not alone – you are now one of more than 180,000 Bobcats worldwide!

The purpose of the Alumni Association is to increase the connection alumni have with Texas State and provide opportunities for alumni to strengthen their connection with other Bobcats. I encourage you to take advantage of the great programs and events that the Alumni Association sponsors and organizes.

To get started, here are some easy ways to get involved:

**Stay Connected.** Become a member of the Texas State Alumni Association. As a member, we are better able to serve you and keep you informed of campus developments, news regarding fellow alumni, upcoming events and much more. Your membership comes with great benefits and networking opportunities with other Bobcats!

**Stay Involved.** Whether participating in a Texas State Alumni Chapter or group, attending alumni events or athletic events, you can join thousands of alumni who work together to preserve the excellence of Texas State University.

**Stay Informed.** Join our alumni online community, be part of the Bobcat Network on social media and stay informed about what is happening at Texas State. Discover all that Texas State has to offer you not just now, but for a lifetime. For example, looking for a job? Texas State Career Services are available to alumni, too!

You worked hard to earn your degree, and your Alma Mater is proud of you. Remember, our slogan of “Once a Bobcat, always a Bobcat,” means Texas State will always be an important part of you, and you will always be an important part of Texas State. Be a part of your Alumni Association, demonstrate your Bobcat Pride, and join today at alumni.txstate.edu. I wish you all the best on your post-graduation endeavors, and I hope to meet many of you at future alumni events.

Again, we welcome you, congratulate you, and look forward to helping you maintain your relationship with Texas State University.

Once a Bobcat, always a Bobcat!

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President
Texas State Alumni Association