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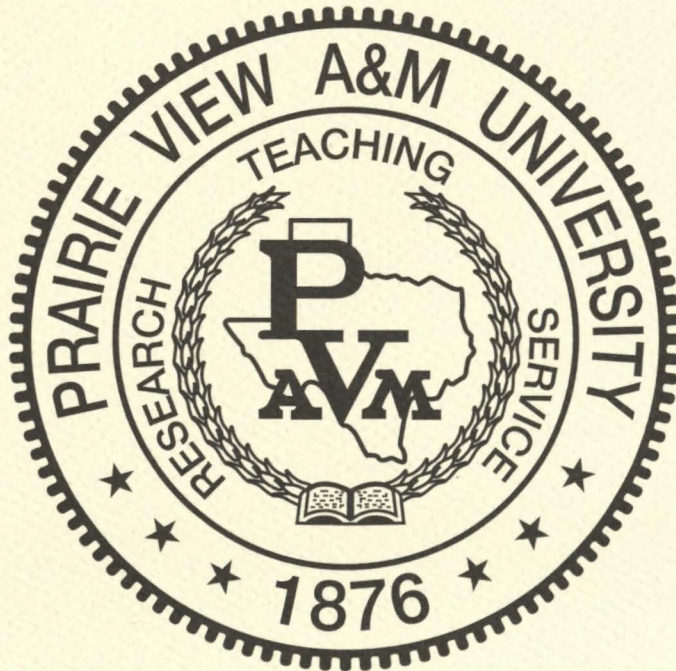
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ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOURTH YEAR

# PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

A Member of The Texas A&M University System

Prairie View, Texas



## *Commencement Convocation*

THE FIFTEENTH FALL COMMENCEMENT

WILLIAM "BILLY" J. NICKS, SR. BUILDING

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER EIGHTEENTH

TWO THOUSAND TEN

NINE O'CLOCK



## TO OUR GUESTS

Commencement is a significant and solemn event, recognizing years of study and sacrifice. To make this ceremony more meaningful, we ask all guests and participants to avoid unnecessary conversation and movement during the exercises. We also ask that cellular phones be turned off during the ceremony.

Please withhold your applause during the presentation of degrees until each degree group is acknowledged and the candidates have returned to their seats.

Following the singing of the Alma Mater, there is a Recessional for the platform party and all degree recipients. We ask the audience to remain seated during this period.

For your assistance, an Emergency Medical Services station is available in the William "Billy" J. Nicks, Sr. Building. Please ask an usher for assistance.

# THE COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

*Presiding:* DR. GEORGE C. WRIGHT  
President, Prairie View A&M University

ORGAN PRELUDE..... Dr. John L. Cornelius  
Assistant Professor, Music

THE CONVOCAATION PROCESSION  
COMMENTATOR FOR THE PROCESSION..... Dr. E. Joahanne Thomas-Smith  
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL: "War March of the Priests" (Athalia) .....*Felix Mendelssohn*  
Dr. John L. Cornelius, Organist  
Dr. Marion Henry, Marshal

Marshal

Faculty

Candidates for Degrees in the Marvin D. and June Samuel Brailsford College of Arts and Sciences

Candidates for Degrees in the College of Business

Candidates for Degrees in the Whitlowe R. Green College of Education

Candidates for Degrees in the Roy G. Perry College of Engineering

President's Party

INVOCATION..... Reverend Charles H. Lewter, IV  
Dean, Johnson-Phillip All Faiths Chapel

NATIONAL ANTHEM..... *Frances Scott Key*

OPENING REMARKS ..... President George C. Wright

GREETINGS FROM THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS  
AND AUTHORIZATION FOR CONFERRAL OF DEGREES ..... Mr. Lupe Fraga  
Member, Board of Regents  
The Texas A&M University System

GREETINGS FROM THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM..... Mr. Andrew L. Strong  
General Counsel  
The Texas A&M University System



INTRODUCTION OF THE COMMENCEMENT ORATOR..... President George C. Wright

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS ..... Mrs. Erma C. Johnson Hadley  
Chancellor  
Tarrant County College District  
Fort Worth, Texas

MUSIC: "I Thank You, Jesus" ..... *arr. Robert L. Morris*

The University Concert Chorale  
Mrs. A. Jan Taylor, Director

PRESENTATION OF THE DEANS OF THE  
UNDERGRADUATE COLLEGES..... Dr. E. Joahanne Thomas-Smith

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FROM:

THE MARVIN D. AND JUNE SAMUEL BRAILSFORD  
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES ..... Dean Danny R. Kelley, D.M.A.

THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ..... Dean Munir Quddus, Ph.D.

THE WHITLOWE R. GREEN COLLEGE OF EDUCATION ..... Dean Lucian Yates, III, Ph.D.

THE ROY G. PERRY COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING..... Dean Kendall T. Harris, Ph.D.

THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES..... President George C. Wright

ALMA MATER: "Dear Prairie View" ..... *Sibelius-Fuller*

RECESSIONAL: "Pomp and Circumstance" ..... *Sir Edward Elgar*  
(Audience Seated)



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FRED E. WASHINGTON ..... Vice President for Administration and Auxiliary Services  
MICHAEL L. MCFRAZIER ..... Vice Provost and Dean, Northwest Houston Center  
BETTY N. ADAMS ..... Dean, College of Nursing  
KENDALL T. HARRIS ..... Dean, Roy G. Perry College of Engineering  
DANNY R. KELLEY ..... Dean, Marvin D. and June Samuel Brailsford College of Arts and Sciences  
LUCIAN YATES, III ..... Dean, Whitlowe R. Green College of Education  
FREDDIE RICHARDS ..... Dean, College of Agriculture and Human Sciences  
MUNIR QUDDUS ..... Dean, College of Business  
DENNIS E. DANIELS ..... Interim Dean, College of Juvenile Justice and Psychology  
IKHLAS SABOUNI ..... Dean, School of Architecture



# CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES<sup>1</sup>

## MARVIN D. AND JUNE SAMUEL BRAILSFORD COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

### Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts

#### *Communications Curriculum*

ADGER, PATRINA ANN	Houston	JONES, LENESHA SHARAE	DeSoto
BELLAMY, KENDRA DENESE	Arlington	JORDAN, AAZHA MONET	Pasadena, CA
BROOKS, DOMONIQUE M.	Hockley	KENNARD, KRISTIN GABRIELLE	Hempstead
BROWN, DONESHA S.	Oklahoma City, OK	LARKS, TRINIECE RENEE	Houston
BUSBY, CHELSEA A.	Houston	MAPLES, DARIEN L.	Carrollton
DOZIER, BLAKE CORTEL	Garland	MICKENS, CORBIN J.	Fort Worth
FULLWOOD, APRIL LAURA	Bastrop	MITCHELL, KIMBERLYN ELISE	Killeen
GARDNER, ELIZABETH LILIEITH-MARIE	Missouri City	OYIBOKE-OSIFO, AMENAGHAWON ELAINE	Sugarland
GAY, CHAUNTRICE D.	Carrollton	POLK, DANA A.	Grand Prairie
GRAY, JARRYD C.	Fort Worth	SIMPSON, BIANCA ROSE	Memphis
GRAY, KRISTA C.	Grand Prairie	STANTON, DREW LAWRENCE	Dallas
HILL, SHAYLA JANEL	Houston	STINSON, DA'LYNN CATRICE	Galveston
HOLMES, ZUTELLA VEA	Austin	WHITE, YA'MYLETHA D.	Prairie View
JACKSON, KEVIN JACORY	Houston		

#### *English Curriculum*

CONLIN, WILLIAM E.	Katy	KWIATKOWSKI, NICOLE LEA	Brenham
HARRIS, WHITNEY CHERELLE	Houston		

#### *History Curriculum*

GLASTER, THEODORE L.	Houston	MCGREW, ALEXANDER R.	Hockley
GRISWOLD, JENNIFER A.	Houston	TAYLOR, LATOYA G.	Waco

#### *Music Curriculum*

EVANS, EDWARD KEITH	Duncanville	MCLEAN, JUSTIN GERAD	Rosenberg
JACKSON, BRE'JAN	Prairie View	ROSE, DARIO	Houston

#### *Political Science Curriculum*

ATKINS, KRISTOPHER C.	Houston	WRIGHT, BRIAN JEMONE	DeSoto
JOHNSON, SHACOTTA RENEE'	Missouri City		

#### *Sociology Curriculum*

BAPTISTE, NATASHA AUDRY	Houston	NICHOLS, JUSTIN G.	Houston
BROWN, CHELSEA ANNETTE	Houston	RAY, SHANIKA DONASHAE	Brenham
HILL, MONTRINAA RENEE'	San Antonio	RICKS, ROCHELLE DENISE	Houston
MARSHALL, KAREN DENISE	Prairie View		

#### *Spanish Curriculum*

MCGARY, CHANNEN M.	Houston
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### Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts in Social Work

BLACKMON, ANGELICA D.	Houston	LEWALLY, YAZMIN SADE	Houston
COOPER, MARSHANDRA CHEVON	Houston	MOORE, ALAN JAMAL	Converse
EVOH, IKENNA A.	Humble	QUIGLEY, TIFFANY T.	Lancaster
HARRISON, TIJUANWA AKENDRIC	Coldspring	RAGSTON, LA'KESHIA DENISE	Hempstead
HOSEY, WHITNEY ANN	Austin	TATES, ANJELICA R.	Prairie View
JOHNSON, PAIGE CHANNON	Houston	WASHINGTON, EBONI ELAN	Houston

### Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Music

#### *Applied Music Curriculum*

CHEATHAM, DARIUS R.	Prairie View
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<sup>1</sup>As final action cannot always be taken by the time the program is printed, the list of candidates given here is tentative only. The University reserves the right to withdraw or add names.



## Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science

### *Biology Curriculum*

ALLEN, BRITTANIE MARIE	Sugar Land	OWENS, CLAYTON A.	Houston
BRAILSFORD, BRITTONY KAYE	Beaumont	PLUMMER, LAUREN LINNETTE	DeSoto
DE JESUS, DULCE Y.	Houston	PRICE, DORIAN CHRISTOPHER	DeSoto
EASINGTON, SABRINA	Houston	RAJI, RASHEEDA	Houston
HILL, CORY ALEXANDER	Houston	RAWLS, STEPHANIE RENAY	Missouri City
JACKSON, SASHA L.	Port Arthur	RILEY, TYSHINIA A.	Houston
MARTINEZ, REBECCA T.	Houston	SENCHEREY, MAXWELL KOFI	Lake Jackson
MILES, SHANA RENAY	Houston	SNODDY, SHENEICE TIANA	Las Vegas, NV
MITCHELL JR., RONALD WADE	Beaumont	WILLIAMS, BRANDON DURELL	Houston
MORALES, YARA A.	Katy	WILSON, CEDRICK R.	Temple
NEVILLE, COURTNEY SHARDAE'	Beaumont		

### *Chemistry Curriculum*

BLACK, JESSICA P.	Eagle Lake
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### *Mathematics Curriculum*

BRADLEY, TAVIA T.	Hempstead
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## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

### Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Business Administration

#### *Accounting Curriculum*

BEADLE, BRANDI N.	Katy	HILL, CHERRELLE C.	The Woodlands
BENNETT, JARRETT C.	Missouri City	JACKSON, KRISTOPHER AARON	Houston
BLAINE, DOMINIQUE ELA'N	Hempstead	JONES, ROBIN T.	Waco
CAMPBELL, ROY LEE	Houston	REDWOOD, CAMILLKA YASMIN	Houston
CANIDA, ADRIEN K.	Missouri City	WADDEL, EVERETT F.	Hempstead
GATES, MAURICE L.	Nacogdoches	WEATHERSPOON, VERNITA A.	Houston
HAWKINS, STEVEN JAMES	Houston	WILSON, JAMAR J.	Dallas

#### *Finance Curriculum*

BOULARD, CORNEEL B.	Beaumont	MOORE, CHERYL D.	Hempstead
BRANFORD, TERRELL D.	Houston	PETTUS, JAY V.	Hempstead
HAWKINS, BRANDI S.	Houston	SCOTT-BRADFORD, NICHOLAS K.	Houston
JUMPER, ASHLIE J.	Houston	SMITH, CARRITTEE M.	Houston
LEVANEN, SETH H.	Cypress	TOLIVER, CLAUDE	Waller

#### *Management Curriculum*

ANDERSON, MICHAEL DEWAYNE	Katy	JONES, HARUN A.	Houston
ARNOLD, ERIN RENEE'	Houston	KING, PATRICK BERNARD	Dallas
BARNES, ANTHONY M.	Houston	KOONTZ JR., RONALD DAVID	Missouri City
BAXTER, LOREN D.	Houston	LABARRE, TONY C.	Missouri City
BENJAMIN, EBONI ALEXIS	Houston	LEDET, SIOVHAN OLIVIA	Houston
BROWN, DAVID A.	Prairie View	MANSON II, BRADY L.	Houston
BRYANT, KHALIQ KEEN	Irving	MARTIN, CRYSTALLYNE ALICIA	Houston
BURKS, AISHA WYNETTE	Dallas	ROBERTS, JAMAL M.	Houston
BURRELL, CHAYLA B.	Spring	SAMPLES, BARRY GLEN	Duncanville
BUTLER, RAMON A.	Prairie View	SAMPLES, BRANDON B.	Duncanville
COLLINS, DADRIAN THOMAS	Richardson	SMITH, DAMARIO RAMON	Mesquite
COOPER, SYLVESHA NICOLE	Dickinson	SMITH, KANDYCE YVETTE	Dallas
EVANS, COURTNEY	Dallas	WASHINGTON, ELYSSA L.	Port Arthur
INGRAM, ROSHAUNDA DENISE	Houston	WILKERSON, JOEL LEVI	Cypress
JACKSON, DEMARIUS JERDAK	Houston		

#### *Management Information Systems Curriculum*

BARR, JOSEPH L.	Austin	FLEMING, KEITH L.	Cypress
BEROTTE, ASHLEY	Houston	FONTENOT, TAKEISA JANAY	Texas City
CARROLL, KATRINA D.	Hempstead	MICHELIN, PAMELA E.	Prairie View
COHEN, CHRISTOPHER M.	DeSoto	TAYLOR, KYLER DEMARQUES	Lancaster
DAVIS, LATRAVIA TISHEA'	Missouri City		



## Marketing Curriculum

AKINPELU, BOSUN	Prairie View	HOGUE, SADE C.	Mesquite
BABERS, DONALD	Houston	MACK, PATRICK J.	Houston
BERRY, DANTE ANTHONY	Houston	MADISON, AMBER ME'CHEL	Round Rock
BURTON, SEBASTIAN G.	Missouri City	MAXFIELD, COREY E.	Houston
CUILLIER III, JOSEPH ARCHIE	Pearland	OLIVER, BERTINA EUNICE	Houston
DENT, JOSHUA K.	Prairie View	ROBINSON, ERICA CHANTE'	Cedar Park
FEARS, SHAYLA R.	Prairie View	STEVENSON, RAINISHA LE'KOLE	Prairie View
FONTENOT, TAKEISA JANAY	Texas City	WALKER, BRANDY M.	Prairie View
HENDRICKS, ITAVIA	Fort Worth		

## WHITLOWE R. GREEN COLLEGE OF EDUCATION Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science

### Health Curriculum

ADEYEMI, ADEBOLA BOLARINWA	Houston	LONG, CHASITY C.	Houston
BARNES, JALEESA NICOLE	Katy	MCCALLA, BRADLEY GENE	Tyler
DUNN, ANDRIA LANIECE	Houston	MILLER, MARTYRON W.	Houston
GOODS, CHELSEA R.	Fresno	PALMORE, KATRINA K.	Fort Worth
GRIMES, CHASITY JA'MEISHA	Houston	POWELL, COURTNEY DENAE	Fulshear
HODO, KENYA GAYNELL	Killeen	PURVIS, JOSHUA EUGENE	Houston
INGRAM, VERONICA JUNE	Dallas	RICHARDSON, YAVARION E.	Mesquite
JONES, MIA'LAKA JAC'QUIRA WAYNETTE	Houston	ROBERTS, AMANDA ELAINE	Prairie View
JORDAN, AUDRIS O.	Houston	SALDANA, VELMA L.	La Marque
LINNEAR, MARNESHIA RENEE	Dallas	STEPHENS, SHAUN CLAYTON	Houston

### Human Performance Curriculum

BROWN IV, DANIEL LEVAR	San Angelo	MCZEAL, JEREMY MARK	Port Arthur
CHISM, MICHAEL ANTHONY	Cedar Hill	REED, JOSEPH NATHANIEL	Houston
DEBOSE, CRYSTAL D.	Missouri City	ROBINSON, RICHARD C.	Houston
HARRIS, MELANIE R.	Dallas	THOMAS, CANDICE Y.	Waco
HARTFORD, STEVEDRIC S.	Garland	WADDY, JEREMY C.	Missouri City
HOUSTON, KENE MARIE	Kingwood	WHITBY, BRANDON LEE	Phoenix, AZ
LAZENBY, KELLEY S.	Orange	WHITE, SIERRA CELESTE	Converse

## Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies

ALEXANDER, CANDICE NICOLE	Houston	LOVELY, RAEGAN LYNNETT	Beaumont
ALLEN, D'ARNISHA IOLANET	Houston	MABLE, ALICIA LATRICE	Navasota
BABERS, OMAR DARNELL	Calvert	MCCOY, CHASNEY JANAE	Houston
BASSETT-COLLINS, LISA LANAE	Navasota	MCHENRY, YOLANDA YVETTE	Houston
BOLT, LAURA ANN	Waller	MCKINNIS, STEPHANIE ROCHELLE IRENE	Houston
BOYKIN, COURTNEY MICHELLE	Garland	MEADOR, KIRBY	Houston
BROWN, ALEXANDER ARTIS	Garland	NNAMANI, CHINASA JILLIAN	Bedford
BROWN, JENNIFER ELYSIA	Katy	OWENS, STONEY ANTWAN	El Paso
BURTON, ASHLEY DIANE	Houston	POWELL, ANGELA DENESE	Brenham
COOK, DONALD CHAZ	Hempstead	PRUETT, TAMESHA LASHAE	Brenham
COOPER, BRANDON TERRELL	Brenham	RATLIFF, CHELSEA M.	Houston
CULL, TIPHANY NICOLE	Manvel	SANCHEZ, DEANNA MARIA	San Antonio
HOBBS, WHITNEY LYNETTE	Spring	SHAW, CARLIN LARUE	Austin
JENKINS, DAWNSHEA LEESHAUN	Humble	TYSON, KYLE LEE	Dallas
JOHNSON, CATHYRN DEANNE	Austin	VITAL, JANETTE MARIE AUBRY	Houston
JONES, ASHLEY LEANN	Prairie View	WASHINGTON, CHIRMEKIA TE'NEASE	Houston
JONES, JACQUELINE RENEE'	Texas City	WHITE, DENA J.	Houston
JONES, RAVONNE DELESIA	San Antonio	WHITMILL, MARKISHA SHARDA	Houston

## ROY G. PERRY COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science

### Computer Science Curriculum

BENNETT, NICOLE L.	Cypress	ROCHA, DAVID	Waller
MADISON, THASIA L.	Grand Prairie	THIBODEAUX, BRANDON ROYCE	Hockley



## Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering

BELLO, OLUWASEUN	Houston	LADIPO, AKINTUNDE R.	Houston
CHAMBERS, NICHOLAS J.	Port Arthur	RODRIGUEZ, STEPHEN J.	Houston
DAVIS, MARCUS J.	Hockley	SIDNEY, EZRA	Houston
HARRISON, LATOYA DIANE	Brookshire	VANN, JOHNATHAN K.	Missouri City
HERNANDEZ, JOSE JESUS	Houston		

## Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering

THOMAS, BRANDON E.	Houston
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## Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering Technology

ALLEN, JEREMY J.	Dallas	MARSHALL, KENNETH BERNARD	Houston
DOUGLAS, JAMELLE D.	Nacogdoches		

## Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering

AHMED, IMRAN I.	Sugar Land	MCGAHEE, ISAIAH	Killeen
ASHLEY, KENDRICK KENNARD	Prairie View	METU, COLLINS C.	Houston
AYUB, MOHAMMAD S.	Faisalabad, Pakistan	POWELL, CHRISTOPHER H.	Arp
IVEY, BRETT DEMURVIO	Dallas	SHIRE, AHMED A.	Houston
JONES, KUWANNA L.	Waller	ST JULIAN, JEREMY T.	Highlands
KAMAL, BASIT	Houston	ZAIDI, SYED MUSTAFA	Houston
LACY, LEWEBSTER S.	Houston		

## Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering Technology

DEMMINGS, ERNEST R.	Port Arthur	REAN, DAVID L.	Cedar Hill
EALEY, JASON DREW	Austin	SMITH JR., LYNN MICHAEL	Prairie View
NWEZE JR., IKECHUKWU O.	Sugar Land		

## Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

ALTAF, HASEEB	Chakwal, Pakistan	MAXIE, FREDRICK D.	Houston
BURRELL, ALLAN SAMUEL	Prairie View	MCNEIL, RONHOWARD O.	Houston
CURRY, DESMOND C.	Houston	MORGAN, MARIO L.	Fort Worth
JONES-WILSON, HARRY B.	Dallas	POLLARD, WHITNEY D.	Baton Rouge, LA
KENNEL, GERALD L.	Fort Worth	SHAKIR, SALMAN	Nawa Shehar Multan, Pakistan
MALIK, MOHAMMAD GHUFRAN	Spring		



# GRADUATING WITH ACADEMIC HONORS<sup>†</sup>

Honor recognition at graduation is based on consistent high scholarship and cumulative grade point averages earned. To be eligible for graduation with honors, a student must have received no failing grades (transfer or residence) and must have completed the last 60 semester hours in residence at Prairie View A&M University.

A student may graduate with honors in one of the three categories:

## SUMMA CUM LAUDE

*Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.90 - 4.0*

ALEXANDER, CANDICE N.  
ANDERSON, SHANOY C.  
BABERS, OMAR D.

CONLIN, WILLIAM E.  
JOHNSON, CATHYRN D.  
MADISON, THASIA L.

REDWOOD, CAMILLKA Y.  
WALKER, VANESSA R.  
WILLIAMS, SHERVENTINA O.

## MAGNA CUM LAUDE

*Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.70 - 3.89*

BASSETT-COLLINS, LISA L.  
BAXTER, LOREN D.

BOLT, LAURA A.  
BURTON, ASHLEY D.

WHITE, SIERRA C.

## CUM LAUDE

*Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.50 - 3.69*

BURRELL, ALLAN S.  
CAPTAIN, LYNDSEY D.  
FORBS, DEIDRA M.  
IMASOGIE, ERINA

MAPLES, DARIEN L.  
MCKINNIS, STEPHANIE R.  
MICHELIN, PAMELA E.  
OYIBOKE-OSIFO, AMENAGHAWON E.

RATLIFF, CHELSEA M.  
SIDNEY, EZRA  
WALLACE, VELENCIA A.  
WILSON, MAHNAZ A.

## COMMISSIONS IN THE ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES

BELLAMY, KENDRA D., SECOND LIEUTENANT, SIGNAL CORPS, GEORGIA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD, ARLINGTON, TX  
FORBS, DEIDRA M., SECOND LIEUTENANT, MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS, ACTIVE DUTY, HOUSTON, TX

## COMMISSIONS IN THE NAVY AND MARINE CORPS OF THE UNITED STATES

ASHINHURST, NATHAN, Ensign, United States Navy, Active Duty, Nampa, Idaho

DAVIS, JATHAN, Ensign, United States Navy, Active Duty, Waukegan, Illinois

## RETIRING FACULTY AND STAFF

MRS. SHARON RICHARDS, Secretary, Roy G. Perry College of Engineering, 20 years of service

MS. TATA KROMAH, Program Coordinator I, University College, 25 years of Service

<sup>†</sup>The golden-colored cord represents undergraduate candidates graduating with academic honors.



# THE COMMENCEMENT PROCESSION

An appropriate costume is a necessary part of Commencement. The costume includes a cap, a gown, and a hood. Each part of the costume has special significance. The most common head-piece (or cap) for the ceremony is the black square, flat-topped, or "mortar board" type with gold or black tassel. It is called a "mortar board" because it is shaped like the board of the mason which holds mortar. Recently, we are seeing large velvet Tam-O-Shanter style of head pieces replacing the mortar board. Some of the velvet tams are brilliantly colored such as orange or bright blue.

The tassel on the doctor's cap is usually gold, and permanently fastened on the left side. The master's cap has a black tassel worn on the left. The bachelor's cap has a black tassel worn on the right prior to graduation then moved to the left during the ceremony.

The hood can be the most colorful part of the entire costume. The colors inside the hood are those of the college or university which is awarding the degree. The colors of the outside rim of the hood symbolizes one of the following departments of learning:

Agriculture .....	Maize	Medicine.....	Green
Architecture.....	Lavender	Music.....	Pink
Arts, Letters, Humanities.....	White	Nursing .....	Apricot
Commerce, Accountancy, Business .....	Drab	Oratory (Speech).....	Silver Gray
Dentistry .....	Lilac	Pharmacy .....	Olive Green
Economics.....	Copper	Philosophy.....	Dark Blue
Education .....	Light Blue	Physical Education.....	Sage Green
Engineering .....	Orange	Public Administration, including	
Fine Arts .....	Brown	Foreign Service.....	Peacock Blue
Forestry .....	Russett	Public Health.....	Salmon Pink
Geography.....	Blue and Green	Science .....	Golden Yellow
Home Economics.....	Golden Yellow	Social Work.....	Citron
Journalism.....	Crimson	Technology .....	Golden Yellow
Industrial Education .....	Light Blue	Theology.....	Scarlet
Law .....	Purple	Veterinary Science.....	Gray
Library Science .....	Lemon		

The gown is usually black. The traditional doctor's gown has velvet panels down the front and three velvet bars on the regular sleeves. The master's gown has no velvet, but does have unusually long sleeves. The bachelor's gown is similar to the master's gown but has regular long sleeves which tend to be pointed.

Some gowns may be in the color of the department granting the degree, such as "Education Blue." Others may be "Yale Blue" or "Harvard Crimson" for the graduates of these universities.

## THE MACE

The mace is an ancient symbol of authority which is carried by the marshal ahead of the academic procession. The mace for Prairie View A&M University is four feet long and contains four bronze figures atop a Honduras mahogany base which tapers to fit into its stand(m). The four figures are symbolic of the four undergraduate academic years. Within the hollow area beneath the figures, and shared equally, is a flame which denotes knowledge and excellence. The base which serves as a grip and is carried by a faculty member, symbolizes the entire faculty; the stand which supports the mace characterizes the administration. The visual impact of the mace as a whole is "torch-like." The eight tassels represent the academic organization of the University.

## THE MEDALLION

The President's Medallion, the official symbol of the Office of the President at Prairie View A&M University, was created especially to commemorate the lineage of the Presidency by the late Mr. Frank Hayden, nationally famous sculptor and Professor of Fine Arts at Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The first medallion was presented to Dr. Percy A. Pierre, fourth president of Prairie View A&M University, on March 21, 1985.

The medallion is designed to be worn with academic regalia at all official University programs. Abstract figures, representing the academic disciplines in an attitude of celebration, encircle the outer rim. The inner circle symbolizes the pursuit of excellence throughout four years of teaching and learning. The weave of the chain is the facsimile of that used by the ancient Greeks.

A replica will be presented to each subsequent President during his inauguration. The medallion will ultimately reflect the history of the presidency, revealing names and dates of inauguration.



# COMMENCEMENT ORATOR

## ERMA C. JOHNSON HADLEY

With a successful career spanning 41 years, Erma Johnson Hadley has embarked on a path that has taken her from the classroom to the top leadership position in the Tarrant County College District.

Hadley was first hired in 1968 as a business instructor. In 1973, she moved into a leadership role when she became the Assistant Director of Personnel and Equal Opportunity Officer where she oversaw the college district's entire workforce. The next year, her responsibilities were broadened to include the college's compliance with all state, local and federal personnel laws and regulations. In 1981, she was chosen as Vice Chancellor for Human Resources where she guided the college's successful efforts to recruit and train both faculty and staff. In 1993, she became Vice Chancellor for Administration and was responsible for civil rights policies and compliance, the admissions, records and registration departments, enrollment services, human resources and coordination of all legal activities for the College. In 2006, her title was expanded to Vice Chancellor for Administrative and Community Services. And in 2009, she was named Interim Chancellor. On March 11, 2010, Hadley was named the Chancellor for the Tarrant County College District.

Throughout her career, Hadley has enjoyed many honors and experienced many successes. In 2010, she was inducted into the Texas Women's Hall of Fame by the Governor's Commission for Women. She was also named a local Freedom's Sister in conjunction with a national traveling exhibit sponsored by the Smithsonian Institution and she was recognized by the Fort Worth Business Press among their 2010 Great Women of Texas.

Her civic, business and community service spans over 35 years serving on numerous committees, boards, commissions and task forces where she has held leadership roles in the majority of these organizations. Hadley is the first African American woman to serve as Chairman of three high-profile boards in North Texas - the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport Board, the Tarrant County Hospital District Board of Managers, and the North Texas Commission. She has been appointed by two governors of Texas to the Trinity River Authority of Texas and the Texas Governor's Committee on Volunteerism. She has also served on the JPMorgan Chase Bank, Fort Worth and the JPMorgan Chase Bank National Community Advisory Board, New York.

She was a representative, spokesperson and promoter of the DFW International Airport to United States Congressional delegations, Texas Legislative delegations and many foreign countries including Australia, New Zealand, Ireland, Spain, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, China and Brazil. She was a member of two delegations to South Africa with The Links, Incorporated and consulted in Russia as a member of a United States delegation of People to People. She participated in a Global Leadership Conference in Salzburg, Austria. She has also represented the North Texas Commission with local elected officials, state legislative and national congressional delegations at an international forum in Japan. She was a member of the Fort Worth Mayor's delegation to Mbabane, Swaziland for the official signing of the Sister Cities agreement as a representative of Tarrant County College District and the Tarrant County Hospital District Board of Managers.

Hadley holds a Bachelor of Science from Prairie View A&M University and a Master of Education from Bowling Green University. She also holds an Honorary Doctorate in Education from Paul Quinn College.

She is married to Bill J. Hadley and has one daughter, Ardenia Johnson Gould.





STATE OF TEXAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

*A Message from the Governor:*

*I am pleased and honored to extend greetings to everyone attending Prairie View A&M University Fall 2010 Commencement Convocation.*

*Today, as you celebrate your achievements and the honor you have earned as graduates of this fine institution, Texas celebrates with you. You have demonstrated excellence and have accomplished much of which to be proud.*

*But remember that the diploma you receive today is not the goal you have worked diligently to attain. It is only a symbol of the education that has prepared you for a career, a productive life and an active membership in a society that needs your talents and energy.*

*You are the inheritors of not only the freedom and prosperity of this great state and nation, but also the responsibilities that accompany them. I urge you to rise to the challenge by building upon the foundation laid by the men and women who have come before you.*

*I am sure the milestone you celebrate today is only one of many achievements you can look forward to. I encourage you to recognize the support system that helped you reach this place — the families, friends, teachers and professors who have supported you — and to take the time to thank and honor them. The success you know today is the work of many, and those relationships will guide you as you continue on your way.*

*First Lady Anita Perry joins me in sending best wishes for your continued success.*



Sincerely,  
*Rick Perry*  
Rick Perry





# THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Office of the Chancellor

December 18, 2010

Dear Graduates:

It is with great honor that I extend my congratulations to you on this memorable day. This day marks the successful completion of a rigorous endeavor that required commitment and sacrifice by you and by your family. It is a day for celebration.

Your education at Prairie View A&M University has taught you to be independent thinkers and strong leaders. You now become a part of Prairie View's legacy of producing graduates who make a difference in their personal and professional lives, as well as their communities.

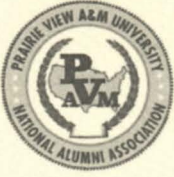
Again, congratulations and best wishes, we are proud of you and your achievements and encourage you to continue a life of learning and of service.

Sincerely,

Michael D. McKinney, M.D.  
Chancellor

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December 18, 2010

Dear Fall Class of 2010:

On behalf of the Prairie View A&M University National Alumni Association (NAA), I would like to sincerely congratulate you on your graduation from Prairie View A&M University. You are to be commended for your academic achievements and accomplishments. I wish each of you success as you enter the workforce, continue to matriculate, or advance in your career. Prairie View has produced another group of productive people for our world.

Now that you have joined the rank of alumni, I invite you to join your fellow alumni in building a stronger National Alumni Association (NAA) for the perpetuation of our illustrious university. You have been awarded the first year of NAA membership free. For more information about the NAA and how to register for your free membership, please visit [www.pvualumni.org](http://www.pvualumni.org).

Again, Congratulations!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lynn Morris".

Mr. Lynn Morris  
President  
PVAMU NAA

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## ALMA MATER "DEAR PRAIRIE VIEW"

Dear Prairie View, our song to thee we raise,  
In gratitude we sing our Hymn of praise,  
For mem'ries dear, for friends and recollections,  
For lessons learned while here we've lived with thee.  
For these we pledge our hearts full of devotion,  
To serve thee now, and through eternity.

As days go by, our hearts will not grow cold,  
We'll love thy purple royal and thy gold,  
We'll through our lives exemplify thy teachings,  
We'll always strive a blessing to be.  
Thy children we our love and pride confessing,  
We'll love thee now, and through eternity.

Words by O. Anderson Fuller  
Music from "Finlandia" by *Sibelius*