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PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

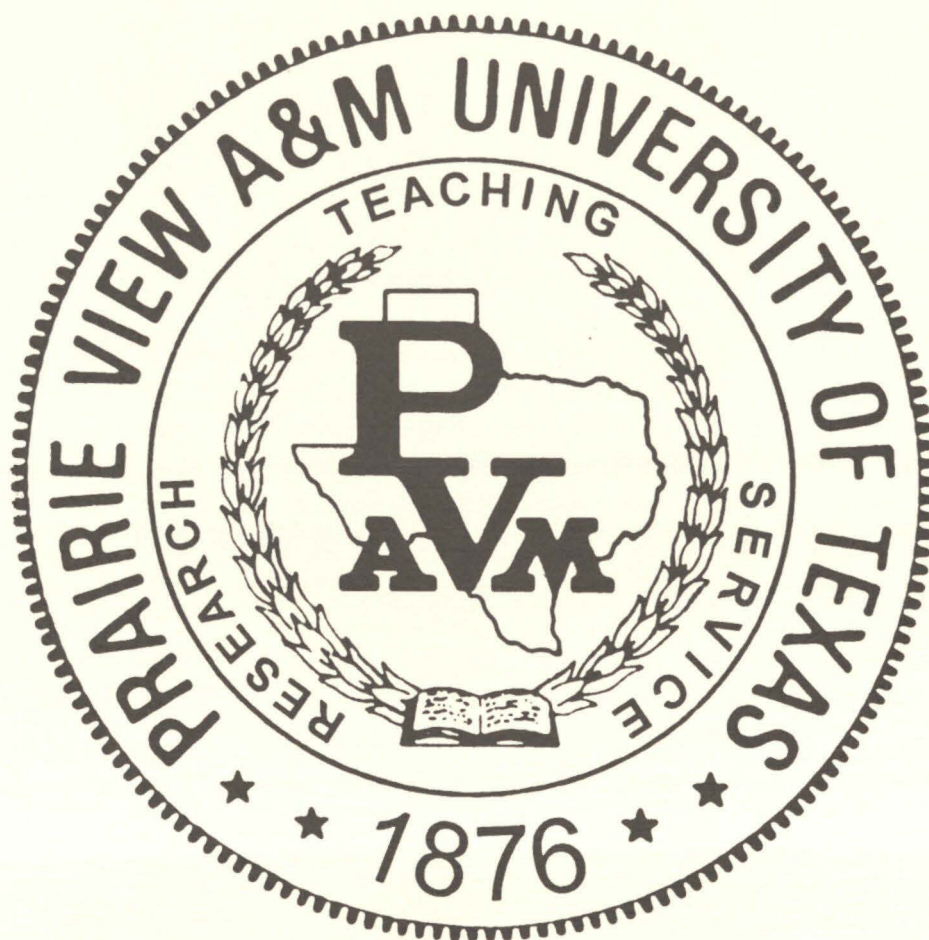
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIRST YEAR

COMMENCEMENT CONVOCATION

(THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH SUMMER COMMENCEMENT)



WILLIAM "BILLY" J. NICKS BUILDING
SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST NINTH
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY SEVEN
TEN-THIRTY 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.

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 Field House. Please ask an usher for assistance.

THE COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Presiding: Dr. Charles A. Hines
President, Prairie View A&M University

ORGAN PRELUDE Dr. Danny R. Kelley

THE CONVOCAATION PROCESSION

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

ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL: "War March of the Priests" (Athalia) *Felix Mendelssohn*
Dr. Danny R. Kelley, Organist
Dr. Marion Henry, Marshal

Marshal

The Dean of Benjamin Banneker Honors College

Faculty

Candidates for Degrees in the Graduate School

Candidates for Degrees in the College of Agriculture and Human Sciences

Candidates for Degrees in the College of Arts and Sciences

Candidates for Degrees in the College of Business

Candidates for Degrees in the College of Education

Candidates for Degrees in the College of Engineering and Architecture

Candidates for Degrees in the College of Nursing

President's Party

INVOCATION The Reverend Charles H. Lewter, Jr.
Dean, University Chapel

NATIONAL ANTHEM *Frances Scott Key*

GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD OF REGENTS

AND AUTHORIZATION FOR CONFERRAL OF DEGREES Mr. Don Powell
Chairman, TAMUS Board of Regents

GREETINGS FROM THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM Dr. Barry B. Thompson
Chancellor

INTRODUCTION OF THE COMMENCEMENT ORATOR President Charles A. Hines

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS The Honorable Royce West
Texas Senate
District 23, Dallas/Tarrant County

MUSIC: "I've Got Religion" *H. F. Mills*
Gwendolyn Dorsey, Soprano

PRESENTATION OF THE DEAN OF THE GRADUATE SCHOOL Dr. E. Joahanne Thomas-Smith

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES
FROM THE GRADUATE SCHOOL Dean Willie Trotty, Ph.D.

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

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FROM:

THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE
AND HUMAN SCIENCES Dean Elizabeth Noel, Ph.D.

THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES Dean Edward W. Martin, Ph.D.

THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS Interim Dean David Kruegel, Ph.D.

THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION Dean M. Paul Mehta, Ed.D.

THE COLLEGE OF
ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE Dean Milton R. Bryant, Ph.D.

THE COLLEGE OF NURSING Dean Dollie Brathwaite, Ph.D.

THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES President Charles A. Hines

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

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

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

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DAVID KRUEGEL	Interim Dean, College of Business
EDWARD W. MARTIN	Dean, College of Arts and Sciences
M. PAUL MEHTA	Dean, College of Education
ELIZABETH NOEL	Dean, College of Agriculture and Human Sciences
JEWEL PRESTAGE	Dean, Benjamin Banneker Honors College
WILLIE TROTTY	Dean, Graduate School

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES¹

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND HUMAN SCIENCES

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Sociology Curriculum

FRIERSON, ALEXANDER B., II	Houston	WASHINGTON, MELINDA	Fort Worth
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CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SOCIAL WORK

ALLEN, KIMBERLY	Dallas	LEMOND, GABRIELLE T.	Houston
BEAN, SHELITA S.	Houston	MARTIN, FELICIA A.	Houston
BROWN, LANITA M.	Brenham	SELLERS, EWA A.	Houston
BROWN, TAMETRIA N.	Fort Worth	SMITH, EFRION J.	Brooklyn, NY
GILBERT, GLADYS O.	Houston	SMITH, PAULETTA T.	Fort Worth
HEAD, PAMELIA M.	Houston	STEWART, TRACY B.	Rusk
HENDERSON, CHANTEE M.	Humble	TRAHAN, DESRA E.	Port Arthur
HILL, IEKA M.	Beaumont	WELLS, ELANDERIA D.	Prairie View

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Economics Curriculum

THOMAS, ROLAND L.	Beaumont
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Agriculture and Human Resources Curriculum

BROOKS, ERIC G.	Washington	OLIPHANT, TOBE H., II	Huntsville
MCADAMS, CHAKA K.	Waco	ONGUDU, PETER	Prairie View

Animal Science Curriculum

BROOKS, MICHAEL L.	Wortham	PIERRE, ANTHONY D.	Houston
EWAN, CONROY F.	Prairie View	SCOTT, ANGELA L.	Tomball
FAULKNER, SEH D.	Houston	STEWART, PAUL R.	Prairie View
FEARON, GARY A.	Prairie View		

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN DIETETICS

Human Nutrition and Food Curriculum

HART, TIFFANIE L.	Houston
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CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HUMAN SCIENCES

Family and Community Services Curriculum

FITCH, CARRIE J.	Cypress
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Human Development and the Family Curriculum

JENKINS, ARETHA R.	Houston
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¹ 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.

† The golden-colored cord represents undergraduate candidates graduating with academic honors.

‡ The burgundy and gray cord represents undergraduate candidates graduating from the Benjamin Banneker Honors College.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Communications Curriculum

PORTER, MICHAEL K. Houston

Communications — Journalism Curriculum

FLOWERS, OLIN T. Prairie View

Communications — Radio/Television Curriculum

HICKS, COURTNEY S.	Dallas	ROBICHEAUX, KIMBERLY D.	Houston
JONES, CANDICE	Port Arthur	STARR, JOI N.	Fort Worth
PERRY, TIFFANY N.	Houston	THOMAS, MONTIE J.	Elgin

Drama Curriculum

JENKINS, RICJUANE W.	Inglewood, CA	SOREMEKUN, BEATRICE T.	Austin
MOORE, CHANTEL L.	Katy		

English Curriculum

BARNES, IRENE J.	Houston	HYDER, NAKESHA S.	Longview
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Geography Curriculum

NEWHOUSE, LUCIOUS L., III	Dallas
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Political Science Curriculum

BOWENS, DERRICK L.	Dallas	JOHNSON, ANGELA F.	Houston
EDWARDS, LISA L.	Houston	WHITE, KENYA Y.	Houston
GIBBS, CURTIS, II	Houston		

Spanish Curriculum

URIBE, ENRIQUE	Waller
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CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Applied Music Curriculum

COLLINS, WILLA J.	Houston
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CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Biology Curriculum

ATSKE, MULU	Prairie View	MITCHELL, SHAWN	Beaumont
BRYANT-HARRIS, KATHYANN C.	Houston	WASHINGTON, MICHELLE A.	San Antonio
CASHAW, LONENZO	Houston	WILLIAMS, CHRISTOPHER D.	Orange
JEFFERSON, REGINALD G.	Angleton	WILLIAMS, NORMAN C.	Houston
LINDSEY, JANEAN L.	Port Arthur		

Chemistry Curriculum

RANDOLPH, LAKEASIA L.	Houston
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Mathematics Curriculum

EDWARDS, JAKARTA A.	Shreveport, LA	PERKINS, MARIA	Phoenix, AZ
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**CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

CAULEY, JULLION U.	Bryan	MOUTON, GREGORY S.	Beaumont
DAVIS, DENNIS L.	Houston	PEOPLES, CARLA J.	Temple
GLOVER-JACKSON, FREDA D.	Hempstead	PHILLIPS, DANESA L.	Houston
LEWIS, ROMAN P.	Dallas		

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

**CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF ARTS**

Economics Curriculum

WILTZ, ADRAIN O. Houston

**CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

Accounting Curriculum

BEECHUM, KELITA R.	DeBerry	MACK, WILLIE W., II	Pasadena, CA
CUNNINGHAM, TONYA E.	Houston	RAHIM, SHAMSUN	Johnstown, PA
DICKERSON, DANIELLE N.	Colorado Springs, CO	THORNS, TE'KECIA N.	Athens
HERZOG, KENT A.	Sealy	VICTOR, KELSEY S.	Crosby

Administrative Information Systems Curriculum

ASH, TANGALA J.	Denver, CO	JOHNSON, FANNIE L.	Plainfield, NJ
JOHNSON, AMINAH T.	Arlington	STRIBLING, JONATHAN	Dallas

Finance Curriculum

NAYLOR, BLYNTHIA C.	Hempstead	SADLER, NEISHA N.	New Boston
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Management Curriculum

BUSBY, DANA L.	Mexia	PARKER, MILDRED	Port Arthur
EVANS, KENDRICK D.	Dallas		

Marketing Curriculum

DAVIS, KIMBERLY N.	Beaumont	LATTIBEAUDIÈRE, ANGELLA M.	Jamaica, W. I.
DONALDSON, MEGAN V.	Houston	LATTIBEAUDIÈRE, SONIA J.	Jamaica, W.I.
JEFFERSON, GERALD A., II	Fort Worth	SHAW, ROBERT R.	Kansas City, MO
KNOX, ANDRE D.	Austin	WILKINS, KANDI	Grandview, MO

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Health Curriculum

CANTU, MONICA	Cypress	TURNER, DEDRIC J.	Crosby
GARNER, KEVIN D.	Houston		

Human Performance Curriculum

JENNINGS, DONALD A.	Channelview	SABARI, SAFIYYAH	Hartsville, SC
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Psychology Curriculum

COLEMAN, TONYA P.	Houston	MCNEIL, EMMA C.	Prairie View
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COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE

BUTLER, CARL G.
COLVIN, MARCUS L.

Houston
Houston

HOLT, GEORGE P., III
PORTER, GREGORY D.

Indianapolis, IN
De Soto

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Computer Science Curriculum

BROWN, MONICA S.
FORD, LASHAUNDA A.
HARRIS, DION D.

Houston
Fort Worth
Humble

SELLS, MARION L.
ZHANG, ZUNJIAN J.

Beaumont
Houston

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

ADAMS, SHAREESE A.
CHERRY, HOLLY L.

Houston
Houston

WOODSON, FRAN L.

Portland, OR

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

AKPAN, OTU T.

Houston

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

JEFFERSON, JERRONTE P.
RHODES, CHRISTOPHER M.

San Diego, CA
Dallas

SMITH, JASON D.
WILSON, ERRICK D.

Dallas
Summit, MS

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

AGBOR, IKECHUKWU W.
AGYEMAN, MICHAEL K.
BROOKS, CANDACE
CHUKWUMA, AMADI K.
CORNELIUS, ADRIAN D.
HUMPHRESS, JOHN W.
JACKSON, BILLY J., JR.

Houston
Austin
La Porte
Houston
Fort Worth
Plano
Mission

MADDEN, SINGHQUAVERTON D.
MAYES, CHRISTOPHER D.
OWENS, KERWIN D.
OWENS, KEVIN W.
ROBERSON, KEYASHA D.
WILHITE, KARL W.

Houston
Houston
Beaumont
Beaumont
Denton
Gladewater

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

BROWN, ROBERT L., III
FORD, CORNELIUS A., II

Fort Worth
Dallas

LARRY, JAMES A.
NICKSON, DARRELL K.

Prairie View
Beaumont

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

BEASLEY, CHARLES E.
JOHNSON, TORRIS
JONES, LAKEISHA S.
LYONS, SPENCER, III

Orange
Chicago, IL
Beaumont
Detroit, MI

REID, ELNA L.
SHELTON, JONEAU W.
VERGE, GENINE C.

Detroit, MI
Fort Worth
Wichita, KS

COLLEGE OF NURSING

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

LEWISON, ANDREA

Houston

STEEN, ANGELA D.

San Antonio

GRADUATE SCHOOL

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND HUMAN SCIENCES

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS

Sociology

EDWARDS, DENISE A.

Prairie View

OSGOOD, CHRISTOPHER D.

Bryan

BBA, Prairie View A&M University, 1985

BS, Texas A&M University, 1993

FINLEY, SHANIQUWA L.

Dallas

WILLIAMS, REGINALD D.

Dallas

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1996

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1995

LEWIS, DEMETRIUS L.

Austin

BA, Texas Lutheran College, 1990

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE

Agricultural Economics

ALI, BATULA HASSAN

Prairie View

KIM, CHEONIL

Seoul, Korea

BS, Somali University, 1978

BS, Kon-Kuk University, 1994

BARNES, BRIAN K.

San Antonio

PAYE, LAWRENCE N., SR.

Houston

BBA, Prairie View A&M University, 1993

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1989

EL-TOHAMI, ENAS S.

Katy

PAYNE, GREG

Brazoria

BS, Cairo University, 1985

BS, Tarleton State University, 1992

GRAY, CASSANDRA D.

Hockley

WILLIAMS, SANQUANETT

Houston

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1992

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1980

JONES, GEORGIA

Prairie View

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1995

Animal Science

BAILEY, EVERTON R.

Houston

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1989

Human Sciences

BABINO, AARON C.

Beaumont

SCOTT, CORALETTA L.

Rosenberg

BS, The University of Texas at San Antonio, 1992

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1995

EMESIH, LINDA WILBERT

Bryan

SMITH, PAMELA D.

Waco

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1990

BS, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, 1982

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS

Music

BEVERLY, ALAN L.

Houston

DORSEY, GWENDOLYN N.

Houston

BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1976

BS, Bishop College, 1978

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE

Biology

POWELL, JUNIOUS K.

Prairie View

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1994

Chemistry

WILLIAMS, CHARLES E.
BS, Southern University, 1994

Fort Worth

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS

Counseling

ANDRUS, ROSALINDE E. BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1996	Beaumont	JEJELOWO, OLA J. BS, Texas Southern University, 1980	Houston
BARNETT, ELLA S. BA, Lamar University, 1989	Kirbyville	JONES, ANDREA M. BS, University of Southwestern Louisiana, 1986	Houston
BELL, TREENA L. BS, Texas Southern University, 1994	Houston	LANGE, ANN BALDRIDGE BA, Southwest Texas State University, 1973	Spring
BOND, NANCY G. BAT, Sam Houston State University, 1983	Houston	LEAL, DECIDERIO BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1994	Brenham
BOOKER, MARILYN L. BBA, Stephen F. Austin State University, 1985	Spring	LEE, HELEN ADAMS BS, Prairie View A. and M. College, 1970	Jasper
BRANCH, JERRY L. BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1978	Houston	LEHMANN, DEBORAH G. BBA, Southwest Texas State University, 1978	Giddings
BREHM, CARLEEN M. BS, University of Houston, 1966	Houston	LOVE, CHRISTINA D. DIXON BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1995	Killeen
BROUSSARD-BARNES, ANDERIA BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1984	Houston	NOEL, ROSENA E. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1996	Prairie View
BROWN, LENICE D. BBA, Prairie View A&M University, 1988	Prairie View	NWOKEN, JOE N. BS, Texas Southern University, 1983	Houston
CAVENESS, CONSTANCE M. KIMBALL BS, Stephen F. Austin State University, 1988	Tomball	O'FINAN, BARBARA J. BA, University of Mississippi, 1982	Houston
COLE, TONYA L. EMANUEL BS, Grambling State University, 1986	Houston	OGBEIDE, ISOKEN C. BBA, Texas Woman's University, 1984	Houston
COOKSEY, DEBRA HOLLIDAY BS, Texas Southern University, 1986	Houston	OGLETREE, EVELYN L. BS, Texas Southern University, 1984	Houston
CRANDALL, MARY-MARGARET BS, Lamar University, 1990	Houston	OWENS, STARLA C. BS, Texas Southern University, 1992	Houston
DAVIS, JESSIE R. BS, Texas Southern University, 1976	Lexington	PAUL, LARONDA L. BS, Lamar University, 1992	Port Arthur
DILLARD, BRENDA BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1993	Houston	POPE, VERLICIA M. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1996	Houston
DRAKE, ALISA K. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1996	Prairie View	POWELL, LAKISHA L. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1996	Austin
FISHER, JULIAN BS, The University of the State of New York, 1991	Houston	RAASCH, WAYNE G. BS, Texas A&M University, 1974	Houston
FONSECA-FLOREZ, ALBEZA BA, University of Texas at Dallas, 1986	Houston	SANDERS-HAMILTON, JULIA BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1978	Houston
FREEMAN, JOSALYNN R. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1996	Corsicana	SPIVEY, IVA BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1985	Houston
FRICKE, LANA J. DANIEL BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1989	Bellville	WALLACE, BRENDA J. STAMEY BA, Sam Houston State University, 1990	Houston
GADSON, MONIQUE D. BS, University of Houston, 1993	Pearland	WARD, GWENDOLYN Y. BBA, Texas Southern University, 1974	Houston
GALVIN, PATRICIA ALEXANDER BA, Southeastern Louisiana University, 1977	Houston	WILLIAMS, CURTIS L. BS, Lamar University, 1990	Port Arthur
GILLIAM, JANETTA C. BS, Southern University, 1966	Houston	WILLIAMS, NICOLE N. BS, Southwest Texas State University, 1994	Beaumont
HUNT, TERRASITA L. BS, Lamar University, 1991	Beaumont	WILTURNER, SCHANTALE T. BS, Sam Houston State University, 1992	Houston
JEFFERSON, MARY L. WHITAKER BS, Texas Southern University, 1993	Houston		

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF EDUCATION

Counseling

EGLIHT, RANDALL W. Spring
BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1984

Curriculum and Instruction (Agricultural Education)

THOMPSON, CANUTE E. Prairie View
BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1994

Curriculum and Instruction (Educational Media and Technology)

HICKS, CATHERINE BS, University of Texas, 1981	Cypress	PETERS, DEBRA WILSON BS, Baylor University, 1977	Houston
KITHCART, BARBARA HOWARD BA, North Carolina Central University, 1968	Houston		

Curriculum and Instruction (Reading Education)

DENNIS-JONES, PATRICIA A. BS, Prairie View A. and M. College, 1968	Sugar Land	KING, ZENOBIA L. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1994	Dallas
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Educational Administration

ALLISON, MARVEL M. BA, Lamar University, 1991	Port Arthur	GREEN, WILLIE M. BS, Alabama State University, 1977	Houston
ARCENEUX-LEDAY, CONNIE M. BA, Southern University, 1975	Houston	GUMS, STELLA LEBLANC BS, Lamar University, 1991	Beaumont
BAILEY-LOVE, SOPHIA L. BS, Texas Southern University, 1987	Houston	HAYNES-FRANKLIN, AMARYLLIS D. BS, Texas A&I University, 1973	Houston
BAKER, DEA ANNE BA, San Diego State University, 1987	Houston	HOLLOWAY, DEIRDRE Y. BS, Sam Houston State University, 1994	Missouri City
BOFFMAN, MARLENE K. BS, University of Houston, 1993	Sugar Land	HUGHES, SAUNDRA L. DYKES BS, Southern State College, 1978	Houston
BUCHANAN, DAVID L., JR. BS, Southwest Texas State University, 1978	Houston	ILTEN, STEVEN BA, Christ College - Irvine, 1987	Tomball
CAMPBELL, COY R. BS, Wright State University, 1985	Hockley	JACKSON-HARRIS, MICHELLE BA, Texas Southern University, 1984	Houston
COLVIN, ROOSEVELT L. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1992	Houston	JAMES, FELICIA A. C. BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1995	Houston
DAWSON, LAURA BS, Southwestern University, 1980	Houston	KONICKI, MICHAEL J. BS, University of North Texas, 1987	Spring
DAY-VEAL, MARCEIL D. BA, Texas Southern University, 1982	Houston	LEHRMANN, RAY D. BS, Sam Houston State University, 1962	Richmond
DEGARMO, DANA A. BA, University of Montevallo, 1986	Giddings	LONGORIA, JOSE A. BS, Southwest Texas State University, 1976	Angleton
DEVILLIER, KIMMIE BS, Arkansas State University, 1978	Shiro	LONGORIA, LINDA PAIGE BS, Southwest Texas State University, 1977	Angleton
DOEHRMANN, KEITH A. BS, Concordia Teachers College, 1980	Cypress	LOWRY, CLAY B. BAT, Sam Houston State University, 1980	Houston
EARNEST, SURNETRA M. BS, Southwest Texas State University, 1993	Houston	MCCRAY, MARY E. BS, Texas Southern University, 1978	Pearland
FOSTER, SHERYL E. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1993	Houston	MOORE, KRISTAL E. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1995	Houston
GARCIA, EDITH POSADAS BS, University of Texas - Pan American, 1993	Houston	PARKER, GALE SPEICHER BS, University of Tennessee, 1973	Cypress
GERBER, THOMAS BS, University of Wisconsin - Superior, 1992	Houston	POWERS, TRINA D. BS, Texas Southern University, 1994	El Paso
GLOVER, JAMES M. BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1990	La Marque	REDEAUX, EDWARD A. BS, Lamar University, 1980	Houston

RIDDLE, CANDACE CARTER BS, University of Texas at Tyler, 1991	Houston	VINES, BETTY ASKEW BS, Southwest Texas State University, 1969	Hempstead
ROSS, JEANNETTE F. BA, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, 1977	Houston	WATTS, JUDY D. SCOTT BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1989	Houston
SANDEFUR, JAMES R. BS, Southwest Texas State University, 1975	Houston	WHITEMIRE, LAKEIAH R. BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1995	Dallas
SIEBER, BARRY L. BS, Moorhead State University, 1988	Tomball	WILSON, ADREAYN A. BA, Southwestern University, 1984	Cedar Park
STEELE, WINSTON S. BS, Texas Tech University, 1989	Houston		

Physical Education

DAVIES, BERTHA R. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1996	Waller	SOBOTIK, VICTOR L. BS, Baylor University, 1978	Spring
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Special Education

BURROW, PHILIP E. BA, Sam Houston State University, 1976	Katy	HATCHERSON, DENISE BS, University of Southwestern Louisiana, 1989	Houston
CHAPRON, TIFFANY K. BS, Texas Southern University, 1994	Houston	TERRY, SYLVIA AZIOS BS, University of Texas at Austin, 1968	Houston
GRAHAM, CAROLINE CLARK BS, Prairie View A. and M. College, 1967	Beaumont	VILLALOBOS, SERGIO BA, Houston Baptist University, 1993	Houston
HARPER, JOYCE IVERY BS, Texas Southern University, 1975	Houston	WILLIAMS, STEPHANIE R. BS, Southwest Texas State University, 1995	Houston

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER SCIENCE IN ENGINEERING

AKINTONDE, NANCY ADEYINKA BS, Universita Degu Studi Chieti, Italy, 1991	Houston	PAN RONG BS, China University of Science and Technology, 1976	Houston
ARIZA, CARLOS H. BS, La Salle University, 1980	Hockley	SHAIKH, HABIB-UR-REHMAN BS, Kansas State University, 1992	Houston
GRANT, CHRISTOPHER M. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1993	Houston	SHOJAH-ARDALAN, SHOJAH BS, Sharif University of Technology, 1986	Houston
HE, YU BS, South China University of Technology, 1985	Prairie View	WASHINGTON, KENNETH W. BS, Southern University, 1975	Katy
KOUAME, NZUE B. BS, Texas Tech, 1995	Houston	YAO, GUANGHUI BS, East China University of Chemical Technology, 1986	Prairie View
LADIPO, KOLAWOLE BS, University of Lagos, 1990	Houston	YU, XINYA BS, University of Electronic and Science Technology - China, 1992	College Station
OMAIR, MOHANNAD R. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1993	Houston		

BENJAMIN BANNEKER HONORS COLLEGE GRADUATES

The following students have attained their degrees by completing Banneker Honors College Program requirements:

AGYEMAN, MICHAEL K.	Electrical Engineering Curriculum	Austin
ASH, TANGALA J.	Administrative Information	
	Systems Curriculum	Denver, CO
MADDEN, SINGHQUAVERTON D.	Electrical Engineering Curriculum	Houston
SMITH, EFRION J.	Social Work Curriculum	Brooklyn, NY

GRADUATING WITH ACADEMIC HONORS

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 complete 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:

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.70 – 3.89

COLLINS, WILLA
STEWART, PAUL

URIBE, ENRIQUE

CUM LAUDE

Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.33 – 3.69

CHUKWUMA, AMADI
DICKERSON, DANIELLE
FITCH, CARRIE
GILBERT, GLADYS

HERZOG, KENT
JACKSON, BILLY
MADDEN, SINGHQUAVERON
ZHANG, ZUNJIAN

COMMISSIONS IN THE ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES

NICKSON, DARRELL K., Second Lieutenant
Air Defense Artillery, United States Army Reserve, Beaumont
PERKINS, MARIA, Second Lieutenant
Phoenix, AZ

SABARI, SAFIYYAH, Second Lieutenant
Quartermaster Corps, United States Army Reserve, Hartsville, SC

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

BARNES, MICHAEL J., Ensign
Naval Aviation, Active Duty Reserve, Tyler

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

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. 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 ten 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.

CHARLES ALFONSO HINES, Ph.D.
PRESIDENT, PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

Dr. Charles A. Hines is the sixth President of Prairie View A&M University located in Prairie View, Texas. He has held this position since November 21, 1994. Born and raised in our Nations capitol, Washington, D.C., Dr. Hines joined the United States Army after graduating from Washington D.C.'s Dunbar High School. After serving in infantry and artillery units as an enlisted man, he was honorably discharged as a Sergeant in 1957 and immediately entered Howard University in Washington, D.C. Upon graduation from Howard University with a Bachelor of Science degree and a Regular Army commission, Dr. Hines embarked on a 30 year career as a commissioned officer, retiring in 1992 with the rank of Major General. Dr. Hines served as an adjunct professor with the University of Maryland for 22 years.

Dr. Hines holds a Ph.D. from The Johns Hopkins University, a Master of Science from Michigan State University, and a Master of Military Arts and Science from the Commanding General Staff College. He has completed management development programs at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, as well as the University of Maryland. He is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy.

During his career as an Army officer, Dr. Hines has held many important command and staff assignments. As a Colonel, he served as Director, Women in the Army Policy Review Group. In that capacity, he was instrumental in exponentially expanding opportunities for women in the Army. As a general officer, he served as Director, Officer Personnel Management Division at the Pentagon; Director of Manpower, Budget and Force Integration; and finally as Commanding General, United States Army Military Police and Chemical Schools and Fort McClellan, Fort McClellan, Alabama.

Dr. Hines has dedicated much of his personal, professional and academic life to equal opportunity, education and training, advancement of rights for women, race relations, and the development of youth. He has received numerous honors and awards. In 1992, he was inducted into the National Boys and Girls Club Hall of Fame. Most recently he was selected by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference as an Outstanding Black Man for 1994. He served as Director of Protection and Health Service for the Smithsonian Institution from August 1992 until he assumed his duties as the sixth President of Prairie View A&M University.



STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

GEORGE W. BUSH
GOVERNOR

July 18, 1997

Greetings to:

***The Graduating Class
of
Prairie View A & M University***

Congratulations on your graduation from Prairie View A & M University on August 9. College provides one of the most enriching periods of our lives as we explore new ideas and build friendships with people from diverse cultures and backgrounds. I know that you have wonderful memories from the years you have spent learning and growing together.

I wish you every success as you take the next step into your future, be it through more formal education or through your individual efforts in the workplace. I encourage you to continue to learn more about yourself and the world. Lifelong learning is the key to success.

Laura joins me in sending you best wishes. Remember, you possess the Texas spirit of dreaming and doing – setting your goals and working hard to achieve them.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "GWB".
GEORGE W. BUSH



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August 9, 1997

Dear Graduates:

It is my honor and privilege to extend heartfelt congratulations to each of you for your accomplishments celebrated today.

Prairie View A&M University, from its earliest beginnings in the late 1800s, has demonstrated a rich history of producing top-quality leaders and scholars. Today is no exception. The Texas A&M University System and your university expect great things from each of you.

I encourage you to open the doors of opportunity with compassion and intellect. Inspire others. Lead. Tell the story of higher education and its impact on your life. Use your education and experience here at Prairie View A&M for the betterment of not only yourself and your family--but your community, your state and your world.

The Texas A&M University System is based on a strong foundation of service and excellence. Thank you for helping us maintain that tradition.

Congratulations and best wishes.

Warmest regards,

Barry B. Thompson, Ph.D.
Chancellor

Universities

Baylor College of Dentistry
Prairie View A&M University
Tarleton State University
Texas A&M International University
Texas A&M University
Texas A&M University at Galveston

Texas A&M University-Commerce
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
Texas A&M University-Kingsville
Texas A&M University-Texarkana
West Texas A&M University

Agencies

Texas Agricultural Experiment Station
Texas Agricultural Extension Service
Texas Animal Damage Control Service
Texas Engineering Experiment Station
Texas Engineering Extension Service
Texas Forest Service
Texas Transportation Institute
Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory



PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY
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Dear Summer 1997 Graduates:

It is indeed an honor and a privilege to have the opportunity to congratulate each of you for having accomplished the goals that allow you to celebrate this day.

On behalf of the Faculty of Prairie View A&M University, I am very pleased to say congratulation on your achievement and may God speed you on a successful path.

Perhaps, you will claim this degree as one of your most precious possession, legitimizing your quest for job opportunities and/or business ventures.

Please carry these thoughts as you embark on a different lifestyle: It's not how much you accomplish in life that really counts, but it is how much you have to give to others. It's not how high you have built your dreams that makes a difference, but how high your faith can climb. It's not how many goals you have reached, but how many lives you have touched. It's not whom you know that matters, but who you are inside. It is a fact that your most precious possession is and will always be your integrity.

Summer 1997 graduates, believe in the impossible, hold tight to the incredible and live each day of your lives to its fullest potential. you are charged with making a difference in the world of generations to come.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Frank T. Hawkins', followed by a horizontal line.

Frank T. Hawkins, Speaker
Faculty Senate

To the Summer Graduating Class of 1997

Congratulations!!

This is the last of a series of congratulatory letters from me to the graduates during my tenure as your National Alumni Association President. My term expires September 2, 1997, and it has been a pleasure to serve you.

To recipients of undergraduate degrees. I think you will be pleased to know that over the last two years we have:

- Increased annual and life-time membership by approximately 25% @ \$50.00 for annual membership and \$500.00 life-time membership. Life-time membership fee can be paid in two annual installments.
- Initiated PVAMU Visa Affinity card which is yielding more than \$3000.00 in royalties per year, per 435 active participants with an average of \$585,958 in outstanding accounts.
- Advanced the concept of deferred-giving through bequeaths, gifts-in-kind and charitable remainder trust (CRTs).
- Automated our document management, membership and cost accounting system.
- Placed PVAMU/NAA on the Internet. We now have a web page, our URL is (<http://www.naa.pvamu.edu>).
- Campaigned and succeeded in getting over 30 pre-alums and young-alums to participate in our 1997 Las Vegas convention.
- Launched Capital Improvement Campaign to raise \$1.5 million by year 2000.
- Established a NAA pre-alum & young-alum award recognition program.

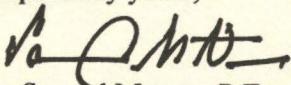
You may be pleased to know that your Student Government Association (SGA) president, Mr. David Walden, participated in the convention and made a forceful and well received presentation on how the Alumni Association can support the goals and aspirations of the University. He spoke with passion about scholarships, the financial needs of the Gilpin Players, Black Foxes, the University Marching Band, The Bancker Honors College and KPVU radio station,---we plan to do something about that.

To recipients of graduate degrees: I know that you are financially obligated to your respective alma mater. However, one way to say thanks to PVU is to join the National Alumni Association for \$50.00 per year. Another way to help is to apply for the PVAMU Visa Affinity card and use it just one time per year. If you do that, the NAA will receive \$5.00 per year/per each cardholder, plus 1/2 of 1% of net purchase. There is no annual renewal fee.

As you leave this place, you should enamor yourselves with PVU and make every effort to ingratiate yourselves with the good things it represents. Clearly, *PVAMU is A Treasure Worth Preserving*,--- we ought to keep her that way.

Au revoir---*"May the most you wish for be the least you receive."*

Respectfully yours,



Dr. Samuel Metters, P.E.
President, PVAMU/NAA

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*

RETIRING STAFF & FACULTY

FELDER, HATTIE, Custodial Worker
Department of Custodial Services, 10 years service
SMITH, VIVIAN, Interim Vice President
Office for Student Affairs, 42 years service

TOLER, VELMA, Media Specialist
Department of Student Computing, 30 years service

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