

DECEMBER 2024

Commencement Ceremony

7 p.m. • Friday, December 13

American Bank Center



DEL MAR COLLEGE

Del Mar College 75th Anniversary Alma Mater

Music by Kristopher Pickle, Lyrics by Allen Roberts, 2010

Thousands of dreams, which you helped give.
Transforming lives, what a special gift.
Since you began, you have stayed true.
Hail Del Mar College, Silver and Blue.

Ever changing always giving,
A shining light from the beginning.
You take the weak and make them strong.
So, we lift our head up and sing this song!

Hail Del Mar College, where dreams come true.

Message from the President

Graduates,

Congratulations! Your educational success proves that if you dedicate your time and talent to learning, your Del Mar College experience will provide new opportunities. Tonight marks a milestone for you and your family as you become forever a Del Mar College graduate.

In addition to providing affordable high-quality degree and certificate programs in nearly 150 different fields this year, the College is emphasizing customized training options to meet the needs of regional economic growth. Most of our liberal arts majors successfully transfer to continue their study at a regional university. We're forging partnerships with new industry leaders entering the Coastal Bend.



Like you, I attended Del Mar College, never imagining I would return to lead this institution that gave me the foundation to succeed. My associate degree delivered the framework for successfully completing a bachelor's, masters and finally a doctoral degree with an emphasis on community college leadership.

I encourage you to embrace your diploma as a symbol of your success but not as a symbol of completion. Think of tonight's commencement ceremony as an important step toward your future ... a beginning of sorts. Whether you transfer to another institution to pursue your next degree or proceed directly into a meaningful career, your Del Mar College diploma is a permanent part of your personal life story.

Set your sights high and capitalize on your Del Mar College education as you move forward.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Escamilla'. The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping 'M' and a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Mark Escamilla, Ph.D.
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Commencement Exercises

PROCESSIONAL

Welcome	Dr. Mark Escamilla <i>President/CEO of Del Mar College</i>
Presentation of Colors*	Scouts BSA Troops of the South Texas Council, Scouting America
National Anthem	Francis Scott Key
Del Mar College 75th Anniversary Alma Mater*	Kristopher Pickle and Allen Roberts <i>Dr. Raphael Rada, Professor of Music</i> <i>Dr. Shao-Shan Chen, Professor of Music</i> <i>The Del Mar College Wind Ensemble, Dr. Abel Ramirez, Conductor</i>
Keynote Address.....	Dr. Robert H. Vela <i>22nd President, Texas A&M University-Kingsville</i>
Certification of Graduates	Dr. Jonda Halcomb <i>Vice President and Chief Academic Officer</i>
Awarding of Diplomas.....	Dr. Mark Escamilla, President/CEO <i>Dr. Jennifer Sramek, Dean of the Division of Business, Entrepreneurship and Health Sciences</i> <i>Dr. Cynthia Bridges, Dean of the Division of Communication, Fine Arts and Social Studies</i> <i>Davis Merrell, Dean of the Division of Industry and Public Service</i> <i>Dr. Jack Southard, Dean of the Division of STEM, Kinesiology and Education</i>
Closing.....	Dr. Mark Escamilla <i>President/CEO of Del Mar College</i>

RECESSIONAL

Faculty Grand Marshal.....	Billy Bob Long, <i>Professor of Biology</i>
Faculty Marshals.....	Bert Rodriguez, <i>Program Director and Associate Professor of Pharmacy Technology</i> Amorette Garza-Morales, <i>Professor of Art</i> Dr. Ruben Garcia, <i>Associate Professor of Human Services</i> Eric Moller, <i>Director of the Math Learning Center and Professor of Mathematics</i>
Orators.....	Mike Jones, <i>Professor of Speech</i> Dr. Carlos Garanzuay, <i>Director of Admissions</i>

*Photographs and video taken by the College at this event may be published
in print and electronic media.*

**Alma Mater Lyrics and United States Flag protocol may be found
on the inside covers of this program.*

Commencement Speaker

Dr. Robert H. Vela

22nd President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville

Dr. Robert H. Vela Jr. began serving as the 22nd president of Texas A&M University-Kingsville on June 15, 2022. His career has been dedicated to promoting access and opportunity to higher education across the state.

Dr. Vela previously served as President of San Antonio College—one of the largest community colleges in the nation — from 2014-June 2022. Under his collaborative leadership, Dr. Vela developed a strategic plan that advanced the Alamo Community College District's goal of transforming San Antonio College into the best community college in the nation.

In 2021, the college earned the Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence--the nation's premier recognition of achievement and performance among America's community colleges.

He has also served in leadership roles at San Jacinto College and Coastal Bend College.

Dr. Vela launched his career in higher education at Texas A&M University-Kingsville in 1997 and served in various roles at the university, including as Upward Bound Program Coordinator and Director of the Teacher Development Center.

In 2021, Dr. Vela joined the Board of Directors of Excelencia in Education, an organization accelerating Latino student success in higher education to address the U.S. economy's need for a highly educated workforce and civic leadership.

A nationally recognized leader in higher education, Dr. Vela has also served as the President of the National Community College Hispanic Council and on the American Association of Community Colleges Board of Directors. In 2018, he received the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award from the U.S. Department of Commerce.

He has taught courses in higher education administration and leadership and educational leadership and counseling throughout his 20 years in higher education.

A native of Alice, TX, Dr. Vela earned bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees from Texas A&M-Kingsville. In 2015, he received the Javelina Distinguished Alumni Award.



DECEMBER 2024 Honors Graduates

Summa Cum Laude

Ethan G. Atkinson
Adrian Avila
Marissa M. Beard
Paige N. Bennett
Victor C. Canion Jr.
Julia S. Cole
Megan C. Daniel
Cameron J. De Leon
Paloma L. Espinoza
Brittany N. Fox
Julia Franco
Stephanie A. Franklin
Kenedy J. Fuller
Aleena J. Garcia
Jorge E. Garza
Jose M. Gonzales
Azeneth A. Gonzalez
Leonardo Granados
Ariadna E. Grice
Madisyn P. Guilianelle
Vanessa N. Gutierrez
Rose M. Hale
David A. Hernandez Sr.
Yancey J. Hernandez
Brayden H. Kaiser
Mark E. Lara II
Alana K. Larson
Zhenbang Li
Robert L. Luna
Samantha A. Mackey
Arnulfo F. Martinez Jr.
Irene D. Martinez
Micah S. Martinez
Tina M. McPherson
Guadalupe Mendez Jr.
Omar A. Mendez
Angelina R. Palacios
Isaac Perez Jr.
Chanboramey Pok
Bryan G. Ramirez
Jaclyn E. Rios
Ahmi M. Robertson

Brandon L. Rodriguez
Brandy M. Rodriguez
Emma A. Rollins
Irma L. Salinas
Trinity A. Storr
Jillian M. Ulch
Josh L. Underbrink
Claudia N. Vela
Gabriela I. Villarreal
Amanda L. Wojciechowski
Gerardo Yanez

Magna Cum Laude

Yanely V. Adame
Anthony L. Bautista
Jordan Cantu
Jessica D. Castillo
Alana L. Coapland
Andrea L. Flores
Emilian Galvan
Heather E. Galvan
Stefanie J. Garcia
Joseph A. Garibay
Michael J. Garza
Piper D. Gates
Jacob M. Hinojosa
Kendalynn Jones
Thomas E. Martinez
Wendy L. Martinez
David Medina
Joshua Morris
Brittany N. Ordonez
Arianna M. Ortiz
Dody Perales
Christine M. Perez
Sarah E. Raffay
Amanda I. Ramirez
Ruby A. Robles
Christopher Saldana Jr.
Abigail L. Sanchez
Bianca L. Sanchez
Andrew M. Sleet
Alexander D. Sy

Minerva R. Tillman
John C. Vazquez
Benjamin Villarreal Sr.
Jacob Villarreal

Cum Laude

Victoria F. Aguas Garcia
Araceli Barajas
Leonardo D. Barcenas
Lilly Brooks
Darrion Byars

Cameron M. De la Pena
Aubrey N. Ford
Jasmin O. Galvan
Avril K. Gonzalez
Joseph S. Gonzalez
Sofia Jimenez
Phillip P. Krupa
Naila R. Matus
Patrick A. Morin
Katelynn M. Odvina
Daniela Ortiz
Hailey L. Osborne
Mathew J. Reyes
Mary N. Ritchie
Elizabeth A. Rivera
Erica M. Rodriguez
Jillian A. Ruiz
Aneesah L. Cordova
Ella R. Serna
Diana L. Silva
Bethany G. Walker
Remington J. Wright

DECEMBER 2024

Prospective Graduates

* Military Veteran
 DC Dual Credit
 H Honors Program
 VV Viking Volunteer
 KP Member, Kappa Pi - International Honor Art Fraternity
 PTK Member, Phi Theta Kappa - International Honor Society of the Two Year College
 ABC Member, Alpha Beta Gamma® - International Business Honor Society

SAP Sigma Alpha Pi - National Society of Leadership and Success
 SKD Sigma Kappa Delta - English Honor Society
 LEX Lambda Epsilon Chi - National Paralegal Honor Society
 SPA Sigma Phi Alpha - National Dental Hygiene Honor Society
 LN Lambda Nu National Honor Society for Radiologic and Imaging Sciences
 ADN Alpha Delta Nu Nursing Honor Society
 LB Lambda Beta Society for Respiratory Care

DIVISION OF BUSINESS, ENTREPRENEURSHIP, AND HEALTH SCIENCES

ALLIED HEALTH

Associate in Science

Cyan M. Castro
 Jaclyn E. Rios
 Myra A. Rodriguez
 Ella R. Serna
 Madison R. Torrez
 Marisella N. Vasquez

Associate in Applied Science

Crystal L. Carpio
 Alana L. Coapland
 Cain A. Macias
 Alexander D. Sy

Certificate

Cassandra Alejandre
 Marissa M. Beard
 Amber N. Champion
 Justin A. Cuevas,
 Ariadna E. Grice

This program contains the names of candidates for certificates, degrees and honors. Inclusion in the program does not constitute evidence of completion of program or honors requirements.

Chelsea L. McWilliams
 Desirae N. Saldana

Advanced Technology Certificate

Michelle M. Mungia

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Associate in Arts

Yanely V. Adame
 Khalid T. Alabi
 Courtney L. Araiza
 Carea D. Aubrey
 Ana J. Battles
 Gina M. Billings
 Alicia K. Bowser
 Julia S. Cole ^{SAP}
 Dylan J. Davila *
 Reno R. Del Bosque ^{ABC, SAP}
 Richard J. Del Bosque
 Mia A. Deleon
 Evan C. Diaz
 Caleb C. Garcia
 Matthew R. Garcia
 Aubriana R. Garza Sr.
 Samantha J. Garza
 Kelsey M. Gibson
 Jennifer S. Guerrero
 Lisa M. Hollan
 Sierra M. Jimenez ^{SAP}
 Kai Y. King
 Zachary J. Kramer
 Jared J. Lerma

Reese G. Lugo
 Kayla L. Lydon
 Mai T. Nguyen
 Tommy H. Pham
 Chanboramey Pok
 Joshua A. Reyna
 Delia S. Rios Orozco
 Elizabeth A. Rodriguez
 Robert E. Rodriguez Jr.
 Laura A. Salinas
 Stephanie M. Sepulveda
 Gabriella A. Solis
 Juliet S. Swonke
 Tiburcio R. Trevino III *
 Brittany L. Vogel

Associate in Applied Science

Camren N. Akin
 Paige N. Bennett
 Lee Anne N. Cantu
 Jessica D. Castillo
 Tanya Fuller
 Christyne D. Garza
 Lorrie A. Garza
 Mia R. Epps-Hicks
 Ashley Herrera
 Sabrina I. Hiracheta
 Renee M. Huentes
 Sharon K. Hughes ^{ABC}
 Cassandra D. Langston
 Mariela Mayen Ruiz
 Tina M. McPherson
 Elaine C. Medina
 Joshua Morris
 Arianna M. Ortiz
 Addison J. Perez

Matthew L. Peterson
Kaitlyn J. Ponce
Adriana M. Ramirez
Priscilla M. Ramirez
Erica M. Rodriguez
Sarah C. Sanmiguel
Kimberly N. Schulte
Elizabeth M. Tressider
Senaída Treto
Jesus Trevino
John D. Whitaker
Amanda L. Wojciechowski

Certificate

Camren N. Akin
Kaylyn A. Arevalo
Isabel C. Clark
Aneesah L. Cordova
Alexia Cruz
Megan C. Daniel
Ciera E. Deleon
Annalia M. Escamilla
Andrea L. Flores
Jasmin O. Galvan
Christyne D. Garza
Lorrie A. Garza
Avril K. Gonzalez
Renee M. Huentes
Madisyn P. Guilanella
Kadence N. Hill
Leah N. Jasso
Alessandra J. Juarez
Dana I. Kinard
Kasten S. King
Delilah K. Luna
Cassandra L. Matamoros
Naila R. Matus
Lynette Montalvo
Joshua Morris
Hailey L. Osborne
Angelina R. Palacios
Kally A. Pena
Kaitlin J. Ponce
Adriana M. Ramirez
Gabriela R. Ramirez

Erica M. Rodriguez
Irma L. Salinas
Bianca L. Sanchez
Cassandra N. Silvas
Hector Torres *
Claudia N. Vela
Tiffani A. Villanueva
Gabriela I. Villarreal
Christie L. Yerby

Occupational Skills Award

Jeva Adame
Jessica D. Castillo
Tanya Fuller
Joseph A. Garibay
Christyne D. Garza
Lorrie A. Garza
Lynda M. Green
Sabrina I. Hiracheta
Renee M. Huentes
Bethany Montes
Joshua Morris
Kaitlyn J. Ponce
Adriana M. Ramirez
Erica M. Rodriguez
Joyce A. Salinas
Senaída Treto
Makinzye E. Watkins

DENTAL AND IMAGING

Associate in Science

Alexa L. Medellin ^{SAP}

Associate in Applied Science

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Paloma L. Espinoza ^{LN}
Brittany N. Fox ^{LN}
Stephanie A. Franklin ^{LN}
Kenedy J. Fuller ^{LN}
Emilian Galvan ^{LN}
Azeneth A. Gonzalez
Francisca G. Gonzalez
Emerald A. Guerrero ^{LN}

Alexa L. Medellin ^{SAP}
Amanda I. Ramirez
Jillian M. Ulch ^{LN}
Sebrina O. Vega

Certificate

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Azeneth A. Gonzalez
Francisca G. Gonzalez
Amanda I. Ramirez

NURSE EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

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Marissa R. Cardona

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Romeo C. Hernandez
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Veronica N. Luevano
Miriam L. Lumbreras
Jasmine M. Maravilla
Jaime A. Martinez
Marielena R. Martinez
Victoria L. Martinez
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Natalie K. Merkord
Katelynn M. Odvina
Brittany N. Ordonez
Cathalina P. Osornia
Lauren A. Padron
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Michelle A. Reyes
Emilia I. Sanchez
Alena A. Sandoval
Jennifer S. Savoie
Kristofer D. Segura II
Kira S. Sifuentes
Minerva R. Tillman
Hannah M. Tjaden
Miranda L. Torres
Taylor L. Treiber
Jade A. Vargas
Sara N. Vela
Veronica Velasquez
Lauren Z. Zamarripa

Associate in Applied Science

Victoria F. Aguas Garcia
Christina G. Aguirre
Frances M. Andrade ^{ADN}
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Angelica D. Balonso
Lacey L. Beal-Hinojosa

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Shelly A. Burke
Kaitlin K. Cantu
Marissa R. Cardona
Gabriella B. Caudillo
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Vanessa Cruz
Jasmine Davis
Ariana R. De la Paz
Ashley S. Dixon
Stefanie M. Escobar
Amber E. Espiritu
Nerissa Garza
Sabrina V. Garza
Alexis A. Gillis
Tara J. Gonzales
Tjaden C. Handson
Romeo C. Hernandez
Yancey J. Hernandez
Stephanie L. Herrera
Araceli G. Jaimes
Susanna Jones
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Zhenbang Li
Amelia C. Lockhart ^{ADN}
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Ezekiel A. Lopez
Marissa T. Lopez
Desmond X. Martinez
Marielena R. Martinez
Victoria L. Martinez
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Joanna L. Monreal
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Heather N. Ordunez
Cathalina P. Osornia

Lauren A. Padron
Faith L. Perez ^{ADN}
Alyna M. Quinones
Sarah E. Raffay
Audri L. Ramirez ^{PTK}
Kristie L. Raspe
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Miriam A. Romero
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Emilia I. Sanchez
Kristofer D. Segura II
Julienne L. Terrones
Taylor L. Treiber
Iliana D. Vaughan
Veronica Velasquez
Tabitha M. Viera
Desiree Villarreal

Certificate

Melissa J. Afram
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Karina L. Rivera
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**DIVISION OF
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FINE ARTS, AND SOCIAL
SCIENCES**

ART AND DRAMA

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Meghan K. Gatica
Bianca L. Hill
Christopher A. Jimenez
Leigha C. Messer
Hanah N. Nunn
Rosario S. Palacios
Mark A. Perez Jr.
Marie D. Ponce
Jasmine M. Vasquez

Certificate

Hannah E. Behrends
Bianca L. Hill

ENGLISH AND
PHILOSOPHY

Associate in Arts

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Mellody A. Fuentes

Associate of Arts in Teaching

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LIBERAL ARTS

Associate in Arts

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Morgan Candela
Daniel M. Corpus
James W. Cowger
Cameron J. De Leon
A'liana C. Drake
Angelica M. Flores
Kadence M. Fox
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Jayvah R. Gonzalez

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Ida Y. Hesseltine
Perrin L. Hockless
Alvin L. Lawson
Amanda K. Lawson
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Rogelio Maravilla III
Hailey J. Martinez
Andrea K. Meza
Daniella L. Montalvo
Kaleigh N. Norris
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Christian D. Ortiz
Patricia C. Rodela
Jennifer Ruiz
Adriana E. Salazar
Amydee N. Salinas
Alina E. Sanchez
Clarissa A. Schuermann
Samantha J. Sparks
Jaden H. Towery
Nicole Tunchez
Fernanda I. Vasquez
Deborah E. Woods

MUSIC

Associate in Arts

Dylan H. Wood

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Associate in Arts

Sonya D. Alvarado
Jasmine A. Dudley
Monte C. Flores-Grady
Jasmin M. Ford
Bianca L. Hill
Samantha L. Prado
Melissa A. Salazar Rodriguez
Vianca M. Solano
Anna M. Starr
Lillyanna J. Villarreal

Brianna N. Witzsche
Makenna M. Yandell

Associate of Arts in Teaching

Mercedes K. Gonzales *

**DIVISION OF INDUSTRY
AND PUBLIC SERVICE**

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Associate in Applied Science

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Adrian Avila
Samantha J. Bernal
Heather A. Brethauer
Marcella D. Cantera
Jordan Cantu
Ruben J. Castillo Jr.
Joshua J. Charles Sr.
Angel R. Cisneros
Marco A. Cumpian Sr.
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William S. Dobie III
Cody R. Dubose
Kallie E. Duke
John C. Fazzino
Julia Franco
Anthony P. Garcia
Marcus A. Garcia
Robert R. Garcia
Joseph S. Gonzalez
Jose F. Guerrero
Javier Guevara
Vanessa N. Gutierrez
David A. Hernandez Sr.
John F. Hernandez

Kendalynn Jones
 Audrey J. Lara
 Aaron A. Leal
 Diana Lerma
 Christopher J. Lopez
 Antonio Lozano Jr.
 Brandon Magana
 Jossylin I. Marroquin
 Wendy L. Martinez
 Micah J. McCormack
 Ivette G. McKenzie
 David Medina
 Guadalupe Mendez Jr.
 Alexa A. Meza
 Joseph A. Montez Jr.
 John D. Morales
 Pedro A. Moreno *
 Zachary D. Murphy
 Jesse Ortega
 Daniela Ortiz
 Isaac Perez Jr.
 Daniel A. Puente
 Bryan G. Ramirez
 Hunter L. Ramirez
 Elizabeth A. Rivera
 Luis M. Rizo
 Emma A. Rollins
 Jesus E. Romo Jr.
 Jesus C. Saenz
 Zayra G. Salazar
 Jesus O. Salinas
 Christopher A. Sanchez
 Luis Santos Jr.
 Nathaniel A. Scott
 Clayton D. Sells
 Diana L. Silva
 Janet L. St John
 Greyson F. Towner
 Josh L. Underbrink
 Ismael Vela Chapa
 Benjamin Villarreal Sr.
 Bethany G. Walker

Certificate

Gabrielle N. Acosta
 Roman W. Alexander

Adrian Avila
 Samantha J. Bernal
 Heather A. Brethauer
 Marcella D. Cantera
 Jordan Cantu
 Ruben J. Castillo Jr.
 Joshua J. Charles Sr.
 Angel R. Cisneros
 Marco A. Cumpian Sr.
 Kayla R. Deanda
 William S. Dobie III
 Cody R. Dubose
 Kallie E. Duke
 John C. Fazzino
 Julia Franco
 Anthony P. Garcia
 Marcus A. Garcia
 Robert R. Garcia
 Joseph S. Gonzalez
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 Jossylin I. Marroquin
 Wendy L. Martinez
 Micah J. McCormack
 Ivette G. McKenzie
 David Medina
 Guadalupe Mendez Jr.
 Alexa A. Meza
 Joseph A. Montez Jr.
 John D. Morales
 Pedro A. Moreno *
 Zachary D. Murphy
 Jesse Ortega
 Daniela Ortiz
 Isaac Perez Jr.
 Daniel A. Puente
 Bryan G. Ramirez

Hunter L. Ramirez
 Elizabeth A. Rivera
 Luis M. Rizo
 Emma A. Rollins
 Jesus E. Romo Jr.
 Jesus C. Saenz
 Zayra G. Salazar
 Jesus O. Salinas
 Christopher A. Sanchez
 Luis Santos Jr.
 Nathaniel A. Scott
 Clayton D. Sells
 Diana L. Silva
 Janet L. St John *
 Greyson F. Towner
 Josh L. Underbrink *
 Ismael Vela Chapa
 Benjamin Villarreal Sr.
 Bethany G. Walker

Occupational Skills Award

Erik J. Carmona
 Joseph A. Montez Jr.
 Daniel A. Puente

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

Associate in Applied Science

John W. Adami
 Emilio Alonso, Jr.
 Ethan G. Atkinson
 Leonardo D. Barcenas
 Javier L. Barrientes
 Jack P. Barton *
 Darrion Byars
 Jessica Camacho
 Izaiah I. Cantu
 Reynaldo Cantu Jr.
 Priscilla J. Carrillo
 Valentin D. Castaneda
 Anthony M. Castillo
 Adolfo B. Caudillo
 Cameron M. De la Pena
 Jacob G. De Los Santos
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Bryan L. Dominguez
 Lacey B. Fox
 Mario A. Fuentes
 Roger A. Garcia III *
 Emily E. Garcia-Angel ^{SAP}
 Jordan X. Garza
 Jorge E. Garza
 Juan A. Garza IV
 Steven M. Garza
 Leonardo Granados
 Sandra L. Gutierrez
 Edward N. Guzman Burleson
 Juan A. Hernandez
 Brandon S. Hurley
 Justice D. Imhoff
 Miguel V. Jacobo
 Brayden H. Kaiser
 Mark E. Lara II
 Ramon R. Lara
 Alana K. Larson
 Osvaldo Leon, Jr. ^{SAP}
 Gavan D. Lomas
 Roel A. Lopez III
 Julian A. Lugo
 Olibia Lugo
 Mason R. Luna
 David N. Martinez
 Irene D. Martinez
 Micah S. Martinez
 Thomas E. Martinez *
 Lindsay J. Meade
 Brian A. Mendez *
 Eian M. Meza
 Heron M. Moya Jr.
 Adam V. Nguyen
 Brianna D. Noland
 Jeremy S. Olivo
 Elizabeth Pacheco
 Benjamin Pena
 Mark A. Pena
 Dody Perales
 Brandon D. Pham
 Zachary J. Piedra
 Nathaniel E. Ramirez
 Albert T. Ramos *
 Isabella M. Rector

Mathew J. Reyes *
 Luis O. Rios Sr.
 Marshall L. Rivas
 Ahmi M. Robertson
 Danny Robledo *
 Brandon L. Rodriguez
 Brandy M. Rodriguez
 Juliana M. Sanchez
 Matthew T. Sheehan *
 Andrew M. Sleet
 Hunter K. Swearengin
 Abraham Vazquez
 Gregorio Vazquez Jr. *
 John C. Vazquez
 Tristan H. Vollmering
 Brandon J. Walker
 Gabriel Ybarra *
 Zachary Zarbock *

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Mia G. Aguinaga
 Darrion Byars
 Valentin D. Castaneda
 Francisco J. Colchado
 Arturo Y. Diaz
 Isaiah R. Diaz
 Sophie A. Gaona
 Daniel O. Garcia
 Liv R. Garcia
 Emily E. Garcia-Angel ^{SAP}
 Macy A. Gordon
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 Juan A. Hernandez
 Justice D. Imhoff
 Brayden H. Kaiser
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 Luis E. Rogel
 Victor Rojas Jr.
 Christopher Saldana Jr.
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 Wilmot Jr.
 Michelle L. Morrison
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 Olivia J. Tamez
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 Aaron R. Armijo
 Collin R. Barrientes
 Anthony L. Bautista
 Cynthia A. Calderon
 Victor C. Canion Jr. *
 Fermin C. Chapa
 Monica Flores
 Stefanie J. Garcia

Sulema Gutierrez
Sofia Jimenez ^{PTK, SAP, VV}
Kaven B. Kocke
Orlando P. Longoria
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Robert A. May III
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Lorynda Ramirez
Myranda A. Ramirez
Jeffrey K. Reid *
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George N. Flores III
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Piper D. Gates

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Cruz A. Guel
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James S. Hostutler
Charles E. Hughes
Kaven B. Kocke
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Ivan G. Naranjo
Octavio R. Neave
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Ashton O. Stephens
Emmanuel Williams
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Bianca E. Quezada
Kayla C. Rivas
Adelina M. Rodriguez
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Jillian A. Ruiz
Alyssa M. Saenz
Yasmin Ulloa

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Trinity A. Storr

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Dual Enrollment Program
Prospective Graduates December 2024

John Paul II High School

Cameron J. De Leon

Robstown High School

Hailey J. Martinez

**School of Science and
Technology**

Aiden J. Ochoa

National and International Honor Societies at Del Mar College

Alpha Beta Gamma International Business Honor Society of Community, Junior, and Technical Colleges (Business)

Alpha Psi Chapter

Honor Stole Color: Sapphire Blue Satin
Honor Cord Color: none
Honor Tassel Color: Gold

Kappa Pi International Art Fraternity (Visual Arts)

Eta Omicron Chapter

Honor Stole Color: none
Honor Cord Color: Purple and Gold
Honor Tassel Color: none

Lambda Epsilon Chi (Paralegal Studies)

Honor Stole Color: Purple with Gold Trim
Honor Cord Color: none
Honor Tassel Color: none

Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society of the Two-Year Colleges (All Majors with GPA of 3.5 and Above)

Gamma Sigma Chapter

Honor Stole Color: Gold with Blue Embroidery
Honor Cord Color: Blue and Gold
Honor Tassel Color: Gold

Sigma Alpha Pi (National Society of Leadership and Success) (All Majors with GPA of 3.3 and Above)

Honor Stole Color: Platinum with Black
embroidery
Honor Cord Color: Platinum and Black
Honor Tassel Color: none

Lambda Nu National Honor Society for Radiologic and Imaging Sciences

Delta Mu Chi Chapter

Honor Stole Color: Gold with Maroon
Embroidery
Honor Cord Color: Forest Green and Maroon
Honor Tassel Color: none

Lambda Beta Society for Respiratory Care

Honor Stole Color: none
Honor Cord Color: Navy and Green
Honor Tassel Color: none

Sigma Kappa Delta English Honor Society

Honor Stole Color: none
Honor Cord Color: Green and Gold
Honor Tassel Color: none

Sigma Phi Alpha National Dental Hygiene Honor Society

Honor Stole Color: none
Honor Cord Color: Deep Purple and Bright
Gold
Honor Tassel Color: none

Alpha Delta Nu Nursing Honor Society

Honor Stole Color: Apricot
Honor Cord Color: Apricot
Honor Tassel Color: Apricot

United States Military Veterans (Military Service)

Honor Stole Color: none
Honor Cord Color: Red, White, and Blue
Honor Tassel Color: none

Academic Regalia

The academic costume worn at official functions today originated in the universities of the Middle Ages, when a warm gown and hood were useful for scholar and cleric in unheated buildings. By modern times, the growth in the number of universities caused a great deal of confusion in academic regalia, and in 1894-95 a commission brought some order into the chaos. The American Council subsequently effected more improvements in 1959-60.

The mortarboard cap, which generally prevails in the United States originated at Oxford, Cambridge. Most European universities and some Latin American universities use other types of caps, which are, of course, legitimate for wear in any American procession when the individual holds his degree from one of these institutions.

Gowns are generally black, although some few universities depart from this practice. The bachelor's gown is simple, with long pointed sleeves. The master's gown will have either long sleeves with narrow wrist openings or long sleeves with the arm emerging from the sleeve at about elbow length. The doctor's gown is fullest cut; it has velvet panels down the front and around the neck as well as three bars of the same material on the bell-shaped sleeves.

The hood indicates the level of the degree, the discipline in which it was given, and the institution that granted it. Degree level is indicated by length: the master's hood is three and a half feet long, and the doctor's hood is four feet long. The velvet trim on the exposed edge of the hood is three inches wide for the master's degree and five inches wide for the doctor's degree. The color of the trim indicates the field of study. A color, or color pattern, between the trim indicates the university that granted the degree.

Hood trim colors indicate the following fields:

White – Arts, Letters, and Humanities
Drab – Commerce, Business
Lilac – Dentistry
Copper – Economics
Light Blue – Education
Orange – Engineering
Brown – Fine Arts
Crimson – Journalism
Purple – Law
Lemon – Library Science

Green – Medicine
Pink – Music
Apricot – Nursing
Silver Gray – Oratory (Speech)
Blue – Philosophy
Sage Green – Physical Education
Golden Yellow – Science
Cream – Social Science
Citron – Social Work
Scarlet – Theology

The Viking Mace

The tradition of the mace derives from the Middle Ages when it was held by a bodyguard for dignitaries at ceremonial functions. Today it is primarily used as a symbol of academic authority at formal convocations and commencement ceremonies. The Viking Mace is present only when Del Mar College's president and regents are in attendance, and it signifies the proceedings have official sanction.

Just over four feet tall, the Viking Mace consists of an aluminum staff with brass spacers and a four-pronged aluminum head with the College seal in the center. It was designed and constructed in 2014 by students in Del Mar's Industrial Machining and Technical Drafting programs.



Speakers from Previous Commencement Ceremonies

December 2023.....	Brandon Wade <i>Chief, Corpus Christi Fire Department</i>
May 2024.....	Roderick D. Benson <i>Deputy and Chief Operations Officer</i> <i>Corpus Christi Army Depot</i>
May 2023.....	Dr. Natividad Roberto Fuentes, Jr. <i>Assistant Professor, Department of Cancer Biology</i> <i>University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center</i>
December 2022.....	C. Michelle Unda <i>Manager Regional HR & Public Affairs</i> <i>NuStar Central West South</i>
August 2022.....	Richard B. Morin <i>President, CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital, Alice and Kleberg</i>
May 2022.....	Dr. Osbert Blow <i>CEO of CHRISTUS Spohn Health System</i>
December 2021 (Virtual)	Katia Uriarte <i>KRIS 6 News Anchor</i>
May 2021 (Virtual)	Leslie Adami <i>KIII 3 News Anchor</i>
December 2020 (Virtual)	Student Video Messages
August 2020 (Virtual)	Student Video Messages
May 2020 (Virtual)	Student Video Messages
December 2019.....	Dotson Lewis <i>U.S. Army Sergeant (Retired)</i>
May 2019.....	Dr. Kelly M. Miller <i>President of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi</i>
December 2018.....	J.C. Hooper <i>Sheriff of Nueces County</i>
August 2018.....	C. Michelle Unda <i>Sr. Regional HR Public Affairs Representative</i> <i>NuStar Central West South Region</i>
May 2018.....	Libby Averyt <i>Chief Development Officer, United Way of the Coastal Bend</i>

NOTES

United States Flag Protocol

- All persons present in uniform (military, police, fire, etc.) should honor the U. S. flag by standing at attention, facing the flag and using the formal military salute. Members of the armed forces and veterans who are present but not in uniform may also use the military salute.
- All other persons should face the flag and stand at attention with their right hand over the heart.
- Gentlemen wearing non-religious headdress or hats should remove those with their right hand and hold them at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart.
- Appropriate demonstrations of respect (military salute or hand over the heart) begin when the flag comes into each person's peripheral vision and should be held until the flag is out of their view.
- Persons on a stage should display the appropriate respect as soon as the flag comes into their peripheral view and hold those positions until the flag is out of their peripheral view.
- To respect the National Anthem, all persons should face the flag at attention and display the appropriate respect throughout the musical piece until the last note is played or sung. If a U. S. flag is not displayed during the anthem, the salute is directed toward the musician or the stage.

