

Commencement Ceremony



UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON-VICTORIA



Fall 2023 Commencement

December 16, 2023



Merrell Center, Katy, TX



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Chancellor Letter

Renu Khator

Dear University of Houston-Victoria Graduates,

It is my honor to congratulate you on receiving your college degree. Today, your longtime dream becomes a reality, and I salute you for meeting this moment. I'm a big believer in the power of dreams and resiliency. To graduate from college, despite the challenges of the past few years, is a testament to your unwavering commitment and ability to dream big.

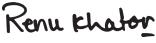
Whether you're the first in your family to graduate from college or hail from collegiate scholars, your hard work and determination have brought you to this milestone. You are a generation who faced a global pandemic yet stayed focused on your studies and goals. You excelled against the odds, and it prepared you for the professional world. I commend you for all that you have achieved.

Please thank your professors, advisors, family and friends who supported you on this journey. It takes community to accomplish your goals, and I ask that you remember to give back to this community as you go on to even greater heights.

You have received a top-notch education from UHV. One that has readied you for an outstanding career, and I know you will reach your full potential. Now, work hard, dream big and shine on.

Go Jags!

Congratulations and best wishes,



Chancellor, University of Houston System

President's Letter Robert K. Glenn

Dear University of Houston-Victoria Graduates,

Congratulations on your graduation from the University of Houston-Victoria!

A university's greatest mission is to help its students be successful. And the happiest day on a campus is when we gather to celebrate that success. I am proud and grateful that the faculty and staff at the university could be part of your life during your time at UHV. Each of you have persevered through so much to reach this landmark moment, and I applaud your drive and commitment to succeed.

I know that the degree you are about to receive required a great deal of time and effort, but it was all worth it. Your UHV degree is the culmination of hours, weeks and years of hard work. It is something that no one will ever be able to take away from you, and it will help you achieve your dreams. Remember, your graduation also is the fulfillment of the dreams of the family and friends here with you today, and we are pleased to have the opportunity to celebrate this moment with you.

This achievement is especially meaningful to us all this year, as this year is UHV's 50th anniversary. It has been a privilege to serve our students during the past 50 years, and we are so pleased to see you join the ever-growing ranks of UHV alumni.

As you get ready to walk the stage at commencement, don't forget to be present and take in this moment. I am proud of you; the faculty and staff are proud of you; your family and friends are proud of you. We cannot wait to see what your future holds. I know that we will be even more proud as we watch what you accomplish.

As you set out on the next step of your journey, remember to Be Driven and never give up on your dreams!

Many thanks,

President, University of Houston-Victoria

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Navya Verma, International Senator
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College of Business

Riley Rivera, Senator for the College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences

Academic Honor Societies

Graduates who are part of academic honor societies at UHV are wearing cords or stoles to indicate their membership. Below is a list of the different societies and what their members are wearing.

BETA GAMMA SIGMA – Business Honor Society – royal blue and gold cords; royal blue and gold stoles

CHI SIGMA IOTA – Counseling Academic & Professional Honor Society International – blue and white cords; blue and white stoles

GAMMA BETA PHI – Honor and Service Organization – black and gold cords; gold stoles

JagsTeach – Teacher Education Program students who have completed a year-long student teaching residency – red and light blue cords

KAPPA DELTA PI – International Honor Society in Education – purple and green cords; white stoles

NU GAMMA NU – Honor Society for the Biological Sciences – red and green cords; white stoles

PHI KAPPA PHI – Honor Society for Academic Excellence – blue and gold cords

PSI CHI – International Honor Society in Psychology – platinum and blue cords; platinum stoles

SIGMA ALPHA PI – National Society of Leadership and Success – black and platinum cords; platinum stoles

UHV Honors Program – gold medallions

Outstanding Students

Fall 2023

Amber Martinez, Graduate, College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences
Amanda Morris, Undergraduate, College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences
Asfandyar Kazi, Graduate, College of Natural & Applied Science
Manuel Hurtado, Undergraduate, College of Natural & Applied Science
Thu Ngo Anh Le, Graduate, College of Business
James Shilts, Undergraduate, College of Business
Ana C. Rodriguez, Graduate, College of Education & Health Professions
Dustin Lee Perez, Undergraduate, College of Education & Health
Professions

Outstanding Faculty Members

Three UHV faculty members are selected each year by their students and peers for excellence in teaching, research and service. The following faculty members were chosen in spring 2023:

Teaching Excellence Award **Jacob Snyder,** Lecturer, English

Research and Scholarly Activity Excellence Award **Hardik Gohel,** Assistant Professor, Computer Information Sciences

Distinguished Faculty Service Award **Humberto Hernandez**, Assistant Professor, Biology

HONORS CANDIDATES

Candidates for undergraduate honors are recognizable by the gold braids they wear over their robes. Those graduating Cum Laude, with honor, have grade-point averages of 3.5 to 3.67 on a four-point scale. Students graduating Magna Cum Laude, with high honor, have GPAs of 3.68 to 3.84, and those graduating Summa Cum Laude, with the highest honor, have a 3.85 GPA or higher.

Cum Laude

Sana Ahmed* Lucero Selena Alvarez Jacquelyn V. Arriaga Arun Kumar Bagga Dynesha Elaine Beloney* Emberly Star Benitez* Virginia Ruth Bister Tabitha R. Bonuz Pedro David Briones Nancy Chang Valian Grey Charles Kristen Lizabeth Chavez Albert W. Cunningham III Demar Davis Amber Stegemiller Day* Jasmine N. De La Cruz

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Jasmine N. De La Cruz
Julianna Nicole Espinoza
Ronchell-Jaenell Dominique Fields*

David Allen Frank Christian Garcia* Jesus Armando Garza Jr. *

Rebecca Marie Gerren* Jennifer Gonzalez Kendra Nicole Gunter Lesli Abril Guzman Mohammad I. Haider Reagan Nicole Harrell Ihab Hassoune Tierra Haynes*

Christopher Hernandez Allen Alejandro Hernandez* Justin R. Hoffpauir* Eugenia Victoria Hudson

Eugenia Victoria Hudso Haley LeEllen Hughes Waliul Islam Kelly N. Janak Amber Nicole Jenkins Destiny Paige Kallus* Claudia Cristina Kennard

Maria Kiptea*
Consuelo Ann Leos
YuFeng Liang
Kevin Alexis Lopez
Laci Nicole Lovel
Kristy Lynn Marcisz
Corina Martinez*
Lisette Anahi Montalvo
Michelle Carolina Navarrete

Passionae Nelson* Nicholas Niemeier Anh T. Phan Nancy Linh Phan

Gloria Esther Roquel Ramirez Elise Kimberly Ramirez* Jesus Alberto Ravan Abigail A. Ricklefsen

Jade Marissa Gutierrez Rivas Justo Ricardo Rivera McKinzey Skye Rodriquez

Christian M. Rodriguez-Prestridge

Haley Rosales Jeremy M. Schrader Oneika S. Smith* Sarah Strawther Trinity Ebone Taylor Samantha Jane Williams

Alexcia Zikuhr

Magna Cum Laude

Evangelina Alejandro Servando Andrade* Heidy Cladimir Ayala Lance Carl Benedict Maxx Samuel Boger* Stephanie Grace Brown Amanda Nicole Chase Mercie Latiffa Davis* Osasere Edo-Ewansiha* Tasnuva Farhana

^{*}Denotes previous semester graduates

Jasmine Garcia Jocelyn Marie Garcia Justin A. Gasch Presley Sydney Grimes Jacqueline Renee Hickman Taylor Lynn Hubbell Marisa Garcia Infante* Teresa Kia Jackson Camryn Alysse Jansky Leah Faith Johnston Shelby Lynn Machicek* Cyntia Stefany Mendoza Caitlin Olivia Miller Angela Michelle Mlcak Amber Austin Murphy* Annie Nguyen Melenie Brooke Niemeyer

Acelia Chinwe Okorocha* Tuesday Paw Brandon C. Porth Zazel Ramirez* Leslve Rava Salomon Reyes Bryan R. Rodas* James D. Roquiz Lindsey Brooke Silhavy* Anna Christine Simon* Jessica Renee Smith Andrea Shaunte Spurlock-Dubose* Eliza Espino Torres Amber Lee Watt Caitlin E. Worthington* Savannah Marie Wyman

Summa Cum Laude

Hamza Abuhussein Eliza Wray Barry Philip Albrecht Bartels Payton Riley Bates Marlene Erika Benavides Andrew J. Bernhard Karla Elizabeth Berrones Alexander Reese Bonorden* Heather Danielle Callaway* Sjon D. Cano Yesenia Marie Castillo Alexander Christian Cepero Lindsey N. De La Pena* Alion Dungca Dela Cruz Joanna Vanessa Duran Morgann Abigail Fetters* Jason Matthew Fields Rudolph A. Fonseca Amanda Elizabeth Morris Garcia Erica Fernandez Garcia Lexi Gautreaux Amy R. Goranson Heather Marie Hall* Brvan A. Hernandez* Jasmin Quinones Howard La-Showndra Trennace Hubbard Manuel F. Hurtado Fiaza Ismail

Alyssa Morgan Kisiah* Yen Nhi Lam Thanh Nguyen Kim Le Meshia Neshia Jananne London-Seales Alexander Lopez* Erika Mancillas Erika S. Martinez Angelica Rae Menchaca Carola Nass Charlene Nguyen Kim Thien Nguyen Thi Tra My Nguyen Vina M. Nguyen Tapan Patel Maritza Sara Perez Monica Rodriguez Reves Ana Cristina Rodriguez Elizabeth Rodriguez Jamie Colleen Sadler James Patrick Shilts* Michael Daniel Stassi Chelsea Tippit Joshua Lee Trevino Amy L. Turcios Erin K. Yates

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COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS & SOCIAL SCIENCES

Bachelor of Applied Arts & Sciences

Lucero Selena Alvarez
Oscar Renee Ayala
Lance Carl Benedict
Marqueshia Charon Bridgewater
Sherrie E. Brooks
Amanda Nicole Chase
Kristen Lizabeth Chavez

Tilly Ann Clark* Tiona Keishan Clark

Rene Colon

Lauren Michelle Daniels*

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Jason Matthew Fields David Allen Frank

Justin A. Gasch

Alexandria A. Godines

Alexis Gutierrez

Mohammad I. Haider Heather Marie Hall* Alejandra Hernandez Haley LeEllen Hughes Briana Mattison Jones

Charles Gavin Oluwagbolahan

Lashmann*

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Mieshia Doncha Ray
Justo Ricardo Rivera
Jamie Colleen Sadler
James R. Sanchez
Derek Reed Smith*

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Cynthia Usionya
Zachary Vargas
Reese William Wachel
Loria Ann Walker

Amber Lee Watt Timothy Brian Wigley

Bachelor of Arts

Alexsis Aguilar*
Claire Ida Aoueille*
Ashley Reyne Brown
James Wesley Burton*
Adilia Lucia Deras
Joanna Vanessa Duran
Osasere Edo-Ewansiha*
Jocelyn Marie Garcia

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Keydi Munoz

Rachal Naomi Murtagh

Carola Nass

Melenie Brooke Niemeyer Destiny Danielle Ochoa

Kevin Alejandro Jimenez Perez*

Zazel Ramirez* Melissa J. Ramos Eduardo Revuelta Bernice Reves

Delmy Aracely Rodriguez*

Christian M. Rodriguez-Prestridge Matthew Christopher Salinas*

Matthew Selby

Annabella Dolores Penilla Stangland

Autumn J. Taylor Zyron Tarell Williams* Caitlin E. Worthington*

Bachelor of Science

Sana Ahmed* Servando Andrade* Alexis Renee Arceneaux Eliza Wray Barry

Payton Riley Bates Angela Ho Beane

Marlene Frika Benavides Andrew J. Bernhard

Virginia Ruth Bister Richard Buel Boales*

Tabitha R. Bonuz Nique LeCole Boyd*

Pedro David Briones

Mckenna Kathleen Brown Stephanie Grace Brown

Heather Danielle Callaway*

Kobi Cardenas

Ashleigh Lynn Castillo Phoebe Javier Caval

Brittany Shante' Childress

Heather Ann Crow*

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Sarah Denise Darilek

Mercie Latiffa Davis*

Erica Latrice Dawson Lindsev N. De La Pena*

John Leslie Diener

Giovanny Dominguez* Julianna Nicole Espinoza

Peyton Lynn Fails

Tasnuva Farhana Morgann Abigail Fetters*

Ronchell-Jaenell Dominique Fields*

Yesenia Jasmine Flores Jonathan M. Flowers

Amanda Elizabeth Morris Garcia

Erica Fernandez Garcia

Jasmine Garcia Kaitlin Flise Garcia

David Edward Garza II

Jesus Armando Garza Jr. *

Rebecca Marie Gerren* Richard Gill Jr.*

Jennifer Gonzalez Presley Sydney Grimes

Joel Guerra

Dustin Wayne Gunter

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Haley Lynn Plunkett

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Master of Arts

Ilana Hasina Ahmed*
Valentina Cortesía Bello*
Sandra Kay Boles*
Paige Nichole Canino
Anayi Celeste Castillo
Janie Charles
Emily Louise Hall*
Poonam Jethani

Elicia Jones Amber J. Martinez* Allison Nieves Pesina* Rehma Gul Pirzada

Jennifer Jolene Ponce de Leon Britnie Runa Ann Reeves*

Chantel Robles

Adrienne Yavonne Smith Sarah Michelle Stewart*

Ann Valdez

Robert Louis Williams Jr.*

Master of Fine Arts

Danielle C. Gilman Eileen McGrath Hubert Calip McLeod Patrick James Rodriguez Cesar Rodriguez-Bautista*

Master of Science

Danielle C. Gilman

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COLLEGE OF NATURAL & APPLIED SCIENCE

Bachelor of Science

Hamza Abuhussein Andrew Mark Allen Mustafa Alrakabi

Babatunde Opeyemi Bankole

Philip Albrecht Bartels

Alexander Reese Bonorden*

Alyssa Alexis Borrego Richard Alexander Castillo

Alexander Christian Cepero

John Dale Chaney

Valian Grey Charles

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Christian Garcia*

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YuFeng Liang

Olusola Omololu Longe

Zabin Maredia

Hagan Lee McLarty

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Charlene Nguyen

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Adriana Alejandra Reyes

John Paul Rodriguez*

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Aimal Sahak

Michael Daniel Stassi

Javan Zoe Suniga

Frin K. Yates

Master of Science

Aishat Bukola Adekanmbi

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Arlene Amaro Amaro

Roshani Singh Bhull

Rose Addobea Brobbey Matthew M. Carmody

Christopher Costa*

Oladapo Ayodeji Diekola*

Chukwuebuka Oluwatobi Ernest-

Opara

Joe C. Sterling Fling

Kamalesh Gnanamoorthy

Sri Vishnu Gopinathan

Srija Gurram

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Asfandyar Kazi*

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Venkatasivanaga Saigopiraghava

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Malaykumar Bakeshkumar Patel

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Tania Nenetzin Sesar

Mohamed Shehata

Ameni Souissi

Rohini Roopa Subramaniam

Srinivasan Sundarlal

Chanu Thapa

Almas Amin Vishram

Lateefat Oluwanifesimi Yahaya

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Bachelor of Business Administration

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Fershieley Valenne Rivera Bandilla Theresa Oyinkansola Bashorun*

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Martin Chavez*

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Ibadat K. Dhillon

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Nicol J. Diaz*

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Kierra Christine Fairchild*

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iran Asokan Kendra Nicole Gunter

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Armando Antonio Garcia

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Ihab Hassoune

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Fiaza Ismail

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Quary Tanette Jones*

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Jessica Lauren Klippstein*

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Michelle Carolina Navarrete

Seyar Nazari Annie Nguyen Kim Thien Nguyen Thi Tra My Nguyen Nicholas Niemeier Amanda Nieto

Laura Stephaine Ochoa Jacqueline Ontiveros

Marylynn Ortiz Sunny Ozoh

Gabriela Belen Paez

Tapan Patel

Stephanie Monique Pearson

Vi Huyen Pham Anh T. Phan Nancy Linh Phan Abel Pineda

Roberto Alejandro Portillo-

Reynolds

James Samuel Quarles Jesus Alberto Ravan

Leslye Raya

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Tyler Stone

Mireya Isabel Tejada

Azhei Thomas Eliza Espino Torres Fredrick Torres* Joshua Lee Trevino Maygan Leetress Turner

Ahamefule Chukwudi Udokwu*

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Nicole M. Deloach

Master of Business Administration

Azzam Ali Abbas Eunice Adu-Gvamfi Muhammad Ammar Ahmed Olufunke Monisola Akinokun Rebecca Chawki Akl Leonela Aldaha Rosa Maria Almaraz Armani S. Anderson Jessica Roi Anderson* Jovana Andric Kofi Yeboah Antwi* Laura Leticia Aranda Gulsah Aybar* Fatima Bishi-Alakiu Tamara Blackburn* Matthew N. Bowman Brian Lee Bustoz* Melanie Campos* Mikayla Grace Campos* Jennifer L. Paredes Canales Marie Cane* Andrew Lorenzo Cantu Dante Capella Jessica Desiree Carabajal Jennifer T. Carino Janie C. Castellon*

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Lori Ann Castillo

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Lavett Lynn Mack
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Zahid Jamal Malkana*
Zachary L. Mangum*

Andi Marginean Corey Thomas Martin Marco Antonio Martinez

Salar Mashi*

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Veeral Patel

Khristopher Pepper

CJ Petty*

Taranesha Shunta Petty*

Anh H. Phung Felicia Kyei Prah Kimberly Price*

Gray Stonewall Patton Pruet

Sarah Victoria Quick

Sheneika Chantol Ricketts Victoria Ashlyn Charese Rivera

Jesirae Monae Ruiz John Fredy Sabogal

Melissa Shavon Sanders*

Diana Lee Santiago Srinivas Saripalli*

Saad Mohammed Sattar

Sara Rae Scheffus

Sadaf Shaikh

Arnisha Brekelle Short

Michael A. Soria Jordan Danielle Still*

Padmaja Kapil Suryawanshi*

Steve Taylor Jr.

Katravia Tashay Thomas Patricia Ann Thomas John David Townsley

Franklin Tu*

Amy Nicole Vasquez Yves Roland Veh Alexis Meshea Wallace Amira Williams*

Eduardo M. Zarate*

Master of Science

Adryan Yvonne Billups



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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HEALTH PROFESSIONS

Bachelor of Science

Ouintess Earlean Aldrich* Danny Anibal Nunez Benitez

Sjon D. Cano

Jennifer B. Castillo Yesenia Marie Castillo Cameron L. Cowan

Haylee Layne Dees Rudolph A. Fonseca Riley Dean Gott

Lori Nicole Hagan

Cheyann Elizabeth Halepaska

Tyler C. Henderson Javier Ulise Herrera

Jacqueline Renee Hickman

Taylor Lynn Hubbell

Amber Nicole Jenkins David Edward King* Hayden Kyle Leopold Kristy Lynn Marcisz Shirley Ann Noack Acelia Chinwe Okorocha*

Gabriel David Rojas Orozco*

Maritza Sara Perez

Gloria Esther Roquel Ramirez Elise Kimberly Ramirez*

Salomon Reyes

Ana Cristina Rodriguez Elizabeth Rodriguez Victoria Cecilia Trevino Gustavo Adan Valdes

Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies

Dynesha Elaine Beloney* Kayla Michelle Dobias* Vanessa Leann Pena

Haley Rosales Varonica Diane Sluka

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Evangelina Alejandro Heidy Cladimir Ayala

Emberly Star Benitez*

Nikitha Bose

Misty Louise Boyd

Amber Stegemiller Day*

Andrew Opare Edorh

LaTosha Marie Antoinette Garmon* Taylor Elizabeth Renee Schroeder

Dalaney Rae Guttenberger

Tierra Haynes*

Destiny Paige Kallus* Claudia Cristina Kennard Maria Kiptea*

Shelby Lynn Machicek*

Erika S. Martinez

Allison Ngo

Ricardo Osornia*

Stephanie Ann Salinas Pamela Kaye Salinas*

Cheyenne Jelyn Trevino Oguqua Obinna Ugwuanyi*

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Master of Education

Amy Olivia Alegria
April Desean Alexander
Guadalupe Argueta*

Griselda Avila* Kaitlin Ryan Babin

Anna Bailey

Andreina Betancourt

Sharon Borak

Alyssa Katherine Boudny Benjamin Joseph Boyle John Wayne Brouillette

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THE MEANING OF ACADEMIC REGALIA

The mace is a ceremonial symbol of the office of the president of the university and derives from medieval England when officials taking office or opening court needed a bodyguard for protection. Use of the mace has been purely symbolic since colonial American times. In university ceremonies, the mace is carried by a distinguished member of the faculty. Grand marshal and mace bearer for today's ceremony is Dr. Sandy Venneman, president of the Faculty Senate and professor of psychology and biology in the College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences.

The costumes of those in the academic procession date back to at least the 14th century. A Portuguese statute dated to 1321 required that all "Bachelors, Licentiates and Doctors" of the University of Coimbra wear gowns. In 1895, academic institutions in the United States adopted a national code of academic dress that occasionally has been revised.

The bachelor's gown has long, pointed sleeves. The master's gown has an oblong sleeve open at the wrists. Some older gowns may be open near the upper part of the arm. The doctor's gown is fuller than the others with full-length velvet panels on the front and three velvet crossbars on each sleeve in black or in the color distinctive of the subject to which the wearer's degree pertains.

The master's hood is draped over the shoulders and down the back. The hoods are lined with the official color or colors of the college or university conferring the degree. The binding or edging of the hood is of velvet or velveteen, and the color is representative of the subject to which the degree pertains.

In the United States, the black mortarboard most commonly is worn. The tassel fastened to the center of the mortarboard usually is black, although it may be the color appropriate to the subject of the degree. It is common for students to begin the commencement ceremony with their tassels on the right and then switch them to the left as a group. UHV candidates graduating with honors can be recognized by a gold cord draped around the neck, which symbolizes academic excellence.

UHV Alma Mater

Verse one:

Deep within the Golden Crescent,
Waves of roses bloom,
Stands our loyal Alma Mater,
Tall and strong and true.

Bridge:

We are Jaguars, hear our voices,
Fear our pride and might.
Hail to thee, our Alma Mater,
Roaring in the night.

Verse two:

Bless'd are those who came before us,

They who seized the day.

Sing in one acclaiming chorus,

"Hail to U-H-V!"

Sung to the tune of "Far Above Cayuga's Waters"



