

On behalf of the New Mexico State University  
Board of Regents, Chancellor, President, alumni, faculty and staff,  
we welcome you to the  
**128<sup>th</sup> Commencement**



Graduate Ceremony  
7 p.m. Friday, May 14, 2021 at Aggie Memorial Stadium

Virtual Ceremony  
10 a.m. (MDT) Saturday, May 15, 2021

Undergraduate Ceremony  
7 p.m. Saturday, May 15, 2021 at Aggie Memorial Stadium







# New Mexico State University

New Mexico State University is the state's land-grant university and a NASA Space-Grant College, thriving in teaching, research and public service. The 900-acre campus, located between the Mesilla Valley and the majestic Organ Mountains, is home to more than 14,000 graduate and undergraduate students from across the United States and 89 foreign countries. Since its founding in 1888, NMSU has served a diverse population of talented students and has charmed visitors with endless campus beauty.

The Honors College at NMSU was the first one established in New Mexico and provides outstanding undergraduate students with a rigorous academic track guided by experienced and brilliant master professors.

NMSU prepares graduates by delivering hands-on experiences at the university's five campuses. In addition to educating students, NMSU strives to advance research and deliver information to all New Mexicans through efforts at cooperative extension offices in all 33 counties, and 12 agricultural science centers across the state.

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Ranked as a **TOP-TIER UNIVERSITY**, U.S. News & World Report Best Colleges for 2021

**A BEST GLOBAL UNIVERSITY**, U.S. News & World Report Best Global Universities 2021 rankings

**A TOP 100** institution for Hispanics, The Hispanic Outlook on Education Magazine, October 2020 issue

**TOP 25** animation and visual effects program in the nation, "Animation Career Review" 2020

**NMSU ENGINEERING RANKS 12TH** among U.S. Best Value Engineering Schools 2019

Best colleges for **ONLINE** learning, Best Value Schools 2021



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# **Order of Graduate Ceremony**

**Friday, May 14, 2021**

## **Prelude and Platform Party Processional**

### **Presentation of Colors**

NMSU Army and Air Force ROTC

## **“The Star-Spangled Banner,” Francis Scott Key**

### **Invocation**

Brother John Sandstrom

*Holy Family American National Catholic Church*

### **Presentation of Degree Candidates**

Dr. Carol Parker

*Provost*

### **Conferring of Degrees and Diplomas**

Dr. Daniel Arvizu

*Chancellor*

### **Presentation of Degrees**

Doctoral and Master Degree Candidates

College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences;  
College of Arts and Sciences; College of Business; College of Education;  
College of Engineering; College of Health and Social Services

### **Recessional**

*Aggie Fight Song*

*Pomp and Circumstance*

# **Order of Undergraduate Ceremony**

**Saturday, May 15, 2021**

## **Prelude and Platform Party Processional**

### **Presentation of Colors**

NMSU Army and Air Force ROTC

## **“The Star-Spangled Banner,” Francis Scott Key**

### **Invocation**

Brother John Sandstrom

*Holy Family American National Catholic Church*

### **Presentation of Degree Candidates**

Dr. John D. Floros

*President*

### **Conferring of Degrees and Diplomas**

Dr. John D. Floros

*President*

### **Presentation of Degrees**

Bachelor Degree Candidates

College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences;  
College of Arts and Sciences; College of Business; College of Education;  
College of Engineering; College of Health and Social Services

### **Recessional**

*Aggie Fight Song*

*Pomp and Circumstance*



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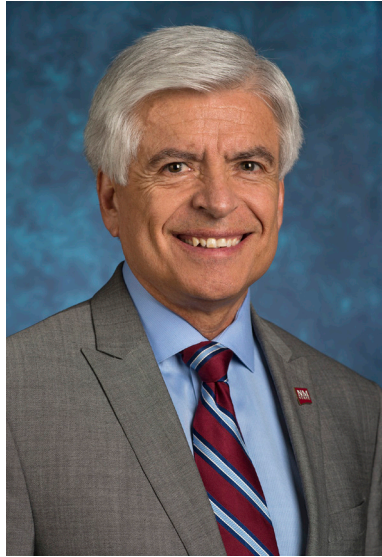
Chair, Faculty Senate  
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**Joseph Almaguer**

Chair, Employee Council  
Las Cruces, NM

**Mathew Madrid**

President, ASNMSU  
Las Cruces, NM



Congratulations to our graduates as well as to their families and friends!

New Mexico State University's commencement ceremony is always a joyous time. Our students have come from around the region and around the globe to pursue higher education. They have spent countless hours in classrooms and labs. They have stayed up way too late working on class projects, and woken up way too early for exams. Now, all of their hard work has paid off and they have earned their degrees.

Traditionally, we have viewed universities as a place where lofty ideas emanate, where these are debated, reshaped and used as a foundation for knowledge creation, inspiration, motivation and competitiveness. At NMSU, we challenge the status quo. We cultivate the art of the possible and we establish a culture of higher expectations. We also inspire and fuel a greater entrepreneurial spirit and mindset and celebrate it. From every corner of NMSU, we know we must be a catalyst for change!

At NMSU, we deeply care about student success and meeting our students, traditional and non-traditional, where they are. It is our critical responsibility to educate students for a rewarding and financially enabling career. We focus on excellence in research and scholarship to solve national and global grand challenges. We live diversity and inclusion every day among our students and faculty. And, we care about our vital role in economic development locally and beyond. These traits are what differentiate us!

The graduates we celebrate today are well on their way to achieving their true potential for themselves, their families and their communities. They will face an exciting and inspiring future as professionals, decision-makers and leaders of tomorrow. I ask all of you to be bold in meeting these challenges. Be fearless. And, let's shape the future together. Thank you!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan E. Arvizu". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dan E. Arvizu, Ph.D.  
Chancellor  
BE BOLD. Shape the future.





Welcome to our Spring 2021 commencement exercise and to our virtual commencement!

I am pleased to give a big Aggie greeting to our graduates and their friends and family as we gather virtually from all around the world, and in-person in a limited capacity for the first time in over a year.

Graduates, you have earned the right to pause for a moment and reflect on your achievements. Your NMSU education is part of the foundation for the next part of your life. Some parts of that foundation you had when you arrived at NMSU and are inherent in who you are: your values, passion, creativity and persistence. These traits have helped you earn a place in today's ceremony and will benefit you in the future.

Graduation is an important milestone, and the credentials you have earned at New Mexico State University indicate that you have mastered a level of knowledge in a discipline. Your knowledge will open up opportunities in your field of study. Even more importantly, it demonstrates that you can succeed at learning. We live in an age marked by a seemingly unbounded expansion of knowledge. The best way to prepare for such an environment is to learn, keep learning, and never stop learning.

The next steps may seem uncertain, but I encourage every one of you to harness your potential to realize your dreams. You have the ability to make profound contributions to our community and our world. You have the power to shape your future and the future of those around you. I offer you my sincere congratulations!

Be bold, be kind, and be safe. Go Aggies!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John D. Floros". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

John D. Floros, Ph.D.

President

BE BOLD. Shape the future.

## Honors

To be eligible for institutional honors, the student must have earned at least 60 semester credits for a four-year degree or at least 45 semester credits for a two-year degree in computable grades while in residence at this university. Honors courses graded "S" will be counted as a part of the minimum of 60 credits. Effective Fall 1975, the number of students at graduation, by college, receiving degrees with HONORS in any one year shall not exceed 15 percent; the number receiving HIGH HONORS shall not exceed 1.5 percent; and the number receiving HIGHEST HONORS shall not exceed one person, except in the case of a tie. The students receiving degrees with MERITORIOUS in any one year shall not exceed 15 percent.

Honors designations for Spring Candidates are based on work taken prior to Spring 2021.

C.S. – Crimson Scholar: has completed a minimum of seventy-five credits in the Crimson Scholar Program and has maintained a GPA of 3.5 or better.

H.C.P. – Honors Certificate Program: has completed at least two interdisciplinary honors seminars.

U.H. – University Honors: has completed 18 hours of Honors College work, including a thesis, and has maintained a GPA between 3.5-3.749.

D.H. – Distinction in University Honors: has completed 18 hours of Honors College work, including a thesis, and has maintained a GPA of 3.75 or better.

## Program Notations

\* Students who will complete work for degrees in Summer 2021 will be identified with an asterisk.

The Commencement Ceremony is a symbolic event; the awarding of degrees will be based on the certification of degree requirements by the academic colleges.

While every effort is made to ensure that this Commencement Program is accurate and up to date, some information may have changed between the printing date and the actual ceremony. The appearance or absence of any name in the program does not constitute recognition or denial of completion of degree requirements nor the conferring of honors. The University apologizes for any errors or omissions.

The program as a ceremonial publication and is not an official record of graduates.



# Candidates for Degrees

## GRADUATE DEGREE RECIPIENTS

*Luis Cifuentes, Ph.D., Dean*

## COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL, CONSUMER AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

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### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Yining Bai (Water Science and Management)

*System Thinking and Modeling for Sustainable Water Resources Management and Agricultural Development*

Faculty Advisor: Alexander Fernald

Akram R. M. Benali (Plant and Environmental Science)

*Influence of Irrigation with Brackish Groundwater and RO Concentrate on Pecan Growth and Physiology, and Soil Physical, Chemical, Microbial, and Thermal Properties*

Faculty Advisor: Manoj Shukla

Charles Daniel Havlik (Plant and Environmental Science)

*Investigating Field Protocols for Mechanized Harvest and Season Extension to Expand Chile (*Capsicum annuum*) Production in NM*

Faculty Advisor: Stephanie Walker

Khandaker Iftekharul Islam (Water Science and Management)

*A Water Informatics Approach to Explore Outcomes of Groundwater and Surface Water*

Faculty Advisor: Christopher Brown

Subhankar Mandal (Plant and Environmental Science)

*Increasing Fusarium Basal Rot Resistance With Better Disease Quantification and Profiling of Antifungal Saponin in Short-Day Onion Cultivars and USDA Germplasm Accessions*

Faculty Advisor: Christopher Cramer

Matthew Montana McIntosh (Range Science)

*Vegetation Dynamics of Chihuahuan Desert Rangeland in Relation to Cattle Grazing and Climate*

Faculty Advisor: Andres Cibils

Ujala Sehar (Plant and Environmental Science)

*Investigating Breakdown of Alpha and Beta Glycosidic Linkages by The Unicellular Extremophilic Red Alga *Galdieria Sulphuraria**

Faculty Advisor: Francisco Holguin

Chia-Hsing Tsai (Water Science and Management)

*Advancements in Hyporheic Zone Exchange Characterization, Optimization, and Numerical Simulation*

Faculty Advisor: Kenneth Carroll

Ashraf J. M. Zaied (Range Science)

*New Mexico's Fow System: An Evaluation of Some of The Main Food Commodities Production in Response to Environmental Changes Using 38-97 Years of Data*

Faculty Advisor: Hatim Geli

### MASTER OF AGRICULTURE

Kelsie Felice Boswell

Taylor Evaughana Hayes

Ashley D'Ann Lama-Mendoza

### MASTER OF ARTS

Heidi S. Crnkovic

*Agricultural Extension Education*

Matricia N. Garcia

*Agricultural Extension Education*

Dustin Shayne Gaskins

*Agricultural Extension Education*

Tanah Rainy Lowe

*Agricultural Extension Education*

Raul A. Perea

*Agricultural Extension Education*

Tamera Kay Richline

*Agricultural Extension Education*

Leander Guy Thomas

*Agricultural Extension Education*

Anna J. Wagoner

*Agricultural Extension Education*

## MASTER OF SCIENCE

Lovely Adhikary <i>Agricultural Biology</i>	Raghda Ibrahim Kailany <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	Bryanna L. Quijada <i>Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Ecology</i>
Ellen M. Bosman <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	Harman Kaur <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	Julie Rosenberg <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>
Maria Katherine Chavez <i>Animal Science</i>	Alyssa K. Lawton <i>Animal Science</i>	Allison J. Salas <i>Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Ecology</i>
Madison Claire Christensen <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	Mary Kathleen Leonard <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	Brittany Schweiger <i>Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Ecology</i>
Danielle Duni <i>Range Science</i> <i>Water Science and Management</i>	Linda Lopez <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	Asmaa Shakir <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>
Jason Robert Fechner <i>Plant and Environmental Science</i>	Sarah C. Lovato <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	Angelica Lynn Swanson <i>Plant and Environmental Science</i>
Manuel Christopher Ferran <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	Siya Luo <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	Caroline Regina Toth <i>Plant and Environmental Science</i>
Ana Cristina Garcia Escalante <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	Dillen Wayne Martinez <i>Agricultural Economics</i>	Michael Ray Whiting <i>Plant and Environmental Science</i>
Bryana Rose Getchell <i>Agricultural Economics</i>	Fiona Elizabeth McKibben <i>Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Ecology</i>	Angela Lee Yemma <i>Range Science</i>
Jasmine Veronica Gutierrez <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	Jesse Montoya <i>Range Science</i>	Leia June Zagone <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>
Megan Elizabeth Hart <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	Ngocmy T. Nguyen <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	
Michael M. Hitzelberger <i>Water Science and Management</i>	Autumn Joy Pearson <i>Water Science and Management</i>	
Florence Jones <i>Family and Consumer Sciences</i>	Darien Shaygne Pruitt <i>Plant and Environmental Science</i>	

## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Jodi Renee Berdis (Astronomy) <i>Implications for Surface Processes Through the Investigation of Crystalline and Amorphous Water Ice on Europa</i> Faculty Advisor: James Murphy	Bhupendra Kumar Gurung (Chemistry) <i>Enthalpy of Decomposition of Chloride Adduct of Nitrate Esters With Complex Properties Using Tandem Mass Spectrometry and Tandem Ion Mobility Spectrometry</i> Faculty Advisor: Gary Eiceman
Ashis Kumar Biswas (Chemistry) <i>Investigation of the Binding Interface between the Grb7SH2 and Grb7RAPH domains</i> Faculty Advisor: Barbara Lyons	Rajan Koirala (Chemistry) <i>Biophysical Characterization of the Full-Length Human Grb7 Protein</i> Faculty Advisor: Barbara Lyons
Sherrí Lynn Buerdsell (Biology) <i>Coexistence of Eragrostis lehmannaiana in Bouteloua Communities Mediated by Plant Available Water, Plant-Soil Feedback and Competition</i> Faculty Advisor: Erik Lehnhoff	Truc Thuy Mai (Molecular Biology) <i>A Study of Cyanobacteria Metabolites, Exopolysaccharide and Carotenoids, In Context of Applied Phycology</i> Faculty Advisor: Francisco Holguin
Luca Carai (Mathematics) <i>New Directions in Duality Theory for Modal Logic</i> Faculty Advisor: Guram Bezhanishvili	Van Duc Nguyen (Computer Science) <i>Explanations Generation for Logic Programs and Its Application in Smart Homes</i> Faculty Advisor: Son Tran
Edgar Eduardo Ceh Varela (Computer Science) <i>Modeling User Preferences and Item Characteristics to Improve Group and Multi-Criteria Recommendations</i> Faculty Advisor: Huiping Cao	Emmanuel Utreras Mercado (Computer Science) <i>Tangible Music Programming Tool for Novice Children With Visual Impairments and Low Vision</i> Faculty Advisor: Enrico Pontelli
Caitlin C. Doughty (Astronomy) <i>Implications of <math>z &gt; 5</math> Metal Absorption for the Sources and Progression of Hydrogen Reionization</i> Faculty Advisor: Kristian Finlator	Debadrita Pal (Biology) <i>Differential Roles of the Rho Family GTPases in Mitosis and Meiosis in Echinoderm Embryos</i> Faculty Advisor: Charles Shuster
Ramanujam Geeyarpuram Nadathur (Molecular Biology) <i>Regulation of Swainsonine Production and Gene Expression in Alternaria Oxytropis</i> Faculty Advisor: Rebecca Creamer	Ziyuan Wang (Mathematics) <i>Estimation of Coefficient of Variation Under Multivariate Skew Normal and Log-Skew-Normal Settings</i> Faculty Advisor: Tonghui Wang

## MASTER OF APPLIED GEOGRAPHY

John David Castillo

Nathan Aladar Lopez-Brody

## MASTER OF ARTS

Jaber Alanzi <i>Sociology</i>	Blanca Violeta Gomez Ruelas <i>Spanish</i>	Thomas Carl Miller <i>Anthropology</i>
Jason Clark Anderton <i>Spanish</i>	Brandon Jacob Gonia <i>Anthropology</i>	Michael Eugene Morrison <i>Anthropology</i>
Raquel Lorraine Andujo <i>Communication Studies</i>	Luis Armando Gonzalez Lavin <i>English</i>	Stephanie Ann Oropeza <i>Communication Disorders</i>
Emmanuel Asante <i>English</i>	LiaNora Granger <i>Communication Disorders</i>	Yemisi Yasmeeen Oroyinyin <i>Communication Studies</i>
Derek William Baker <i>Spanish</i>	Kailynn Elena Gumpert <i>Sociology</i>	Cassandra Ortegon <i>Communication Disorders</i>
Baylee Rose Banks <i>Communication Studies</i>	Lillian Kaye Hayner <i>English</i>	Kimberly Pacheco <i>English</i>
Kelsey Dolan Bigelow <i>Sociology</i>	Fatiatu Inusah <i>English</i>	Harrison Preusse <i>Experimental Psychology</i>
Amanda Lea Bradford <i>Communication Studies</i>	Jacqueline Jaquez <i>Communication Disorders</i>	Sonya Elaine Rivera <i>Communication Disorders</i>
Marisela Cardenas <i>Spanish</i>	Miguel Jimenez Lopez <i>Spanish</i>	Leslie Z. Rivera Mendez <i>Communication Disorders</i>
Hannah Leigh Clark <i>Anthropology</i>	Orfa Kendall <i>Spanish</i>	Ashlend Dani Rodriguez <i>Communication Disorders</i>
Karly Corman <i>English</i>	Sarah Cathleen Krein <i>Communication Disorders</i>	Alexis Elizabeth Rodriguez <i>Communication Disorders</i>
Lindsey May Cron <i>Anthropology</i>	Chloe Ann Leslie <i>Communication Disorders</i>	Moses Seenarine <i>Sociology</i>
Cary Charles Culbertson <i>Government</i>	Rihannon Macin <i>Communication Disorders</i>	Ashley Brooke Shaw <i>Communication Disorders</i>
Jacob Lorenzo Determan <i>English</i>	Alicia M. Malin <i>Communication Disorders</i>	Christopher Douglas Stanton <i>Anthropology</i>
Luke Evan Devine <i>History</i>	Matthew Markusic <i>Sociology</i>	Thea Stehlik-Barry <i>Anthropology</i>
Genaro Diaz <i>Spanish</i>	Oscar Benito Martinez <i>Communication Disorders</i>	Geoffry John Teufel <i>History</i>
Elle Elaine Dipaola <i>Communication Disorders</i>	Kailey R. Martinez <i>Anthropology</i>	Rachel Marie Thoma <i>Spanish</i>
Christian Giovanni Fong <i>History</i>	Kohlby Winfield McInnes <i>Government</i>	Angela-Faith Catherine Thomas <i>Experimental Psychology</i>
Dale Frost <i>Anthropology</i>	Kai William-Taylor McKinney <i>Sociology</i>	Beatris Adriana Valdez <i>Communication Disorders</i>
Hannah Eugenia Garcia <i>Spanish</i>	Blanca Y. Melero <i>Spanish</i>	Rose Vidal <i>Anthropology</i>
Kaylee Marie Garrison <i>Communication Disorders</i>	Bethany Mendoza <i>Communication Disorders</i>	Ashlyn Lavern Wagoner <i>Anthropology</i>
Marquette Aline Gass <i>Anthropology</i>	Jaqueline Mendoza de Monzon <i>Spanish</i>	Alejandra R. Willis <i>Spanish</i>
Gray Thomas Gass <i>Anthropology</i>	Angela A. Meyer <i>Communication Studies</i>	Elizabeth Adriana Zavala <i>Spanish</i>

## MASTER OF COMPUTATIONAL DATA ANALYTICS

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Leisdaly Gabriela Chrisley

Kelsey Lynn Phillips  
Victoria Miranda Roybal

Gloria Stacy Ruiz  
Roberto Jose Velasquez



## MASTER OF FINE ARTS

Taylor Grace Fedorchak  
*Creative Writing*  
Antoinette Latrese Plair  
*Creative Writing*  
Cierra Nicole Redding  
*Fine Arts*

Susan Rother  
*Creative Writing*  
Alejandro Ruiz del Sol  
*Creative Writing*  
Andrew John Rutens, Jr.  
*Creative Writing*

Aksian Cassia Erin Tort  
*Creative Writing*  
Ger Xiong  
*Fine Arts*

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Georgina Meraz Z Flores

Benjamin Ward Neal

Sujie Zhao

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Gabriel Duran, Jr.

Ashlerose Marie Francia  
Karen Elizabeth Hamilton

Adrian Armando Molinar  
Ryan Todd Steinmetz

## MASTER OF SCIENCE

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*Mathematics*  
Kempton Montaigne Albee  
*Mathematics*  
Daniel Alcala  
*Mathematics*  
Prince Appiah  
*Mathematics*  
Sarah Alicia Archuleta  
*Mathematics*  
Dakota James Camarena  
*Biology*  
Xiangfei Chen  
*Mathematics*  
Sai Teja Gandla  
*Computer Science*  
Md Forhad Hossain  
*Physics*  
Nada Essam Ibrahim  
*Computer Science*

Milda Kristupaitis  
*Biology*  
James Gavin Lewis  
*Mathematics*  
Buyan Li  
*Mathematics*  
Xuye Luo  
*Computer Science*  
Md Minuddin  
*Physics*  
Kelsey Irene Montoya  
*Biology*  
Stephen Alexander Moylan  
*Mathematics*  
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*Biology*  
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*Biology*  
Zeinab Sadeghian Tehrani  
*Bioinformatics*

Rigo Salazar  
*Mathematics*  
Anushruti Sangami  
*Biology*  
Navjit Singh  
*Physics*  
Rubin Man Tamrakar  
*Biology*  
Julia R. Tituskin  
*Biology*  
Tuan Hiep TRAN  
*Computer Science*  
Michael Wyatt  
*Geology*  
Mahlet Abebe Zemedie  
*Computer Science*

## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

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### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Reza Fazli Salehi (Business Administration)  
*The Impact Of Human Personality Traits On Brand Relationships In  
Multi-Cultural Advertising*  
Faculty Advisor: Ivonne Jasso

Rozbeh Madadi (Business Administration)  
*The Effects of Targeted Ads on Consumer Brand Relationships*  
Faculty Advisor: Ivonne Jasso

### MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY

Alyssa Marie Arsola  
Kayla June Beene  
Brooklyn Lysette Burnett  
Kelly Leigh Burton  
Eloisa Cisneros

Cyrus Gray  
Julio Cesar Labra  
Megan Renee Mattie  
Daniel Minjarez  
Shelbie Kay Peterson

Monica Saucedo Ramos  
Stephanie Michelle Slate  
Rachel Anne Steiner

## MASTER OF ARTS

Sokynah Alhilal  
*Economics*

Samuel Asare  
*Economics*

Kenza Benomar  
*Economics*

## MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Judy Evelyn Silva

Daniel David Tellez

## MASTER OF SCIENCE

S M Atiqur Rahman Chowdhury  
*Applied Statistics*  
Shuan Li  
*Applied Statistics*

Xia Li  
*Applied Statistics*  
Maryam Sharifi  
*Applied Statistics*

Xiunan Shi  
*Applied Statistics*

## COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

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### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Theophile Owona Awana (Curriculum and Instruction)  
*Language Learning, Technology and International Undergraduate Students at Junior and Senior Levels: A Proverbial Double Jeopardy for Academic Success in Southwestern Borderlands of the United States*  
Faculty Advisor: Blanca Araujo

Javzandulam Batsaikhan (Curriculum and Instruction)  
*Formal Preschool Educational Programs as a Choice of Herder Parents in Mongolia: A Qualitative Case Study of Taviul Children*  
Faculty Advisor: Candace Kaye

Erich Tyrari Elwin (Curriculum and Instruction)  
*Blueprints for Nepantla: Autoethnography of Black Male Faculty Negotiating PWI Spaces*  
Faculty Advisor: Luis Huerta

John Ralph Kongsvik (Curriculum and Instruction)  
*Using The Conscious Competence Matrix to Support Teacher Change by Boosting Teacher Efficacy When Implementing New Techniques from Professional Development Workshops*  
Faculty Advisor: Richard Marlatt

Rosa Isabel Lopez (Educational Administration)  
*Cultural Competency of Dietetic Educational Leaders and Its Incorporation Within the Required Curriculum*  
Faculty Advisor: Henrietta Pichon

Barbara Jean Martinez-Griego (Curriculum and Instruction)  
*Sigo la lucha con ánimo, corazón y mi hermosa voz: Critical Reflections of Myself and The Chicana Within MySoul - Through Critical Pedagogy: An Auto-Ethnographic Study*  
Faculty Advisor: Luis Huerta

Patricia Susan McClure (Curriculum and Instruction)  
*In Search of the White Anti-Racist Mind: A Narrative Inquiry*  
Faculty Advisor: Xeturah Woodley

Yasushi M. Morimoto (Educational Administration)  
*A Phenomenological Study on the Ascension of Community College Presidents of Color*  
Faculty Advisor: Rene Guillaume

Mehmet Ali Ozer (Curriculum and Instruction)  
*An Investigation of Project-Based Curriculum: Effects of STEM Education on Student Achievement Levels in State Standardized Algebra Test*  
Faculty Advisor: David Rutledge

Joao Luis Rocha Paixao Cortes (Curriculum and Instruction)  
*Reaching an Intersection Between Multicultural Education and Parâmetros Curriculares Nacionais (National Curricular Guidelines)/Temas Transversais (Cross-Curricular Themes) in a Foreign Language Teacher's Education Program*  
Faculty Advisor: Luis Huerta

Dora M. Perez (Educational Administration)  
*The Art of Retention: A Phenomenological Study Exploring Lived Experiences that Contribute to Hispanic First-Generation Freshman Students' Persistence at a Community College in the Southwest*  
Faculty Advisor: Rene Guillaume

Oscar Antonio Perez, Jr. (Educational Administration)  
*A Phenomenological Study on Former Presidents of Hispanic Serving Institution Community Colleges and their Psychological Contracts - Why Did They Leave?*  
Faculty Advisor: Azadeh Osanloo

Toby Dean Soderberg (Curriculum and Instruction)  
*Public School Climate: A Phenomenological Study on The Lived Experiences of LGBTQ Students*  
Faculty Advisor: Elizabeth Cahill

Christina Marie Trujillo (Curriculum and Instruction)  
*The Experiences of Parents of English Learners during the COVID-19 Crisis: A Qualitative Study Using a Single-Case Study*  
Faculty Advisor: Luis Huerta

Paola Leticia Vasquez (Educational Administration)  
*Secondary Administrators' Sense of Self-Efficacy and the Impact on Fronterizo Special Education Students in the Southwest Borderland: A Mixed Method Study*  
Faculty Advisor: Pamela Gray

Kristine Andrea Velasquez (Educational Administration)  
*The Ascension of Latina Administrators in Higher Education: A Qualitative Phenomenological Study in The Southwest Border Region*  
Faculty Advisor: Rene Guillaume

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