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9 A.M. & 2 P.M.

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UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS AT DALLAS

May 7, 2022 | 9 a.m. Commencement Ceremony

School of Business & School of Education

If able, please rise and remain standing for the Processional followed by the National Anthem.

Master of Ceremonies:
Richard Strong

PROCESSIONAL	Pomp and Circumstance
“THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER”	Cordé Cummings & Professor Patrick Brink
WELCOME	Bob Mong President
INTRODUCTIONS	Betty Hill Stewart Provost and Executive Vice President, Academic Affairs
GREETINGS FROM THE UNT SYSTEM	Michael R. Williams UNT System Chancellor
RECOGNITION OF VETERANS	Elizabeth Muniz Associate Professor, School of Business
STUDENT REMARKS	Nooruddin N. Sindhwani Spring 2022 Master’s degree candidate
INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKER	A. Felecia Epps Dean and Professor, College of Law
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS	Kurt L. Schmoke President, University of Baltimore
CONFERRING OF DEGREES & RECOGNITION OF CANDIDATES	Bob Mong Betty Hill Stewart
ALMA MATER	Cordé Cummings & Professor Patrick Brink
CLOSING REMARKS	Bob Mong
RECESSIONAL	Pomp and Circumstance

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May 7, 2022 | 2 p.m. Commencement Ceremony

School of Behavioral Health and Human Services & School of Liberal Arts and Sciences

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KURT L. SCHMOKE

President, University of Baltimore

Kurt L. Schmoke serves as the eighth president of the University of Baltimore. He possesses a wealth of experience in public service, higher education and leadership. Schmoke is a long-time proponent of education and states that education works—for people, for neighborhoods, for society as a whole.

Schmoke served as the mayor of Baltimore from 1987-1999. During his tenure as mayor, Schmoke initiated a number of innovative programs in housing, education, public health and economic development. In 1992, President George H.W. Bush awarded him the National Literacy Award for his efforts to promote adult literacy. Two years later, President Bill Clinton praised his programs aimed at improving public housing and enhancing community-based economic development. Prior to joining the University of Baltimore, Schmoke was the Baltimore City State's Attorney, served as dean of the Howard University School of Law in Washington, D.C., was appointed general counsel for Howard and also served as the institution's interim provost.

A. FELECIA EPPS

Dean and Professor, University of North Texas at Dallas College of Law

Felecia Epps joined UNT Dallas College of Law as Dean and Professor in 2018. Under her leadership the law program earned full approval from the American Bar Association in February of 2022. Prior to UNT Dallas, Epps served as Professor of Law at the Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University College of Law from January 2016 to May 2018 and as Dean of the FAMU College of Law from January 2016 to May 2017.

Epps received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Cornell College in Mt. Vernon, Iowa and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps. After graduating Magna Cum Laude from Creighton University School of Law in Omaha, Nebraska she attended The Basic School in Quantico Virginia followed by Naval Justice School (NJS) in Newport Rhode Island. Epps graduated with honors from NJS and was certified as a Judge Advocate in the United States Navy. She served 10 years on active duty holding a variety of positions including Defense Counsel, Trial Counsel, Chief Military Justice Officer, Chief Civil Law Officer and Chief Legal Assistance Officer. Epps was awarded the Naval Achievement Medal and the Navy Commendation Medal while on active duty and left the USMC in 1992 having attained the rank of Major.

RICHARD STRONG

Lecturer, University of North Texas at Dallas School of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Richard Strong spent most of his childhood as a working musician before finding broadcast news in college. Since then, he's anchored and reported news for radio and TV stations in Milwaukee, Chicago and Denver. Eventually, Dr. Strong returned to graduate school in Denver to pursue a career in higher education. He taught at Metropolitan State University of Denver and Southern Illinois University before joining UNT Dallas as a lecturer in Communication and Technology. In addition to teaching, Dr. Strong continues to pursue a career in voiceover and audio production, working with Amazon and Spotify. He believes in the importance of working in the business where he teaches.

BOB MONG

President, University of North Texas at Dallas

University of North Texas at Dallas President Robert “Bob” Mong is committed to helping students achieve academic success and achieve socioeconomic mobility. Appointed as the university’s third president in 2015, he has led the university to record enrollment growth as well as the physical expansion of the campus.

During President Mong’s tenure, the university has established strategic goals for growth, fundraising and community involvement, expanding the university’s role as a force for positive change in southern Dallas and beyond. The president and his leadership team have made steady progress toward these goals while fulfilling the university’s mission to empower students, transform lives and strengthen communities.

Before joining UNT Dallas, Mong worked as a journalist for 44 years. He retired from The Dallas Morning News after more than 30 years with the newspaper, where he served as Managing Editor and later as Editor-in-Chief. During his time in news leadership, the newspaper won nine Pulitzer Prizes and was named Pulitzer finalist 16 times.

MICHAEL R. WILLIAMS

Chancellor, University of North Texas System

From a graduate of the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine to a University of North Texas System Board of Regents member to most recently serving as President of the UNT Health Science Center at Fort Worth, the highly accomplished and respected Dr. Michael R. Williams has long been an important part of the growth and excellence of the UNT System, one he guides into a new era as its fourth Chancellor.

As the system’s Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Williams oversees all operational aspects of the multi-location system, including general oversight of a \$1.3 billion budget, more than 14,000 employees and the UNT System’s member institutions – the University of North Texas in Denton, the University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth and the University of North Texas at Dallas.

A Fort Worth native, Dr. Williams was the first UNT Health Science Center (HSC) alumnus to serve as the graduate academic medical center’s President. Under his leadership, HSC embraced a values-based, collaborative and innovative team culture. During the COVID-19 pandemic, HSC stepped up for the North Texas region, leading efforts on health literacy, contact tracing, testing and vaccinations.

A successful business executive and entrepreneur, Dr. Williams holds an MBA from Duke University and a master’s in Health Care Management from Harvard University. Dr. Williams has founded companies in several industries including health care, mortgage and software.

He completed his anesthesiology and critical care training at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas and the Texas Heart Institute in Houston following achieving two medical degrees. Dr. Williams holds board certifications in both anesthesiology and critical care medicine by the American Board of Anesthesiology.

From 2008 – 2013, Dr. Williams served as Chief Executive Officer of Hill Country Memorial Hospital – during which time the hospital received numerous state and national awards, becoming a Truven Top 100 U.S. hospital in 2012 and 2013. Under his leadership, the hospital was also awarded the 2013 Malcolm Baldrige National Presidential Best Practice for Leadership Award and named a Top 10 finalist for the 2013 Malcolm Baldrige National Presidential Quality Award. Hill Country Memorial Hospital went on to win the 2014 Malcolm Baldrige National Presidential Quality Award.

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ACADEMIC DRESS

The history of academic dress dates back to the European Middle Ages when scholars at the oldest universities were clerics. In the early centuries, a great diversity of color and style of cap, gown and hood appeared in different universities of Europe. The European custom of wearing academic dress was later introduced at American colleges, but it was not until 1895 that a uniform academic code was adopted. The code, modified in 1959, is still in force.

The bachelor's degree gown, designed to be worn closed, is black with long pointed sleeves. The master's gown, which may be worn open or closed, is black with closed oblong sleeves. Doctoral gowns may be worn open or closed, have bell-shaped sleeves, and are usually faced with black velvet. They generally have three velvet bars across the sleeves, although the color of the velvet may vary according to the field of study. Members of the University of North Texas System Board of Regents wear special regalia in university colors of blue and green.

The hood is the most distinguishing feature of all academic costumes. The hood's cover is bordered with velvet of the proper width to indicate the degree and the proper color to indicate the field of study. The doctoral hood has side panels and is slightly longer than the one worn for the master's degree. The colors in the lining of the hood indicate the college or university that conferred the degree, usually with one color forming a chevron pattern over the other. Faculty and staff who march in the graduation ceremonies wear gowns and hoods appropriate for their academic achievements. While not an exhaustive list, the following are some of the colors that may be seen on faculty and staff hoods.

Brown: Fine Arts

Dark Blue: Philosophy

Lemon-Yellow: Library Science

Peacock Blue: Public Administration

Citron: Social Work

Drab: Commerce, Business, Accountancy

Light Blue: Education

White: Arts, Letters, Humanities

Crimson: Journalism

Golden Yellow: Science

Orange: Engineering

The cap most often worn in America is a black mortar board. The tassel for the bachelor's and master's degree is either black or the color associated with the degree. The doctoral cap may have a gold tassel and may be a style resembling a large beret.

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Honor and glory the Trailblazer Way

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Leading the way
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Conquering fear
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Staring victory in its face

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We pledge to thee
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