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UTSA TO WEBCAST FALL COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES DEC. 14-16
2,205 graduation candidates to be awarded degrees

(Dec. 14, 2006)— Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst headlines the list of fall '06 commencement speakers invited to participate in graduation ceremonies at The University of Texas at San Antonio Dec. 14-16 in the UTSA Convocation Center on the 1604 Campus. Dewhurst will address 478 students graduating from the College of Education and Human Development on Saturday, Dec. 16 at 5 p.m.

Ceremonies will air on UTSA-TV monitors and be videostreamed on live webcasts at <http://dlat.utsa.edu/accordent/Fall2006/Studio/UTSAxCommencement+Ceremonies/> Viewers can download a free Real Player application at <http://www.real.com/freeplayer/?rppr=rnwk>

Overall, a total of 2,205 UTSA graduates will earn degrees in six separate ceremonies – 1,741 bachelor's, 446 master's and 18 doctoral. With the addition of this class, UTSA now boasts more than 68,900 alumni in its 37-year history.

Because both the College of Liberal and Fine Arts and the College of Business have a larger number of graduates and invited guests than can comfortably fit into the Convocation Center, these colleges will have two ceremonies and graduates will attend one specific to their major field of study.

UTSA commencement ceremonies begin on Thursday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. with students from

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the College of Public Policy and the College of Liberal and Fine Arts who majored in anthropology, history, political science and geography, psychology and sociology receiving their degrees. Rosalie Ambrosino, UTSA provost and vice president for academic affairs, will address 415 students as the evening's keynote speaker.

On Friday at 7 p.m., College of Sciences and College of Liberal and Fine Arts students who majored in art and art history, communication, English, classics and philosophy, modern languages and literatures and music will receive their degrees. Keynote speaker, David McComas, senior executive vice director, Southwest Research Institute's Space and Engineering Division, will address 515 degree candidates.

Ceremonies continue into the weekend, with three exercises scheduled.

At 9 a.m. Saturday, College of Engineering and College of Business students who majored in accounting, economics, finance, information systems and management science and statistics will be awarded their degrees. The featured speaker, professional engineer Lissa Martinez, will address 412 graduation candidates.

The 1 p.m. commencement features Diane Rath, chair and commissioner representing the public for the Texas Workforce Commission. She will address 385 students in the College of Architecture and College of Business majoring in management and marketing.

At 5 p.m., in the final exercise of the day, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst will address 478 graduation candidates in the College of Education and Human Development.

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A total of 1,741 undergraduate students will participate in the six ceremonies, with 446 graduate students and 18 doctoral students joining the procession.

Fall 2006 Commencement statistics:

College of Business -- 643 degree candidates

College of Liberal and Fine Arts -- 513 degree candidates

College of Education and Human Development -- 478 degree candidates

College of Sciences -- 293 degree candidates

College of Engineering -- 112 degree candidates

College of Public Policy -- 124 degree candidates

College of Architecture -- 42 degree candidates

Bachelor's degrees – 1,741

Master's degrees -- 446

Doctoral degrees – 18

The University of Texas at San Antonio is one of the premier institutions of higher education in South Texas and one of the fastest growing universities in the state. One of nine academic universities and six health institutions that comprise the UT System, UTSA is the second largest institution in the system. Celebrating its 37th anniversary, UTSA serves more than 28,300 students enrolled in 62 bachelor's, 43 master's and 19 doctoral degree programs.

Programs are offered through the colleges of Architecture, Business, Education and Human Development, Engineering, Honors, Liberal and Fine Arts, Public Policy, and Sciences, and the Graduate School. A Top 100 Hispanic-serving institution, UTSA is ranked among the top 10. A university of access and excellence, UTSA is committed to research and discovery, teaching and learning, and public service.