



# Summer 2021

# ALUMNI NEWS



Dear friends and alumni of the Graduate School:

I hope this message finds you and your family healthy and safe as we close out our summer sessions and look forward to the upcoming academic year. This past year has brought many challenges but we also have much to celebrate in the Graduate School at Texas Tech!

Our summer enrollment increased 107% over the last year with 4503 students. We are looking forward to welcoming all of our students to an exciting on-campus collegiate experience this fall. We will return to face-to-face instruction as our primary modality, and all campus facilities will return to full capacity.

The graduate programs at Texas Tech continue to push innovation and help meet the demands for a highly knowledgeable workforce. Our graduates gain the expertise, creativity and courage to take on the world's most complex challenges. Their work in all fields continues to make a difference and enrich lives. This past spring, the Graduate School awarded 888 Masters degrees and 135 Doctoral degrees, with an additional 110 graduate certificates being awarded.

A hallmark of the graduate experience at Tech is our commitment to student success. We provide a comprehensive professional and career development program that complements disciplinary training in five core areas: communication, critical thinking, leadership and management, professionalism, and ethics.

Later sections of this newsletter highlight some of the students and alumni who have applied these skills to make significant and lasting impacts in their disciplines.

Texas Tech's continued prominence as a leader in graduate education depends on our ability to recruit and support the very best students and assure that they acquire the skills they need to succeed while at Tech and after they graduate. Please visit our website for up-to-date events, accomplishments, and opportunities to give back to the Graduate School.

"From here, it's possible."

Best wishes,

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