

COMING UP

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13

Hardin Fall Fizzler

2-3 p.m. Hardin Foyer

Women's basketball vs. UT Tyler

4 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

Men's basketball vs. UT Tyler

6 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15

Retirement reception for Shigeko Redmond & Evidalia Tezaguic

1:30-2:30 p.m. Dillard 189

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16

Retirement reception for Beverly Stump

3-4 p.m. Hardin Foyer

Women's basketball vs.

Texas A&M-Commerce

5:30 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

Men's basketball vs.

Texas A&M-Commerce

7:30 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

Retirement reception for Linda Knox

2-3 p.m. CSC Wichita

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20

Women's basketball at UT Arlington

6 p.m. Arlington, Texas

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24-

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022

University offices closed for winter break.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

Women's basketball at

Texas A&M-Commerce

2 p.m. Commerce, Texas

Men's basketball at

Texas A&M-Commerce

4 p.m. Commerce, Texas

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022

Women's basketball at UT Tyler

1 p.m. Tyler, Texas

Men's basketball at UT Tyler

3 p.m. Tyler, Texas

MONDAY, JANUARY 3

University offices reopen

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6

Women's basketball vs. St. Edward's

5:30 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

Men's basketball vs. St. Edward's

7:30 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

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AROUND CAMPUS

Lopez receives Faculty Award

Associate Professor of Mathematics Marcos Lopez received the Faculty Award during the Dec. 11 commencement ceremony. The award is given by faculty to a full-time faculty member for teaching excellence and service to the University. This year's finalists were Kym Acuña, Associate Professor of Curriculum & Learning; Soon-Mi Choi, Associate Professor of Athletic Training & Exercise Physiology; Pablo Garcia-Fuentes, Assistant Professor of Economics; Todd Giles, Associate Professor of English; and Eric Koger, Chair of Theatre. Read the full story at [MSU Texas News](#).

Hardin Fall Fizzler

Come to the Hardin Foyer from 2-3 p.m. Monday, Dec. 13, for cookies, hot chocolate, and hot apple cider. Enter the raffle to win a poinsettia. There will also be an area for donations to the Mustangs Pantry and the MSU-Burns Fantasy of Lights. If you are interested in donating to the Mustangs Pantry, please see their [wish list online](#).

Wellness Center Winter Break Hours

The Redwine Student Wellness Center will observe the following hours during the winter break:

December 12-January 8.

Monday-Friday 5:15 a.m.-7 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

There will be no group fitness classes Dec. 24-Jan. 2. The Center will be closed Dec. 24-26. Spring 2022 hours and group fitness classes will resume Sunday, Jan. 9.

Retirement reception: Shigeko Redmond & Evidalia Tezaguic

The campus community is invited to a retirement reception honoring **Shigeko Redmond & Evidalia Tezaguic** from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 15, in Dillard 189.

Retirement reception: Beverly Stump

University Advancement and Public Affairs invites the campus community to a retirement reception honoring Beverly Stump from 3-4 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, in the Hardin Foyer.

Retirement reception: Linda Knox

The Office of the Registrar invites the campus community to a retirement reception honoring Linda Knox from 2-3 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, in CSC Wichita.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Winter Break

University offices will be closed for winter break beginning Friday, Dec. 24 through Sunday, Jan. 2.

Community Education Spring Ceramics Classes

Community Education Spring Ceramics Classes will begin Jan. 10 and continue through May 2 Monday nights from 6-9 p.m. in the ceramics studio, C119, in the Fain Fine Arts Building. Cost is \$350 and includes materials and firings. Only 11 students each for the handbuilding class and the wheel-throwing class. Sign up for [handbuilding](#) or [wheel-throwing online](#) or contact Jessica Joplin at jessica.joplin@msutexas.edu.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

22 student presentations recognized at undergraduate research forum

At the 17th MSU Texas Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities Forum held Nov. 18, 101 undergraduate students made either oral or poster presentations. Of those, 22 student presentations received recognition. In addition, 10 students from Fain Elementary School's fourth and fifth grade classes presented their research.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

Women's basketball vs. St. Mary's
2 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

Men's basketball vs. St. Mary's
4 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

MONDAY, JANUARY 10

Spring 2022 Classes begin

**Community Education Ceramics
Classes Begin**

6-9 p.m. Fain Fine Arts C119

**Do you want to share your
news or accomplishments
with the campus community?**

Please submit your information
to public.information@msutexas.edu
to be included in the next
issue.

Lamar D. Fain College of Fine Arts

Oral: 1st Place

Colin Stevenson, *Emotional Impact: Light and Color in Art and Journalism*.

Mentor: Dr. Bradley Wilson, mass communication.

Dillard College of Business

Administration

Oral: 1st Place

Soleil Weeks, *Forecast of the Monthly Price of Corn, 2000:1-2021:8*.

Mentor: Dr. Pablo Garcia-Fuentes, economics and finance.

Oral: 2nd Place

Kelsey Merino, *The Forecasting of Sugar*.

Mentor: Dr. Pablo Garcia-Fuentes, economics and finance.

Oral: 3rd Place

Nancy Espinoza, *Forecast of the Monthly Price of Pork, 2000:1-2021:8*.

Mentor: Dr. Pablo Garcia-Fuentes, economics and finance.

Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities and Social Sciences

Oral: 1st Place

Kelsey Davis, *Unexpected Saviors: Viking Influence on East Slavic Tribes*.

Mentor: Dr. Tiffany Ziegler, history.

Oral: 2nd Place

Zetta Cannedy, *Sexism, Feminist Structure, Individuals' Attitudes Towards Abortion in American Society*.

Mentor: Dr. Juheon Lee, history.

Poster: 1st Place

Isabella Black, *False Consciousness, Racial Prejudice and Group Threat in the Immediate Post-Trump Era*.

Mentor: Dr. Isaac Christiansen, sociology.

Poster: 2nd Place

Siedah Charles, *Testing if the Constant Dominance Parenting Style Correlates with Depression and Academic Effort in a Cross-Cultural Sample*.

Mentor: Dr. David Carlston, psychology.

Gunn College of Health Sciences & Human Services

Oral: 1st Place

Shelby Sanborn, Ashli Roberts, Yajaira Ruiz, Alex Sandlin, Dakota Schnorbus, Vanessa Quinones, *Child Abuse and Its Effects in Adulthood*.

Mentor: Dr. Packiaraj Arumugham, social work.

Poster: 1st Place

Martin Martin, Rachel Morse, Kylie Martinez, John Melton, Allyson Pena, Elidia Ramos, *Barriers to Seeking Mental Health Services Among College Students*.

Mentor: Dr. Packiaraj Arumugham, social work.

Poster: 2nd Place

Katherine Kurylas, Savannah Lopez, Guadalupe Gamiz, Valeria Ibarra, Deanna Gray, Megan Green, *Social Support as a Protective Factor to Manage Anxiety and Stress Caused by COVID-19 Among Undergraduate Field Work Students*.

Mentor: Dr. Packiaraj Arumugham, social work.

Poster: 3rd Place

Deanna Duensing, Addy bell, Estrella Chairez, Ivana Denham, Brianna Carsten, Breanna Fobbs, *Mental Health in LGBTQ+ College Students*.

Mentor: Dr. Packiaraj Arumugham, social work.

McCoy College of Science, Mathematics, & Engineering

Oral: 1st Place

Sharome Burton, Ernuel Tonge, *Performance Analysis of a Maximum Power Point Tracking Solar Charge Controller*.

Mentor: Dr. Salim Azzouz, engineering.

Oral: 2nd Place

Abraham Moreno, Megan Cann, Robert Speed, *Automation of a Chain-Coupled Double Planetary Gear Transmission*.

Mentor: Dr. Salim Azzouz, engineering.

Oral: 3rd Place - 2-Way Tie

Cameron Calhoun, Quentin Scharfenberg, *Robust Improvement of an Existing Drilling*

and Reaming Kawasaki R5005L Robot Work Cell.
Mentor: Dr. Jan Brink, engineering.

Benton Vidal, Nedebliah Warner, *Analysis of Heat Transfer in a Brake System*.
Mentor: Dr. Zeki Ilhan, engineering.

Poster: 1st Place
Grace Palmer, *Untreated Wastewater as a Source of Virus to Treat Antibiotic- Resistant Bacteria*.
Mentor: Dr. James Masuoka, biology.

Poster: 2nd Place - 2-Way Tie
Mikaela Inderman, *Untreated Wastewater as a Source of Virus to Treat Antibiotic Resistant Bacteria*.
Mentor: Dr. James Masuoka, biology.

Sharome Burton, *Search & Rescue Unmanned Aerial Vehicle – Radio Direction-Finding*.
Mentor: Dr. Yu Guo, engineering.

Poster: 3rd Place
Ashley Alvarez, *Relationship of Fungal Symbionts in Honey Locust Trees*.
Mentor: Dr. James Masuoka, biology.

West College of Education

Poster: 1st Place
Julie Green, *Exploring Embedded Course Research and Creative Activities at Midwestern State University*.
Mentors: Dr. Leann Curry, Dr. Stacia Miller, kinesiology/ education.

Oral: 1st Place
Brittney V.B. Clarke, *Assessing The Effectiveness of Digital Mathematics Games*.
Mentor: Dr. Dittika Gupta, curriculum and learning.

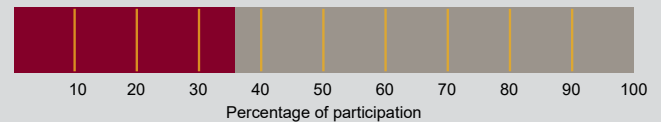
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