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First graduating class of Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Leadership makes history at LC

After joining an elite group of only three community colleges in Texas to be approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) to offer a Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Leadership in 2021, Laredo College made history once again by seeing its inaugural class of graduates walk across the stage to receive their degrees on Tuesday, Dec. 20.

Program Director Dr. Marissa Guerrero expressed her gratitude for the dedicated faculty and staff who have made the program a success. She also noted that they are already seeing the fruits of their labor, with several students from the inaugural class being awarded promotions, new job opportunities and several of them will be pursuing graduate programs.

“We are exceedingly proud of our first graduating class of the Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Leadership degree,” she said. “These students have embarked on a journey of academic excellence and professional training that has prepared them for management and leadership roles in a variety of industries. We are confident that this group of students will help lead their organizations as agents of innovation and change.”

This high-quality, affordable program allows students to complete an online degree in four years or less while also incurring no student loan debt. Students benefit from being able to transfer all undergraduate credits from academic or workforce programs into this program, which aids in the elimination of lost credits, time and money.

The program’s mission is to develop leaders for Laredo and the surrounding regions, and the degree focuses on practical workplace skills.

Graduates are prepared to enter the workforce with careers in various industries, including executive leadership, operations management and human resources. This degree also prepares students for careers in a wide range of fields, including health, homeland security, early childhood programs and business.

This program is delivered utilizing Competency-Based Education (CBE), which is online instruction that allows students to work at their own pace to complete courses. This method can make a significant, positive impact on students who may shorten their completion of each course to just a few weeks, depending on a student’s previous knowledge and skills.

Past, current and prospective LC students will find this program to be a seamless pathway from their current courses at LC, including dual enrollment courses, to earning their Bachelor’s Degree in Organizational Leadership.

Laredo College is excited to provide this opportunity for students to earn an affordable, four-year degree that trains them for rewarding careers locally, regionally and nationally.

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