



Fifty years ago, members of the Class of 1970 crossed the campus together, walking to Commencement and into the future. In 2020, their formal induction into the Golden 'Roo Society has been delayed due to COVID-19. So, until details are available regarding the Golden 'Roo weekend, we invite the newest Golden 'Roo to submit information for the soon-to-be-published Golden 'Roo bio book. If you graduated with or attended as part of the Class of 1970 and have not submitted bio information, please do so [here](#).



### Students Complete Departmental Honors

Every spring, Austin College faculty members invite superior students to complete the Departmental Honors Program, challenging them to use their training to delve deeper into a topic of interest within their major. This year, 20 seniors each completed a thesis or other special project, and their diplomas will indicate "Honors in (Field)" at Commencement. The students completed their honors work in anthropology, biology, chemistry, communication, East Asian studies, economics, English, French, history, mathematics, music, physics, public health, and Spanish.

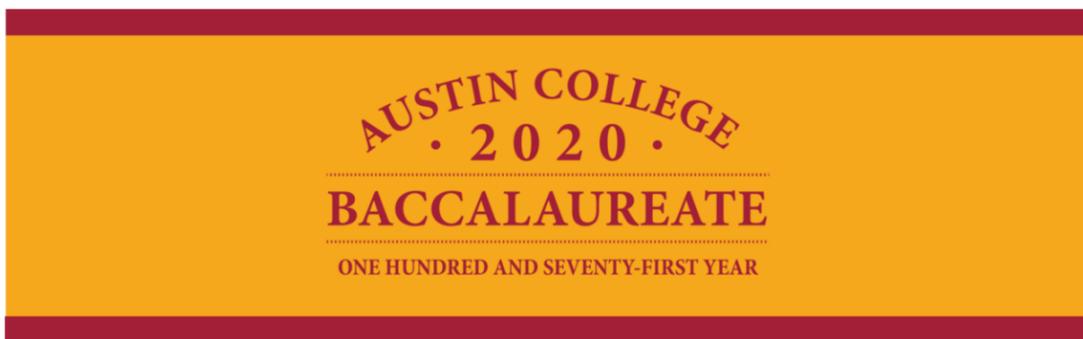
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### Faculty and Staff Send Encouragement to Seniors

Ending a most unusual semester, the Austin College faculty and staff recorded special messages of encouragement to the seniors of 2020. A link to the [online senior tribute](#) was sent by email to seniors on Sunday, May 17, the morning of their would-be Commencement. President O'Day has announced that an in-person, on-campus Commencement Celebration is **planned for August 8-9**.

[More Information...](#)



### Virtual Baccalaureate "Rewind"

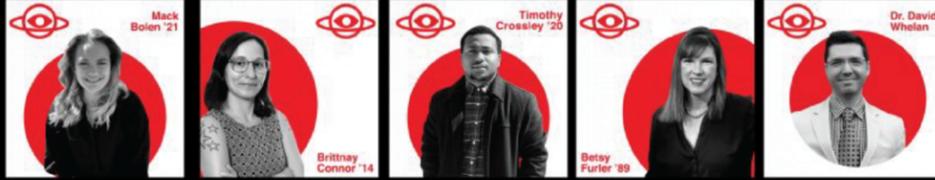
Austin College hosted a [Virtual Baccalaureate](#) Saturday, May 16, coinciding with the originally scheduled Baccalaureate service for the Class of 2020 on campus. The service included messages from President Steven P. O'Day; Dr. Rod Stewart, representing the Golden 'Roo class of 1970; and Reverend Amy Poling Sutherland '00, co-pastor of First Presbyterian Church of San Marcos, Texas. Dr. John Williams '84, chaplain of Austin College, delivered the traditional benediction with a timely addition of "wash your hands."

The entire service is available [here](#).

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x = independently organized TED event



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**Saturday, October 3**  
**8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**  
**Tickets go on sale August 1**

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Lois Bronaugh '20*

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