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Dr. Harvey Knull will Address Graduates at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi’s 2010 Summer Commencement

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas- Dr. Harvey Knull, who is retiring after 10 years as associate vice president for Research and Scholarly Activity and dean of Graduate Studies, will deliver the keynote address at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi’s summer commencement on Saturday, Aug. 7, at 10:30 a.m. in the American Bank Center arena.

Knull graduated from the University of Alberta in 1963 with a bachelor of science in agriculture. He earned a master’s degree in horticulture from the University of Nebraska in 1965 and, in 1970, was awarded a Ph.D. in biochemistry from Pennsylvania State University. Before joining the administration at Texas A&M-Corpus Christi in 2000, Knull spent 20 years at the University of North Dakota and was dean of the graduate school at the time of his departure.

During Knull’s tenure, graduate enrollment has increased 31 percent, the University’s graduate programs have grown, and several important new graduate programs have been added. These include the M.S. and Ph.D. in coastal and marine system science, the Ph.D. in marine biology, the M.S. in geospatial surveying engineering, and the Cooperative Ph.D. in nursing science with Texas Woman’s University. In addition, the postgraduate degree in curriculum and instruction was changed from an Ed.D. to a Ph.D. Graduate programs now include five doctoral programs, a terminal degree in fine arts and 26 master’s programs.

Around 440 students from the University’s Colleges of Business, Education, Liberal Arts, Nursing and Health Sciences, and Science and Technology will walk across the stage to receive their diplomas. The commencement ceremony will be carried live on KTOV Channel 21, Time Warner Channel 15.

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