

USJ Graduation Ceremony 2023

Appreciation Message by Pablo Enrique Titosse (Bachelor of Education)

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"Every seed has the chance to hatch when the opportunity to follow its path is given" and so, nothing is more valuable than learning how to live and how to be alive.

My name is Pablo Enrique Titosse, a bachelor graduate in Education. It is an honour to represent my graduating students to express gratitude to the University and to witness the special moment unfold.

I would first like to talk about a very special person who inspired me to follow my dream and my path, my grandma. Before I was born, my country was facing political issues for 16 years. My grandma married very early. She never went to any school but she managed to learn how to read and write by herself. She received and settled the refugees and families in the military conflict. My grandma taught them how to read, write, and live, as well as encouraged them to go to school and to believe. My mother told me that she did it because anyhow she believed and she had HOPE, a word with only four letters and a word that fits the entire world. Because I had hope and people around me such as family, the University, the teachers, friends and colleagues had hope on me and either way, I would like to dedicate this message.

Looking back to our four years at this amazing institution, I find myself filled with gratitude for everything the University provided us with. From the very first day, back in 2019, we were welcomed into an amazing learning environment which helped to nurture and support us through our academic journey which I believe to be one of the toughest: after just one semester we were unfortunate to be locked in Macau, and today, after one semester from the safety measures were lifted, we are completing our journey.

When I first arrived in Macau, I was a teenager in a huge world and searching for answers. Today, I am an adult in a world that has become smaller because in an international University such as ours, the world becomes a tiny place. Thanks to the professors that believed in my potential I could explore myself and the world. Thanks to the professors, I could lift my hidden skills and hatch the potential hidden by fear and shyness. I came in as a teen and I am leaving as a man, a man for the society and to the society.

The professors at USJ are truly remarkable in their patience and commitment to my growth. They never gave up on me, even when I struggled to understand concepts and ideas or that we are all different. With their guidance and knowledge, I was able to see the world in a different light and develop critical thinking skills that will serve me well for the rest of my life.

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Beyond just academics, the past four years have also helped me grow in a personal sense through the various opportunities and experiences offered by the University. I found my true self. I was able to explore my passions and interests, resulting in a person who appreciates every single episode of life and the world around me. I learned to enjoy everything that matters, and I learned that it is fine to cry alone inside our rooms.

Today, I am proud to say that I am a graduate of the University of Saint Joseph Macau, and I will forever be grateful for the transformative experience I had here. Thank you for all you have done for us, and we look forward to carrying the learned lessons here with us throughout the next challenges and our lives.

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「當機會來到每顆種子都有機會孵化。」所以沒有什麼事情比學習如何生活和活著更有價值。

我是 Pablo Enrique Titosse,是教育學學士學位畢業生,很榮幸能代表學士學位畢業學生向大學表達謝意,並見證這特別時刻。

首先我想分享一個對我有特別意義的人,她激勵我追尋我的夢想和道路,她就是我的祖母。在我出生之前,我的國家面臨著長達 16 年的政治問題。她很早就結婚了,並從未到過學校學習,但她設法學會瞭如何閱讀和書寫。她接收及安置了軍事衝突中的難民和家庭。我的祖母教他們如何閱讀、書寫和生活,並鼓勵他們學習和相信。我母親告訴我,她這樣做是因為無論如何她相信,她相信希望,一個只有四個字母的生字,一個適合整個世界的詞。因為我有希望,我周圍的人,如家庭、大學、老師、朋友和同事都對我抱有希望,無論如何,我想把這個信息帶給大家。

回顧我們在這四年時間所出色的大學,我發現自己對大學為我們提供的一切充滿了感激。從第一天開始,在 2019 年,我們迎來了美好的學習氛圍。有助於培養和支持我們完成我認為是最艱難的學術旅程:僅僅一個學期後,我們就不幸地被鎖在澳門,而今天,防疫措施放寬後的一個學期,我們終於畢業了。

當我第一次來到澳門時,我是一個在大世界中尋找答案的少年。今天,我是一個生活在小世界裡的成年人;因為在這所國際大學,世界變得很小。感謝那些相信我的潛力的教授們,我可以探索自己和世界。感謝教授們,讓我可以發揮隱藏的能力,並把恐懼和害羞所掩蓋的潛力都得以運用。我以一名青少年來求學,並成為一個為社會服務的男人。



聖大的教授們對我的成長非常有耐心和投入教學。他們從未放棄過我,即使我不理解概念和想法,或者我們都是不同的。在他們的指導和知識的幫助下,我能夠從不同的角度看待世界,並培養批 判性思維,使我畢生受用。

除了學術以外,過去四年大學提供各種機會和經驗幫助我在個人意義上成長,使我認識真正的自我,探索我的愛好和興趣,成為一個懂得欣賞生活和世界每一個細節,更學會了享受所有對我來說很重要的東西。我還學會了在房間裡獨自哭泣也是可以的。

今天,我很自豪地說,我是澳門聖若瑟大學的畢業生,我永遠感謝在這裡的轉變經歷。感謝你們 為我們所做的一切,我們期待著在接下來以學到的經驗去面對生活中的挑戰。

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