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Appreciation Message by Bruno Leonardo Sousa Aguiar (Post-Graduate Diploma in Education)

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I don't think it's controversial to say that teaching is probably one of the most thankless professions. I, myself, did not respect it when I was a student. School was 'boring', homework was 'a chore', teachers were 'old and annoying', classes were 'by the books'. What motivated me, then, to follow this profession were a few outstanding teachers that bucked the trend.

Throughout every stage of everyone's life, there are people that impress upon them and forever change their world. It is that idea that motivates me every day to become a teacher.

To dream of being a teacher is one thing, but it really would not have been made possible without the wealth of knowledge and experience provided by this course. Though it was an exhausting year - I was, as were many of my colleagues, balancing our jobs, night classes, and teaching practice at the same time - this post-graduate course really helped cultivate our skills to be better instructors. There is so much that, while I now think obvious when handling adolescent students, would not have known the intricacies of, but for this course. This course was never sunshine and roses, and we all had our fair share of troubles with one subject or another.

As it all comes to a close, I would like to give my most heartfelt thanks, on behalf of the PGDE English class, to everyone who accompanied and assisted us in our journey: Thank you to the university administration and staff, who were always there to help clarify any issue, big or small; Thank you to the teachers who provided us with a varied and challenging curriculum, who not only lectured at us on how to be teachers, but let us practice often with a myriad activities; Thank you to all the peers we shared, whom we helped and helped us through trying times; Thank you to the schools who accommodated our internships, guiding and giving us a place to test our mettle.

Lastly, thank you all for listening. I wish you all a wonderful graduation.

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2023 年度聖若瑟大學畢業典禮
畢業生致辭 – Bruno Leonardo Sousa Aguiar
(學位後教育文憑課程)

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我認為「教師可能是最吃力不討好的職業之一」是沒有爭議的。我自己當學生時並不尊重它。學校是「無聊」，家庭作業「苦差事」，老師「又老又煩人」，課程「照書說理」。那麼，促使我從事這個職業的，是幾位逆勢而行的優秀教師。在每個人生命的每個階段，都會有一些人給他們留下深刻印象，並永遠改變他們的世界。正是這種想法每天都在激勵著我成為一名教師。

夢想成為一名教師是一回事，但如果沒有這個課程提供的豐富知識和經驗，這真的不可能實現。雖然這是令人疲憊的一年——我和許多同學一樣，同時兼顧我們的工作、夜校和教學實踐——這個課程確實有助於培養我們成為更好的老師。有很多東西，雖然我現在認為在處理青少年學生時是顯而易見的，但如果不是這門課程，我不會知道其中的奧妙。這門課程從來都不是陽光和玫瑰，我們都在各種問題上遇到了自己的難題。

在这一切即將結束的時候，我想代表 PGDE 英語班向在我們的旅程中陪伴和幫助我們的所有人表示最衷心的感謝：感謝大學的行政人員，他們盡心為我們解決大大小小的問題，感謝為安排多樣和具有挑戰性課程的老師，他們不僅向我們講授如何做老師，還讓我們經常用無數的活動進行實踐；感謝所有我們一起度過的同學，他們幫助我們度過了艱難的時期；感謝接納我們實習的學校，給予指導並提供一個測試我們能力的地方。

最後，感謝你們所有人的聆聽。我祝願大家有一個美好的畢業典禮。

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