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Group Colleges Australia

# Graduation Ceremony

2025

Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> December 2025

**Sydney Masonic Centre**



# Australian National Anthem

Australians all let us rejoice

For we are young and free

We've golden soil and wealth for toil

Our home is girt by sea

Our land abounds in nature's gift

Of beauty rich and rare

In history's page, let every stage

Advance Australia fair

In joyful strains then let us sing

Advance Australia fair

# Academic Dress

## History & Significance

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The history of academic dress reaches far back into the early days of the oldest universities. A statute of 1321 required that all 'Doctors, Licentiates, and Bachelors' of the University of Coimbra wear gowns. It is still a vexed question whether academic dress finds its sources chiefly in ecclesiastical or in civilian dress.

Academic gowns were necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings frequented by medieval scholars, and the hood currently in use is the remnant of a garment, also a device against the cold – if you like the remnant of a 'hoodie' – which could be pulled up over the head and kept in position with the tail wound around the neck.

The type of academic headgear most commonly worn by graduates today is the mortar-board cap – also called the trencher cap – which dates back to the seventeenth century. It is also the custom of many universities for Doctors to be allowed to wear a distinctive type of headgear – either a round velvet bonnet or a black velvet mortar board – with the full dress gown.

As universities developed throughout the Commonwealth countries, they mostly prescribed academic regalia based on that established for the members of Oxford and Cambridge Universities, where the senior members wear a distinctive official gown and hat (in our case gold and silver). Graduates are identified by wearing gowns and hoods that have been prescribed for each degree.

The tradition of wearing academic dress continues in institutions of higher education around the world and it is customary on ceremonial occasions such as the Graduation Ceremony today, that the distinctive official regalia be worn.



# Graduation Ceremony

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**Brooke Darvall** BTrng UNE, MBA Griffith, HDR Candidate MEdProfSt Griffith

# Order of Proceedings

## Incidental Music

### Opening of Ceremony

**Brooke Darvall** will open the proceedings by inviting all present to stand and remain standing while the Academic Procession enters the room and until the conclusion of the National Anthem.

### Entry of Academic Procession

The Academic Procession enters and members take their places, and remain standing.

### The Australian National Anthem is played

All present will remain standing and will then be seated at the conclusion of the National Anthem.

### Welcome and Acknowledgment of Country

**Brooke Darvall** - Acknowledgment of Country

### At the conclusion of the welcome

**Professor Alan Bowen-James** will make the following statement: "I certify that the candidates have met all the GCA requirements for the degrees or awards specified against their names."

### Graduates will be welcomed as alumni of UBSS

**Professor Alan Bowen-James** will make the following statement: "In accordance with the Constitution of GCA trading as the **Universal Business School**, and in accordance with the authority given to me under that Constitution, I welcome the graduates."

### Presentation of Graduates

MC calls on **Professor Alan Bowen-James** to present graduands with their awards.



# Class of 2025

## Master of Business Administration

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Cristal Vera Abad  
Kalyan Acharya  
Manju Acharya  
Jennifer Acunin  
Sana Ahsan  
Wasim Akram  
Joanne Catherina Alberto  
Meer Muzakeer Ali  
Umair Ali  
Ankit Ankit  
Ankush Ankush  
Francis Lloyd Ortines Anonuevo  
Jona Kristen Te Arevalo  
Ruby Argarin  
Muhammad Asif  
Russell Atenion  
Yousuf Bin Ali Bahashwan  
Harumi Baranda  
Kathrina Basanes  
Ma Shiela Mae Basiya  
Jeswitha Belli  
Christian Gerard Benamer  
Marie Jane Bennett  
Pradeep Bhandari  
Fazleen Fazila Bi  
Kristine Joy Bolado  
Jillian Bugaoisan  
Ashika Lata Chand  
Nitya Jigarkumar Chaudhari  
Khushboo Chauhan  
Dikshya Chhetri  
Ve-Dette Alyn Cruz  
Thu Ha Cu  
Dipesh Dahal



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Shreya Dahal  
Jose Adrian Dalangin  
Zeus Jor-El Damian  
Mary Grace Dayrit  
Kclyn De Chavez  
David Ismael Delgado  
Nicolas Esteban Delgado Parra  
Seema Devi  
Divya Divya  
Maya El Sabbagh El Ramy  
Rita El Sabbagh El Ramy  
April Ann Endaya  
Pearlyn Manzanal Esteban  
Ramil Estores  
Claire Jean Eugenio  
Jan Kristoffer Follosco  
Shivam Garg  
Gurmeet Gurmeet  
Ying He  
Chaira Blanca Irlandez  
Angelica Janine Javier  
Mabel Quilnet Julio  
Jou Sung Jung  
Mini Kalra  
Pui Yee Kan  
Gagandeep Kaur  
Navneet Kaur  
Ramandeep Kaur  
Baljinder Kaur  
Navjot Kaur  
Paramjit Kaur  
Ramanpreet Kaur  
Ramanvir Kaur  
Gaurab Kayastha  
Ali Bin Khalid  
Misbah Khanum  
Udeshya Khatiwada  
Aditya Narayana Sharma Kondepudi  
Jayshlyn Devina Krishna  
Ashok Kumar



Prateek Navin Nischal Kumar  
Sachin Kumar  
Shivarni Riksha Kumar  
Ankush Kumar  
Nirmala Lama  
Vu Thanh Truc Le  
Yurong Li  
Que Phuong Ma  
Jaspreet Singh Maan  
Bijaya Mahara  
Edwin Maharaj  
Stephen Kiptum Maiyo  
Anu Malik  
Afzal Malik  
Christian Manabat  
Lady Robelle Masalunga  
Rom Wilson Mendoza  
Kayle Ann Klarke De Torres Mission  
Zeshan Mohammed  
Mohit Mohit  
Ivy Joy Monday  
Guila Montecillo  
Sheeraz Mustafa  
Alvine Vikash Nand  
Deepa Shiwani Narayan  
Emi Nawaqakuta  
Neeru Neeru  
Thanh Thuy Nguyen  
Tri Nam Phuong Nguyen  
Angelene Nicolas  
Bianca Esther Banguguilan Oanes  
Aashima Pahal  
Sweelyn Joy Venegas Palada  
Shello Jane Palma  
Jhon Kevin Panis  
Navneet Kaur Pannu  
Priyanka Pannu  
Sanjeep Pariyar  
Dhruv Jayminkumar Patel  
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Raju Raju  
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Priya Rani  
Komal Rani  
Pallabi Ranjitkar  
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Kyle Wolff  
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Essa Zareen  
Xunwei Zhang

## Graduate Diploma in Business Administration

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Bikash Adhikari  
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Shubham Chahal  
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Arshdeep Kaur  
Bishal Khadka  
Yang Ni Lee  
Prashant Arvind Maharaj  
Hassan Mahin  
Maricar Manango  
Vishesh Manchanda



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Sabeer Mohamed Nawshad  
Abdul Aleem Mohammed  
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Jing Pan  
Cindy Catherine Paradela  
Neer Rajendrabhai Patel  
Ashishkumar Bharatkumar Patel  
Abigail Rabi  
Sachin Sachin  
Pratikshya Sewa Pariyar  
Morsheda Sikder  
Sheemona Singh  
Teevankshi Teevankshi  
Rishikesh Thapa  
Gemima Anne Villafana  
Sin Teng Wong  
Xiaoning Zhu

## Graduate Certificate in Business Administration

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Saiyadain Abbas  
Mukunda Acharya  
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Elilraj Arulchelvan  
Caren Jebichii Barsolai  
Bhawana Basnet  
Sylvia Bista  
Niroj Bogati  
Gita Budha  
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Sukhwinder Kaur  
Sukhvir Kaur  
Kiran Kiran  
Sabina Koirala  
Dinesh Lama  
Nikita Lobo  
Reynaldo Jr Macheca  
Payal Mahato  
Rojee Napit  
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Sneh Raju Bhai Patel  
Pratik Patel  
Hiren Dineshbhai Patel  
Prince Prince  
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Sajan Shrestha  
Sangeet Shrestha  
Sukhjeet Singh  
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## Bachelor of Accounting

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## Bachelor of Business

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Gurjeet Singh Banga  
Luyin Cao  
Waisiki Navuso Dawai  
Mercy Chebet Kemboi  
Deepak Kumar  
Jia Li  
Fayeliv Castro Perey  
Muhammad Sameed  
Kervin Tanaka  
Samir Timalisina



# Order of Proceedings

## Introduction of Guest Speaker

**Brooke Darvall** introduces the Occasional Speaker **Lawrence Potter**

## Occasional Speaker Address

## Conclusion of Occasional Speaker Address

**Brooke Darvall** at the conclusion of the Address, thanks the Occasional Speaker.

## Introduction of Outstanding Academic Performance Award recipients

**Professor Alan Bowen-James**, at the conclusion of the Occasional Speaker Address, will present the award to the recipient of The Professor Gus Guthrie Award.

**Associate Professor Wayne Smithson** (The Chair of the Board for the Institute of Managers and Leaders (IML) will present the IML award for each of the Undergraduate and Postgraduate studies.

## Award Recipients for studies at UBSS

### The Professor Guthrie Award

The late **Professor Gus Guthrie** was a distinguished academic who served as Vice-Chancellor of UTS towards the end of his working career. He was the inaugural Chair of the Board of Directors at Group Colleges Australia. He was instrumental in the establishment of what is now known as UBSS.

**The Professor Guthrie Award Postgraduate (Sydney campus) is:**

**Jose Adrian Dalangin**



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## IML Awards

UBSS strongly believes in providing business networking opportunities to students to develop their careers. To further this goal, UBSS has entered into an association with the **Institute of Managers and Leaders Australia and New Zealand**, which is a peak professional association that recognises excellence in management and leadership. As part of this association with UBSS, the IML award is supported by IML to recognise a student which has excelled in this discipline.

**The IML Award for Undergraduate (Sydney campus) is:**

**Altheia Noelle Olan**

**The IML Award for Executive MBA (Sydney campus) is:**

**Vimal Visavadia**

## Introduction of Speakers for Graduates

**Brooke Darvall**, announces and introduces the graduate who will speak on behalf of all the graduates.

**Jose Adrian Dalangin**

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**Brooke Darvall** thanks the Speaker on behalf of the Graduates.

## Conclusion of the Ceremony

**Brooke Darvall**, at the conclusion of the address by the Speakers on behalf of Graduates, will announce that the formal Ceremony is now concluded.

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## Recessional Music

Gaudeamus Igitur (Traditional University Song, origin 1287)

Gaudeamus Igitur  
Iuvenes dum sumus  
Post iucun dam iuventutem  
Post molestam senectutem  
Nos habebit humus  
Nos habebit humus

Vivat academia  
Vivant professors  
Vivat membrum quodlibet  
Vivant membra quaelibet  
Semper sint in flore  
Semper sint in flore

*Let us rejoice, therefore  
While we are young and free  
After a pleasant youth  
After a troubling old age  
The earth will have us  
The earth will have us*

*Long live our academy  
Long live the professors  
Long live each student  
Long live all the fraternity  
Forever may they flourish  
Forever may they flourish*



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