# Convocation Ceremony 2015: June 2, Morning Ceremony Part 2

DON TAPSCOTT: Daniel. Well done.

DANIEL: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Good job.

DANIEL: Thanks.

DON TAPSCOTT: Four years, was it?

DANIEL: Yeah. Yep.

DON TAPSCOTT: I know I did the same thing [INAUDIBLE].

DANIEL: It's fun.

SPEAKER: Emily D. Harchess.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Emily, congratulations.

EMILY HARCHESS: Thank you so much.

DON TAPSCOTT: Remember, it's not over.

EMILY HARCHESS: It's not over.

DON TAPSCOTT: Lifelong learning, baby.

SPEAKER: Tyler Alexander Henney.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: You're Kyler?

TYLER HENNEY: Tyler.

DON TAPSCOTT: Tyler. Nice to meet you. Let's just do it. Well done. Congratulations.

SPEAKER: Samantha Henry.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Hi, Samantha.

SAMANTHA HENRY: Hi.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

SAMANTHA HENRY: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: The big pic. Nice for a profile shot.

SAMANTHA HENRY: Thank you.

SPEAKER: Katerina Hjusalino.

DON TAPSCOTT: Katerina. Congratulations.

KATERINA HJUSALINO: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done. Just going to take a little. Good job.

SPEAKER: Jordan Christine Holden.

AUDIENCE: Whoo.

DON TAPSCOTT: Jordan. Well done. Way to go. Let's just get a pic here.

JORDAN HOLDEN: Thank you very much.

SPEAKER: Otaz Jag.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Good job. [INAUDIBLE]. Let's take a pic. Is that guy down there?

OTAZ JAG: That's my dad.

DON TAPSCOTT: Is he from the paparazzi?

OTAZ JAG: No.

DON TAPSCOTT: Shall we call the authorities?

SPEAKER: Brooke James.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Brooke. Congratulations.

BROOKE JAMES: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: You're welcome.

BROOKE JAMES: Thank you. Good job.

SPEAKER : David James.

AUDIENCE: We love you, David.

DON TAPSCOTT: Good job, David.

DAVID JAMES: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

SPEAKER : LeAnn Jong.

[CHEERING]

LEANN JONG: Hi.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations--

LEANN JONG: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: --to you. Just going to take a picture here, OK? Well done.

LEANN JONG: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Daniella Klisper.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Now is that for me? Thank you so much. Phot op here.

DANIELLA KLISPER: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done.

SPEAKER : Carly Newt.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Good job, Carly.

CARLY NEWT: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Let's just take a pic. Congratulations.

SPEAKER : Samantha Koval.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Samantha, congratulations.

SAMANTHA KOVAL: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done. Do they call you Sam?

SAMANTHA KOVAL: Yeah, usually. Well done.

SPEAKER : Cory Kozmik.

AUDIENCE: Whoo-hoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

CORY KOZMIK: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: A lot of work, isn't it? I did the same thing. Four years.

SPEAKER : Peter Thomas Kaminski.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Peter.

PETER KAMINSKI: Hi.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done.

PETER KAMINSKI: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Way to go, man. Congratulations.

SPEAKER : Whitney Lake.

DON TAPSCOTT: Whitney. Great job. Way to go. Let's just take a pic. I think there's a professional photographer down there stalking you.

WHITNEY LAKE: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Pierre Paul Norman Laundry.

AUDIENCE: Awesome, Paul.

DON TAPSCOTT: Awesome, Paul. Good man. You brought shades, too. Good move. Well done.

SPEAKER : Daniel Leone.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Dan. Do they call you Danny?

DANIEL LEONE: Yeah. Sometimes.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well, way to go. Good job.

DANIEL LEONE: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

SPEAKER : Jameson Lester.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Jameson. Congratulations. Just going to take a picture here. I want you to learn how to tie that tie.

JAMESON LESTER: OK.

DON TAPSCOTT: [INAUDIBLE].

SPEAKER : Michael Light.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Michael. Congratulations. Let's just take a pic here. Well done.

MICHAEL LIGHT: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Andy Luke.

DON TAPSCOTT: Andy?

ANDY LUKE: Yeah.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

ANDY LUKE: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done. Let's just take a pic, OK? Love the boots.

ANDY LUKE: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Lenea Mamone.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: A relative, perhaps?

LENEA MAMONE: Yeah.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

LENEA MAMONE: Thanks.

DON TAPSCOTT: Is this woman stalking you? Should I call the police?

LENEA MAMONE: Yeah, she is. Thanks.

SPEAKER : Rebecca McFarland.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Rebecca. Congratulations. Let's take a picture here. Well done.

SPEAKER : Samantha Mandarano.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Sam?

SAMANTHA MANDARANO: Yep.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

SAMANTHA MANDARANO: Thanks.

DON TAPSCOTT: It's a lot if work, isn't it?

SAMANTHA MANDARANO: Oh, yeah.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done.

SPEAKER : Erin Markham.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: You killed it.

ERIN MARKHAM: Thank you. Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: You know what? It's not over.

ERIN MARKHAM: Good.

DON TAPSCOTT: Just got to keep going.

SPEAKER : Lucas Martinetti.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Lucas. Congrats.

LUCAS MARTINETTI: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done. Well done.

LUCAS MARTINETTI: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Glenn Alexander McArthur.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

GLENN MCARTHUR: Thanks, sir. Well done.

SPEAKER : Brittany Lynn Morrow.

AUDIENCE: Whoo! Yay, Brit.

DON TAPSCOTT: Yay, Brit. Are these people stalking you? Should we call the authorities?

BRITTANY MORROW: Yeah.

SPEAKER : Catherine McDonald.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

CATHERINE MCDONALD: Thanks.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done. Way to go.

CATHERINE MCDONALD: Thanks.

SPEAKER : Jessica Merritt.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Jessica.

SPEAKER : Abigail Metcalf.

DON TAPSCOTT: Way to go, Abby.

ABIGAIL METCALF: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

ABIGAIL METCALF: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Zayna Mango.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Way to go, Zayna.

ZAYNA MANGO: Thanks.

DON TAPSCOTT: Good job. Take a picture here. Is that woman back there stalking you? Should we call the authorities?

SPEAKER : Catherine Moosker.

{CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Catherine. Congratulations.

CATHERINE MOOSKER: Thanks.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done. Let's take a pic.

SPEAKER : Bryan Mowan.

DON TAPSCOTT: Bryan. Way to go.

BRYAN MOWAN: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Good job. Take a picture here. Perfect. Keep it up.

SPEAKER : Matthew Montgomery.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Matthew. Congratulations.

MATTHEW MONTGOMERY: Thanks. Just going to take-- way to go, Matt.

DON TAPSCOTT: Some paparazzi there.

MATTHEW MONTGOMERY: Yeah, I know.

DON TAPSCOTT: Should we call the authorities?

SPEAKER : Matthew Moot.

DON TAPSCOTT: Matthew. Congratulations.

MATTHEW MOOT: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done. Keep it up.

MATTHEW MOOT: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Patrick Morris.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Patrick. Good job.

PATRICK MORRIE: Thanks. Well done.

SPEAKER : Dawn Morris Strain.

DON TAPSCOTT: Yeah, Dawn. Is it Dawn, D-A-W-N?

DAWN MORRIS STRAIN: Yes.

DON TAPSCOTT: Good name. Don and Dawn. Well done.

DAWN MORRIS STRAIN: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

DAWN MORRIS STRAIN: Christian Morrison.

DON TAPSCOTT: Christian.

CHRISTIAN MORRISON: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

CHRISTIAN MORRISON: Thank you very much.

DON TAPSCOTT: Let's take a pic here. Are you being stalked by this woman over here?

CHRISTIAN MORRISON: Oh, yeah. For sure. Yeah.

DON TAPSCOTT: We can call the authorities.

CHRISTIAN MORRISON: Maybe we have to, right?

SPEAKER : Amber Ann Mullen.

DON TAPSCOTT: Amber. Congratulations.

AMBER MULLEN: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done. Keep it up.

AMBER MULLEN: Thanks.

SPEAKER : Laura Mullens.

DON TAPSCOTT: Laura. Well done.

LAURA MULLENS: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: I know it's a lot of work. Did the same thing myself.

LAURA MULLENS: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Keep it up.

SPEAKER : Matthew David Monroe.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: We're number one.

MATTHEW MONROE: Yeah. Exactly.

DON TAPSCOTT: Way to go, Matthew.

MATTHEW MONROE: Thank you so much.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

MATTHEW MONROE: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Hailey Elizabeth Jane Murray.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratualtions. Just take a pic here.

HAILEY MURREY: Oh.

DON TAPSCOTT: Like a photo op.

HAILEY MURREY: Facebook profile pic.

SPEAKER : Sandra Nagowska.

[CHEERING]

AUDIENCE: That's my sister!

[LAUGHTER]

DON TAPSCOTT: Hey, sister. Is that guy stalking you? Should we call the authorities?

SANDRA NAGOWSKA: Yeah. I don't know him.

SPEAKER : Janine Rosemary Nedalec.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

JANINE ROSEMARY NEDALEC: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done. I know how much work that is. But you got to keep going.

SPEAKER : Kelly Norri.

AUDIENCE: Whoo-whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Kelly. Congratulations.

KELLY NORRI: Thank you very much.

DON TAPSCOTT: This is a great day. You deserve it.

KELLY NORRI: Thank you so much.

SPEAKER : Elyse Owen.

DON TAPSCOTT: Elyse. Congratulations.

ELYSE OWEN: Thank you very much.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done. I know it's a lot of work. Look at all this paparazzi everywhere.

SPEAKER : Abney Patel.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Abney. Congratulations.

ABNEY PATEL: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Let's just take the picture here, OK? Is that woman back there stalking you?

ABNEY PATEL: Yeah.

DON TAPSCOTT: We can call the authorities.

SPEAKER : Robert Hasjor.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Robert. Let's just take a pic here, OK?

SPEAKER : Rebecca Pierce.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Rebecca. Good job.

REBECCA PIERCE: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Way to go. Let's just take a picture. Get that up on the whole interweb.

REBECCA PIERCE: OK. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Tyler Pearse.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Tyler.

TYLER PEARSE: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations. Who is that guy?

TYLER PEARSE: That's my dad out there.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congrats.

TYLER PEARSE: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Erin Paris.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Congrats. Way to go. Love the hairdo, too. You look awesome.

ERIN PARIS: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Enjoy.

SPEAKER : Cassidy Fae Kimberly Phillips.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations. Just going to take a picture. This is the international press. If they're harassing you, we can just call the authorities.

SPEAKER : Caitlyn Mary Eileen Pinkett.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations, Caitlyn.

CAITLYN PINKETT: Yeah.

DON TAPSCOTT: Let's just take a picture here, OK? Well done.

CAITLYN PINKETT: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Matthew Porter.

DON TAPSCOTT: Matthew. Good job. Getting all tied up here.

MATTHEW PORTER: It's been a long day.

SPEAKER : Dylan Radcliffe.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Dylan. Hey, Dylan. Way to go, man. Good job, man. Congrats.

SPEAKER : Sobia Riaz.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Hello. Congratulations.

SOBIA RIAZ: Thank you so much.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done.

SOBIA RIAZ: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Kimberly Louise Richardson.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congrats. We'll take a pic here.

KIMBERLY RICHARDSON: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Judine D'Andrea Roche.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

JUDINE ROCHE: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Is it Judine?

JUDINE ROCHE: Judine.

DON TAPSCOTT: Very nice. Take a pic. Get the blue nails in the pic.

JUDINE ROCHE: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Toby Rowland.

AUDIENCE: Whoo-whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Good job, Toby.

TOBY ROWLAND: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Way to go.

SPEAKER : Dwayne Russell.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Congrats, Dwayne. Good job.

DWAYNE RUSSELL: Thanks.

DON TAPSCOTT: Somebody in a blue dress stalking you down there.

DWAYNE RUSSELL: That's my wife.

DON TAPSCOTT: Good job.

SPEAKER : Michelle Salt.

DON TAPSCOTT: Michelle. Congratulations. just going to take a picture here, OK?

MICHELLE SALT: Thanks.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done.

SPEAKER : Rashay Sands.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Rashay. Congratulations.

RASHAY SANDS: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Let's just take a picture here. What flag is that they're waving.

RASHAY SANDS: Bahamas.

SPEAKER : Olivia Savoya.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: [INAUDIBLE].

OLIVIA SAVOYA: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Way to go, Olivia. Congratulations.

SPEAKER : Erin Shoreman.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Erin.

ERIN SHOREMAN: Yes.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

ERIN SHOREMAN: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done. We're just going to take a pic here.

SPEAKER : Mark Segoben.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Good job, Mark. Way to go, man. Got the paparazzi out there. We can call the authorities if you want.

SPEAKER : Ashley Seculage.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Ashley. Congratulations. Let's just come over here and we can get our Facebook profile pic.

SPEAKER : Natalie Selkirk.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

NATALIE SELKIRK: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Samantha Velanhausenshaw.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Samantha. Do they call you Sam?

SAMANTHA VELANHAUSENSHAW: Yes, they

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations. Keep it up.

SPEAKER : Taylor Lynn Sills.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

TAYLOR LYNN: Thank you. Good job. Way to go.

SPEAKER : Olivia Simpson.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Olivia. Congratulations. Don't quit.

OLIVIA SIMPSON: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Nicole Elizabeth Smith.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Nicole. Congratulations. My daughter's name is Nicole. So you have a quality in you.

SPEAKER : Michael Stephanuk.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Michael. Way to go, Mike. Good job, man.

MICHAEL STEPHANUK: Appreciate it.

DON TAPSCOTT: Keep it up.

MICHAEL STEPHANUK: Thanks.

SPEAKER : Rosie Stufford.

AUDIENCE: SPEAKER : Whoo-hoo.

DON TAPSCOTT: Go, Rosie. Congratulations.

ROSIE: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Let's just take a Facebook profile.

SPEAKER : Courtney Lynn Thoms.

DON TAPSCOTT: Courtney. Congratulations.

COURNEY THOMS: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Just come here and put up a instant gram.

SPEAKER : Christian Van Beek.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Christian. Good job, man.

CHRISTIAN VAN BEEK: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Let's take a pic. Keep going, OK?

CHRISTIAN VAN BEEK: I will.

SPEAKER : Petra Van Bilson.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations. Way to go.

SPEAKER : Sabrina Alexandra Vasquez.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: You go, girl.

SABRINA VASQUEZ: Oh, thanks.

DON TAPSCOTT: There's a big paparazzi contingent here.

SABRINA VASQUEZ: Oh, yeah. It's my mom and my dad.

DON TAPSCOTT: We can call the authorities. Are they stalking you?

SABRINA VASQUEZ: Uh-huh.

SPEAKER : Catherine Vesanee.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Catherine. Congratulations.

CATHERINE VESANEE: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Just take you pic here. Well done.

SPEAKER : Kayla Vitza.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

KAYLA VITZA: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Let's just take a picture.

KAYLA VITZA: Sure.

DON TAPSCOTT: You'll have that 50 years from now.

SPEAKER : Dominic Yorizocha.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Is it Dom? Dominic?

DOMINIC YORIZOCHA: Yes, sir.

DON TAPSCOTT: Way to go, man. There's an international press core here. I don't know. We can call the authorities.

SPEAKER : Emily Webb.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: [INAUDIBLE].

EMILY WEBB: Emily.

DON TAPSCOTT: Very nice to meet you. Congratulations.

EMILY WEBB: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: It's a lot of work. I know.

EMILY WEBB: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Keep it up.

SPEAKER : Laura Wensang.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Laura. Let's just get a picture here. Well done. Keep it up.

SPEAKER : Kelsey White.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: You go, girl.

KELSY WHITE: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations.

KELSY WHITE: Thanks.

DON TAPSCOTT: Just the beginning.

SPEAKER : Patricia Maria Wilson.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: [INAUDIBLE].

PATRICIA WILSON: Hi.

AUDIENCE: I love you.

[LAUGHTER]

PATRICIA WILSON: She's really proud.

[APPLAUSE]

DON TAPSCOTT: Should we call the authorities? Who is that person?

PATRICIA WILSON: I don't know. Thank you.

SPEAKER : Amanda Whitman.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Amanda. Congratulations.

AMANDA WHITMAN: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Take a pic here. Somebody with a big book there. I don't know why they're waving that book around.

SPEAKER : Lorraine Wong.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Lorraine. Congratulations.

LORRAINE WONG: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Let's just tale a picture here. Well done.

LORRAINE WONG: Thank you.

SPEAKER : David Wood.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Good job, David.

DAVID WOOD: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Mason Rosina.

DON TAPSCOTT: Good job, man. There's a lot of redheaded guys in this class. Or is it just me?

SPEAKER : Please join me in congratulating the recipients of the Bachelor of Science degree Honor's program.

[CHEERING]

Mr. Chancellor, I am pleased to present for the degree of Bachelor of Science in the General program candidates whose names will be read whom the Senate has duly declared worthy of the honor that they may receive the degree at your hands.

Samantha Bellsee.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Samantha. Congratulations. We're just going to take a picture. Post that on the interwebs.

SAMANTHA BELLSEE: OK.

SPEAKER : Ronald Bissonnette.

AUDIENCE: Whoo.

DON TAPSCOTT: Is it Ron? Congratulations. Let's just do a photo op here, OK? Well done, man.

SPEAKER : Liam Kerry.

DON TAPSCOTT: Good job.

LIAM KERRY: Thanks.

DON TAPSCOTT: Keep it up, OK? Oh, we've got to take a picture. Well done.

SPEAKER : Lea Karriere.

DON TAPSCOTT: Lea. Congratulations.

LEA: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Thought the guy ran out of film.

SPEAKER : Melissa Danielle Abdul.

DON TAPSCOTT: Way to go, baby girl. Take a picture here. Get that up on the interweb.

SPEAKER : Tyler De Lay.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Tyler.

TYLER: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done, man.

TYLER: Thanks. Keep it up.

SPEAKER : Muhammad Farhan.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Muhammad. Good job. Take a pic. You seem to have a whole bunch of photographers down there.

SPEAKER : Caitlyn Flemmng.

DON TAPSCOTT: They want a good one of you, OK? Good job. Caitlyn. Congratulations.

CAITLYN FLEMMING: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Best wishes. Enjoy.

SPEAKER : Geoffrey Gabriel.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Geoffrey. Congratulations. Enjoy this great day.

GEOFFREY GABRIEL: Thank you.

SPEAKER : Esther Hails.

AUDIENCE: Whoo! I love you, mom! Awww.

[LAUGHTER]

DON TAP SCOTT: Congratulations.

ESTHER HAILS: Thanks.

SPEAKER : Tori Halahan.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Tori. Congratulations. Let's just get a pic here. Well done. What's next?

SPEAKER : Abigail Hoi.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Abby. Congratulations.

ABIGAIL: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Well done. Let's just take a picture.

ABIGAIL: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: You good?

ABIGAIL: Yep.

SPEAKER : Lisa MaHarr.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Lisa. Congratulations.

LISA: Thank you. Facebook.

SPEAKER : Trent Nevin.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Trent from Trent.

TRENT NEVIN: Yes.

DON TAPSCOTT: You never heard that before, right? Let's just come over here and get a picture. Well done, man. Good job.

TRENT NEVIN: Thanks.

DON TAP SCOTT: Congratulations.

SPEAKER : Oswaldo Andreas Reynoso Diaz.

DON TAPSCOTT: Good job. It's well done.

OSWALDO DIAZ: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations. Is it just me or does every guy in this class got red hair?

OSWALDO DIAZ: I know, right?

SPEAKER : Nathan Renick.

AUDIENCE: Whoo! Way to go, Nathan!

NATHAN RENICK: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: Way to go, Nathan. Congratulations. Well done, man.

SPEAKER : Shauna Rhiner.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Shauna. Good job. This is your Facebook profile pic. Enjoy.

SPEAKER : Namkeet Sidou.

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations. Love the shoes.

NAMKEET SIDOU: Thanks. Kind of dangerous, though.

SPEAKER : Grabdra Singh.

[CHEERING]

DON TAPSCOTT: Congratulations. Well done. Let's just take a picture here, OK? There you go.

SPEAKER : Amber Lynn Stevens.

AUDIENCE: Whoo!

DON TAPSCOTT: Amber Lynn. Congratulations.

AMBER STEVENS: Thank you.

DON TAPSCOTT: This is the class with red hair. You ever notice?

AMBER STEVENS: Yeah. Well done.

SPEAKER : And a shout out to my nephew, James Renwick, who's in the program, but couldn't be here today.

AUDIENCE: Aww.

[LAUGHTER]

SPEAKER: Please join me in congratulating the recipients of the Bachelor science degrees in the General program. Mr. Chancellor, I ask you to confer degrees in absentia on candidates whose names are before you and who are unable to be with us today.

I now call upon provost and vice president academic, Gary Boire, to recognize students who have achieved remarkable success in their studies.

GARY BOIRE: Good afternoon. And welcome to our beautiful campus. Mr. Chancellor, I would like to draw attention to the Medals and Honors section at the back of the convocation program.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students who've achieved 80% or better in their most recent session, and have maintained a cumulative average of 75% or higher. In the program, a small double cross identifies those graduates who achieved this distinction.

A small single cross identifies those students who are on the President's Honor Roll for having maintained a cumulative average of 80% or better. Please join me in congratulating the members of both the Dean's Honor Roll and the President's Honor Roll for their outstanding performance.

The Bagnani Medal recognizes students in the General program who achieve high overall standing on graduation. Mr. Chancellor, I call upon you to acknowledge the Bagnani Medal, which goes to Emily Nesbitt, Bachelor of Science in Biology.

Unfortunately, Emily can't make it today, so in absentia.

[APPLAUSE]

The Eminent Service Award recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the life of the university, above and beyond excellence in carrying out their employment or volunteer responsibilities. It is presented on behalf of the Board of Governors, acting on the recommendation of the Senate.

Mr. Chancellor, I now call upon Professor David Beresford to introduce the recipient of the Eminent Service Award. Dave.

[CHEERING]

DAVID BERESFORD: Thank you. Mr. Chancellor, in 1980, Professor James Sutcliffe published his first paper on insect physiology and behavior based on his graduate studies. This was the beginning of his publishing career in insect behavior, and set the pattern for his research into how insects find what they're looking for.

His main interest is studying those insect pests that kill so many people worldwide, mosquitoes. This year, Dr. Sutcliffe's newest paper examined how malaria infested mosquitoes find their way through the small tears in bed nets to bite their sleeping and unsuspecting victims.

This is part of his ongoing research program at the Center of Disease Control in Atlanta, Georgia, with the World Health Organization. From 1980, to the present, 35 years of research, Dr. Sutcliffe has been pushing back the boundary of our knowledge of insects-- mosquitoes, black flies, stable flies, horrible creatures that cause intense suffering and disease to people and animals-- in order to save lives in some of the world's most dangerous countries.

This is only part of Dr. Sutcliffe's professional work. He came to Trent in 1989 and developed courses in medical entomology and infectious diseases, teaching undergrad and graduate students. I estimate that he has taught about 5,000 students.

But this is still not all he has accomplished. As an administrator, Jim was the Associate Dean of Science for 15 years. He contributed to the design and construction of the Chemical Sciences building, the renovation of the Science complex, the design and construction of the DNA building and the Life and Health Science building.

He was a driving force behind the largest expansion in the sciences in Trent's history. Jim served as Chair of Biology, Anthropology, Animal Care Committee, helped create new science programs. I could keep going on. Let's just say he's one of the longest serving senior administrators at Trent University.

However, these accomplishments do not get at the real reason for Jim being nominated for this award. For during all this time, his main contribution Jim has made has been a very personal one. He has inspired all his colleagues and his students, people like me, with his unyielding love of inquiry about how living things function in the world around us.

Having had Jim as a teacher, I know I learned from him. But Jim always made it feel as if we were learning together. That is a rare gift, one found in people who genuinely put others first, who truly love learning and love seeing others achieve excellence in their own work.

It is appropriate for Jim to get an award for eminent service, for that describes his approach to all he does. For these reasons, Mr. Chancellor, I'm delighted to present Dr. James Sutcliffe to you to receive Trent's Eminent Service Award. Thank you.

[APPLAUSE]

GARY BOIRE: Congratulations, Jim. Truly a class act. Mr. Chancellor, emeritus is an honorary title given to professors and librarians upon the retirement from the university. Mr. Chancellor, I ask you to confer the title of professor emeritus upon that class act, Professor Jim Sutcliffe of the Biology department.

Mr. Chancellor, Professor David Newhouse will now introduce the Honor Song. David.

DAVID NEWHOUSE: Before all other words can be spoken, we bring [INAUDIBLE] to all of creation. And we give thanks for another day of life. Mr. Chancellor, Mr. President, honored guests, graduates, in the custom of the first peoples of this land, we offer the sound of the drum, and our voices, to honor our mother, the earth.

We send our profound and deepest thanks to all of creation. And we ask her to continue to support life, as she has since time out of memory. In our teachings, the sound of the drum represents the heartbeat of the universe.

The original sound of creation infuses our being and reverberates still throughout the universe. We sound the drum to connect us with all of creation, to celebrate life, and to honor those among us who have achieved so much. We offer these words of praise for those who are graduating this day.

We offer these words of thanksgiving to those who made these accomplishments possible. We offer these words of respect to those who have come before us and who have brought dignity to our lives. We offer these words to remind us to live with kindness, honesty, sharing, courage, and respect.

We offer these words to honor the outstanding contribution of Drew Monkman, who helps us to see and feel the rhythms of the universe that we live within, and to remind us of our responsibilities to all of life.

Today, we also offer this song to help heal the scars of those affected by Indian residential schools, and to help us to find ways to live well together. We offer this song to accompany you on your travels. And may you travel well and your lives be filled with grace and dignity.

Mr. Chancellor, Mr. President, honored guests, graduates, I have the pleasure of presenting unity. And may I ask you to stand for the Honor Song?

[SINGING IN NATIVE AMERICAN LANGUAGE]

DAVID NEWHOUSE: Thank you. You may be seated. In the words of an indigenous tradition from another land, may you be well. May you be happy. May you be free from suffering. May you be filled with love and kindness. May you be at peace and at ease. And may you be safe.

GARY BOIRE: Mr. Chancellor, I would like to invite Mr. Mike Hendren to welcome the graduating class. Mike.

MIKE HENDREN: Good morning. I'm here to welcome you on behalf of the Trent Alumni Association, a network of more than 40,000 strong. I'm a business graduate from 2006. But most importantly, I want to assure you I am the last speaker.

[LAUGHTER]

Before I continue, and as is tradition here at Trent, could I have all the graduating class please rise for a moment? Please take this opportunity to look at all your friends, your family, and your colleagues, and give them a big round of applause for supporting you through your journey.

[APPLAUSE]

You can do better than that. Come on.

[CHEERING]

OK. That's good. Please be seated. We all have our Trent story. Mine started a little bit crazy. I had an immense pain in my stomach when I arrived at Trent.

My mom initially concluded that I had separation anxiety. After going to the hospital and having an emergency appendectomy on Labor Day weekend, it was concluded that it was a little something more.

And so I come to Trent for geography. At that time, which was 10 years ago, you had to go to the gym to register for your courses. So I was in the hospital, so my dad went to the gym.

And as I said, I came for geography. When I arrived, or got my transcripts, or whatever a week or two later, it turned out I was taking business and economics.

[LAUGHTER]

Which I thoroughly enjoyed. And I graduated in 2006 with a business degree, although I did take all my electives in geography. So we all have our own Trent story. And we all chose Trent for different reasons.

For whatever your reason was, I believe you've chosen very wisely. This is because the values that you'll take away from the Trent experience are more relevant now than ever before in this world.

Some of them that I think of are one, critical thinking in everything we do. Two, challenging the status quo and the systems that we live within. Third, maintaining a code of ethics in everything you do. And fourth, respect for the natural environment. And we have an honorary doctorate who completely embodies that here today.

These are just a few of the values that I see in Trent graduates that I know, and those that I have hired. You know doubt now hold these values that are unique to this very special place. They are the foundation for anything you want and will enable you to have a real impact on the world.

Indeed, the complexities and challenges ahead of us demands we spread these values widely. I was going to use the word "evangelical," but I decided to cut that out. So you now have an amazing foundation. What are you going to do with it?

For some of you, the next step may be very clear. For others, it may be less so. That's OK. Focus on fulfilling a vision, not simply getting a job.

The jobs and opportunities that fulfill that vision will be lifelong. They will be diverse and challenging. And they may even surprise you.

Going forward, get engaged in everything you can. Take advantage of our alumni network. We actually punch well above our weight for a small school, holding many dynamic positions and awards all over the world.

So as a footnote, good strategy. You may want to connect with alumni. It may be the most lucrative networking you ever do, given your common bond and shared experience of this very special place.

So again, on behalf of the Trent Alumni Association, we welcome you back anytime. We hope you stay engaged. And we hope you stay in touch. Congratulations again.

LEO GROARKE: As this ceremony draws to an end, it is time to thank a number of people who made it possible. Please join me in thanking Joanne Sokolowski and the team that has planned and organized the events today.

Thank you to the Unity singers for presenting the Honor Song. And finally, thank you to all Trent faculty, staff, and members of the board for all you do for our students.

[CHEERING]

Congratulations to our new alumni, including Dr. Drew Monkman. Congratulations to those receiving special awards today. Please join us for a reception in the great hall of Champlain College following the ceremony.

The procession will leave the stage following the singing of Oh, Canada. And I would ask you to remain standing until the procession has departed. Mr. Chancellor, I now call upon you to dismiss convocation.

DON TAPSCOTT: Thank you, Mr. President. So as this ceremony draws to a close, I'd like to thank all of you for being here today. And just a couple of closing thoughts.

Graduates, I know that I speak on behalf of all of your parents, your friends, faculty, staff, guests here today when I say that it's been our honor to be part of your ceremony today. And you all deserve to feel very, very proud of yourselves. I could feel that pride in every shiny face that walked across the stage today.

And this convocation marks the end of one chapter of your life. But it's just the beginning of another. And no matter where the next chapter takes you, Trent will always be an important part of who you are.

And I'd like to just tell you a personal story in that regard. I came to Trent-- hitchhiked here-- from Orillia, Ontario in the spring of 1966 to figure out what was this small little college on the Otonabee. And I decided to come here.

And there were four Tapscott boys that graduated from this institution. And when my degree was complete, I was very thankful for Trent and what it had done. But I lost touch with the university, like many young people do.

And over time, it's actually a couple of decades later, I started to think about Trent and what it had meant for me and for my life. And I decided to become involved again. And now I'm involved, as in the bacon and eggs, the chicken is committed, the pig is involved.

I'm seriously involved. And I decided to become involved, not out of some benefit to me-- for which there certainly are, in the wonderful networking and experience and so on-- and not out of a sense of gratitude even. But just out of the sense that this is an important institution today.

And it's worth fighting for. It's worth developing, and preserving, and cherishing. So I encourage you to stay in touch and to get involved at some point. And I can speak from experience when I say that it's been very rewarding to help generations behind you, will be, to reach this special day for themselves.

I'm optimistic about the future because, as I said, at the beginning, I'm hopeful you can achieve a new future. I can see, in each of you, every one of you, the passion and desire that you'll bring to your next endeavors.

So go make your mark on the world. Reach for the stars. Make us proud. And as Dr. Drew Monkman encouraged you, work hard to make this smaller world your kids inherit be a better one. The convocation is now dismissed. Congratulations.

[MUSIC -"OH, CANADA"]

[CHORAL MUSIC PLAYING]

[MUSIC PHARRELL WILLIAMS, "HAPPY"]

[MUSIC WIZ KHALIFA AND CHARLIE PUTH, "SEE YOU AGAIN"]