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Adam Miller [00:00:17] Hi everyone. For those of you who don't know me, my name is Adam Miller and I'm the Assistant Program Head for Media and Communication Studies. And on behalf of my department, I'd like to offer my warm congratulations to the graduating class of 2021. This, as you know, has been a very challenging year for all of us, but I'm glad to see that we've all come through it quite well. Most importantly, though, you made it. And for now, as we head into the summer and the weather starts to look a little nicer out there, it's important to take some much needed time for yourself, if you can, before, of course, taking on the many challenges that lie ahead in a post Guelph-Humber reality. And so from the media, folks, best of luck. And we do hope that you will drop in on us from time to time. Thanks.

Jennifer Rich [00:01:05] Congratulations Media Studies class of 2021. You should all be very proud of this accomplishment. Despite all the challenges you faced over the past year and a half, you've persevered and now you'll be conquering new adventures. I'm so excited to see where many of you will go. And I hope that success continues to follow you down whatever path you take.

Melissa Patrizi [00:01:23] Hi I'm Melissa Patrizi, Career Services Coordinator for Media Studies. I'd like to take this opportunity to send my very best regards and congratulations to the class of 2021. Best wishes on your next steps. And we're all rooting for you.

John Irwin [00:01:40] Here we are your last day. Well, your last day with me, I guess for all of you, I wish you all well. That at the end of the day, that's what I wish for you. I wish that you will all go on. Some of you will go on in education. You'll get the equivalent degree, you'll get a higher degree. You add your life experience to it. We will surpass me and anything I've ever done. The beauty of being where I am in life and watching you is remembering when I was in the place that you are and that looking forward, the hope of what will come, the uncertainty of what will be. You will all get there somehow. I did the others from today did as well, but you will. And we can know that you will because we can look back on it. But in that is probably the greatest claim I can make from the role I played in a small part in your life is that I had some small piece in the future that all of you will take. And that is the greatest reward is to know what will go on beyond me. So today is simply it's your day. I'm not going to go on, as you know, in my class or I can go on way too long sometimes. We'll keep it to the point and say, go, go on, be well. Do will be well, always. You are important. You are important. You are the center of your world and make that world a big beautiful one.

Sue Hunter [00:03:07] Hello Media Studies graduates of 2021. I'm Sue Hunter, one of the librarians at Guelph-Humber. And on behalf of Library Services, I want to extend a big congratulations on this great achievement. We wish you continued success and all of your future plans. Congratulations, everyone.

Greg Kelly [00:03:26] Congratulations, class of 2021. You all did it. You made the grade through difficult circumstances and I wish you all the best for the future. And a special shout out to Media Studies students, many of whom I would have guided in their capstone research project. I'm proud of you guys and I wish you all the best for the next chapter. So good luck to everyone and congratulations.

Liana Acri-Rosa [00:03:53] Congratulations class of 2021. As a proud alumna and staff member at the University Guelph-Humber, I'm excited to welcome you to our alumni

family. I can't wait to hear all of the amazing things you're going to do as graduates of the university to make us proud and have fun celebrating.

Cynthia Mckeich [00:04:08] Hello graduates. On behalf of Library Services, I'd like to extend our heartfelt congratulations and a great big woohoo on your accomplishments.

Julia Ciampa [00:04:19] Hello graduating class of 2021. My name is Julia Ciampa and I am your Guelph-Humber student engagement coordinator, over at IGNITE. And I, along with the rest of the team, want to congratulate you on achieving this incredible milestone. We know that this journey hasn't always been easy. And to be honest, it's probably quite different from what you had imagined when you first stepped foot on campus. Many of you experienced the Ontario College strike in your first year of studies, the Student Choice Initiative, plus the transition to online learning due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Talk about resiliency. These may not have been the things that you have envisioned, nor were they the things that you could have planned for. But the truth is, you cannot plan for life because you don't know everything that it has planned for you. And that's a part of the beauty of it. Your time here at the University of Guelph-Humber has showed how resilient, adaptable and strong willed you are and that you are capable of anything. We hope you keep from doubting yourself, because not only have you succeeded during very difficult circumstances, but you have also excelled. Your journey is just beginning and we are so happy to be able to be a part of it. Congratulations, grads.