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Good evening, esteemed faculty, family, friends, and fellow graduates,

My name is Sayeedul Alamin Arnab, and I am deeply honored to stand before you today. I cannot express how proud and grateful I am to receive this recognition. My journey to this moment has been filled with dedication, support, and many unforgettable experiences that have shaped who I am today.

Regarding my background, I am from Dhaka. After completing my Higher Secondary Certificate from Notre Dame College, I pursued a Diploma in Information Technology under UCB here at Monash College. This choice was instrumental in paving the way for my current enrollment in the second year of the Bachelor of IT program at Macquarie University in Sydney, Australia.

Choosing to study at UCB was a strategic decision for me. The Monash College Diploma (MCD) program offered a direct pathway to the second year at Monash University, allowing me to advance my education with lower tuition costs. The course curriculum aligned perfectly with my goals, matching the requirements of my preferred university, Macquarie University, which facilitated my eligibility for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and full credit transfer. This alignment meant I could study the Monash curriculum while staying in my home country, within the comfort of familiar surroundings.

My decision to come to UCB was also influenced by the incredible environment I found here. From the moment I interacted with the UCB staff, their friendliness and commitment to assisting me at every step of my journey stood out. This supportive atmosphere made me confident that I had chosen the right place for my studies.

Thanks to my outstanding performance in the Diploma program, I was honored to receive two prestigious scholarships. One is the Bangladesh \$10,000 Early Acceptance Scholarship, which is granted to all Bangladeshi students who meet the criteria. I was also awarded the Vice-Chancellor's International Scholarship, worth an additional \$2000, which is awarded to only 1% of high-achieving students worldwide whom Macquarie University believes to be future global leaders. This has only been possible thanks to the wonderful assistance and guidance I received from the teachers and my peers throughout this journey. These scholarships were not just financial aids but a recognition of my hard work and determination, and I am deeply grateful for them.

Reflecting on my studies at UCB, my first impression was overwhelmingly positive. The welcoming culture here provided me with a sense of comfort, and the classes were incredibly informative. The best aspect of UCB is undoubtedly its teachers. Their unwavering support and availability, even beyond regular hours and through online portals, were crucial to my success. They inspired me to ask questions whenever I had doubts and made difficult topics much easier to understand. Their dedication to our academic success was truly remarkable, consistently focusing on how we could improve and excel.



I am also grateful for the friends I made along the way. We collaborated on projects and spent countless hours in group study sessions outside of college hours, which played a significant role in my academic achievements. These experiences not only enriched my learning but also created bonds that I will cherish forever.

In conclusion, my time at UCB has been transformative. I have gained not only academic knowledge but also invaluable life skills that will serve me well in the future. The rigorous coursework challenged me to think critically and solve problems effectively, while the collaborative projects taught me the importance of teamwork and communication. Beyond the classroom, I've learned to manage my time efficiently, balance multiple responsibilities, and persevere in the face of challenges.

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to my family, especially my parents, for their unwavering support and encouragement throughout this journey. Your belief in me has been a source of strength and motivation. To my teachers, your guidance and dedication have been instrumental in my success. You've not only imparted knowledge but also inspired me to pursue excellence and never stop learning. To my friends and peers, thank you for all the group study sessions, and the shared experiences that made this journey enjoyable and memorable.

As we move forward into the next chapter of our lives, I encourage my fellow graduates to use the knowledge and skills we have acquired to make meaningful contributions to society. We have been equipped with the tools to innovate, lead with integrity, and tackle the challenges of our time. Let us strive to be the change-makers and thought leaders who drive progress and make a positive impact on the world.

Each of us has the potential to achieve great things. Whether it's in the field of technology, business, engineering, or any other area, let us harness our passion and determination to create a better future. I believe that success is not just about personal achievements but also about making a difference in the lives of others.

Congratulations to all the graduates. As we step into the future, let us carry forward the spirit of inquiry, collaboration, and resilience that we have cultivated here at UCB. These qualities will not only help us succeed in our careers but also enable us to contribute to the greater good. I wish you all the very best in your future endeavors. May you find fulfillment and joy in whatever path you choose to pursue.

Thank you.

