



DAS ACADEMY GRADUATION 2021

GRADUATION BOOKLET
CLASS OF 2021



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Programme

15 September 2021,
Wednesday 9.30am

Academic Procession Enters

Welcome Address

Mr Lee Siang,
Chief Executive Officer of Dyslexia Association of Singapore
Ms Siti Mariam binte Daud,
Senior Lecturer and Acting Head of DAS Academy

Presentation of Awards and Valedictorian's Speech

- Specialist Diploma in Specific Learning Differences (SpLD)
- Specialist Diploma in Learning Support for Specific Learning Differences (SpLD)
- Specialist Diploma in Educational Therapy (EdT) (English Support)
- Specialist Diploma in Educational Therapy (EdT) (Chinese Support)

Congratulatory Address

Matthew Hutt,
Head of Professional Learning and Post-Compulsory Education
University of South Wales

Presentation of Higher Degree Award (University of South Wales)

- Postgraduate Certificate in Special Educational Needs / Additional Learning Needs
- Postgraduate Diploma in Special Educational Needs / Additional Learning Needs
- Master of Arts in Special Educational Needs / Additional Learning Needs

Valedictorian's Speech (University of South Wales)

Master of Arts in Special Educational Needs /
Additional Learning Needs

End of Ceremony

CELEBRATING 11 YEARS

DAS Academy celebrates 11 good years of providing education and research in the area of special educational needs.

OUR MOTTO

Enabling Excellence

OUR MISSION

To be a world-class academic institution providing education and research in the area of special educational needs.

OUR VISION

To empower special education professionals and caregivers to help people with special educational needs achieve their full potential.

Foreword

With warmest congratulations and best wishes to Class of 2021!

This graduation ceremony celebrates the successful outcomes of the postgraduate courses that you have undertaken. All of you will have been on a journey of exploration and discovery in your academic studies, and I have no doubt that some things will have changed for you as a result. It will not just be your understanding of certain topics, although your deepening knowledge base that surrounds your professional practice will certainly have a positive impact. It will impact on those learners that you work with now and in the future, and will help you to play a key role in their growth and development. It will not just be the qualification that you can now add to your CV or your record of professional learning, although this should be a source of pride and accomplishment. It will not just be the experience of meeting colleagues through the duration of the course to share insights and reflections with, although these professional networks all help to nurture and sustain your professional efforts. It will not just be the new professional and academic horizons that the course will have opened up for you, although these will undoubtedly build your expertise further in the future.

You will, I hope, have benefited from all of these as a result of completing your course. Perhaps most importantly you will also have made your contribution to the professional learning postgraduate community of research and academic reflection. By taking part and completing your course, you have been helping to build an ever larger body of knowledgeable and committed scholars in the domain of SEN/ALN. Together we push back the boundaries of knowledge and we help build brighter futures for learners. This is an ongoing success story, and one in which you have played a part, and truly a reason for today's graduation celebration!



Dr Matt Hutt
Head of Professional Learning, FLSE,
University of South Wales



The Chancellor, The Rt Revd and Rt Hon Lord Williams of Oystermouth PC FBA FRSL and Vice-Chancellor, Professor Julie Lydon OBE

Welcome

On behalf of the University, it is with tremendous pleasure that we congratulate you, the graduates of the Class of 2021.

This hall today resonates with your accomplishments; this is your special day. This, of course, is also a great occasion for the University: it is the highlight of the academic year. You, the graduates, are the lifeblood of this great institution and we recognise that, in the end, your academic achievements are the benchmark by which we are judged.

You are, in a very real sense, ambassadors for the University of South Wales and for what it is trying to achieve. So today is as much a celebration for us as it is for you, with this ceremony as a very clear statement of significant achievement.

It is also a special day for your friends and families who have supported you in your studies, and we extend a warm welcome to them.

Their sense of pride will be shared by our staff as you cross the stage to receive your awards. During your time at the University, you will have received guidance and support from many different groups of people: lecturers, tutors, administrators, technicians.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank them all on your behalf.

This is a vigorous academic community of many nations and beliefs, brought together by a shared commitment to the transformation of lives through knowledge and education.

The higher education this University provides is valued tremendously by graduates and their employers, and the University's success in preparing its students for the world of work is a source of justified pride.

We trust that your time at the University of South Wales will have broadened your horizons, opened up pathways to exciting and challenging career opportunities, and imbued you with a spirit of inquiry and a desire for lifelong learning.

We now wish you good luck in your future endeavours: be bold, imaginative, and, most importantly, be an inspiration for your contemporaries by making things happen.

Rt Revd and Rt Hon Lord Williams of Oystermouth
PC FBA FRSL Chancellor

Professor Julie Lydon OBE
Vice-Chancellor

Welcome

Congratulations, Graduates!

Today is a day to be thankful and to be proud of. This year, as was last year, has been a challenging one for many and I am so proud of your concerted efforts to support one another and reach this milestone. A year has gone by since the start of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, which means that we are still unable to congratulate you in person. But graduation doesn't mean goodbye. While it is the beginning of a new chapter in your life, it is also the start of a new relationship with DAS Academy – you being our alumni, and we hope you will share your experiences and achievements with present and future students of DAS Academy.

We've seen how your experiences have developed in you a passion for learning, a growth mindset and perseverance – all important traits that will help you to navigate these uncertain times. Indeed, you have displayed tremendous resilience and adaptability in the midst of a pandemic. While you can only attend the ceremony virtually, your achievements are no less exceptional.

Over the years, DAS Academy has nurtured our students and encouraged them to make the most of themselves and the opportunities they have been granted. We recognize that



every student at DAS Academy is unique, each with their own talents regardless of background. We also recognize that our students' learning needs may vary, and these difference may be due to, but not limited to a learning difficulty. The DAS Academy is therefore committed to fulfil the diverse learning capabilities of all students. We aim to address the needs of students who may require additional learning and assessment support. This has led to the initiation of the Diverse Learner Policy. Plans are underway to launch this by the end of 2021. With this Diverse Learner Policy, DAS Academy is strengthening its efforts to promote inclusive education and will strive to provide quality learning and teaching to students with diverse backgrounds, cultures, abilities and dispositions.

We hope that with this new initiative, our students can increase their capacity to make the most of unexpected opportunities that present themselves. We may not know what the future holds, but we are positive they can make themselves as ready for it as they can.

Siti Mariam binte Daud

Senior Lecturer and Acting Head of
DAS Academy

Celebrating 11 Years

Congratulations to All Graduates from the Faculty, Board of DAS Academy, Academic and Examination Boards!

DAS Academy Faculty



Siti Asjamiah Asmuri, Elizabeth Lim, Priscillia Shen, June Siew, Siti Mariam, Kong Yun Rui, Rebecca Shalinah

Board of Directors



Eric Lee



Kaka Singh



Cynthia Tan



Kevin Kwek



Lee Siang

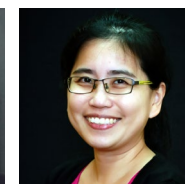
Academic and Examination Board



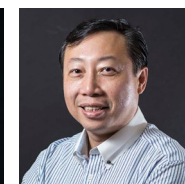
Dr Angela Fawcett



Geetha Shantha Ram



Lois Lim



Lee Siang



Dr Shirley Egley



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GRADUATES

SPECIALIST DIPLOMA IN SPECIFIC LEARNING DIFFERENCES (SPLD)

Nicholas Yu Jing En
Beema Begum d/o Syed Mohamed
Saniya Idrees
Chen Yun Fong
Chin Peck Imm Angelina

SPECIALIST DIPLOMA IN LEARNING SUPPORT FOR SPECIFIC LEARNING DIFFERENCES (SPLD)

Tay Bi Fen, Sheryl
Woo Nan Siew
Linda Chong Siew Joon
Gloria Tan Hui Wen
Dian Nadhirah Binte Sachiman
Chu Jia Ying Christina
Toh Yah Juen Rachel
Lim Jie Yi
Selarka Aliais Shah Anupama Ami

SPECIALIST DIPLOMA IN EDUCATIONAL THERAPY (ENGLISH SUPPORT)

Chang Zi Xuan Melody	Goh Suyi Crystal
Edwin Benedict s/o Clement Visuvasam	Kwan Benetta
Sabrina Arokiasamy	Nur Farhanah Binte Ayub Khan
Tan Yi Ting Carinn	Patricia Tan Ee Sing
Tham Yi Ning Rachel	See Chian Min Isabel
Wee Ying Jie Allyson	
Magdeline Yeo Ping Li	
Liow Ai Vee	
Aliah binte Sulaiman	
Charmayne Lim Simin	



SPECIALIST DIPLOMA IN EDUCATIONAL THERAPY (CHINESE SUPPORT)

Lian Peiqi
Liu Haifeng
Loo Chien Ling
Catherine Ni Chunhong
Ong Yun Mei
Siew Lai Keun
Wang Zhaoyu
Tong Yuet Yi

SPECIALIST DIPLOMA IN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT FOR DYSLEXIA

Abigail Low Xin Ying
Naomi Leow Zhenmin

POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS / ADDITIONAL LEARNING NEEDS

Bala Kris Krishnan
Liu Haifeng
Lian Peiqi
Premadevi d/o Perumal
Gan Po Lin
Ang Tsui Lin, Amanda
Clover Tan Hwee Ting
Siti Nadiyah Mohamad Shafie Maskon
Tan Pei Wen
Zakiyyah Binti Masri
Priscilla Kek Huishen

Sherlyn Koh Huiru
Karthikeiyan s/o Sivakurunathan
Ong Yun Mei
Wang Zhaoyu
Darishnambigai d/o Sinniah
Lau Yun Mei
Priscilla Regina Chan Yuling
Zaidah d/o Mohamed Jaffar
Tai Wei Ting Vera
Faraliza Binte Zaina



POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS / ADDITIONAL LEARNING NEEDS

Tham Kam Tyng, Dede
Hana Dwi Putri Sutjiawang

MASTER OF ARTS IN SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH WALES

Aw Yong Bi Zhu Nancy
Teo Lay Heong Jennifer





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