

## 2018 GRADUATION CEREMONY OF CYCLE 4 BSM PROGRAM

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On the morning of June 9, 2018, the International Training and Education Center (ITEC) - Ho Chi Minh University of Science, VNUHCM (HCMUS) held a graduation ceremony for 34 students completing the Bachelor of Science in Management, a partnership program between HCMUS and Keuka College, USA. These are the students who received the bachelor degree from Keuka College after 4 years of studying in Vietnam.



34 new college graduates with the president of the University of Science, VNUHCM and Keuka College (USA)

Credit: Trần Minh Tuấn

The ceremony was held in accordance with the U.S. higher education spirit. This graduation ceremony was a tribute to the student's academic endeavors; it was an emotional rejoicing and fellowship with his/her family and professors. The ceremony was attended by Professor Dr. Tran Linh Thuoc - Director of the University of Science, Dr. Jorge Diaz-Herrera - President of

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Keuka College (USA) along with business representatives and parents.

Speaking at the ceremony, President of Keuka College, USA, Dr. Jorge Diaz-Herrera shared, "Graduation day is not the final destination but the beginning and the continuation of your future goals. Not everybody gets the same luck as you are, receiving the best education from the partnership programs of two prestigious universities from Vietnam and the United States."

Of the 34 students who completed their bachelor degree this year, 70% of the graduates were good, excellent and superior. All graduates have an IELTS score band 6.0 or higher. This is the result of their personal striving and intensive English training at ITEC.

In particular, before the graduation ceremony, most of the students have jobs or are actively interviewed at companies. Nguyen Mong Khanh Linh is currently working in the Logistics Department of Schaeffler Vietnam and Tran Thi Bich Chau is an Account Executive at Galaxy Communication. The rest either have plans to study abroad or in the process of interviewing with companies.

With an educational program focused mostly on learning from experience (Experiential Learning), for 4 years, students of the program have developed business management knowledge not only from the theory but also through the practical activities associated with the real business model. Students were divided into different departments throughout the programs to execute business plans, make a profit, and contribute all of that to charitable activities. Up to the graduation, these students had carried out 12 charitable activities at Thien Phuoc shelter in District 12, charity music night in District 3, Le Trong Tan Primary School Binh Tan District, etc. with the total amount of money donated nearly 50 million.

HCMUS is proud of the partnership relationship with Keuka College bringing students an educational environment with the positive effects of the U.S. education - what is often referred to as the standard of quality education.

Please see more photos [here](#).

Cycle 4 Valedictorian's speech - Bui Huyen Tram:

The educational journey at ITEC:

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