

Dr. Buontempo Graduation Remarks

To Our 2020 MA Graduates in Social-Organizational Psychology –

It seems like it was just yesterday when you all started the MA Program, eager to embark on this new journey, anxious about getting internships, curious about the options available to you...and here we are today sending you off on your next exciting adventure. Time certainly flies...

It has been a pleasure to be in the classroom with all of you and to engage in such interesting conversations. Your comments and questions have been so thoughtful and insightful and have allowed me to see the material in a more nuanced way. We learned from each other, and I always looked forward to our work together.

You have already been applying what you have learned in such amazing ways, and I hope that you will continue to find opportunities to enhance the organizations you are a part of as scientist-practitioners. I'm looking forward to hearing your stories of how you are able to make all of this knowledge come to life.

While this has certainly been a challenging semester, I have been so impressed by your professionalism, your patience, and your positive outlook. Some of you have suffered great loss and have demonstrated such resilience and strength. Our community has come together in remarkable ways during this crisis, and we will continue to do so. Remember that you are uniquely equipped to assist organizations right now as change leaders and systems thinkers.

We are so proud of all you have accomplished and look forward to hearing about your future successes. We know that you will be such wonderful representatives of our MA Program, and we will be honored to call you our alumni. Please stay connected with us and remember that we are always here for you.

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