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ALUMNI MESSAGES FOR FRESH GRADUATES



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Dear Fresh Graduates!

In this collection, former students of the University of Miskolc – members of the alumni community – share their thoughts, good wishes, and experiences with you. Read them as inspiration for your future.

We are proud of you and wish you every success on the path ahead!

UNIVERSITY OF MISKOLC ALUMNI COMMUNITY

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*Only at your first job will it matter where and what you studied. After that, only practical experience counts. Make sure to keep up your language skills – the more you know, the more versatile you can be. It is worth starting your career at a lower-level position where you can get to know the realities of industry and real life. Unless you become a researcher, much of the theoretical knowledge drilled into you will likely never be used. The most important thing is being able to **apply what you've learned** – in solving problems, embracing innovations, and translating theory into practice. The bitter pill: the most talented people don't necessarily become leaders. Far more often it is those who sense and can leverage the company's internal politics. You don't need to constantly beat your chest, but if YOU achieved something, don't let it be attributed to someone else. You will often need to "position" yourself. Those who are invisible to management become expendable. This limited spotlight can help you advance, but it will also earn you enemies. **You can't be everyone's best colleague**, friend, etc. You have to learn to live with the fact that not everyone will like you. Build alliances, but be careful not to fade into obscurity alongside them. And finally: **choose your battles wisely**. Stress can be managed well and burnout avoided if you don't take everything to heart and avoid unnecessary conflicts. It's a great cliché, but life passes very quickly – **don't let work be your everything!***

ZOLTÁN KISS

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1991

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*Not too long ago, I was an MBA student trying to figure out what the future would look like and how to prepare for my career. If I could give one piece of advice I wish I had heard earlier, it would be this: **don't wait for opportunities, create them.** During my time at university, I chose to be actively involved beyond my studies. These experiences allowed me to connect with people from different cultures, build confidence, and develop practical skills that no textbook could teach. Looking back, those moments shaped me as much as my academic journey. So my advice to new graduates is simple: **be curious, stay engaged, and take initiative.** The experiences you create and the people you meet along the way will often guide your career more than you expect.*

AHLAM BOUBEKRI

Faculty of Economics, 2025

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Be good people!** Be proud of your achievements and share your knowledge with others. Always remember to whom you owe your successes – past and hopefully future. **Be thorough, humane, brave and wise.** Be understanding and consistent. Take care of your health. Walk through the world with open eyes. Always take stock of whether you did things right. **Listen to your conscience.

ALUMNI

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1973

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*After graduation, I started working at an SSC, which at first didn't closely relate to my field, yet I learned a great deal: I communicated with managers in English daily, and that's where I began working with data and simple Excel reports, setting me on the path toward data analysis. Later I worked at LEGO as a production data analyst – also far from my degree, yet it helped me develop my analytical skills greatly. Today I work as a marketing and e-commerce data analyst in an international team, where all my previous experience comes together. The most important lesson for me is that **every single position adds to who you are** and what you're capable of. Take advantage of opportunities, **keep learning, and don't be afraid of change** – because **every new experience brings you closer to finding your own path.***

EDINA KOVÁCS-MOLNÁR

Faculty of Economics, 2019

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*Try to persevere in the field of engineering – I know it's tough. I managed to, but only because my **creativity is often in demand**; the things I learned at university are almost never applied in a straight line, yet this foundation – even just knowing the vocabulary – can give you a **competitive edge** when cooperating with a partner from a completely different world. One more thing: when it comes to artificial intelligence, **the person who truly knows how to ask good questions is the one who has something in their head**. Go for it!*

ISTVÁN GÁBOR

Faculty of Materials and Chemical Engineering



Human Relationships and Reputation

“The three most sought-after qualities: communication skills, interpersonal skills, and initiative.” (Daniel Goleman: Emotional Intelligence at Work)

“Other people are also just flesh and blood – treat them with respect – and even if they don't notice, you will be aware of it, which in the long run matters far more.” (Zig Ziglar: The Art of Selling)

“Since a good reputation is a source of happiness, we bring suffering upon ourselves if we tarnish it.” (His Holiness the Dalai Lama: Ancient Wisdom, Modern World)

“The worst preparation is when a person always looks only to their own advantage.” (Alfred Adler: What Life Could Mean to You)

“Competitive types want to be better than others, rather than striving to be the best version of themselves. When the moment of truth arrives, they are often devastated to realise that they are not better than anyone and never will be.” (David Viscott: Risk)

ANDRÁS MAG

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1977

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Mindset and Attitude

“The true will to act is primarily rare because it is not a natural state: it must be consciously created and maintained.” (John P. Kotter: A Sense of Urgency)

“If you have a problem, what you need is not to act, but to know something.” (Dr. Raymond Charles Barker)

“If an idea no longer serves us, let us not cling to it! There is no written law that says just because you once believed something, you must hold to it forever.” (Louise L.

Hay: You Can Heal Your Life)

“Give yourself the right to try everything, but also the right to turn back at any time. Only fools never change their minds.” (Erhard F. Freitag: Discover the Power Within You)

“Ultimately, there is only one obstacle: laziness. If we overcome this, we overcome every other obstacle.” (M. Scott Peck: The Road Less Travelled)

“Every talent must unfold through struggle.” (Friedrich Wilhelm Nietzsche)

“We must seek out and embrace contact with people or situations that challenge us, that break the ingrained patterns of our personality and push us to grow beyond our habitual selves.” (Deepak Chopra: Ageless Body, Timeless Mind)

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Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1977



Wisdom and Life Guidance

“The main thing is that we know and dare to stand up firmly for our own interests. This is the most essential quality a person can develop in themselves.” **(Norman Mailer: The Naked and the Dead)**

“It is not what we have, but the conviction that we have earned what we have, that makes us happy.” **(József Eötvös: Confessions and Thoughts)**

“I slept and dreamt that life was joy; I awoke and saw that life was duty; I worked and behold, duty was joy.” **(Friedrich Nietzsche)**

“There is no shortage of beautiful ideas – if we don't go further with them, it is because our vanity is greater than all our ideas combined.” **(Saul Bellow: The Adventures of Augie March)**

“Nothing is guaranteed and nothing is certain in this world, but we must have the courage to risk being wrong, to fail, to be humiliated, every single day.” **(Maxwell Maltz: Psycho-Cybernetics)**

“The best advice: listen carefully to all advice. Some will be foolish, some useful, and a few will be brilliant – but never turn down free advice!” **(Richard Greensted)**

“One obvious reason for evaluating success is to discover what works and why, so that you can repeat the same feat in different circumstances.” **(Sergio Zyman: The End of Marketing as We Know It)**

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Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1977

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Career and Work

“The road to power, prestige and money runs through the interests of the organisation, and it entails shifting from technical expertise toward managerial knowledge.” (Charles Perrow: Organisational Sociology)

“It is not the idea, but the quality of its execution, that guarantees success.” (Harvey Mackay)

“When someone is new to a company, they have the positional advantage of having no idea what is considered impossible.” (Peter Peterson)

“Go after the better assignments, but avoid standing out and the spotlight.” (Arthur Bloch: Murphy's Law – Spark's Law)

“Simply by prioritising tasks – selecting what our minds should focus on, like a good editor – our productivity can increase by more than 50%.” (Margaret Heffernan: Wilful Blindness)

“If you want to be a leader, you have to get used to criticism, because if you are successful, you will be criticised.” (John C. Maxwell: The 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership)

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Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1977

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Money and Financial Freedom

“Making money is ultimately not so difficult, if the spiritual foundations are solid. Unfortunately, most people fail precisely at this foundation.” ***(Robert J. Ringer: Million Dollar Habits)***

“Don't believe the fairy tale that you can only get rich through hard work and the sweat of your brow. Do what you enjoy and savour the success and excitement that comes with it.” ***(Dr. Joseph Murphy: The Power of Your Subconscious Mind)***

“In a world full of cheats and fraudsters, it is reassuring to set an honest and correct standard for ourselves. If we live by such rules, all our actions will serve the good of the world.” ***(Stuart Wilde: The Trick to Money Is Having Some)***

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Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1977

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Goals and Success

„After twenty-five years of research and experience, I have concluded that success equals goals – everything else is just commentary.”

(Brian Tracy: Maximum Achievement)

„First you have to decide what you want. Most people never get that far. Second: you must determine how much you are willing to pay for it and then commit to paying that price.” **(H. L. Hunt)**

„It is not enough to throw out the bad to live well. If we have no clear goals, the whole thing is pointless.” **(Mihály Csíkszentmihályi: Creativity)**

„The secret of success is not the absence of failure, but learning from it quickly.” **(György Marosán: The Recipe for Success)**

„Mere existence does not justify happiness. We must achieve something that fills us from within with the satisfying feeling of success.”
(Robert Collier: Riches Within Your Reach)

ANDRÁS MAG

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1977



Learning and Continuous Growth

“Continuous learning is the true proof of a youthful outlook on life, and it alone enables us to exercise our judgment – it is what makes us real people rather than passive observers.” (Arnold Kaufmann: The Science of Decision Making)

“At the start of your career, what you learn should matter more than what you earn.” (David Ogilvy: Ogilvy on Advertising)

“Knowledge is the greatest wealth. Lack of knowledge is the greatest risk.” (Robert T. Kiyosaki: Rich Dad, Poor Dad)

“If you repeat it again and again, it will affect your consciousness, and you will learn to be precise in your daily life as a matter of habit.” (Taisen Deshimaru: The Zen Way to the Martial Arts)

“There is no ultimate wisdom – only a slowly developing awareness that becomes richer and more complex with the passing of time.” (Mihály Csíkszentmihályi: The Evolving Self)

“Perhaps the lesson we can draw for ourselves is that we should carve out as much time as possible from work for self-realisation and personal development.” (Ernie J. Zelinski: The Joy of Not Working)

“I often went all day without eating and all night without sleeping, in order to think. It was no use. Better to study.” (Confucius)

ANDRÁS MAG

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1977

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*I trust that during your university studies you managed to find the field that resonated most with you. Set yourself a goal: where do you want to be at 30? At 40? Make a plan: how can you get there, in which industry, at which company? **People with goals succeed because they know where they are going!** The goal itself is far more important than the diploma you just received. Without goals, what is a diploma worth? A fallen leaf – blown wherever the wind wills. But **be a rock**: one that knows where it stands, why it is there, and weathers the storms of time. **Yes, you did it! You became rocks!***

KORNÉLIA SZEGHŐ

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

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*Work can be done casually, diligently, or **as a calling** – but always do it **with integrity!***

ISTVÁN PÁK

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1970

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*Dear Young Friends, leaving Paradise, do not be discouraged! In spirit you will always remain students, and in practice we keep the **Selmec traditions** alive in many places. The friendships you made at university will accompany you throughout your lives. Good Luck, Vivat Engineer!*

DR. GÉZA PURCZI

1979

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*Good luck and respect to the engineer! Now the hard part begins: you are the product – **learn to sell yourself**, then **become the best in your field**. And **master at least one foreign language**. No time to hesitate. **Always look for the opportunity, not the obstacle!***

VIKTOR LAJKÓ

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 2014

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*In my view, when building a career at a foreign-owned or multinational company – given that professional knowledge is in place – **strong communication skills in a foreign language are truly decisive.***

JÁNOS

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1976

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*Dear Graduates! My advice is to take the **bar exam as soon as possible!** Best regards, T. G.*

DR. GÁBOR TÓTH

Faculty of Law, 2004

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Less attitude, more humility and hard work!

MIHÁLY LŐRINCZ

Faculty of Economics, 1998

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*Every job is an experience, **every experience is a brick**, and every brick builds the castle of our knowledge bigger. So **don't be afraid of a new workplace** – keep building the empire of your experience! Good Luck!*

DR. JÁNOS BRUCKNER

Faculty of Economics, 2009

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*The future of humanity is determined not by technological progress, but by the **quality of human relationships.***

TIBOR DEZSŐ KÖVESI

Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences and Engineering, 1970

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*Don't think you know everything. **Be open** when someone wants to help and explain life to you.*

Attention and humility toward everything new.

TAMÁS LUKÁCS

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 2000

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*I realised that my IT engineering management degree alone was not enough, so I had to deliberately choose a main direction in which to build deeper expertise. In the meantime, my real strength became the ability to **bridge the technological and business sides** and to see through complex processes. My career truly took off when I **specialised, gained practical experience**, and was **not afraid to take on responsibility**.*

ALUMNI

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 2004

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*When I stood at the gate of the University of Miskolc in 2010 as valedictory president, I thought the diploma was the goal. Now I know: it was only the entry ticket to the road toward success. Don't be afraid to dream big, but also take on the first – even less glamorous – steps, because **real professional knowledge and credibility are built through meticulous, persistent and hard work**. Seek new communities and connections, because in the long run it will be not only your knowledge, but **your human quality and reliability** that are your greatest assets. And most importantly: wherever your paths lead, **preserve the university spirit** and sense of belonging, the values you received here.*

TAMÁS JUHÁSZ

Faculty of Economics, 2010

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*Dear Graduates, at the start of your career, passion, work and life's purpose may still seem separate. But in time you will realise: they are all parts of the same story. **Being an engineer is a special calling.** We choose this path because we love understanding and solving problems, creating systems, and contributing to the world – and with it, human civilisation – moving forward. The impact of our work is often "invisible", despite surrounding us every day and not receiving public recognition – yet it is there and indispensable in infrastructure, energy, technology, safety and progress. **True satisfaction comes not from positions or titles,** but from doing something that interests you, in which you grow, and through which you add value to others and to the world. Always remember these words in difficult times, because being an engineer is not easy – but it is worth it, because **we shape the future.** I wish you much success and joy on the journey.*

ATTILA NOGRADY

Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences and Engineering, 2001

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*Now the next phase of your life begins. Learn, develop, and try to **find a mentor** who has already reached at least the level you have set as your dream on the career path you have chosen. Always **take on a little more than others**, work hard, and **don't be afraid of making mistakes**. Give yourselves time to grow and learn – if you do, your professional expertise will develop in parallel with your personality.*

ROLAND LOSONCZI

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 2020

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*After graduation, you will have to make many choices: career, family and more. If you don't make the right decision the first time, or a good opportunity doesn't come along right away, **that doesn't mean it won't come later.***

ALEXANDRA LUKOVICS

Faculty of Health Sciences, 2024

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***Trust in yourselves!** Your university life has now come to an end, but the knowledge you gained here will always be with you. **Make use of the knowledge, advice and opportunities** you received! I wish you all the very best for your lives ahead!*

ZSUZSANNA SEBÉNE MEDE

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2024

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*Dear New Graduates! A diploma is an important milestone, but not a map – **you will carve out the path yourselves. Dare to ask questions, make mistakes and start over.** Don't compare yourselves to others: everyone has their own timing and direction. There will be hard days and periods when you can't see the light at the end of the tunnel: don't worry, **there's just a bend in it – keep going!** With love, Tímea Vágó*

TÍMEA VÁGÓ

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2015

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Communicate, build connections**, and seek out excellent professional role models! Find role models who represent your profession at the very highest level, build connections, keep your eyes open, learn to communicate with people, and **never stop learning!

KRISZTINA IPACS

Faculty of Economics, 2008

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*If, while solving a task, **you are certain of the method of solution, don't listen to anyone**; if you are not certain, keep gathering information until you become certain.*

LÁSZLÓ TÓTH

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1970

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*Style is the man himself! – Everyone knows this, but few know that **trust must be built by always keeping one's word**. If trust is damaged, it is tremendously difficult to restore – often completely impossible! **Never take risks** – not even in the workplace!*

LAJOS MAGYAR

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1975

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Best of luck in your graduate job search.

ALUMNI

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 1996

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*Dear Graduate Engineers! **Don't be afraid to make mistakes** – only those who don't create anything never make mistakes. Remember: the best engineer is not the one who knows everything, but the one who **always wants to know**. Finally: cherish the friendships you made at university. **Be brave, be precise, be humane**. And if you ever feel uncertain, just recall the Selmec song: Young man, just be cheerful!*

LAJOS WEISINGER

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1985

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*Congratulations, and best of luck in every area of life. If you have successfully cleared this hurdle, everything else will also be manageable – **it just takes willpower.***

ENIKŐ ZSUZSANNA PETŐVÁRI

Faculty of Law, 2008, 2010, 2014

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*Don't be discouraged if, after six months of working, you feel that 95% of those 3/4/5 years you spent studying after secondary school will never be used. If during your university years **you found what you love, it was already worth it!***

PÉTER KULCSÁR

Faculty of Economics, 2001

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*A bit clichéd, but proven true in the long run: A true engineer **also puts their brilliant idea into practice**. You can be an excellent engineer, but you can only count on **success as part of a team**. The primary foundation of engineering science is **mathematical-algorithmic-holistic thinking**.*

DR. MIKLÓS PANCE

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1970

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*The knowledge you have acquired is a **great treasure**; if used conscientiously, it becomes a **national value**.*

PÉTER VOJUCZKI

Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences and Engineering, 1970

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*The key to the future is how well you can apply what you have learned in practice. Choose a field that truly interests you, and **work will become a joy**. Pick a good boss, learn the practical realities, build a career in your profession, and then **pass your knowledge on** to those who come after you. Good luck!*

GÁBOR FARKAS

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1987

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*I congratulate every fellow graduate from the bottom of my heart! I wish everyone many opportunities and great success in the future! The graduation ceremony marks the end of an era, but **a new chapter of life opens immediately**. One thing is certain: their **studies have not ended now** – there are many courses, training programmes and new areas of knowledge awaiting everyone. The University of Miskolc invites you and welcomes you back! Good Luck!*

Vivat Academia!

EDIT GABRIELLA LUKÁCS

Faculty of Economics

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*First of all, congratulations on your achievements! You can always be proud of this, and this pride will strengthen you to always **stand up for justice, for the best possible, for progress**. You will face many challenges in life day by day. Climate change, the destruction of values, the impoverishment of social strata, the rise of crime, the spread of drugs, and so on. Not all of these are your responsibility to solve. But **stand your ground at your own post, even beyond your strength if necessary**, and you will succeed in life. Lots of strength, good health, and many good solutions!*

GYÖRGY KÓFALUSI

Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences and Engineering, 1972



*Dear Graduate Student! I have two messages for you: **enjoy life**, and **only do what lifts you up!** If you follow these paths, you will be happy and successful.*

KLÁRA STROMAJER-HORVÁTH

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2010

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*A mediocre presenter tells, a good one explains, **an excellent one illustrates, a great one inspires.***

ATTILA NÁDASKI

Faculty of Health Sciences, 2022

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*Try to acquire as much knowledge as possible, because this is where it can be done most effectively. You must **see the challenge even in the smallest task.***

DEZSŐ MÁRKUS

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1986

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Dear fellow graduates, dear students! The moment has arrived that we have imagined so many times: diploma in hand, we say farewell to the university – the place where **we received so much knowledge, experience and friendship**. Today not only does a chapter of study close, but a new chapter of our lives begins. I also started this journey at the University of Miskolc back in 2012, in the field of judicial administration, and now, with many years and many working hours behind me, I am closing another university period together with you – a master's degree in HR, labour law and social studies. I completed this degree while working – it wasn't always easy, but that made every single step all the more valuable. I have worked in public administration for nearly 20 years, so I know what it truly means to **"learn in practice."** And if I could look back today to the moment, I first stepped out of the university gate, perhaps these are the thoughts I would say to my younger self – and now to you: **Don't be afraid of uncertainty**. A diploma is a map, but you draw the path on it. Often you won't know in advance where it leads, but every step – even the detours – is a gift of experience. **Knowledge alone is not enough** – but with curiosity, humility and diligence it becomes power. Never stop learning, even when everyone else tells you that you are "ready." **Be human in the system**. Whether you work in the public or the private sector, never forget: behind every job there are always people – colleagues, clients, partners. Empathy and humanity are values that make any profession stronger. **Keep your dreams**. A career is not always a straight line, but if you don't lose sight of what you set out to do, you will find meaning in it – and passion too. This university is now bidding us farewell, but the provisions we take from here will accompany us for a lifetime. And whatever path you set out on: never forget where you came from and where you want to go. I wish you much courage, perseverance and joy – and that in a few years' time you too will look back on these years as one of the best decisions of your life. Congratulations to all of us – and best of luck for the next chapter!

RENÁTA NAGYNÉ MURÁNYI

Faculty of Law

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***Always be open to the new**, strive for perfection, and you'll be surprised – even if you don't fully achieve it, the result will still be excellent. Stay on top of turbulent oceans like a little cork – when the waves crash together, **you always rise back to the surface** in the end. It's been nearly 20 years since I left the alma mater, but it feels like yesterday. **Lifelong friendships were born**. Which is at least as important as gaining knowledge. Vivat Academia!*

GERGŐ BOND

Faculty of Economics, 2008

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*What matters at work is not just completing the task, but **being able to enjoy what you do**, and to keep developing. **Be your own harshest critic**, but also listen to the opinions of others. If you don't go to work with joy, find another one.*

ERIKA SALAMONNÉ MARÁCZI

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1982

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*ABC 123 – once they've survived the first thirty years, **they'll start to ponder the how and the wherefore**, as Professor Gribovszki put it between 1968 and 1973. "Get it? High presidium!"*

ALUMNI

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1973

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*If you have chosen the right field, you can probably **treat work as a hobby** and carry it out with enthusiasm, even when the task seems difficult.*

LÁSZLÓ SCHÖNVISZKY

Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences and Engineering, 1960

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University is only the beginning of learning, but it is vital. Yet professional success is not determined by this alone. Best of luck to all graduates! The uncertainties and fears of starting out in your career are just like all the others. Most of them exist only in our heads. The world needs more and more professionals, so no matter how much you worry, someone will inevitably hire you. **Everything will be fine.** Vivat!

GYÖRGY VARGA

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 2010

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***Be humble, respectful, but also persistent.** Don't give up immediately if you don't like something – give yourselves 2-3 years for your new, working, independent adult personality to mature. **There is a solution to everything!** You don't have to be an astronaut! Go for it!*

VERONIKA DUDOGH

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2009

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*Always **listen to your inner intuition**, then draw on your common sense, and your acquired knowledge and experience will solve even the most difficult task.*

ÁGNES LIKTORNÉ FRANK

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1974

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Boldly challenge established practice and stand up for your innovative ideas.

ZSOLT HORVÁTH

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 2012

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***Language skills are the most important** thing; you'll pick up the rest on the job.*

GERGŐ LENGYEL

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 2002

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*In 2011 I stood there too, fresh diploma in hand, full of questions. I thought I should know which way to go. But since then I've learned: **you don't always need to know the direction – you need to find it.** The first years are often tangled. Sometimes you have to start over. Sometimes from scratch. But **that's not a step backward – it's part of the journey.** A diploma is not a conclusion. Not a great answer. Rather, an important beginning. And that in itself is a huge thing. Be curious. Be patient with yourself. And if ever it feels like everything is collapsing: believe me, **that is where something new begins.** I wish you much strength for it.*

SZILVIA CSACSOVSZKY

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2011

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*After graduation, the infinite range of possibilities opens up before us. It is not easy to select the right narrow spectrum from all of this. Even harder is coming to terms with the fact that from this point on, we can only expect to **expand the limits of our now-bounded possibilities** in proportion to how meaningfully we fill them.*

DR. ISTVÁN ZOLTÁN SZÚCS

Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences and Engineering, 1982

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*Often it is not only the knowledge one acquires during their studies that matters, but **the kind of person standing behind that knowledge**. It is worth reflecting on the past years: what skills, beyond knowledge, were our teachers and the people around us able to pass on to us? Do we have the right mindset to continue learning throughout the rest of our lives? Never forget that **learning and personal development do not stop** when you receive your diploma!*

REGINA MARCIS

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2022

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*Use the knowledge that the noble professors taught you, and **you will always find the right and good path.***

GÁBOR NÉZŐ

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 2023

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*Dear Colleagues! Whichever faculty and field you graduated from, what you primarily learned was **how to learn and how to interpret knowledge in context**. This is very important, because you will never be separated from this continuous learning – if you want to do your work well, or even outstandingly well. You will receive assignments, or start a company, or perhaps gain further knowledge and experience in other areas; here you were taught the **ability for complex thinking**, for sorting data and information, and for filtering out the essential. Congratulations, and best of luck in your further work.*

LAJOS VERES

Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences and Engineering, 1980

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Best of luck to everyone!

YOUSSEF NADA

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2024

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*“The trouble with the world is that **the stupid are cocksure** and **the intelligent are full of doubt.**” (Bertrand Russell)*

GYÖRGY ANDRÁS PÓSÁN

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1975

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Don't give up on yourselves.

TAMÁS MEZEI

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2006

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*Be open to change, stay curious, and **don't be afraid to fail**. The real world rewards those who **keep trying and learning**. Keep building, keep growing.*

PÁL MONOCZKI

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics

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***The freedom of science is like breathing.** It is the fundamental condition of a quality social existence.*

DR. ANDRÁS SZOLNOKI

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2006

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*A diploma is just a first step. In life you must make the most of what you have learned, but always adapting to the current circumstances. You don't need to be perfect, but you do need to be **persistent and goal-oriented!***

MIHÁLY TÓTH

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1975

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*Never forget that **Miskolc** will be with you through the waves of life!*

ZOLTÁN PARTÉNYI

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2020

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*The future of humanity is determined not by technological progress, but by the **quality of human relationships**. The foundation of this is morality, and the science of morality is ethics – for you, **engineering ethics**.*

TIBOR KÖVESI

Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences and Engineering, 1970

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The only way from Miskolc is up!

BÁLINT SZELE

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

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*Noble self-confidence, but not arrogance – Let its springs stretch your soul toward a great goal:
“For the greatest goal, here in this earthly existence, Is **to be human always, in every
circumstance.**” (János Arany)*

BÁLINT KOVÁCS

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1972

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*If you **don't feel good at any of your future workplaces, leave immediately!***

ERVIN PARÁDI

Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences and Engineering, 1989

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*With the motto of Dutch physicist Heike Kamerlingh-Onnes – “**Through measurement to knowledge**”! – I wish you great success in your careers. Accept your own or others' claims **only after you have verified their correctness** and applicability. In the technical world this is done through measurement, but it is applicable and should be applied in every other field as well.*

ÁRPÁD VALENT

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1974



*I remember sitting in those exact same seats with all my hopes and all my dreams, with all my aspirations. Little did I know what the future had in store for me. Some of my colleagues had already received job offers, while others were going through interview processes, while others, like me, were awaiting the results of their PhD applications. And I remember the day that I received my rejection from Tempest Foundation and how I thought that was very truly the end of the world. But as I sit here today, I'd like to say to you that rejection is sometimes merely just a realignment or a redirection. At the time, I had no plan B. I didn't know what to do, what to expect. I think after processing the emotions of going through the whole round of, you know, getting nominated, receiving a school acceptance, and at the very last hour receiving a rejection from the Tempest Foundation, I had had only plan A. **I did not have any plan B.** So today, I would like to say to you the biggest lessons learned in my journey from sitting in these seats that you sit in today to the seats that I sit in now is, number one, **try to always have a plan B or C.** And number two, take the lessons that you've learned in the classroom and implement them in your own life. Practically implement those lessons. As a management major, we learned to **conduct SWOT analysis** where we look at our internal strengths and weaknesses of organizations and external environmental threats and opportunities. But sometimes we neglect to implement those lessons in our own life. So I'd like to urge you as you go out into the real world, implement that in your job search as well. Look at what you are good at, what your strengths are, but align them to the opportunities that are in the market and make sure that you are aligned.*

MAKAZIWE ZIKI (SOUTH AFRICA)

Faculty of Economics

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*I ask you to live and carry out your work with **thoughtfulness, diligence and integrity**.
Keep this in mind in relation to your colleagues, your family, your environment and your
homeland. In the long run, **you will receive this in return**.*

DR. ISTVÁN BUZÁSI

Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences and Engineering, 1970

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*Dear Graduates, congratulations on reaching this incredible milestone! As you step into the next chapter of your life, remember this: **your degree is not just a certificate**, but a testament to your perseverance, growth, and potential. Embrace every opportunity with courage, stay curious, and never stop learning; because **the real world is your next classroom**. I wish you success, fulfillment, and meaningful impact in whatever path you choose.*

ABDUSSALAM MUHAMMAD AUWAL

Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences and Engineering, 2025

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Keep in touch with your classmates and teachers. *If you want to succeed, you must rely on your core subjects: materials science, heat treatment, machine elements, engineering drawing, machine theory, thermodynamics, fluid mechanics, descriptive geometry, machining, fixtures, machine tools, control engineering, electrical engineering, mechanisms, statics, dynamics, strength of materials, industrial economics, mathematics, physics, chemistry and humanities – as well as your dormitories, the canteen, your teachers, your classmates, your parents, your helpers, and everyone whose support helped you become engineers and graduates in every other field. Not least yourselves, who carried this struggle through to the end. Pull yourselves together; be sustained by the awareness that it is worth living – with quality and for a long time. As your career progresses, and especially near its end, you will see that everything was worth doing! **May whatever guides your lives, according to your beliefs, support you!***

FERENC HOLLÓ

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1973

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*I wish all the new graduates luck and would like to say **congratulations to all of them** for closing such a wonderful chapter at the University of Miskolc.*

MAROUANE ZOUBIR GUETTATFI

Faculty of Economics

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*Life always holds difficulties and ever-new challenges. But never forget: **if you can do your work with joy, you can get through anything!** I wish everyone to find great joy in their work!*

DR. ERIKA CSOLÁK HORVÁTHNÉ

Faculty of Economics, 2000

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*Don't strive at all costs to earn a lot of money. **Let the task always come first** – carry it out to the best of your ability, keeping your client's interests firmly in mind. This is how you become effective. And **effectiveness brings the profit.***

ANDRÁS BENYÓ

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1998

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***Be proud of what you have achieved!** Whatever you do in life, what you learned and experienced here at university **will always help you.** Congratulations, and best of luck.*

GABRIELLA PETRÓCZI

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2021

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*You studied, you drank coffee, you sat exams – now comes the next great challenge of life:
starting work in the morning!*

LILLA SZALMA

Faculty of Health Sciences, 2023

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***Dare to dream big! Never stop learning and self-development!** Always choose the harder path – through it your growing self-confidence will steel you! Don't get stuck in situations or work environments unworthy of you! Move forward boldly! **Your own physical and mental health is the most important** thing – you can only do outstanding work if you have it! **Find the work you do with passion** and sense of vocation, and you can become unstoppable on the path to success and happiness!*

ERIKA KEREKNÉ TÓTH

Faculty of Health Sciences, 2017

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*Dear Graduates! The hard work, perseverance and sacrifices of recent years are now bearing fruit. You will soon hold a diploma in your hands – you have acquired new knowledge, which brings with it strength and opportunity on the road toward challenges. **Don't be afraid of the unknown** – every great journey begins with a first step. **Believe in yourselves! Dare to dream big!** Remember: **learning never ends**. Congratulations on this special milestone! Be proud of what you have achieved! I wish you much success, happiness and joyful moments on the road ahead! Heartfelt congratulations – keep it up!*

SÁNDOR GERGELY

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 2024

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*What is it that makes us capable of reaching a goal, a dream? **Just this one small word: “I want. There are no insurmountable obstacles,** only people who don't believe in overcoming them.” (Kurt Diemberger)*

ENDRE ZELENA

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1994

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*“I have spoken, man: **struggle and trust with confidence!**” (Imre Madách: *The Tragedy of Man*)*

LAJOS RÉVÉSZ

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 2000

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*Be proud that you were students at the University of Miskolc. Recommend the university to others. In your work, strive to **enhance the university's reputation by doing quality work**. Come back and visit sometimes.*

KRISZTINA BAKOSNÉ VASS

Faculty of Health Sciences, 2004

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*Don't be afraid to make mistakes, because **you can learn the most from them**, and what you learn from mistakes **will propel you forward in life**.*

ÁKOS NÉMETH

Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences and Engineering, 1999

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*Don't worry about the future. **Strive for happiness** and live your life so that you **learn something new every day.***

GÁBOR ÁCS

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 2018



*Dear Graduate Student! First of all, let me congratulate you on obtaining your diploma! You have a very hard and long road behind you – **be proud of yourself**. I hope you manage to find **the occupation that you enjoy doing every day**, even when there are ups and downs. Remember: **it'll all work out somehow!***

KRISZTINA NAGY-KONCSOL

Faculty of Economics, 2021

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***Dreams are there to be made real!** Love the world the way you would like the world to love you!*

NÓRA GYŐR

Faculty of Health Sciences, 2022

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*Look for the good solutions **beyond the boundary you consider impossible**. If you find them, you have won.*

BERTALAN TAKÁCS

Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Informatics, 1968

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*Don't be afraid of absurd possibilities – boldly follow your dreams, even if they seem unusual or risky! **Life truly begins outside the comfort zone.** Everything will be fine!*

NIKOLETT SALAMONNÉ KOVÁCS

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, 2020

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