

Good morning,

This week's email is a note of congratulations to the more than 700 FSU students (and their families) who graduate today. The May commencement is always a special day as the culmination of the academic year.

It is also an opportunity, once again, to thank the faculty and staff for making it all happen and supporting the students. I spent some time over the weekend with a few families of our students and heard individual stories of how faculty and staff helped their children navigate their time here at FSU. They talked about help in the residence halls, help with advising and scheduling issues, opportunities to get involved in student organizations, and, most importantly, individuals who helped their students map out and complete a plan that puts them in a very good place for launching their careers and being involved citizens.

We often spend much of our time dealing with issues that arise, which we need to do. Yet, hearing parents talk about how pleased they were with the overall experience at FSU is truly delightful.

I'll be moving to biweekly email messages for the summer. I hope everyone has a safe, productive, and enjoyable summer.

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