

*A poem composed for the
2018/2019 Matriculating Class of University of Ibadan*

Matriculation's Promise

The magnificent dawn of your successful future has commenced.
Let it not dissipate through idle imagination and vacuous plans.
Rather, harness the full measure of the opportunity for scholarship
This wonderful transformative milestone, yet presents for
Investment in the pursuit of academic excellence, that will yield
A marvelous bounty of dividend for navigating the courses ahead
While expanding the measure of viable possibilities in life.
Through unwavering focus on your desired objectives and
By earnest industry, embrace steadfast resilience, and if yet, as is oft
With the human pilgrimage, challenges do sometimes conjure,
Gird yourself with fortitude to rise above the circumstance, and
Continue your journey forward, deterred not, from your immutable goal.

And henceforth as great "Uites" raise the university banner high.
Comport yourself with pride, not ignorance nor arrogance,
Gain extensive knowledge but remain graciously humble.
Exude confidence but refrain from being boastful.
Become powerful, but never assume a brutish countenance.
Respect boundaries but always preserve your dignity.
Advance the best of humanity, and while pledging not to destroy it,
For the lasting benefit of all people, impact the world positively.
And above all, through your relentless commitment to diligence
Embrace your future with undaunted determination, using the
Purpose of this grand occasion as a trajectory propelling you towards
Attaining the full dimension of the apex of your unique destiny.

Thus, stride forth in confidence to claim the magnitude of the promise.



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