Graduating students, Centre for English Language Studies transcript

Title: **Graduating students from the Centre for English Language Studies (http://youtu.be/ATzSLYljDXg)**

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How does it feel to be graduating today?

It feels awesome. It's so good and it's a big relielf after all the hard work and the exams and the dissertation and everything. It just feels good to be with everybody else, it's such a joyful day.

Exciting! It was a tough year last year but fortunately I survived!

The big moment was opening the email. You're not quite sure, well, you don't know what you've got. You've got an idea. Opening the email, yes! That's the moment.

Good, brilliant. I'm proud of what I've achieved and I'm happy to be here.

I'm very excited it's my first graduation ceremony. I can't explain my feelings. It's a really wonderful feeling. I don't know, I think that it's going to open for me new doors, new domains. I'm very excited!

Would you recommend this course to others?

Definitely. I think people should be studying at this university because it's very nice and the campus is great. The methodology of teaching is really interesting and it keeps you very motivated to study.

It can be difficult so you need some motivation. Mine was interest, I wanted to do it and I wanted to test myself. But if you've got that motivation, it's a wonderful opportunity.

Yes, I would, absolutely, because I think that there's an opportunity to develop more professional-based skills. For example, with the translation you've got an opportunity to do practical work but then also something that would really prepare you for further study as well - more research based studies. For example, research based dissertation. I really got an opportunity to develop skills in different areas. If I continue studying or if I don't, there's still something that I can take from it.

What are you planning to do next?

I'm planning to do a PhD, hopefully, crossing my fingers! I think that my Masters here was so successful and so enjoyful that I really want to study more and do more research so I'm hoping to do a PhD with the Masters I've got already.

I teach English, teach English as a Second Language. I'll be going to China in February next year. Obviously the course helped. That's not why I did it, I did it out of interest, but it helps.

After that, I want to be an English teacher in China and teach my students to study English and bring my experience here and to help them study English in an easier and quicker way.

I'm doing my PhD now. I'm a first year student, in the same domain. When I came to the University of Birmingham I started to study this MA in Translation Studies. It inspired me to further my studies here at the University of Birmingham and I'm doing my PhD at the University of Birmingham also.

How did you find the staff?

The staff were like a family for me. I didn't feel a foreigner or an international student.

The professors are very friendly. They are really interesting. Some of them have very good academic stories to tell and definitely an interesting and involving way of teaching. I think they made me think that I really want to be like them when I grow up and I really want to teach the way that they teach people because it makes them so connected to them and it makes people really happy and enjoying the whole academic experience.

Their attitude is excellent as well. If you try, they'll help you all the way. I can't recommend it too highly.

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