

## **Speech of the President**

## **Commencement ceremony**

May 31, 2023

Distinguished guests, Members of the Board of Trustees, Members of the University Council, Members of the academic units' councils, Faculty members, Dear Parents, Dear graduates, Class of Game Changers,

- I am glad we are all gathered here today to celebrate the graduation of our students at the School of Architecture and Design and the School of Medicine and Medical Sciences.
- This day is not the end of a journey our graduates spent at the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik (USEK); it is rather the beginning of a new chapter in their life.
- During the last few years, they worked hard, they were racing with time with everything that was going on around them, they were inspired, and they inspired the University to work even harder and make sure they reach the destination they planned for.
- Dear graduates,



- Now it is time for new plans, new inspirations, and **new aspirations**.
- It is time for you to set new goals and to spare no effort to reach your goals.
- We have equipped you at USEK with the needed knowledge, skills, **and values** to face a a constantly changing world, yet a world full of opportunities.
- And now it is your turn to search for and seize **every** opportunity, to advance your values, and aim as high as you can.
- We all know that your path during your university studies was full of challenges, but trust me, you were up to these challenges.
- With your determination and perseverance, you knew how to overcome them and to prove, as a young generation, that you can deal with any situation that might arise, and that you can make the needed change in our society.
- This is why YOU inspired us to give you the name of **Class of Game Changers**.
- Class of Game Changers is not just a label; it represents the transformative nature of your achievements and the incredible impact you have had and will continue to have on our campus and beyond...
- As you leave the university walls, bear in mind that throughout your journey here, your family, your friends, and USEK were there for you.



- And today, we are all here witnessing for your success... a success that is stamped with hard work, strong will, and the prayers of your parents!

وهون بدّي اتوجه بكلمة للأهل الأحباء. فرحتكن وفرحتناكبيرة اليوم. اليوم عم تشوفو نتيجة كل التعب والسهر والاهتمام عم يترجم نجاح وحماس وانطلاقة جديدة بمشوار الحياة. بعرف قدّي هالنهار، بقدر ما هوّي مهم إلن، هوّي مهمّ إلكن كمان.

وبعرف إنّو آمالكن فين كبيرة وأنا أكيد الطلّاب اللّي عاشو هالمرحلة بكلّ تحدياتها رح يكونو ع قدّ امالكن (وامالنا) ورح تكون طموحاتن ع قد طموحاتكن.

نحنا وياكن زرعنا فين حسّ المسؤولية، وطريقة تفكير، وقيم آمنّا فيا وهلق دورن يتركو بصمتن وين ما كانو.

Dear Class of Game Changers may this day be the first step in a long, successful, and joyful journey!

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