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of Advanced Studies
Graduate School and Seminary

108th
GRADUATION
CEREMONY

May 16–19, 2024

Siew Huy Auditorium
AIIAS, Lalaan I, Silang,
Cavite, Philippines

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies (AIIAS) is to develop leaders through distinctively Seventh-day Adventist graduate education, excelling in spirituality, scholarship, and service.

VISION STATEMENT

The vision of AIIAS is to be a Christ-centered community of leaders with a heart for mission.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

AIIAS was established by the Seventh-day Adventist Church because of its commitment to meet the growing needs of the Church for college teachers, church leaders, educators, health professionals, and treasurers with international-level graduate education. In the late 1960s, the Church began graduate education for pastors in the Asia-Pacific region. The Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, Far East, was founded and held its first graduation ceremony in April of 1972. The Seminary was funded by the Far Eastern Division of Seventh-day Adventists from the beginning, and it was renamed as AIIAS in 1986 when the Presidential Decree created a way to also offer international graduate degrees outside of theology. The School of Graduate Studies began in 1988 and produced its first graduates in March 1991. When the Asia-Pacific Division divided in 1996, AIIAS came under the administration of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. AIIAS became the first General Conference educational institution outside of North America.

Full recognition has been extended to AIIAS by the Commission on Higher Education of the Philippine government and AIIAS is a member of the International Association of Universities (IAU). AIIAS programs are accredited by the Adventist Accrediting Association (AAA). The Seminary degree programs are also accredited by the Association for Theological Education in South East Asia (ATESEA). In addition, most Graduate School programs are accredited by the Philippine Accrediting Association of Schools, Colleges and Universities (PAASCU).

Through its central campus, online learning programs, and extension sites throughout the world, AIIAS serves increasing numbers of Adventist pastors, educators, health professionals, administrators, and church leaders in Asia and in many countries worldwide.

WELCOME

Welcome to the AIIAS graduation events of 2024! We are glad for each of you who has come to support and celebrate our graduates this weekend.

Every good story has a beginning and an ending. In a world that presents us all with uncertainties and pressures that seem designed to diminish and demolish our faith, we are here this weekend to celebrate this milestone, brought together under the powerful theme of “Faithful Beginnings, Victorious Endings.”

At some point each of our graduates started this journey with great anticipation, driven by a sense of hope and a lively spark of faith. That spark of faith, I believe, was lit by the Spirit of God. That spark of faith has illuminated the path ahead through the most challenging times. That spark of faith, fed by perseverance, has carried our graduates through the ups and downs of their journey to the sweet taste of victory at the end. In a way, our graduates have just traveled through a metaphor of the Christian life. There have been joys and adversity along the pilgrim way, and times when they wondered if they would make it. Is it all worth it as we meet together here at AIIAS to celebrate their Victorious Ending? It is! And it will be worth it all, in our greater life journey, when we gather on the sea of glass to celebrate the amazing Victorious Ending that God has promised.

As our 2024 graduates receive their diplomas, they exemplify the accomplishment of the institution’s mission. They have been developed for leadership, they have shown their commitment to their church, and they have already engaged with the three important aspects of AIIAS’s mission: spirituality, scholarship, and service. They are ready for their next steps.

As we experience this weekend, let us reflect on the humble beginnings that so many of our graduates have come from. Let us praise and thank God for guiding their steps on a path that was steep for so much of the way. Let us be grateful to all the many individuals who have helped to guide and support them until they successfully crossed the finish line. We cheer them on as they go out to their places of mission service all around the world, doing their part to answer the call of God with, “I will go!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you all. Amen.

Congratulations, Class of 2024!

Ginger Ketting-Weller, PhD

AIIAS President

CLASS OFFICERS

President
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Music Coordinators

Decoration Coordinator
Photography/Documentation Coordinator
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Prakash Jacob
Camellia Sharon
Albert Dichoso
Lasarusa Senikau
Charmaine Ang
Ingrid Dumitrescu
Shiqi Chen
Daniel Malalasoa
Pavel Zubkov and Liliia Zubkova

Class Name: Victorious 2024
Theme: Faithful Beginnings, Victorious Endings
Class Colors: Blue and Gold

CLASS SONG

Faithful Beginnings, Victorious Endings

Composed & Arranged by Charmaine Ang & Ingrid Dumitrescu

Verse 1

In the halls of learning where dreams ignite,
Pressing on, the final goal in sight.
Chapters unwritten, yet to unfold
Through trials and triumphs, His promise we behold.

Pre-Chorus

The Savior's call resounds, urging us to rise
To take up the mantle, until the end of time.

CHORUS

Through valleys low and mountains high,
Courage and truth, as our guide.
With grateful hearts we now proclaim
Faithful beginnings, victorious endings -
A testament to His Holy name.

Verse 2

On the wings of knowledge, our dreams take flight
In a world yearning for love and light.
Embarking on a mission, enveloped in His grace
That we may be His witness, that they may seek His face.

Pre-Chorus

The Savior's call resounds, urging us to rise
To take up the mantle, until the end of time.

CHORUS

Through valleys low and mountains high,
Courage and truth, as our guide.
With grateful hearts we now proclaim
Faithful beginnings, victorious endings -
A testament to His Holy name.

BRIDGE

With every setback, we find our strength
In His Word lies our greatest defense.
Prayer as our armor and trust as our shield,
In His presence, all fears yield (all fears yield).

CHORUS

Through valleys low and mountains high,
Courage and truth, as our guide.
With grateful hearts we now proclaim
Faithful beginnings, victorious endings -
A testament to His Holy name.

OUTRO/CODA

With grateful hearts we now proclaim
Our faithful beginnings, victorious endings –
A testament to His Holy name.
A testament to His Holy name.
Holy name.

PHILIPPINE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Lupang Hinirang

Balmaceda & Santos/Felipe

Bayang magiliw, Perlas ng Silanganan;
Alab ng puso, Sa dibdib mo'y buhay,
Lupang hinirang, Duyan ka ng magiting;
Sa manlulupig di ka pasisiil.

Sa dagat at bundok, sa simoy
At sa langit mong bughaw;
May dilag ang tula at awit,
Sa paglayang minamahal;
Ang kislap ng watawat mo'y tagumpay
Na nagniningning;
Ang bituin at araw niya,
Kailan pa ma'y di magdididlim.

Lupa ng araw, ng l'walhati't pagsinta,
Buhay ay langit sa piling mo,
Aming ligaya, na pag may mang-aapi,
Ang mamatay ng dahil sa 'yo.

Land of the Morning

Camilo Osias & Julian Felipe

Land of the morning, Child of the sun returning,
With fervor burning, Thee do our souls adore,
Land dear and holy, Cradle of noble heroes,
Ne'er shall invaders Trample thy sacred shore.

Ever within thy skies and through thy clouds
And o'er the hills and sea,
Do we behold the radiance, feel the throb
Of glorious liberty.
Thy banner dear to all our hearts,
Its sun and stars alight,
O, never shall its shining field
Be dimmed by tyrants' might.

Beautiful land of love, O land of light,
In thine embrace 'tis rapture to lie,
But it is glory ever, when thou art wronged,
For us, thy sons, to suffer and die.

AIIAS SONG

AIIAS Press On

(Composed by SGuptill, CLachenal, & AFMurillo)

AIIAS press on,
you're always in our hearts.
Striving for truth, to raise the standard high.
Telling the world of Jesus Christ return,
touching lives with hope and love
How we love your peaceful campus,
tree-lined lanes
Evening walks with friends and family,
Sharing hopes and dreams

AIIAS press on,
you have taught us to be leaders for the Lord.
Inspiring us for service to the world.
AIIAS press on, we pledge to you our love.
God bless you, our dear AIIAS!

FACULTY

Eunice Aclan, PhD	Education
Godwin Aja, DrPH	Public Health
Victoria Aja, DMin	Applied Theology
Robert Benjamin, DDiv cand.	Vice President for Student Services
Kenneth Bergland, PhD	Biblical Studies
Chirlynor Calbayan, DrPH/RND	Public Health
Leni Casimiro, PhD	Chair, Education
Donny Chrissutianto, PhD	Theological-Historical Studies
Teófilo Correa, PhD	Chair, Biblical Studies
Hesell Delfin, MEM	Library
Ermela Dizon, DMiss	Applied Theology
Richard Doss, PhD	Applied Theology
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Raimond Luntungan, PhD cand.	Business/Education
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Gheorghe Razmerita, PhD	Theological-Historical Studies
LeRoy Ruhupatty, PhD	Chair, Business
Johnnie Simyunn, Jr. MLIS	Library
Shanti Solomon, PhD	Public Health/Institutional Quality Assurance
Kyung Ho Song, PhD	Chair, Theological-Historical Studies
Kenneth Swansi, PhD	Dean, Graduate School/Business
Jasmin Tuapin, PhD	Business
Shawna Vyhemeister, PhD	Education
James Weller, PhD	Education
Hyunjun Woo, DMin	Applied Theology
Kim Si Young, DMin	Applied Theology
Pavel Zubkov, PhD	Chair, Applied Theology

SPEAKERS' PROFILE

Daniel Bediako, PhD, is an Associate Director of the Biblical Research Institute of the General Conference. He holds a PhD (Old Testament) from the Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies and has held academic and administrative positions at Valley View University in Ghana including serving as its president from 2015 to 2021. He has authored a number of scholarly works and edited several volumes. He also served as associate editor of the Andrews Bible Commentary, and he is currently the editor of the Seventh-day Adventist International Biblical-Theological Dictionary. Daniel is married to Gifty and they have two children, Hehra and Daniel (both were born in the Philippines). The family moved from Ghana to Maryland in July 2022.

Terry Tsui, DMin, PhD, is currently the president of Taiwan Adventist College. He has served in the church as a pastor, chaplain, departmental director, conference and union executive secretary, evangelist, and educator. With a high calling in evangelism, he has conducted 110 evangelistic series in 16 countries and trained 233 evangelists for public evangelism. His motto is: Success without successors is a failure.

Pavel Zubkov, PhD, is an associate professor of the Applied Theology Department and a director of the Doctor of Missiology Program (DMiss/DIS) in the Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies (AIIAS). A native of Russia, he was born in Uzbekistan. He has served the denomination for 25 years in various capacities – as a district pastor, executive secretary, vice-president for student services, and the president of Asian Qualitative Research Association (AQRA). Currently, he is the chair of Applied Theology Department at AIIAS.

Liliia Zubkova, MA, was born in Russia in the family of a Ukrainian pastor. Growing up, she became accustomed to relocating frequently with her family. This trend continued when she married a pastor, leading to a life filled with travels. The longest duration Liliia has resided in one location was seven years. She views herself as a stranger and pilgrim, with her true home being in heaven. For the past 11 years, Liliia is teaching ESL classes and currently serves as the English Center Director at AIIAS.

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

7:00 – 8:00 p.m., May 16, 2024

Function Hall, Siew Huy Auditorium

Graduates with their spouse/parent are cordially invited to a formal reception with the AIIAS president, officers, and faculty members.

Light refreshments will be served.

Only official photographers are allowed on the platform.

AIIAS ADMINISTRATORS

Ginger Ketting-Weller	President
Richard Nelson	Vice President of Academic Administration
Jorge Montero	Vice President for Finance
Robert Benjamin	Vice President for Student Services
Ricardo González	Dean, Seminary
Kenneth Swansi	Dean, Graduate School

CONSECRATION

7:00 – 8:30 p.m., May 17, 2024

Siew Huy Auditorium

Processional		AIIAS Church Orchestra
	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	
Songs of Praise		Praise Team
Welcome		Ingrid Dumitrescu
Opening Hymn		SDA Hymn #100
	<i>Great is Thy Faithfulness</i>	
Opening Prayer		Victor Mariano
Special Music		Sola Gratia Chorale
	<i>I Choose Jesus</i>	
Testimonies of Praise		Sung Hyun Yoon
		Lalhmunmawii Kachchhap
Special Music		Sola Gratia Chorale
	<i>Munera Pacis</i>	
Introduction of the Speaker		Nofri Fattah
Message		Pavel & Liliia Zubkov
		<i>Graduating Class Sponsors</i>
Consecration Ceremony		Sponsors & Graduates
Response in Word		Lasarusa Senikau
Consecration Song		Graduates
	<i>Faithful Beginnings, Victorious Endings</i>	
Commitment Prayer		Kim Si Young
Recessional		AIIAS Church Orchestra
	<i>Shine, Jesus, Shine!</i>	
	Anhelina Osadchuk, Ei Phyu Sin Lay, and Maximilian	
	<i>Praise Team</i>	
	Marjorie Jiji Taclob	
	<i>Pianist</i>	

SABBATH SCHOOL
8:30 – 9:45 a.m., May 18, 2024
Siew Huy Auditorium

Prelude		Saxophone Ensemble
	<i>Heal our Land</i>	
Welcome		Albert Dichoso
Songs of Praise		Praise Team
Opening Song		Praise Team
Opening Prayer		Ellen Osei
Testimony of Praise		Kumal Smith
Special Music		Zimri: Our Music, His Praise
	<i>Search Me, Use Me</i>	
Special Feature		Selected Graduates
Intermission Song		European Community Choir
	<i>Sing to the Lord a New Song</i>	
Sabbath School Lesson Review		Panel Discussion
	Motivated by Hope	
	Lowell Domocmat, John Holbrook, Tatiana Roa, Sohail Shoukat, and Sabar Sianturi	
Closing Song		SDA Hymn #461
	<i>Be Still, My Soul</i>	
Closing Prayer		Ryan Martinez
	Ei Phyu Sin Lay, Rowell Selgas, Go Sawm Sing, and Jeverson Tuani	
	<i>Praise Team</i>	
	Zin Mar Kyaw	
	<i>Pianist</i>	

BACCALAUREATE

10:00 – 11:30 a.m., May 18, 2024

Siew Huy Auditorium

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISING

Prelude in Song MAMC Church Choir, African Community Choir, Ingrid Dumitrescu

Welcome & Announcements Prakash Jacob

Prelude Marjel Joshua Taclob

A Firm Foundation

Call to Worship

Processional

Prakash Jacob

AIIAS Church Orchestra

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Introit

SDA Hymn #661

Holy, Holy, Holy

Invocation

Speaker

*Hymn of Adoration

SDA Hymn #06

O Worship the Lord

Hymn of Preparation

SDA Hymn #671

Now Dear Lord

**Pastoral Prayer

Rudi Situmorang

Hymn of Supplication

SDA Hymn #684

Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

Children's Homily

Camellia Sharon

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Thoughts on Stewardship

Allan Deblois

Offertory Music

Instrumental Trio

How Great Thou Art

*Hymn of Gratitude

SDA Hymn #694

Doxology

Offertory Blessings

Vannak Noeum

WORSHIP MESSAGE

Scripture Reading

Shiqi Chen

Special Song

MAMC Church Choir

All Belongs to Him

Introduction of the Speaker

Ginger Ketting-Weller

Spoken Word

Terry Tsui

President, Taiwan Adventist College

WORSHIP CONSECRATION

*Hymn of Consecration

SDA Hymn #608

Faith is the Victory

Benediction

Speaker

*Anthem of Hope

Congregation

We Shall Behold Him

*Recessional

AIIAS Church Orchestra

Shine, Jesus, Shine!

Charmaine Ang and Ingrid Dumitrescu

Praise Team

Marjorie Jiji Taclob

Pianist

*Congregation, please stand.

**Congregation, please kneel.

TRIBUTE AND THANKSGIVING

3:00 – 4:00 p.m., May 18, 2024

Siew Huy Auditorium

Prelude in Song		MAMC Church Choir
Song of Praise		Praise Team
Opening Song		SDA #341
	<i>To God Be the Glory</i>	
Opening Prayer		James Cabañero
Welcome and Introduction		Charmaine Ang
Special Music		Himig
	<i>All We Need</i>	
Tribute to Spouses		Jovyn Jimenez Sowjanya Ashok
Tribute to Friends, Communities, and Sponsors		Rodney Banas
Special Music		Foreign Adoration
	<i>Great Is His Faithfulness</i>	
Tribute to Parents		Genema Tyre
Tribute to Administrators, Faculty, and Staff		Juvenal Xirimbimbi
Special Music		Cohort Men's Quintet
	<i>You Gotta Do Right</i>	
Closing Remarks		Charmaine Ang
Closing Prayer		Sohag Tripura

Anhelina Osadchuk, Jandri Tumangger,

Howard Henny, and Teint Saung

Praise Team

Adly Gara

Pianist

COMMENCEMENT

7:00 – 9:30 a.m., May 19, 2024

Siew Huy Auditorium

Prelude
Opening
Processional

Zhi Yi Liang
Grand Marshal/The Herald
AIIAS Mass Choir

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Posting of Colors
*National Anthem

Flag Marshals
Karole Mercado, leading

Lupang Hinirang

AIIAS Song

Karole Mercado

AIIAS Press On

*Litany of Wisdom

Robert Benjamin, *Vice President for Student Services*

Leader: God of love, You are with us in every transition and change of life.

Graduates: As we enter this new phase of our lives with excitement and even uncertainty.

Leader: We remember Your deep compassion, presence, and abounding love.

Graduates: We thank You for the gifts, talents, and skills You have blessed us with.

Leader: We thank You for the experiences of life that have brought us to this moment.

Graduates: We thank You for the work of others that gives breadth and depth to our own work.

All: So, now we plead, be with us as we move forward with You and support one another to accomplish the tasks You call each of us to fulfill.

Leader: We ask this in Your Holy Name.

*Opening Prayer
Musical Selection

Robert Benjamin
Indonesian Male Voices

Keep in the Middle of the Road

Welcome/Introduction of the Speaker

Ginger Ketting-Weller, *President*

Commencement Address

Daniel Bediako
*Associate Director, Biblical Research Institute of
General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists*

Class Response

Prakash Jacob, *Class President*

Presentation of the Class

Richard Nelson, *VP for Academic Administration*

Conferral of Degrees

Ginger Ketting-Weller, *President*

*Congregation, please stand.

Presentation of Diplomas	Cherille Espina, <i>Director, Admissions & Records</i> Lina Almocera, Iris Ho, Jennifer Valenia, assisting
Biographical Sketches	
Seminary	Leonardo Nunez
Graduate School	Eunice Aclan
Hooding	Deans/Program Directors/Advisors
Presentation of Class Gift	Albert Dichoso, <i>Class Treasurer</i> Daniel Malalaso, <i>Photography Coordinator</i> Jorge Montero, <i>VP for Finance</i>
Acceptance of Gift	Bruce Sumendap, <i>Director, Public Relations</i>
Welcome to Alumni Association	Pavel and Liliia Zubkov, <i>Class Sponsors</i>
*Prayer of Sending	

- Sponsors:** O Lord, King of Kings, Ruler of our lives, Giver of all good gifts, here stand the graduates.
- Graduates:** We declare Your power and majesty; we submit to You in humility; we praise You with grateful lips.
- Sponsors:** There was a beginning; there is an ending. There was joy at their coming; there is jubilant rejoicing at their leaving.
- Graduates:** By Your mighty arms You have delivered us, by the strength of Your hands You have shown us great wonders, by the stroke of Your fingers You have written success on our paths.
- Sponsors, Faculty, and Administrators:** And now we send you—into a world of danger, in need of peace; into a world of darkness, in need of light; into a world of desolation, in need of healing and hope.
- Graduates:** And we go forth—with faith in our hearts and with victory as our hope.
- Sponsors, Faculty, and Administrators:** Our God Almighty has equipped you; in His love He has molded You. Go and serve Him with all your hearts, with all your strength, with all your mind. Go, single-minded in purpose to be faithful, to be victorious.
- Graduates:** The Lord our God has been faithful. The Lord our God has been victorious.
- Sponsors:** Hence, we send you forth into the world. Make the Lord your God. He will enable you to be faithful. He will enable you to be victorious.
- Sponsors, Faculty, and Administrators:** The love of the Father be upon You; the grace of His Son continually shine before You; the comfort of the Holy Spirit embrace you.
- All:** Till we all shall meet again.

Class Song

Graduates

Faithful Beginnings, Victorious Endings

*Prayer of Dedication

Pavel Zubkov

*Dismissal

Ginger Ketting-Weller

Recessional

AIAS Mass Choir

Onward, Ye Peoples!

Picture Taking

Bruce Sumendap, coordinating

*Only official photographers are allowed
near the platform.*

GRAND MARSHAL

Leni Casimiro

THE HERALD

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Robert John Almocera

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FLAG MARSHALS

Philippines – Sweet Jugalbot	AIIAS – Chelou Contemplado
Christian – Ronald Fabregas	Adventist – Adrian Adriano
Angola – Victor Buza	Jamaica - Kenroy Campbell
Argentina – Gabriel Correa	Korea - Cho Minchul
Bangladesh – Mitun Beik	Liberia - Victoria Trye
Brazil - Alberto Ocaranza	Madagascar – Pamphile Rabezanaka
Cambodia - Mya Moe May	Malaysia – Judy Bangkuai-Benjamin
Cameroon - Osee Kamgang	Myanmar – Hnin Let Yee Win
Chile – Angelina Rodriguez	Pakistan – Aroon Raza
China – Yanan Huang	Papua New Guinea - Kebo Norak
Colombia – Bileidis Martin	Romania – Edna Razmerita
Fiji – Jale Koroibutuna	Russia – Dmitri Zubkov
Finland - Dasha Kaminskaya	Rwanda – Etienne Munyamashara
Germany - Danii Lakovlev	United States – Debra Ratumaiyale
Ghana - Jonathan Ukwuoma	United Kingdom - Edmond Razmerita
India - Annie Christian Kumar	Vanuatu – Jimmy Garae
Indonesia - Blessy Kasingku	

ORDER OF PICTURE TAKING

1. Graduates with the platform party, grand marshal, flag marshals, and faculty
2. Graduates with their spouses and flag marshals
3. Graduates only
4. Graduates by school with faculty – Graduate School, Seminary
5. Graduates of Graduate School by department – Business, Education, Health
6. Graduates of Seminary by program – Master of Ministry, Master of Arts in Church Ministry, Master of Divinity, Master of Arts in Ministry, Master of Arts in Religion, Doctor of Ministry, Doctor of Philosophy in Religion
7. Graduates and friends by nationalities (See Flag Marshals list by sequence)

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

SEMINARY AND GRADUATE SCHOOL

Graduate Certificate in Business

Anhelina Osadchuk

Russia

Graduate Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Naw Ei Phyu Sin Lay

Myanmar

Master of Ministry

***Hong Feng (in absentia)

China

***Yueping Li (in absentia)

China

Master of Arts in Church Ministry

Fernando Macaluod De La Cruz

Philippines

Arnie Fajutagana Fajilagmago

Philippines

*Amorlito Tigon Hamoy

Philippines

**Veli-Lauri Kotilainen (in absentia)

Finland

***Amri Lyngdoh (in absentia)

India

***Alvinil Acosta Rey

Philippines

Master of Divinity

***Dandan Chen (in absentia)

China

***Shiqi Chen

China

***Shuijie Chen (in absentia)

China

***Xin Du (in absentia)

China

***Fang Han (in absentia)

China

***Yuanyuan Li (in absentia)

China

Zhenya Li (in absentia)

China

***Wei Ma (in absentia)

China

***Lasarusa Draunikaumila Tubuitamana Senikau

Fiji

***Yiqing Shou (in absentia)

China

***Min Su (in absentia)

China

Andric Tanghwa

Vanuatu

***Peiyi Xie (in absentia)

China

***Yunfeng Xie (in absentia)

China

***Fucai Xu (in absentia)

China

***Haiyan Zhang (in absentia)

China

***Yan Zhang (in absentia)	China
***Xiangyu Zhu (in absentia)	China
***Huanhuan Zong (in absentia)	China

Master of Arts in Ministry – Intercultural Studies

Jessie Garcia Antonio – <i>Urban Studies</i>	Philippines
Jeverson Alvonso Tuani Augustav– <i>Islam</i>	Indonesia
Bartman Mangubat Barrientos – <i>Urban Studies</i>	Philippines
Victor Brown – <i>Urban Studies</i>	Myanmar
Selamat Bin Buloh – <i>Islam</i>	Malaysia
George Apdian Claudel – <i>Urban Studies</i>	Philippines
Raymun Mutia Fajilan – <i>Urban Studies</i>	Philippines
Alberto Morta Garzon, Jr. – <i>Urban Studies</i>	Philippines
Howard Anak Henny – <i>Urban Studies</i>	Malaysia
John Brightman Holbrook – <i>Urban Studies</i>	United States
Evarcris Clois Jovyn Bergado Jimenez – <i>Urban Studies</i>	Philippines
Christofel Kalengkongan – <i>Islam</i>	Indonesia
Aung Nay Lin – <i>Urban Studies</i>	Myanmar
Rafaqat Masih – <i>Islam</i>	Pakistan
Maximilian – <i>Islam</i>	Indonesia
Vannak Noeum – <i>Urban Studies</i>	Cambodia
Marcell Daud Pantow – <i>Islam</i>	Indonesia
Prayitno – <i>Islam</i>	Indonesia
John Calvin Roy – <i>Islam</i>	Bangladesh
Juri Bin Rumondok – <i>Islam</i>	Malaysia
Tient Saung – <i>Urban Studies</i>	Myanmar
Rowell Bacus Selgas – <i>Urban Studies</i>	Philippines
Sohail Shoukat – <i>Islam</i>	Pakistan
Sabar Andriko Sianturi – <i>Islam</i>	Indonesia
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INTERPRETATION OF SYMBOLS

AIIAS Logo

In Adventist education, two symbols have long expressed the mission of the Church. These are the circle representing the globe of the entire world to receive the “gospel of the kingdom,” and the equilateral triangle representing the harmonious development of the threefold nature of humans as physical, mental, and spiritual beings.

Within the AIIAS logo these two symbols, the circle and the triangle, are superimposed and recast as the Alpha and Omega, symbolizing Christ, the Author and Finisher of our faith. In Him the plan of salvation from the Creation to the Second Advent is actualized. As the Living Word, Christ comprises the divine medium of God’s communication with humanity. The rendering of the logo in an Asian calligraphic style accents the institutional context of the Asia-Pacific region.

The embracing branches of the palm tree, so much in evidence on the AIIAS campus, express the joy and victory of the believer’s life in Christ. The waving of the palm frond on festive occasions has long marked the religious celebrations of the Judeo-Christian tradition.

Ceremonial Mace

The AIIAS mace is a physical symbol of the institution. When displayed, it represents the authenticity and authority of the occasion. The history of the mace harks back to leaders who carried a scepter or staff who represented their position and the authority of their domain (see Numbers 17 and Esther 5). The AIIAS mace is made of Tanguile, a beautiful hard wood common in the Philippines. The carved vines winding up the staff are symbolic of the Adventist faith, which is fully interlaced throughout the institution. The vines are reflective of Christ’s analogy in John 5 where He says, “I am the vine, ye are the branches.” The trapezoidal cube near the top represents the four major curriculum areas of the institution - religion, business, public health and education. The top is crowned with a carved wreath holding a double-sided medallion of the AIIAS logo.

Regalia

The symbols associated with academic regalia arise from the Middle Ages in Europe, when scholars and clerics wore the costume of their monastic order. Academic gowns are distinctive for each degree level. Each institution has its own design and color specifications for the gown and hood. Each hood has a velvet edging that indicates the field in which the degree was earned. All hoods have silk lining of the official color of the institution. The mortarboard cap is traditionally black, and the tassel is worn to the left once a degree has been conferred. A PhD hat is often a velvet, floppy style, with a silver or gold cord and tassel.

The AIIAS academic regalia represents the status and achievement of an important academic accomplishment. There is a dignity of position declared by wearing regalia that belongs only to those who have earned it. Regalia should only be worn by AIIAS graduates or those approved for graduation. Wearing academic regalia during non-academic meetings outside of graduation is generally not appropriate.

Following is a partial list of the colors that have been designated to represent the various fields of learning:

Business Administration.....	Drab
Education.....	Light Blue
Philosophy.....	Dark Blue
Public Health.....	Salmon Pink
Theology.....	Scarlet