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College

# Commencement Ceremony

JUNE 5, 2025  
12 PM

# PROGRAM

## MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Tiffany Janajreh, RDH, MSDH  
*Commencement Ceremony Chair*

## PROCESSIONAL

*Board of Directors, CEO, President, Keynote Speaker, Academic Administrators, Faculty, Staff, Alumni, Graduates*

## NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dominique Martin, BSDH '26

## INVOCATION

Lt. Col. Robert Tilli, Jr., DD  
*Member, Board of Directors*

## WELCOME ADDRESS

Julius Wangiawang, EdD  
*President, Eastern International College*

## INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Tiffany Janajreh, RDH, MSDH  
*Commencement Ceremony Chair*

## KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Scott De Rossi, DMD, MBA  
*Senior Vice President of Innovation and Strategy, Serendequity Partners*

## PRESENTATION OF ACADEMIC AWARDS

Alaa Mohsen, MS, MPH, DHED - Chair, Dental Hygiene Department  
Suzanne Mullings, MSN, PhD - Dean, Nursing  
Shahida Qureshi, MD - Chair, Diagnostic Medical Sonography

## VALEDICTORY ADDRESS

Mariana Carolina Mills, BSDH '25

## SALUTATORY ADDRESS

Lidia Ruggio, BSDH '25

## CONFERRAL OF DEGREES AND TASSEL CEREMONY

Julius Wangiawang, EdD  
*President*

## PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

Ruhina Najem, MD, PhD     Hany Zaky, EdD  
*Dean of Academic Affairs     Director of Institutional Effectiveness*

## CLOSING REMARKS

Philip Balis, MBA  
*Chair, Board of Directors*

## RECESSIONAL

*Please remain seated until the recessional concludes*



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## GRADUATION ACADEMIC AWARDS

### CLASS VALEDICTORIAN

Mariana Carolina Mills, *BSDH '25*

### CLASS SALUTATORIAN

Lidia Ruggio, *BSDH '25*

### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

*Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene*

Mariana Carolina Mills

Lidia Ruggio

### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

*Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene*

Sabrina Patricia Perez Cuevas

Gina DiAntonio

Olivia Marie Morelli

Haney Patel

Mahe Talat

Aimee Elizabeth Dollaga Ulep

*Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography*

Marian Rofael

### CUM LAUDE

*Bachelor of Science in Nursing*

Laura Requena

Tamaryn Tunkel

*Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography*

Ndeye Lissa Dia

*Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene*

Atheer Abdulah Ali Abdel Aziz

Ramon Leiti

Stephanie Carolinni Sousa Silva

### HIGHEST DISTINCTION

*Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN)*

Kafila Abiodun, RN



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## **ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN NURSING**

Femi Emmanuel Aina  
Kwamivi Amedeya  
Jade Brown  
Darlene Cruz  
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Bukola Korede Emmanuel  
Shakirah D. Johnson  
Tiffney Mitchell  
Adrian Paul Amante Olbes

Jerry Ortiz  
Kelsey Nicole Ramirez  
Leticia Rivera Lopez  
Alfredo Sanchez  
Tawanna Turner  
Cherry Venner  
Rachel Yanez  
Quiara Yard

## **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING**

Shana Curniffe  
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Anita Mends  
Bienvenue Missamou  
Keeley Ivana Mitchell

Kaitlyn Nguyet Nguyen  
Ariellen Gelli Orense  
Laura Requena  
Raveena Sharma  
Tamijah Southerland  
Trishanti Thompson  
Tamaryn Tunkel

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Ariana Marie Abbruzzese	Jasmin Laim
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Tiffany Jasmine Alberto	Omar Mahfouz
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Alexis Marie DiGregorio	Monica Giselle Rodriguez Mones
Aimee Elizabeth Dollaga Ule	Lidia M. Ruggio
Harlene Dorvil	Alejandra Ruiz
Tori Drummond	Bridgitte Sacramento
Rocco Anthony Esposito	Natalie Santos
Mariam Elizabeth Girgis	Ciara Savitsky
Yosif Karim Girgis	Khushi Shah
Alicea Chelsea Gittens	Zaynah Siddique
Gianna Victoria Granite	Stephanie Carolinni Sousa e Silva
Evelyn Huilotl	Mahe Talat
Yessenia Del Carmen Jimenez	Erica Velasquez
Minkyu Kim	

## **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY**

Tanseem Kamal Harby Mohamed Aly	Amy K Johnson
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## **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN DENTAL HYGIENE COMPLETION PROGRAM**

Shams Ali  
Victoria Page Jackson

## **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH LEADERSHIP COMPLETION PROGRAM**

Rhonda Grier

## **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING RN TO BSN COMPLETION PROGRAM**

Kafila A Abiodun, RN  
Marcia A. McFarlane-Chung, RN

# GRADUATION HONORS

## SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Candidates who have earned an institutional cumulative grade-point average of 3.9 to 4.0 are awarded this distinction of highest honor. These graduates are wearing a Green stole.

## MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Candidates who have earned an institutional cumulative grade-point average of 3.80 to 3.89 are awarded this distinction of great honor. These graduates are wearing a Blue stole.

## CUM LAUDE

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### **Executive Administration**

Bashir Mohsen, EdD, CEO  
Julius Wangiwang, EdD, President

## **HONOR SOCIETIES**

### **ALPHA BETA KAPPA (ABK) NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY**

The Alpha Beta Kappa National Honor Society recognizes superior student academic achievement at postsecondary schools, institutes, colleges, universities, and distance learning institutions throughout the United States. Alpha Beta Kappa seeks to promote and reward personal integrity and excellence in mental and physical work and skills without regard to race, color, sex, creed, or national origin. Membership is based on merit. Individuals elected to membership in this honor fraternity sets them apart as exemplars of personal integrity and excellence.

*Members wear a red and black cord and an ABK pin.*

### **SIGMA ALPHA PI**

The Sigma Alpha Pi (SAP) or primarily known as the National Society of Leadership and Success (NSLS) is one of the largest honors societies in the US. The NSLS provides a life-changing leadership program that helps students achieve personal growth, career success, and empowers them to have a positive impact on their communities. Students are selected by their college for membership based on either academic standing or leadership potential.

*Members wear silver stoles and silver and black cords.*

***Dear 2025 Graduates,*** 

Eastern International College is proud to have you as graduates! We wish you continued success as you transition into the workforce.



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