Congratulations on the successful completion of your studies. Graduation marks the conclusion of one stage of your association with Macquarie University and the commencement of a new experience—a lifelong connection with the University through its alumni community. Alumni is a Latin word meaning former student.

The Macquarie University alumni community includes approximately 95,000 graduates, who live in more than 150 countries around the world. As a member of this community, you are encouraged to maintain active and continuing contact with your fellow graduates, and the University, through a range of social and professional activities organised by the Alumni Office.

There are many networking opportunities through local and international alumni chapters and at social and professional events held each year. You also have access to a wide range of benefits and discounts specially developed for Macquarie alumni. The Alumni Office will keep you informed of news from the University via its on-line magazine Sirius, and you can stay in touch with fellow graduates through Grapevine. You are warmly invited to contribute news to share with other graduates through Grapevine, an on-line search directory.

Alumni are automatically members of the wider community called Convocation, which also includes some staff and supporters of Macquarie. You are eligible to nominate for appointment to the University Council (four members of the alumni body sit on the Council), and you have the right to nominate for membership of the Standing Committee of Convocation. Both bodies play important roles in the governance of the University.

The Alumni Office is committed to supporting your connection with Macquarie University and to encouraging you to take part in its development.

Please contact us for further information on all alumni events and benefits, for details of your local chapter—and on how to become involved.

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Of studie took he moost cure and moost heed.
Hought to word spak he moore than was neede.
And that was seyd in forme and reverence,
And short and quyk and ful of hy sentence;
Sownynge in moral vertu was his speche,
And gladly wolde he lerne, and gladly teche.

(From the General Prologue to The Canterbury Tales, Geoffrey Chaucer c.1400)