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Manhattanville School of Business Celebrates 2015 Doctoral and Masters Commencement

Elite Dominican Republic students graduate through new international program; NYC Department of Education Chancellor delivers inspiring keynote

Purchase, N.Y. – (May 26, 2015) – An enthusiastic class of 122 students, 38 of which hail from the Dominican Republic, rejoiced in the conferment of their degrees at Manhattanville School of Business' 2015 doctoral and masters commencement on Thursday, May 14. Carmen Fariña, Chancellor of the New York City Department of Education, offered an inspiring keynote to this year's graduates.

This year, 38 exceptional international students received their graduate degrees as part of the education and business partnership the College launched 18 months ago. Selected from a competitive pool of nearly 100 highly qualified applicants from the Dominican Republic, the graduates received full scholarships from the Dominican Republic Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology. These esteemed students lived and studied on campus and were enrolled in various Masters of Science programs, including Marketing Communication Management, Business Leadership, International Management, Finance, Human Resource Management & Organizational Effectiveness, and Sport Business Management.

In addition to classes, the graduates had access to Manhattanville's Center for Career Development, and were encouraged to pursue internships in the Westchester and Fairfield business communities. The goal of the program is to help students hone skills they can immediately use in the workplace, allowing them to return to the Dominican Republic with experiences that will help accelerate them in their chosen fields.

"We are extraordinarily proud of all of our graduates and are thrilled to have been able to provide this impressive group from the Dominican Republic a rewarding educational experience," said Dr. Anthony Davidson, dean of The School of Business. "We believe connecting these students with local businesses helps broaden their views of the world and provides them with critical skills they can apply to their future careers."

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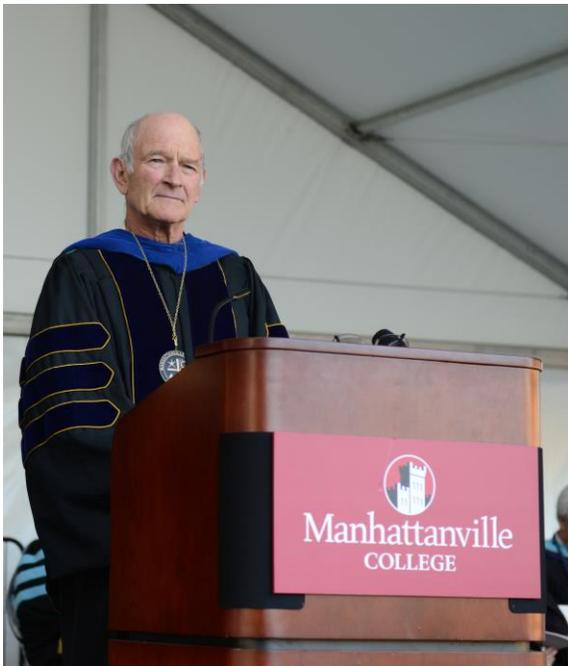
Seventeen of the 38 exceptional Dominican Republican students, who participated in Manhattanville School of Business's new international program, stand in front of Reid Castle at the Manhattanville School of Business' Doctoral and Masters Commencement, Thursday, May 14.



Manhattanville School of Business Graduate students process through historic Reid Castle before receiving their degrees at the Doctoral and Masters Commencement, Thursday, May 14.



Graduate students celebrate their graduation in front of the historic Reid Castle at the Doctoral and Masters Commencement, Thursday, May 14.



Manhattanville College President Jon Strauss speaks to Manhattanville School of Business' 2015 graduating class at the Doctoral and Masters Commencement, Thursday, May 14.



Carmen Fariña, chancellor of the New York City Department of Education was the keynote speaker at the Manhattanville College School of Business Doctoral and Masters Commencement, Thursday, May 14.

About The Manhattanville School of Business:

The Manhattanville School of Business (MSB) helps prepare today's professionals for tomorrow's business. Students capitalize on the school's industry-driven content, convenient formats, and extensive faculty and alumni network. Graduates and faculty are employed at top companies including Morgan Stanley, MasterCard, PepsiCo, the NFL, Verizon, and the New York Stock Exchange.

Located in the heart of Westchester County in Purchase, NY – and surrounded by Fortune 100 and 500 companies – MSB offers six Master's degrees, including Business Leadership, Finance, Human Resource Management and Organizational Effectiveness, International Management, Marketing Communication Management and Sport Business Management.

The Manhattanville School of Business also offers accelerated Bachelor's degree programs for adult learners and degree completers; several BS/MS dual degree options; a pre-professional post-baccalaureate; the Education and Research Institute for Managing Risk; a unique Nonprofit Management Certificate program delivered in five-module hybrid format; and the Women's Leadership Institute, designed to meet the leadership and professional development needs of women in the workplace. Additionally, MSB's Corporate Learning Services offers an array of industry-driven resources to assist organizations develop their employees and achieve their

goals. For more information about program offerings, visit www.mville.edu/business or call 914-323-5150.