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EMBA-Global Recognition Ceremony

Saturday, February 28, 2026

OPENING REMARKS

Costis Maglaras

Dean & David and Lyn Silfen Professor of Business
Columbia Business School

Gary Dushnitsky

Deputy Dean & Professor of Strategy and Entrepreneurship
London Business School

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI GUEST SPEAKER

Gunjan Doshi '09

Founder & CEO of InRhythm

CLASS WELCOME SPEECH

Jamechia "JD" Hoyle

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

The highest academic honor, this award is based on superior academic performance and presented to the student who has consistently exhibited a commitment to academic excellence.

Tatika Catipay

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

This award recognizes a member of the graduating class selected by their classmates as deserving special recognition for contributions to the spirit and achievement of the class.

Jamechia "JD" Hoyle

COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE

This award recognizes a member of the faculty for their outstanding contribution to the class.

Jay Dahya

Lecturer in Business - Finance Division
Columbia Business School

PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES

Sevinj Abdullayeva*	Cathy Jiang	Bakhtiyar Shikhzadayev
Elaff Abudawood	Jeanie Kim*	Abhishek Singh*
Dilbar Ahmadli**	Fabrice Kouaghu	Zak Smerczak**
Mazen Al Malki	Lucero Loera Martinez	Karen Smreker
Felipe Alvarez	Tatiana Lukina	Victoire Stamoulis
Khalid Binsalamah	Andrea Mangia	Sophia Sule
Andres Briseño Rodriguez	Jonathan Marks	Jake Taub
Tatika Catipay**	Lesego Mataboge	Gustavo Tipacti Almora
Mouli Chakravarty	Fermin Montemayor Santos	Yusuke Uchiyama*
Christina Chao+	Tomasz Orzechowski	Christy Wang+*
Rashida Elbourne	Trusha Patel	Adeline Wijayanti
Anisha George*	Ella Pravetz+	Daniel Wong
Shawki Gholmie	Lejla Radoncic	Chris Wu
Sandrine Hoeur*	Uzair Rashid*	Omar Zaman
Jamechia JD Hoyle+	Chealsea Rennhoff	

**Dean's Honors with Distinction

Students demonstrating exceptional academic performance, in the top 5% of the class, receive the graduation honor of Dean's Honors with Distinction.

*Dean's Honors

Students demonstrating exceptional academic performance, in the top 25% of the class, receive the graduation honor of Dean's Honors.

+Elected Student Representative

CLOSING REMARKS

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Congratulations to the EMBA-Global Class of 2026!

All are welcome to celebrate with our graduates in The CBS Women in Leadership Board Rooms, Geffen 310, 320, & 330 immediately following the ceremony.