

# Dear Mom and Dad,

## Messages to parents from UR seniors...

Dear Mom and Dad, I cannot thank you enough for all the support and love you have given me. I never would have made it here without you. Thank you for everything! Love, Gary Volkell

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Dear Mom and Dad, Thank you for always supporting me and believing in me. You are my role models! Love, Molly Zimmerman

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Dear Mom and Dad, You planted a seed and got to watch it grow. Now your seed is blossoming. Thank-you so much for everything. I could not have blossomed without you. Love, Anie

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thank you for being there whenever I needed it, and even when I thought I didn't need it. Thank you for teaching me respect, confidence, and proper etiquette. Thank you for letting me find my own way. Thank you for acknowledging how hard I've worked, but also know that I would not be here without you. Love, Alyssa Epstein

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Dear Mommy and Daddy, Thank you so much for always supporting me and always being there for me. I would not be where I am today without your help and support. You are the best parents in the world and I owe my success to you. I love you! P.S. I want cake when I get home. Love, Jill Spooner

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Dear Mom & Dad, I can't believe this day has finally come; I know we're all in shock. You two have been pillars of support, guidance and love in my life since the day I was born. I love you both and cannot express how important your presence has been throughout my college experience. Would be lost without you, and that's a fact. Love always, Alexis Ginsberg

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thank you for your constant support throughout my 4 years here at UR. I will never truly be able to express my sincere appreciation to the both of you. You've inspired me to continue to strive to be the best version of myself everyday. You have truly been the best support system I could have asked for. I love you! Katie Gardner

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Dear Mom and Dad, Congratulations! You are now 2/3 done paying college tuition! I remember the day I got my acceptance letter-- Mom, you cried. Now, thank you for the opportunity to come to Rochester! I would not be the person I am today without your constant patience, love, and support. Thanks for everything! Love always, Elisabeth/Zerds

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thanks for helping me keep my clothes on growing up, and for showing me what's important and what's right. I'm so proud to be the first member of our family graduating with a Bachelor's degree. I couldn't have done it without you two, Chris, Mike, and Dan. I love you. Brad

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Dear Mom, Dad, Marisa, Katie & Andrew, Though no amount of "thank yous" will suffice, I wanted to make sure you know that I appreciate the varieties of support you have given me--whether emotional, informational, or tangible. You have helped me remain stable in times of instability, and helped guide me in my moments of confusion. You are my role models, and I love you to no end.--Antonia Canuso-Reiner

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Dear Mom, I never would have guessed six years ago that your encouragement to "just visit" your Alma Matter would turn this skeptic into a true blue and yellow jacket. Thank you for your love and wisdom, I could not have had a better college experience. I could only hope to become half the amazing person you are. Love, Sarah

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Hey Mom & Dad! Thank you for supporting me through college. Thank you for always listening when I need to talk. Thank you for reminding me that everything will work out. And thank you for watching me run at a million races. You are the best. Love, Megan O'Connor

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Mom and Dad - each thing you do for me is a stair I climb to reach the platform where I now stand. You are the railing I hold onto and the lights that allow me to see my way. Only I can take these steps, but there would be nowhere to go without you there with me. Love ALWAYS, Julia.

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Mom and Dad, Thank you for giving me the chance to come to this school and for all of your support. Also, thanks for coming up to see an OBOC show. Next year, you don't have to help me pay for school anymore! :- ) Love, Sarah Rudzinskas

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Dear Mom and Dad, Thanks for instilling me with a strong passion for learning, and doing anything and everything to put me on a path towards success. I love you very much, and wouldn't be doing what I am today without your love and support. Love always, Matthew Kaufmann

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Professor Brooks in the religion department said in a lecture "You're smart because your parents raised you to be, because of the conversations you had." This resonated greatly with me recounting all the curiosities you entertained as I learned to categorize the world around me. Thank you for continuing the conversation with me and encouraging me throughout my life to pursue those situations which will give me something to say instead of just something to talk about. Love always, Jewell

Dear Mom and Dad, Celebrate! Your last kid has made it through college! Thank you for raising me to be happy, healthy, motivated, and loved. I wouldn't be here without your support and guidance. This triumph is yours as much as it is mine. I love you both, Adam

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Mom. Dad. What can I say other than thank you. You have given me the greatest gift of all, education and the freedom of choice. I would not be who I am today without your support, so thank you! Liesel Schwarz

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Dearest Mommy and Daddy, You have given me all the riches that life could offer and without you, I would never be where I stand today. You have afforded me with the opportunity to feel fortunate at any given moment. I promise I will always be by your side whenever you need me. I love and cherish you with all my heart! Love, Nur Aimi Abdul Ghani

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Dear Ma and Baba, I can't wait for you guys to surprise me with a new car after graduation! With Love,  
Debarshi Das

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Dear Mom and Dad, Thanks a lot for giving me the chance to study in the US. Thanks for always being there for me. I will always be thankful for what you have given me. Merci Beaucoup! Valerie Savenier

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Dear Mom and Dad - Thanks so much for everything you have done for me over the past 22 years. You guys have always believed in me and have been so supportive... I couldn't have asked for better parents! These past four years would have been impossible without you. I love you! Love, Jaimie

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"Thanks Mom and Dad for all you've done for me. You have ensured that I received the best education and opportunities possible; I wouldn't be where I am today without you. You've been so supportive and I hope I've made you proud." - Laurana Ryback

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Dear Mom, Dad, and family, It's the fourth year I am away from home and I really appreciate how much you helped me to explore the world during these years. I hope I make you all feel proud. I don't think I said this many times before, but I love you all so much. 我爱你们☺Yi

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Dear Mom & Dad, Graduation is scary. But because of your unwavering support and humor, I can boldly face the expectations of modern adulthood with the strength and courage you have cultivated in me. I am so grateful. When you are drooling and senile, I will be proud to take care of you. With Love, Adrienne Walcer

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thank you for all the support over the years, I couldn't have done it without you! Love, Vlad

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Dear Mom & Dad, There's no way I can concisely articulate what I want to say. I love you both more than anything, and it's because I know how much you've sacrificed to help me. I will continue to strive to push our name to new heights, and make the sacrifices necessary to make the future brighter for our family. Your son, Mazin

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Mom and Dad, Thank you for everything you've done to help me get where I am today. I am so grateful for all of the values you have instilled in me, especially kindness, and for all the encouragement you have given me. Thank you for never giving up on me and always remaining by my side. I love you. Jackie

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Dear Mom and Dad, I would not be where I am today without your constant love and encouragement. Your unwavering support of everything I do has helped make me who I am today and I am truly proud to be your daughter. I am so appreciative to know that I always have you both to lean on! Love you lots (your favorite daughter!) Nicki

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Dear Mom and Gib & Dad and Daph, Thank you for all your support over the past 4 years. I couldn't have done any of it without you. I love you so much! Love, Kirsten

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Dear Mom and Dad, Thank you so much for your never ending support and love. I am so glad that we have gotten to share this experience together as student and alumni. I am so happy that we will get at

least one more year of Meliora Weekend, Vocal Point Shows, and random visits. I love you both very much. Thank you for everything. Love Always, Lindsey

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Thanks for putting up with all my shenanigans these past few years (and in advance for those still to come...) - couldn't have done it without you guys! Love you muchly! Blair

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Mom, Dad & Family: I could never thank you enough for all of the Love, Support and Opportunities you have given to me over the years...(not to mention last minute paper editing haha!) I am so lucky to have my family and would not be myself without you guys! Love, Rebecca Simon

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Dear Mom & Dad, I made it! Thanks to your encouragement, I've had an amazing experience at the University of Rochester. Between learning a new language and trekking through the woodlands, I've met lifelong friends and learned so much about myself. I want to thank you for your invaluable love and support! Best of luck Colby - it's the best 4 years of your life! Love, Alex  
Dear Mom and Dad, The best things in life aren't things. Love, Claire

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Thank you for the college education, I am constructing my cardboard box shelter and making my "Homeless and Hungry College Graduate: Will Work For Food" sign. Your son, Andrew

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Dear Dad, Thanks for always being there and believing in me during my four years at Rochester! Your guidance and advice means the world to me. I love you! Love, Kelly Moore  
Dear Mom and Dad, I will be forever grateful for your support, strength, and understanding. You guys are awesome! Love, Carly Williams

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Mom and Dad, Thanks for helping me through the good times (Psychology) and the bad times (Bio/Chem). Thanks for guiding me when I completely changed my entire life plan in October of my senior year. Most of all, thanks for your love and support throughout these past 4 years. I love you! Alana Hampton

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Dear Mom and Dad, I made it! Thank you for all that you've done; I can't fully express how much I appreciate your guidance and help. Were it not for your constant love and support, the road would have been much less smooth. Love, Frank O Ferraro

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Dear Grandfather, Mom, Dad, Maggie and Alexander, After all the riches of life I have been given, I finally finished my college experience. Thank you for the love and support you have shown, especially through the storms of life. I hope all of you are proud of me and I promise...things will only get better from here. "There are only three things in life I care about; Money, the pleasure money brings me, and you guys." I love you all. God bless. —Michael

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Dear Mom and Dad, I hope you know that when I say, "I love you," I mean it with an encompassing sincerity that includes my gratitude for your influences upon my strengths, my admiration of the ways you live your lives, and my unconditional adoration for you. I love you both, Gloria

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Dear Mom & Dad, I know I probably didn't call home as often as I should have, but I just wanted you to know how amazing you both are. Thank you so much for all of your support these past 22 years, I couldn't have done it without you. -Alex d'Auteuil

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Mom and Dad, I can't begin to describe how thankful I am for all the support and encouragement you both have given me. I don't think I would be the person I am today without the opportunity to get such a great education that you made possible for me. Katie Cooper

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Dear Mom and Dad, It is your support, understanding, and love that helped me become who I am. You're the best parents I know, and I am proud to be your daughter. Thank you for my roots and wings. Love, Andrea Tina Depp

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Dear Mom & Dad, My commencement is a celebration for not only me, but for you as well. This accomplishment would not have been possible without your consistent support; mom with your three daily calls and dad with your random life lessons. The joy in your eyes and constant appraisal is my reassurance that I have made you proud. Love Always, Natasha

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Dear Mom, Dad, Mike & Jean, I am forever grateful for your undying love and unconditional support. Other than life itself, college is the best gift one can receive. For this and everything else you have done for me – thank you. Thank you for helping me figure out who I am and encouraging me to follow the path that led me here today. I love you more than anything. Love, Liz

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To my ever loving parents, thank you. I will always appreciate the support that you have given me and the sacrifices you have made to give me the life that I have. Forever your daughter. - Angelica

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thank you so very much for supporting me through the best moments and the worst moments of college. I wouldn't have found the strength to persevere without you. I'm looking forward to what the future will hold and sharing it with you. All of my love, XOXO Nunny

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Dear Family, I want to thank each and every one of you for helping shape me into the person I am today. I would not be here without all of your support, advice and encouragement. Thank you for traveling across the country to celebrate with me. I love you all so much! Love, Amber

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Dear Mom and Dad, I must first thank you for sending me to Gilmour, which is how I was prepared for the whirlwind that the past four years have been. Thank you for sticking with me through thick and thin, and for reminding me that things always get better. I am blessed that you have helped me grow into a strong and motivated young woman. Love, Katelyn Seliskar

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Dear Mom and Dad- I know I could not have achieved all that I have without you. Thank you for my upbringing and the support and opportunities you have given me. I love you." Jennifer Miller

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thank you Feeney family for being here to help me celebrate this momentous occasion. I could not have done this without you. Thank you for your encouragement and support. I am so grateful to have such an incredible family. I love you. Tess

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Dear Mom, Thanks for helping me decide to study what I wanted to, instead of what I felt I should. Your support has given me the leverage to go anywhere -- at least, anywhere that will accept English majors. Who knows - maybe without your singing songs with made-up lyrics, I would never have learned the power of words... even though yours were mostly nonsensical. Also, thanks for being my last-minute editor. Love, Tu hija

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Dear Mom and Dad, Thank you for instilling all of your years of wisdom onto me; I know now to be wary of things that sound too good-to-be true, e.g. sweetbread and black pudding. Father time has taught me that only three things in this world are constant: death, taxes, and a mother's love (sorry dad, Father's Day is \*next\* month). Elie

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Dear Mom and Dad, Although I'm graduating from college, I'm still learning not to "hide my light under a bushel basket", but I know you are proud of who I have become. Thank you for everything that you taught me that I could not have learned elsewhere. I will carry that knowledge with me for the rest of my life. I love you guys.

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Dear Dada and Megan, Thank you for all your support throughout the years. --Andrew

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thank you for revolving your world around me! Hopefully, it will pay off for you someday when I do something cool with my life and you can take credit for it. I can't express how thankful I am for all of the sacrifices that you've made and for all of the love that you've shown me. Your favorite son, Greg ;)

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Dear Mom and Dad, There are no words that can truly express the level of gratitude and appreciation I have for you. I am incredibly thankful to have parents like you and my success is a testament to your self-sacrifice and love. I love you both dearly! Thanks Mom and Dad!! Megan L. Roberts

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Dear Mommy and Uncle, For the past 22 years you two have been my rock and salvation. Through the ups and downs college has brought you always stood by me. Mommy you believed in me when no one else would. Uncle, thank you for being the father I needed when times were hard. I love you two so much. Love your Daughter, Fatima

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Mom and Dad, Thanks for all the love and support you have given me in my life, especially through my college years. Thank you for allowing me to achieve what I have today. Love, Andrew Moran

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Dear mom, Thank you so much for all of your love and support. I couldn't ask for a better mom. Love, Colleen

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Mom and Dad, Thank you for loving me unconditional. The sacrifices you've made to help your children be successful in life are indescribably. I love you more than I could ever describe in word. Your Son, Nicholas

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Thanks Mom and Dad! Your encouragement and support made all the difference. We'll always remember the emails, the phone calls, the driving back and forth, showing up for us while defying blizzards, the care packages, the guidance, and so much more... You make us proud. Javier & Joshua Jaramillo

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Dear Mom and Dad- Remember when we shared the excitement and anticipation when I first got into U of R? Since then you have been my never fail support team. You were the perfect balance of holding on and letting go. When I was frustrated and overwhelmed you gave me hope that I would overcome my obstacles. Thank you for your continued support. I couldn't have done this without you! Love, Natalie Scott

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Dear Mom & Dad, I am ever so grateful for the numerous ways you have supported me through my collegiate career. Thank you seems cliché in this setting, but nothing else is fitting. You have been mindful of me in every way, and I cherish all your guidance, love, and prayers. I am honored blessed to have you as parents! Deep thanks. Thank you! Kierstin Hakes

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Dear Mom, Dad and the rest of the Schepp family, Thank you so much for everything. You mean more to me than words can even say. Your words of wisdom and encouragement have helped me through so much! Thank you for everything you have given me! Love always, Meri

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thank you for limiting my undergraduate experience to 4 years. Now I can have my sanity back and you can have your bank account back. We made it! I love you! Emily Duke

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Dear Mom and Ahbah, I love you both so much. I'm not sure what else to say... Todah rrabah. - Yehoshua Levy

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Dear Mom and Dad, Thanks for always knowing how to cheer me up in difficult times, for making life worth it's true purpose. Thanks for always providing me with an opportunity to succeed in life, not only educationally, but emotionally, mentally, and spiritually as well. Finally, thanks for being you, because without your compassion and your love, I would be no where. Love always! Andy

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Dear Mom & Dad, From text-messaged images of Mr. Bones to shipments of California oranges, you have quite literally provided me with a taste of home when it was most needed. Your love is sweeter than a Scharffenberger chocolate bar and I am endlessly thankful for your advice and support these past years. Looking forward to our future world adventures. Je vous aime! Sarah Karp

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Dear Mom and Dad, I have made it this far because of you, but I will go even further in the future. Sincerely, Justin Ou

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Dear Mom & Dad, I would like to thank you both for always being my strength and support system throughout these last few years. I know its been hard for you two see me go away but you continue to encourage me and advise me to do my very best and strive for the number one spot. I love you both and thanks to your love, care and support, I will be forever thankful. Los quiero mucho, y muchisimas gracias por todo :) Madeline Corniel

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thank you so much for helping me get to this point in my life and for coming out to all of my soccer games in 20 degree temperatures. Love, Jimmy

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Dear Mom & Dad, I just want to thank you for your support through the past four years. I couldn't have done it without you. Drew Adams

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Dear Mom and Dad, Although I don't usually express it, I truly cannot thank you enough for all the love and support you have given me throughout my life. I know we've had our ups and downs, but it is through the good times and the hard times that we learn about ourselves and each other. I love you.  
David

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Dear Mom and Dad, I could not have gotten to this point in my life without your love and support. The best part is knowing that you will continue to be there for me in my future endeavors. I love you so much and thank you for everything I am today. Love, Sarah (Barnett)

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Dear Mom and Dad, I know I say "thank you" a lot, but I don't think that you'll ever understand how much I appreciate all that you have done for me. Without your support I know that I would not be graduating today. Thank you so much from the bottom of my heart and I love you both so much! Love  
Adriana

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Dear Mom & Dad Thank you for your support and encouragement, Mom and Dad! You've made all of my successes possible. I truly appreciate all of your help and advice. You're the best! PAULINE MUTO

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Dear Mom and Dad "Whether it's majoring in political science, economics, or engineering, you have always been supportive and given me the confidence to know that I can succeed. Your love, guidance, and support have enabled me to be confident, persevere through rough times, be who i want to be, and now graduate from college. Love your son, Taylor"

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Dear Mom and Dad, Three years ago we didn't think I could be standing where I am today. You have been a very important part of getting me here. I can never repay you for everything you've given me. As I head out into the world, I go with confidence because of the example you set and the strength you gave me. I love you both. Joshua Brown

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To: Manjinder and Avtar Grewal, Kamaldeep and Baldev Sekhon, and Harbans Kaur, I have been blessed in many ways, but one of the blessings that I make sure to count twice is my family. My mother and father, my aunt and uncle, and my grandmother have been my constant support system since before I can even remember. Thank you for all you have done, do, and will do!!! :) Lots of love,  
Amanjot K. Grewal

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Dear Mom, Thank you for everything that you have done for me. Most of my success is because of your support and guidance that have given me the confidence to lead me to where I am today. I appreciate everything that you do for me and hope that you know that. I love you!! Love, Jacqueline

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Dear Dad, Thanks for everything! I love you! Love, Jacqueline

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Mom and Dad-"You and Me and our memories...this is us..." Thanks for everything. I owe you one. I like you and I love you.

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thanks for pushing me so that I could achieve all I wanted, supporting me through all the ups and downs and helping me whenever I needed it these past 4 years. I cannot thank you

enough and I appreciate everything you've done. Also, thanks for curbing my ice cream addiction by sending me to a city that doesn't have it!

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thank you for everything: all of the riding lessons, soccer games, piano lessons and tuition fees. Thank you for always being there for me and loving me. I love you both. Love, Jessica

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You've always let me be independent. College was no exception. Every penny spent this past four years was well worth it- just in experiences alone. Oh right, and I got an education, too. Despite more rough patches than not, this past year was the best. And your faith in my abilities never faltered. I owe you the world for that.

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Dear Ma and Ba, YOU'RE THE BEST PARENTS EVER!!! Thank you for all the sacrifices you've made for me, and the devotion and love you've shown through the years. I've learned an incredible amount here at UR, and I appreciate your guidance and advice, which have helped me make the most of my college experience. I love you! Love, Ting

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Mom and Dad, It's been a roller coaster four years. Thanks for supporting me through the lows especially. Though sometimes I might not act like it, I wouldn't have made it this far without either of you. As for the future, don't worry, I'm sure I won't be done asking for advice then pretending to ignore it for years to come. -NJT

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To Mom, Dad, Steve, Aunt Diane, and Jake, Thank you so much for the support over these years. I know how much you have sacrificed to give me this life and I am forever grateful. All of you have made this process more enjoyable with your love, advice, laughter and inspiration. I hope that I may soon give back all that you have given me. Love, Michael

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Dear Mom and Dad, Our family has been through a lot together. You sent me somewhere that changed my life, and you did it with a Daniel size wound. Thank you for being strong, supportive, and amazing parents. Now, it's time for me to become a bit more independent, busy, and grown up. I love you. Love, Ashley Pemsler

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Dear Mom and Dad, Thanks for all your love and support for the past four years! I love you!  
Love, Jordan

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Dear Mom and Dad, Thank you for your continuing love and support. I am forever grateful! It is because of the two of you that I was fortunate to have had the opportunity to flourish here. I love you both so much! Love always, Melissa Leigh

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Dear Mom and Dad, Thank you so much for everything you have done and all that you continue to do for me. I appreciate the constant love, support and encouragement through every endeavor, no matter how big or how small. I would not have made it this far without the two of you. I am so lucky to have you as parents, and I am grateful everyday for that. I love you both very much! Love, Casey

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Thank you for everything you have done for me. I know how much you have sacrificed to give me the best opportunities available and for that I am eternally grateful. I love you both. Thanks for making me the man I am today. Ryan Staupe

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Dear Mommy & Daddy - thanks for making me practice the piano and do all those other thing I tried to weasel my way out of as a kid. So far so good. I love you! Jessie

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Dear Mom and Dad, THANK YOU for... unending understanding & patience; unconditional love & support; the sacrifices you make for me. Mom, you are such an encouragement and my rock. Dad, I miss you so much but I know you're continually watching and protecting from heaven. Words or actions can't even begin to express how much I <3 you. Your daughter, Elizabeth (Liz) Jin Sun Kim

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Dear Mom and Dad, Undergrad has been an interesting experience with the best of times and the worst of times. Thank you for your continuous support throughout. It has meant so much to know that you are always going to be there to watch over me and support me with everything. Love, Christine

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Dear Mom and Dad, There is not much I can say to express the amount of love and respect I have for you and the gratitude for all the support over the years. All I will say is "mata pita guru deivam", and that I would circle both of you to win a mango...you are the world to me! Love, Swapna

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Dear Mummy and PapaBear, "When I was a child of 14, my parents were so ignorant I could hardly stand to have them around. But when I got to be 21, I was astonished at how much they had learned in 7 years."- Mark Twain. Thank you for everything. I love you. Jo

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Thanks for understanding what happens in Rochester stays in Rochester. Thanks for teaching me life skills, such as doing laundry, assembling bikes, and speaking coherently to others. Thanks for driving hours to retrieve forgotten IDs... I would not be here without you. Thanks for your support in all my endeavors—even ballet. I owe it all to you. Thanks! Hannah

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Thank you for helping me become who I am today. Your love and support means the world to me. Thank you for putting up with me in my teenage years, and for giving me so many opportunities throughout my life, especially the opportunity to attend to this amazing school. I appreciate everything you have done for me. Thank you.

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Mom and Dad, Who said you can't go home again? I'll see you there. I promise this will all pay off. I love you. Nora P.S who knew that Humor Writing would be my most valuable class? Oops.

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Dear 老爸, 老妈: Thank you for the eight big checks for my tuition and thank you for the countless visits to school. Your steady supply of chicken soup has helped me conquer the four years of college. And now we have one more BS in the family! daughter: Ruijing

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Dear Mom & Dad, I cannot thank you enough for all the support and guidance you have given me! I love you both so much and feel so lucky to have such AMAZING parents. I know I can always count on you for advice or a laugh. You are both so inspirational. I know I can do anything I set my mind to because you will always have my back. I appreciate you guys for always believing in me. Love 'the luckiest daughter in the world", Heather

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Dear Mom and Dad, Thank you for teaching me about physics waves with the dog's leash when I was in first grade, and for always buying me any book I wanted. Daddy, thank you for making me tea in the morning in high school when I couldn't sleep at night. Love always, Molly Rose

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thank you for supporting me even through my wild and crazy adventures. It's taken me a while to realize that no matter what shenanigans I do, you are still there to keep me in line, and I appreciate that. I promise to make both of you proud of me in my next step of life. Love, Jay Nerger

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Dear Mom & Dad, You guys really are incredible. Thank you for all the support, I honestly could not have gotten this far without you. I love you both so much. Rebecca Glass

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Dear Mom and Dad, Thank you for supporting me throughout these years. I know that it may not have been easy for you guys to have me away from home since the young age of 13. All of these sacrifices paid off at the end and I really appreciate everything you guys have done for me. Love, Amelia Stone

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Dear Mom, Thank you for letting me come to the University of Rochester, even though it was nowhere near the state of California. I know it was hard to let me go far away both for school and abroad, but you did anyway. Thanks for letting me follow my dreams. Siempre, "Your honey bunny"

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thank you for being there, even though "there" is miles away. Thanks, Steffi

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Thanks for sympathizing with my dramatic complaints about how my workload was so unfair and I had so much more to do than anyone else, and then telling me to get off the phone and go do it. I wouldn't be graduating if you hadn't believed in me, supported me, and told me to get off Facebook during finals week.

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Dear Mom and Dad, Thank you for always making me feel loved, and always understanding me. It is nice to have parents who you can also consider your friends. So... am I cut off now? Love, Marley

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Dear Mom, Thank you for all you've done for me. I certainly would not be where I am today without your love, support, hard-work, and understanding. Your inner strength inspires and pushes me to constantly do better. You've always been there whenever I needed someone to lean on through all of life's trials, and I will be eternally grateful for that and your continued support as I begin this new chapter in my life. I love you! Love, Christina Gmyr

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Dear Dad, Mom, Amelia, and Brian, Thank you so much for all the love, encouragement, and support you've provided throughout my life. You have given me so many opportunities and wonderful memories, and I look forward to what the future brings for us. I am very blessed to have such a fantastic family! I love you!!! ~Jacqueline

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thanks for not making fun of my majors. You never know, my degrees in Cold War History and Comparative Religion might come in handy. Love, Devin Denny

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Dear Grandfather, Mom, Dad, Maggie and Alexander, After all the riches of life I have been given, I finally finished my college experience. Thank you for the love and support you have shown, especially through the storms of life. I hope all of you are proud of me and I promise...things will only get better

from here. "There are only three things in life I care about; Money, the pleasure money brings me, and you guys." I love you all. God bless. Michael

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It really means more than you know to have you both support me, allowing me to get where I am now. I want you to know that my successes are also yours. I love you both, thank you!

Dear Mom and Dad: Thank you both for giving me the confidence and courage to make the choices I have; from transferring schools to crazy workloads and sleepless nights, to figuring out what I wanted to do and doing it, even to applying for the Peace Corps, you've supported me the whole way and I couldn't be more grateful. Love, Tobey

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Thanks, Margaret Close

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Mom, Dad, Annie, and Rachael, Thank you for the support that you've given me both financially and emotionally, but even more importantly, all those packages of candy. Thanks for all the treks you made to and from Rochester, and for helping make my study abroad experience possible. You truly have given me the world. I love you, thank you! Michelle Filer

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Dear Mom and Dad, Thank you for all of your love and support! Mom- Thanks for being my shopping buddy, teaching me that everything happens for a reason, and being an amazing cook! Dad- Thanks for always making me laugh and teasing me...I'm slowly becoming less gullible! You guys are the best! Love you, Katie Prokop

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Dear Mom and Dad, I cannot thank you enough for all of the support and help you guys have provided me over the past four years. All care packages, visits with dinner, and a few loads of laundry helped me make it through college. I love you both and I am glad you made it up for another visit. Tom Dieringer

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thank you for being there for me whenever I needed you. I love you! –Andrea

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Mom, Dad, and Kevin: Thank you for all of your love and support. You were there when I needed to talk to someone not in Rochester and sent me comfort items with impeccable timing. I couldn't have done it without you all. Love, Shannon Alderfer

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Dear Mom & Dad, Thank you for being so supportive throughout my four years of college, for the encouragement, and of course, for the chocolate chip bits! Love, Rachel Sitts

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Dear Dad, I won the bet and graduated college, you owe me 5 dollars. John P.S. Dear Mom, Make sure Dad pays me. John

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I am proud to be your son, and thank god everyday that I have the family (and genes) that I do. By giving me life, you gave me the most versatile, beautiful, and powerful gift of them all- I promise to never waste another second. Thank you for my physical being, senses, cognitions, and spirit. You are the best :)

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