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Jordan:

1. Thank you so much for what you have done for me while I walk this varied sidewalks. You turn an ordinary young African American male into something special.
2. Thank you to the IWU faculty and staff for leading and teaching me useful things for after IWU. The friends I've made here have impacted who I am and I'm so thankful for you all, and I know we'll remain friends for years to come!
3. Being at Illinois Wesleyan taught me how to be a better student, a more confident leader, a more understanding friend, and a harder worker. Thank you for being everything I could have wanted in a college experience.
4. When I look back on my time at IWU, I do not simply think about the classes that I have taken and the grades I have received. Rather, it is the people that I have met here and the experiences I have had with them that have made these past 4 years so memorable.
5. Maggie was definitely the best roommate I ever had, God she was the best!
6. These last four years have been some of the most wonderful, difficult, and inspiring of my life. I'm so glad that I chose to attend Illinois Wesleyan University.
7. My time at IWU has been greater than I could have ever expected. Most of all, I had no idea what an incredible family I was going to be welcomed into by all the amazing professors I had each year, people to whom I will be forever grateful.
8. I would like to thank my scholarship donors for making my experience at IWU possible. My education is very important to me and I will forever be grateful for their assistance.
9. The Biology faculty at IWU has inspired me to continue following my passion for the Biological Sciences. The knowledge they have given me over the past 4 years has been a priceless gift that I will cherish throughout the rest of my life and career.
10. Spending four years at IWU has been such an enriching experience filled with fulfilling conversations, exciting memories, and great people. Thank you IWU for allowing me to pursue my passions.
11. Thank you to all the faculty and administration that promote individuality.
12. Thank you professors for being so passionate about what you teach. The classes I took with you continued my interest in my majors; I never once doubted I was in the right field thanks to you.

Blair:

1. Thank you to everyone who has helped me in this 4-year journey. These have been the best 4 years of my life!
2. My entire IWU experience was about growth and whether you all know it or not you impacted my growth greatly, and for that I am truly thankful.
3. I appreciate the opportunities for personal and professional growth that Wesleyan has offered me through its academic program, career programs, and guidance from its staff members.
4. What sticks with me the most about my time here is this: whether you've at Wesleyan now, or have taken what you've learned there out into the world, all of us who have grown up at this school share one passion. We live to help each other achieve our dreams, and for that, I will be forever grateful.
5. I loved my time at Wesleyan and I wouldn't trade it for anything in the world.
6. I would not be the person I am today without the support of my Illinois Wesleyan family...my roommates, friends, professors, and our administration. The people I have met here and the experiences we have shared have prepared me to do good in the world--thank you.
7. Thanks to the German department for giving me an awesome education, Mark Criley for being the best professor I had at IWU, and the study abroad office for giving me the opportunity to study abroad not once, but twice!
8. Thank you to the entire Senior class and the IWU faculty and staff for an amazing and impactful 4 years. This is an amazing place, and I'm so proud to be a Titan.
9. I don't know what I would have done without the close-knit community here at Illinois Wesleyan. Shoutout to my best friend, Andrea Tucci!
10. "One person cannot whistle a symphony." I owe so much to the people who have surrounded me the past four years. Thank you for your encouragement and support.
11. I would like to say a great big thank you to all of my professors and fellow students for a life changing college experience. Each class I have taken (or slept through), each student I have met and every friend I have made here has helped me realize the person I would like to become.

Brexton:

1. Thank you IWU, for showing me how to be independent, and become the adult I want to be.
2. Thanks to all the collaborators I have had the opportunity to work with at IWU for making me a better person and artist.
3. Shout out to Jess Beringer. After four years of friendship, I think you're stuck with me now.
4. It is impossible to list all the ways in which my friends have impacted my life positively. It will be a very different world after college, and I'm grateful for our time together!
5. This is an amazing institution and I'm so blessed I was able to partake in the IWU experience. Thank you to all the faculty/staff who have helped me along the way!
6. I would like to thank everyone who has influenced, supported, and inspired me during my academic journey. My experience at IWU would not have been as meaningful without the wonderful people who have helped me through it.
7. Without Wesleyan, I would never have realized my aptitude and passion for religious work. It has truly been amazing finding my path here with the help with the university chaplain and my co-Multifaith Ambassadors. Thanks for a great four years!
8. Thank you to all my sisters in Kappa Delta for helping me grow into the person I am today!
9. Thank you professors for being so passionate about what you teach. The classes I took with you continued my interest in my majors; I never once doubted I was in the right field thanks to you.
10. I am so thankful for the community of DRL. I have no idea where I would have ended up if it weren't for the love and support of everyone involved in our campus ministry.
11. Thank you to Elyse-Nelson Winger for igniting my passion for religious work and showing me what it truly means to embody grace and intelligence.

Josie:

1. Thank you to the IWU community for being my family away from home, for being incredibly supportive, and for giving me the strength and wisdom I need to succeed. I'm now ready to go out in the world and do well, but more importantly I'm ready to go out and do good.
2. IWU is a place that I couldn't imagine my life without, thanks to my wonderful class of 2015! Shout out to Sigma Kappa and IWU Titan Band!
3. Thanks Darcy, for all the great conversations. Some I may have been mandated to attend, but I truly am thankful for you and all you've done. Wanna grab a beer after graduation?
4. Although I had to attend the same college as my twin because my mom said so. I am so thankful. I could not have chosen a better person as my best friend and feel extremely blessed that God picked you out for me. I love you, Amy.
5. Thanks quad squirrels, for always being there for me... except when it's night and y'all turn into quad bunnies.
6. Thank you to several faculty and staff members who have given me guidance and helped me find my path, and thank-you to Aaron Harris Woodstein for trusting me to direct "Turn That Thing Around." Aaron, this collaboration has been my most meaningful artistic experience so far, and I know we will both go on to do great things.
7. Thanks to Bandon Landau for looking out for us these past four years.
8. I would not be the person and student I am today without the constant support of my friends, family, and the Religion Department. I am grateful for the way they have changed my worldview and the impact they had on my IWU experience.
9. Thank you, Quad Sperm, for reminding us that we can get by with a lot as long as our explanation is: "It's art!"
10. Here at IWU, We learn OUTSIDE of the classroom. Thanks, Saga Rose, for reminding us to always spray the waffle maker.