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GRADUATES COUNT THEIR BLESSINGS

Zimbabwean Takudzwa Blessing Madzivadondo, far right, had plenty of reasons to celebrate his long awaited graduation at the University of Newcastle. He is one of the 19 students that make up the first cohort of UON and BINUS University's two degree program in

Indonesia, which sees students complete one program of study in Jakarta and receive one degree from UON and one from BINUS University. Yesterday, Mr Madzivadondo received his Bachelor of Commerce with Distinction from UON, to add to his Bachelor of Economics from

BINUS. He achieved full scholarships for both. "I was pretty good at mathematics and accounting during high school, so I think I was just destined to be dealing with numbers ... I feel like I've achieved so much," he said. **HELEN GREGORY reports, more SIMONE DE PEAK pictures: INSIDE**