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Two Sets of Family Members to Graduate Together This Weekend During Barry University's Fall Commencement

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Miami Shores, Fla. – More than 1,200 students will receive their diplomas during Barry's graduate and undergraduate commencement ceremonies this Saturday, Dec. 17, at the James L. Knight Convention Center in downtown Miami. There will be two ceremonies taking place – one at 10 a.m. and another at 2 p.m.

Among those graduating this weekend are Jennifer Marques, Wanda Sily and Karina Baesso – three family members from Miami-Dade and Broward Counties. Sily and Marques, mother and daughter, are from Miami-Dade, and both will be receiving their bachelor's degree. Sily will receive hers in English and Marques will receive hers in philosophy. Baesso, of Broward, Sily's daughter-in-law, will receive her bachelor's in biology. The three will walk together during the 10 a.m. ceremony.

During the 2 p.m. ceremony, mother and daughter, Belva Williams Jones and Debra Grant, will also graduate together as they receive their bachelor's degree. Jones will receive her degree in public administration, while Grant receives her degree in professional studies. Both Jones and Grant reside in Miami-Dade County.

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