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# Chinese President XI Jinping Encourages Students of Beijing Normal University Attending the Outstanding Teachers Program

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### Xinhua News Agency, Beijing, Septembe

n September 7, 2022, President XI Jinping replied to a letter from students of Beijing Normal University(BNU) attending the Outstanding Teachers Program, expressing ardent expectations of such students, while extending congratulations and best wishes to all faculty members, students and alumni of BNU, and greetings to teachers across the country ahead of the 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary of BNU and the 38<sup>th</sup> Teachers' Day.

President XI Jinping said in the letter

that "Over the past year since you were enrolled in the program, through course study and offering teaching service in underdeveloped regions, you have enriched your knowledge, broadened your horizons and hardened the conviction of going down to serve at the grassroots. I am very glad to learn that."

President XI Jinping pointed out that "Beijing Normal University, as the earliest modern teacher-training institution of higher learning in China, has cultivated a great number of outstanding teachers for the country. I hope that you will carry forward the university's motto 'Learn, so as to instruct others; act, to serve as example to all', waste no time and study hard, cultivate your moral character and improve your capabilities of teaching students both knowledge and the way of leading a rewarding life. I also hope that you will serve in places where the country and people need you the most, and work hard to become a qualified teacher with firm



ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence so as to commit yourselves to nurturing a new generation of capable young people with moral grounding, intellectual ability, physical vigor, aesthetic sensibility and work skills for the socialist cause." "Outstanding Teachers Program for serving the underdeveloped areas in central and western regions" (referred to as the "Outstanding Teachers Program"), which normal universities, directly under the Ministry of Education, and local normal colleges will train about 10,000 teachers for service in primary and secondary schools in 832 counties emerging from

Since 2021, China has launched the

# Chinese President XI Jinping's Letter to Students of Beijing Normal University Attending Outstanding Teachers Program

### Dear students,

I have received your letter. Over the past year since you were enrolled in the program, through course study and offering teaching service in underdeveloped regions, you have enriched your knowledge, broadened your horizon and hardened the conviction of going down to serve at the grassroots. I am very glad to learn that. As Beijing Normal University celebrates its 120th anniversary, I would like to extend my warm congratulations and best wishes to all faculty members, students and alumni!

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Upon the arrival of Teachers' Day, I would like to wish all teachers across the country a happy festival!

poverty, and along the land borders in central and western regions every year. Recently, the student representatives of BNU attending the Outstanding Teachers Program have written to Chinese President XI Jinping, reporting their learning gains since they were enrolled in the program and expressing their determination to offer teaching service in underdeveloped regions.

Xi Jinping September 7, 2022

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# The Celebration of the 38<sup>th</sup> Teachers' Day and the 120<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of **Beijing Normal University Held**

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t 10:00 am on September 8, 2022, the celebration of the 38th Teachers' Day and the 120th anniversary of Beijing Normal University (BNU) was held. In the letter to students of BNU attending the Outstanding Teachers Program, Chinese President XI Jinping extended his warm congratulations and best wishes to all faculty members, students and alumni as BNU celebrated its 120th anniversary.

HUAI Jinpeng, Minister of the Minstry of Education, read out Chinese President XI Jinping's important letter to students of BNU attending the Outstanding Teachers Program, and delivered a speech. The celebration was participated by XIA Linmao. Member of the Standing Committee and Secretary of the Education Working Committee of the Beijing Municipal Party Committee, CHEN Zongxing, Vice Chairman of the 11th Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, WEI Ligun, Former Secretary of the Leading Party Group and Head of the Research Office of the State Council, LIU Binjie, Former Secretary of the Leading Party Group and Minister of the National Press and Publication Administration and Former Minister of the National Copyright Administration, HE Yiting, Chairman of the Social Development Committee of the 13th National People's Congress, LONG Xinmin, Member of the Standing Committee of the 12th



习近平回信勉励北京师范大学"优师计划"师范生 到祖国和人民最需要的地方去 努力成为党和人民满意的"四有"好老师



Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference and Former Deputy Director of the Party History Research Center of the CPC Central Committee, ZHANG Tingfang, an outstanding alumnus of BNU and Former Vice President of Tibet University who has long been rooted in border construction. CHENG Jianping, Secretary of the Party Committee of BNU, MA Jun, Deputy Secretary of the Party Committee and President of BNU, relevant leaders of the Ministry of Education, alumni representatives, representatives of educational philanthropists, BNU's leaders, representatives of former leaders, and representatives of teachers and students, and representatives of the media on the site

President MA Jun delivered a speech titled "revitalization of the country through education in 120 years". Vice President KANG Zhen presided over the celebration. Faculty members, students, alumni at home and abroad, and people from all walks of life who care about and support the development of BNU gathered together on campus or cloud to celebrate the 120th birthday of BNU.

The celebration kicked off with the solemn national anthem

# HUAI Jinpeng, Minister of the Ministry of Education, read out Chinese President XI Jinping's important letter and delivered a speech



HUAI Jinpeng pointed out that in the letter to students

of BNU attending the Outstanding Teachers Program, Chinese President XI Jinping expressed his earnest expectations on students, and extended his warm congratulations and best wishes to all faculty members. students and alumni of BNU and to all teachers across the country on the occasion of the 120th anniversary of BNU and the 38th Teachers' Day, which fully reflects the CPC Central Committee's great attention to education and concern for teachers and students, expresses the expectation for teachers in the new era to cultivate morality, impart knowledge and educate people, and provides the direction and fundamental guidance for the cultivation of high-quality teachers. The education system should earnestly study and understand, and firmly carry out, the spirits in the letter.

HUAI Jinpeng emphasized that BNU should keep in mind Chinese President XI Jinping's entrustment, take the 120th anniversary of BNU as a new start, shoulder the heavy responsibility, accelerate the development, and strive to promote the construction of a world-class university with Chinese characteristics. Firstly, BNU should insist on following the overall leadership of the party, combine the learning and implementation of the spirits in the important letter and the thorough implementation of Chinese President XI Jinping's important statement on education, and run itself under the guidance of socialism. Secondly, BNU should adhere to cultivating morality, educate people with XI Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, and strive to train a new generation of teachers for the era who can bear great responsibility. Thirdly, BNU should presist in serving the demand, accurately align with national strategic needs, strengthen organized scientific research, and accelerate the building of a national strategic scientific and technological force. Fourthly, BNU should insist on deepening the reform, innovate the teacher training model and evaluation system, thoroughly implement the "Outstanding Teachers Program", and strive to train qualified teachers with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence that the Party and people are satisfied with.

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# MA Jun, president of BNU, delivered a speech



MA Jun, on behalf of BNU, would like to extend a warm welcome to all the leaders and guests present at the celebration, holiday greetings and sincere wishes to all the faculty members, students, and alumni at home and abroad, and heartfelt thanks to people from all walks of life who have cared about and supported the development of BNU for a long time. He said that it is a great honor and inspiration that Chinese President XI Jinping replied to the letter of students of

BNU attending the Outstanding Teachers Program, extending his warm congratulations and best wishes to all faculty members, students and alumni and his deep concerns and ardent expectations for all BNU people on the occasion of the 38<sup>th</sup> Teachers' Day and the 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary of BNU.

MA Jun pointed out that BNU has been promoting the revitalization of the country through education in the 120-year history. BNU is built in the extraordinary years of national crisis and national salvation, develops in the socialist revolution and construction period when the world changes and people are determined to improve themselve, expands in the reform and opening up and socialist modernization period requiring people to emancipate the mind and forge ahead, and advances courageously in the new era of great rejuvenation featuring integrity, innovation, self-confidence and self-improvement. Over the past 120 years, BNU has lived and breathed with the nation, always insisted on the sacred mission of revitalizing the country through education, and made historic contributions in the pursuit of great revival of modern China with the high sense of responsibility and sense of mission, painting a magnificent picture.

Looking back at the course of struggle of 120 years, we have a common understanding: despite changes in the times and the society, BNU will pass on its fine tradition and spirit of "normal university with red inheritance" forever. BNU always adheres to continuing the unremitting pursuit of "patriotism, progress and pioneering spirit", carrying forward the motto of "learn, so as to instruct others; act, to serve as example to all", inheriting the education concept of "pursuing studies, cultivating moral character and benefiting others", and cultivating the temperament and character of "great virtues, hard work and happy education as the highest good". The development history of BNU is a vivid miniature of the development of China's higher normal education, a wonderful record of the development of China's modern science, education and culture, and a shining portrayal of the Chinese nation's pursuit of the dream of rejuvenation and the road to make China strong through education since modern times.

MA Jun emphasized that on the 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary of BNU, a new start point in history, we should carefully study and understand Chinese President XI Jinping's important letter, review his important speech on a qualified teacher with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence, further enhance the sense of responsibility and sense of mission for shouldering the great trust from the party and the country, and determine the more clear direction of development. Facing the future, BNU should comprehensively strengthen its responsibility to serve the country, enhance its ability to serve the country, and promote the high-quality development of its undertakings, so as to make new achievements on the new journey. We must shoulder the mission of national rejuvenation

and strive for national prosperity and people's happiness; shoulder the mission of making China strong through education, and always lead teacher education in China; shoulder the mission as a first-class university and always take the lead in building a world-class university with Chinese characteristics; shoulder the mission of cultural inheritance and innovation and always pioneer social moral. We must keep in mind Chinese President XI Jinping's entrustment, profoundly comprehend the decisive significance of the situation that Party has established Comrade XI Jinping's core position on the Party Central Committee and in the Party as a whole and defined the guiding role of XI Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, strengthen the consciousness of the need to maintain political integrity, think in big-picture terms, follow the leadership core, and keep in alignment with the central Party leadership, enhance the confidence in the path, theory, system and culture of socialism with Chinese characteristics, uphold XI Jinping's core position on the CPC Central Committee and in the Party as a whole as well as the Central Committee's authority and its centralized, unified leadership, follow the strong leadership of the CPC Central Committee, inherit the original intention of BNU, shoulder the mission of rejuvenating the country through education, speed up the construction of a world-class university with Chinese characteristics, welcome the opening of the 20th National Congress of the CPC with outstanding achievements, and make new and greater contributions to the comprehensive construction of a modern socialist country, the realization of the Chinese dream of national rejuvenation, and the advancement of human civilization.

# Congratulatory letters and videos from colleges and universities at home and abroad, cooperators, all sectors of society and alumni at home and abroad

On the eve of the celebration, BNU received nearly 260 congratulatory letters and videos from colleges and universities at home and abroad, cooperators and all sectors of society, and many greeting videos from alumni at home and abroad. At the celebration, teachers, students and guests watched together "cloud congratulation" video clips from the Peking University, the East China





Normal University, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the Yale University, and alumni such as Mr GU Mingyuan, senior professor of BNU, Academician LI Peng, President of Zhengzhou University, and GOU Xiaolong, one of the first batch of government-supported normal students and teacher of Shaanxi Baoji Weibin Middle School.



Awarding of BNU's third lifetime achievement award for the qualified teacher with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence



Later, the awarding ceremony of BNU's third lifetime achievement award for the gualified teacher with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence was held. Since 2017, BNU has established the honorary title of lifetime achievement award for the gualified teacher with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence in order to carry forward noble teachers' ethics, set up good examples in imparting knowledge and educating people, and commend outstanding teachers who have made outstanding contributions in the field of education and teaching. At the ceremony, teachers, students and guests reviewed the exemplary deeds of the winners of the first and second lifetime achievement awards for the qualified teacher with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence, and Secretary CHENG Jianping and President MA Jun presented

the trophy and certificate to the winner of the third lifetime achievement award for the qualified teacher with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence, namely, Mr. LIN Chongde, senior professor of BNU from the Faculty of Psychology.



# Flag presentation to graduates of the Launch Program

Later, the ceremony of flag presentation to graduates of the Launch Program was held. In recent years, to thoroughly implement the spirit of Chinese President XI Jinping's important speech on the qualified teacher with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence, the Party Committee of BNU took the lead in launching the "Program of Expanding the Number and Improving the Quality of Teachers", and started the "Outstanding Teachers Program" and the Launch Program for qualified teacher with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence to encourage and instruct more excellent graduates to serve in the field of primary education, go down to serve at the grassroots in central and western regions, and



strive to become a qualified teacher with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence. Mr. GU Mingyuan, Mr. LIN Chongde, Mr. ZHANG Tingfang,





Secretary CHENG Jianping and President MA Jun presented flags to representative of 2022 graduates attending the Launch Program. The representatives made a solemn oath



that they would go to all parts of the country with positive and enterprising spirits and open the chapter of life of serving the country as teachers.

At last, the celebration came to a successful end with the Song of Beijing Normal University sang by all the present guests, teachers and students, and online alumni.

The celebration was broadcast live through such platforms as xuexi.cn, People's Daily, Guangming Daily, cnr.cn, culturedc. cn, BNU's Wechat video account, Weibo, Douyin, Kuaishou, Bilibili, and Qiangshi Online.

# **"120-year Glory" Themed Youth Singing Party for Celebrating** the 38<sup>th</sup> Teachers' Day

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n September 7, 2022, Chinese President XI Jinping replied to a letter from students participating in the Outstanding Teachers Program at the BNU, expressing earnest expectations on such students and extending congratulations and best wishes to all faculty members, students and alumni of the BNU and greetings to teachers across the country ahead of the 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the BNU and the 38th Teachers' Day.

On September 8, BNU held the "120year Glory" themed youth singing party for celebrating the 38th Teachers' Day. It was broadcasted live on 17 platforms and viewed by 2.937 million people online.

The sound of muduo never ends; the 120-year glory is in the prime. Through the youth singing party, we want to show the history and culture of BNU, convey the ideal ambition and value pursuit of BNU people, and send the

most sincere holiday wishes to teachers and educators. The singing party consists of six chapters theming "a seed, a beam of light, a drop of water, a tree, a group of people, and a dream" respectively.



# Introduction · A Seed Salute our forefathers in education for the original aspiration

In every seed lies the power of life and the desire to grow. 120 years ago, the Education Department of Imperial University of Peking Hall was founded, shouldering the mission of imparting knowledge, educating people, and revitalizing the country through education, exploring the way of educating people, and pursuing the light of revitalizing the country. Over more than 100 years, the BNU has been committed to spreading advanced educational ideas, and innovating educational theories and practice. The 120-year glory starts from the painstaking work and boundless hope of the light chaser in sowing.



A good harvest depends on the spring sowing; as the spring sowing has been done, the future is promising. In the chorus of children from the Asia Pacific Experimental School of Beijing Normal University, the clean, pure and powerful



# **Chapter I · A Drop of Water** Salute teachers for the character as good as water



A drop of water is the softest but can wear the stone, and is the most invisible but never yields in spite of reverses. The members of the Jinfan Dance Troupe from the Experimental High School Affiliated to Beijing

voice cut through the lavers of soil and brought tender shoots called youth and growth. What our forefathers asked has already turned into today's answer. The glory of Chinese education shines in the new era, as you wish.

Normal University performed "spring rain", showing water moistening everything through dancing postures. Teachers exert a subtle influence on the character of students, just like water moistening things silently.



The Faculty Choir of the Beijing Normal University Labor Union and the Dance Department of the School of Arts & Communication of Beijing Normal University jointly performed the story of alumna ZHANG Tingfang's offering teaching service in the underdeveloped region. Half a century ago, ZHANG Tingfang, 26 years old, left her hometown of Beijing and devoted most of her life to Tibetan education. Unfamiliar environment and language barrier did not knock her down. She and her husband WANG Junmei jointly compiled the Chinese Language Textbook in Chinese Pinyin, Chinese, and Tibetan.

"I miss the moon of my hometown and the reflection of green mountains in the







Ensemble and Chorus That's Me



water. Oh, mother, if you hear a folk song from afar, that's me, that's me."

The students in Beijing and Zhuhai sang a song Boundless Oceans, Vast Skies at the same time. Mighty rivers run to the sea; the sea embraces all rivers; the sea is wide and the sky spacious!



# **Chapter II · A Beam of Light** Salute teachers for the belief that lights our lives

A beam of light cuts through the night sky, illuminating the direction forward; little starlights confluence into the milky way, glowing all over the sky. The Recitation Group of the Beijing Normal University Labor Union shouted "I am the light" in the poem. The Dance Department and the Music Department of the School of Arts & Communication jointly performed the works The Country's Rise or Fall and Sunset Song.



"Governing the country and bringing peace to the world will depend on us". It is a tearful candle that burns





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self to illuminate others; it is the ray of belief like "the rising sun shining in the world".

In the tide of the Times, let us set sail; on the stage of BNU, youthful songs float. BNU people of different ages sang 120-year Youth, showing the 120-year heritage and emerging power.



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# **Chapter III · A Tree** Salute teachers for the spirit of taking root in education

A tree roots in solid ground. In countless seemingly ordinary days and nights, teachers play the song of educating people with chalk, just like towering trees that build the foundation, hold up a shade, and offer more fruits.



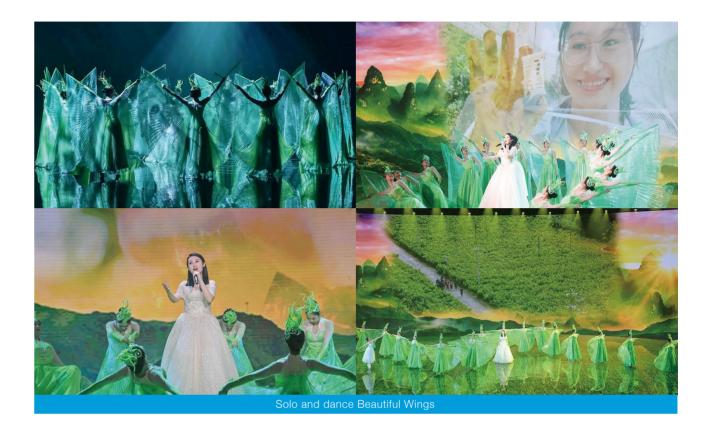


BNU flourishes. The students from the affiliated schools gathered together and showed the vitality of BNU students with the dance Making Progress Every Day.





The song Love You expressed respect and thanks to teachers and the school; the program Beautiful Wings showed that people can bloom infinite wonderfulness in a limited range on the stage of life.



**Chapter IV · A Group of People** Salute every ordinary teacher in the world



A group of people share the burden of the country. At historical moments that promote the progress of the Times and save the nation

from danger, such as the "May 4th" Movement, the "December 9th" Movement..., BNU people have bravely walked in the forefront of

the Times. It is the aspiration of the group of light chasers to shoulder the mission and promote national prosperity.

They sing the melody of truth on the platform, and use the firm belief and the true feeling of serving the country to write the youth without regret.



The students from the Jinfan Dance Troupe and the Ma Lanua Choir of the High School Affiliated to Beijing Normal University expressed their respect and affection for their beloved teachers through the dance.



In the song of Under Phoenix Mountain and Qualifed Teacher with Four Characters, teachers and students kept in mind the instruction on a qualified teacher with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence; the audience passed the banner of "long live teachers" to pay respect to the most glorious teacher profession.



# **Epilogue · A Dream** Salute BNU for promoting the revitalization of the country

through education in the 120-year history

education in keeping carrying forward culture and developing education the past 120 years, and will write the education dream in the new era with action.







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# **They Personally Received the Special Five-starred Red Flag!**

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At 18:37 pm that day, six members from the national flag guard of BNU went to Tian'anmen Square, received the national flag that flew over the Tian'anmen Square on the 120th anniversary of BNU from the quard of honour of the three services, and escorted it to the scene of the youth

singing party. The 39 members of the national flag guard at the scene presented to the audience the special five-starred red flag, which will be permanently enshrined in the History Hall of Beijing Normal University.

The video on the handover and

# **Impressions of members**

NU has been promoting the revitalization of the country through education in the 120-year history. September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 marks the 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary of BNU. To celebrate the 120th anniversary. BNU held a series of activities such as the celebration of the 38th Teachers' Day and the 120th anniversary of BNU and the "120year Glory" themed youth singing party. The Women's National Flag Guard of BNU actively participated in the celebration activities and took practical actions to celebrate the birthday of our alma mater.

On the morning of September 8th,



BNU held a flag-raising ceremony to celebrate its 120th anniversary at the BNU Square. At 7:00 am, the flag-raising ceremony officially began. The members of the national flag guard marched with elegant appearance, good spirit, heroic bearing and sonorous pace. They escorted the national flag to the flag-raising platform with neat steps under the gaze of all audience. As the national anthem sounded, the bright five-starred red flag was unfurled and slowly rose. All teachers and students stood in awe, singing the national anthem together in front of the flying national flag and saluting with eyes to express their deep wishes to their alma mater.



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We are so happy and proud that we can, on behalf of the Women's National Flag Guard of BNU, hand over the national flag at the Tian'anmen Square for our alma mater on the 120th anniversary of BNU.

mood, looking at the sonorous pace and through the meridian gate and end gate with the guard of honour of the three services, we stopped in the face of Jinshui Bridge, looking at the flag raising and lowering square team that went across Chang'an Avenue, and the national flag that was slowly lowered, and then handed over to our hands... I think I will never forget the texture and weight of the national flag in my hand that is the inheritance of the national flag guard and the belief. The national flag will always be cherished in the hearts of every BNU people. In the scene of the youth singing party, almost when I grasped the corner of the flag

Today is the 120<sup>th</sup> birthday of our alma mater. Chinese President XI Jinping also replied to the letter of students of BNU attending the "Outstanding Teachers Program", encouraging them to serve in places where the country and

display of the national flag attracted warm response and attention from teachers and students of BNU as soon as it was broadcast. As the members of the national flag guard who were part of the glorious moment, they have a lot to sav...

people need them the most, and work hard to become a qualified teacher with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence that the party and people are satisfied with. I swore in my heart that as a student of BNU. I would devote myself to the sacred cause of defending and building the motherland.

Tian'anmen Square on September 8th, 2022 will be permanently enshrined in the History Hall of Beijing Normal University and in the hearts of all BNU people!"

### YUAN Mingjing a 2020 member of the national flag guard

In nearly a month of training, I seemed to find the feeling of military training for freshmen, that is, it was very tired but very substantial to stand at attention and practice queueing; the training was also very effective. I was also very lucky to be selected as a member of the national flag guard. All members worked together to repeatedly modify the movements and test the method of folding and unfolding

the national flag, so that we could make no mistake when we finally got the national flag. Although it is a pity that I could not participate in the flag presentation at the Tian'anmen Square, when the national flag really appeared in front of us, the nervous and excited mood was beyond words. We practiced carefully, found the most efficient way to complete the task, and checked again and again until we appeared on the stage. When we perfectly unfolded the national flag that flew at the Tian'anmen Square on September 8th and heard the cheers of the audience, I already cried my eyes out. Thank the directors, instructors and all the members. We accomplished this task together and celebrated the birthday of BNU in the best way!

### ZHANG Yijing a 2020 member of the national flag guard

It is the highlight moment in my life that I can hold the national flag at the scene of the "120-year Glory" youth singing party. I am very proud of myself as a BNU people and a member of the national flag guard. This year is my last year in BNU. I am very grateful to the national flag guard for giving me this opportunity to have such a glorious experience in my last university life.

Before appearing on the stage, the national flag guard trained again and again without physical objects, just to successfully complete the handover on the stage. The holiness and majesty of the national flag is deeply imprinted in the heart of every member of the national flag guard. We must not make mistakes! Because the national flag is the mission of our national flag guard, and the treasure that our dozens of people are determined to guard! The uniform soaked with sweat again and again, the military posture that we stand at until the leg hurts, and the arm that still hurts until now witness that I have tried to protect the national flag, which is worth all the efforts!

### ZHOU Mingyue a 2019 member of the national flag guard

On September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022, I set foot on the road to attend the flag-giving ceremony at the Tian'anmen Square with nerves and excitement. When I really saw the guard of honour of the three services, I had mixed feelings, including excited, moved and shocked feelings. At the moment I saw the national flag, I felt very proud of myself as a Chinese and a BNU people. Hearing the letter from Chinese President XI Jinping to encourage students of BNU attending the "Outstanding Teachers Program", I am more determined to study hard, cultivate the character, improve capabilities, and become a capable people with moral grounding, intellectual ability, physical vigor, aesthetic sensibility and work skills for the socialist cause.

> LIAO Zihan a 2021 member of the national flag guard

Today, the Women's National Flag Guard of Beijing Normal University has overcome all difficulties and successfully completed its mission, delivering a satisfactory answer to itself and the university.

When we arrived at the Tian'anmen Square,

and stopped at Jinshui Bridge with the guard of honour of the three services, I looked at them from the front of me to the flag, with footsteps echoing in the bridge opening, accompanied by sunset in Beijing and the moment that we unrolled the national flag at the scene of the youth singing party, the cheers from the audience almost drowned the background music, and I heard someone shouting the national flag guard and saw all the people were proud of us. How difficult, how precious, how lucky! On the occasion of the anniversary of BNU, Chinese President XI Jinping replied to the letter of students of BNU attending the "Outstanding Teachers Program", encouraging them to serve in places where the country and people need them the most, which showed the ardent expectations BNU people in the era. In the future, I will try my best to improve my quality and become a capable person in the era.

Thank the motherland, thank BNU, and thank myself!

### HUANG Yixin a 2021 member of the national flag guard

BNU has been promoting the revitalization of the country through education in the 120-year history. It is a great luck and honor for me to appear on the stage of the "120-year Glory" youth singing party as a member of the national flag guard and personally hold the five-starred red flag that flew at the Tian'anmen Square. I will keep in mind the entrustment of Chinese President XI Jinping in his letter to students of BNU attending the "Outstanding Teachers Program", waste no time and study hard, cultivate moral character, and leave the most beautiful mark in youth.

> HOU Yueman a 2020 member of the national flag guard

The sound of muduo never ends. The Women's National Flag Guard handed over the national flag for collection in the song of teachers' pursuit of light and dream in the new era. The 120-year glory lights up the dream. The students of BNU will surely compose their educational dreams in the new era with practical actions, remain true to their original aspirations, waste no time, strive to become a qualified teacher with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence that the party and people are satisfied with, and make contributions to the cultivation of a new generation of capable young people with moral grounding, intellectual ability, physical vigor, aesthetic sensibility and work skills for the socialist cause.



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on establishment of the Teachers' Day, from which the Teachers' Day comes. The third episode "Youth" tells the story that on the way to participate in the activities for the Youth Day, a freshman passed by YU Hua's classroom, met with MO Yan talking about literature and life, and saw the spring scenery of BNU; then, the freshman had the inspiration of benefiting a lot from youth. "TODAY" of LIANG Qichao, LI Jinxi, LU Xun, WANG Zikun, QI Gong, MO Yan, YU Hua and other generations of teachers forms a long and exciting song of teachers' inheritance.

The Film "Today and Me" Shown Specially on the Teachers' Day! Never Forget the Teacher's Original Intention Over the Past 120 Years

Article source: Wechat of BNU | Release date: 2022-09-12

he film "Today and Me", with Professor LIANG Zhenhua from the School of Chinese Language and Literature of BNU as the chief scriptwriter, general producer and art director, ZHAO Xiaolu and ZHAO Xiaoou as the director, and alumna HU Yating from the School of Chinese Language and Literature of BNU as the scriptwriter, was officially released on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

The film that consists of stories from three different times

tells the meaningful symphony of people of different times and "today" in more than 100 years. The first episode "University" tells the story that LI Jinxi met LU Xun during teaching and they taught a class about interpreting important classics in vernacular Chinese with Mandarin grammar. The second episode "On the Teacher" tells the story that WANG Zikun, then president of BNU, recalled to the students his childhood poverty and reentry for the teacher's care, and discussed with scholars and sign the proposal



# Make bold innovation in integrated narration, and remember teachers with gratitude

"Today and Me" is the message from Mr. LIANG Qichao, and a vow made by him and generations of BNU people. The film elaborates the inheriting spirit of "respecting teachers and valuing education" over the past 100 years with three episodes, namely,

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"University", "On the Teacher" and "Youth". All the teachers express "Today and Me" with sign language, unfolding a magnificent chapter of 100-year education in front of our eyes. Teachers' original intention has never changed over 100 years, which is touching.

It is worth mentioning that the film "Today and Me" has a bold attempt on creation, namely, a blend of story, documentary and report. It tells the story of 120-year-old BNU in a simple and plain style, witnesses the memorable moments of teachers and students in the history with the image, and salutes teachers who "burn themselves to light up others" in an emotional and vivid way.

WANG Jinsong and GAO Weiguang interpret moving teacher-student friendships The interaction between MO Yan and YU Hua is anticipated

"Every time I look back, there is a pair of eyes looking at me, that is my teacher." WANG Jinsong plays WANG Zikun, then president of BNU in 1984, in the film. From the inability to continue studying due to poverty in childhood to the reentry under the guidance of teacher HUANG Shaocheng (played by GAO Weiguang), WANG Zikun slowly tells the story between him and his teacher to the students on the platform with tears in eyes; the teacher's encouragement has been spurred him to grow up, but he has no photograph of the teacher until the teacher died, which has become the biggest regret of WANG



WANG Zikun tells the story with the teacher in the class

**9月10日 顺情献映** 其实地上本没有路, 走的人多了,也便成了路。

Zikun. With a heartfelt "thank you" and a sincere and moving deep bow, WANG Jinsong vividly presents WANG Zikun's story to us.

QIAO Zhenyu, one of the creators, plays Mr. LI Jinxi in the period of the Republic of China, incisively and vividly showing the teacher style. CAO Lei plays LU Xun for the second time after the Age of Awakening. Starting from the understanding of "Today and Me", he slowly explains the meaning of "hope" for the students. MO Yan and YU Hua, the general producers of the film, also make a surprise appearance in the film, telling the memorable stories on literary creation to the students. The interesting interaction between them in the film has also triggered a lot of discussion on the Internet.

LU Xun discusses hope with students

# Give back to audience expectations and salute teachers with a sincere work

"The past can not be recovered; today is successful; the future is particularly promising." "The story of three generations shows inheritance from generation to generation." "Thank the pioneers and educators in the difficult years. They live up to the principles a master abides by!" The film has gained the audience's affirmation and support, and triggered a "tide of praise" from industry professionals. Media from all walks of life have spoken out to share their feelings from watching the film, arousing a lot of attention and expectations.

Propose the establishment of the Teachers' Day nationwide In 1984, President of BNU WANG Zikun, in concert with ZHONG Jingwen, QI Gong, TAO Dayong, ZHU Zhixian, HUANG Ji and ZHAO Qinghuan, put forward the proposal on establishing a national Teachers' Day, which was adopted in 1985. At this point, on September 10 every year, teachers have their own festival. The film "Today and Me" specially released on the Teachers' Day traces the origin of the Teachers' Day and gradually unfolds the magnificent history of education in China for more than 100 years. It



not only reviews and commemorates the eventful years of BNU, but also hopes to trigger more understanding and attention of the public on the Teachers' Day. Looking back, focusing on the present and looking to the future, the film "Today and Me" sincerely presents the most special holiday gift to teachers all over the world.

With WAND Jinsong and QIAO Zhenvu as the stars, LIU Yun. GAO Weiguang and CAO Lei as the special guest stars, and MA Shuliang, YIN Fang and SUN Qian as the special actors, the film has been released on v.qq.com, iqiyi.com, youku. com, mgtv.com, Douyin and Bilibili simultaneously since September 10. The film has been broadcast on iTalkBB in North America, ODKMedia in North America, YoYo Television Series Exclusive and YoYo English channel of YouTube, and YoYo Television channel on Dailymotion platform simultaneously with domestic platforms. At the same time, the film will be released in succession on Startimes movie and television play channel in Africa, Cablenet in Indonesia, Eastern Television in North America, and YouTube's YoYo Vietnamese, Arabic, Russian, Spanish, Portuguese, Japanese, Korean, Thai, Indonesian, French and Italian channels.

On the 38<sup>th</sup> Teachers' Day, the film pays a tribute to teachers who "use one life to light up another life".

# The Unveiling Ceremony of the Statue of Deceased HUANG Wenxiu Held at BNU Zhuhai

Article source: Official Website of BNU Zhuhai | Release date: 2022-09-10



n the morning of September 4, 2022, the unveiling ceremony of the statue of HUANG Wenxiu of was held at BNU at Zhuhai. LI Chong, Deputy Mayor of Zhuhai, SUN Hongpei, Deputy Secretary of the Party Committee and Secretary of the Disciplinary Committee of BNU, WANG Shoujun, a member of the Standing Committee of the Party Committee, Vice President of BNU and Director of the Administrative Committee of BNU Zhuhai, LV Pinchang, the statue creator, Deputy Secretary of the Party Committee and Vice President of Jingdezhen Ceramic University, XI Enmin, Secretary of the Education Working

Committee of Zhuhai Municipal Committee, Secretary of the Party Group and Director of the Municipal Education Bureau, DENG Yang, Director of Baise Spiritual Civilization Office and representatives of teachers and students jointly unveiled the statue of HUANG Wenxiu. WANG Shoujun presided over the unveiling ceremony.

LI Chong said that Comrade HUANG Wenxiu was an outstanding alumna of BNU, and her advanced deeds vividly explained the original mission of the communists. As the vanguard of China's normal education, BNU took the lead in launching the "Ambitiousness Program" and actively undertook the national "Excellent Teacher Program",

providing BNU solutions to China's educational problems. LI hoped that BNU Zhuhai can continue to educate talents for the party and the state, further leverage the advantages of BNU in disciplines, majors, and human resources, highlight the characteristics of teacher education, innovate the talent training model, and provide high-quality, professional and innovative teachers for the country's basic education. LI hoped that the school can further deepen its cooperation in Zhuhai education, and help weak schools in the western regions of Zhuhai improve the quality and level of running schools, so as to jointly promote the high-quality development of Zhuhai's basic education teachers



development of Zhuhai's education.

SUN Hongpei said that Comrade

HUANG Wenxiu was an excellent

representative of BNU who is

unpretentious, tenacious, persistent,

optimistic and positive, and interprets

the school motto of Learn, so as to

instruct others: act. to serve as

example to all on the Long March in

the new era. Setting up the statue

of HUANG Wenxiu at BNU Zhuhai is

of extremely important significance

to better study and implement the

spirit of Chinese President XI Jinping's

important speech and important

instructions for all teachers and

students, better implement the

fundamental task of educating talents

for the party and the state, and

better build and develop BNU Zhuhai.

He said that BNU Zhuhai is an

important part of BNU's construction of

a world-class university with Chinese

characteristics, and also an important

strategic support for serving national

and local economic and social

development. In the new course of

development, teachers and students

should keep in mind the earnest

entrustment of Chinese President

XI Jinping to BNU, learn from the

model of the times, Comrade HUANG

Wenxiu with practical actions, keep

in mind the original intention,

Standing Committee of the Party Committee and Vice President of BNU, presided over the ceremony

and make greater contributions to the shoulder the mission bravely, and contribute to the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation.

> WANG Shoujun said that on the occasion of the celebration of the 38th Teachers' Day and the 120th anniversary of the founding of BNU, the school thoroughly studied and implemented Chinese President XI Jinping's important expositions on education, and held the unveiling ceremony of the statue of Wenxiu at BNU Zhuhai to express high respect of Comrade HUANG Wenxiu's selfless dedication to the party and the country's great cause of poverty alleviation, guide the young people of the new era to learn from HUANG Wenxiu, keep in mind Chinese President XI Jinping's entrustment, have the courage to take responsibility, be willing to contribute, and strive to be a newcomer of the era that can bear important task of national rejuvenation.

> In his speech, LV Pinchang thanked BNU for its trust and introduced the creation experience of HUANG Wenxiu's statue. This statue mainly reflects the image of Comrade HUANG Wenxiu from three aspects: action, affinity and charisma: "Wenxiu" wears a straw hat, carries a backpack, leans on branches in his hands, smiles,





of the Disciplinary Committee of BNU, delivered a speech

looks intently into the distance, and walks forward on a hill. These extremely vivid details and actions interpret the vivid practice of Comrade HUANG Wenxiu on the road of poverty alleviation during her lifetime. LV Pinchang hoped that HUANG Wenxiu's statue can inspire more young students to stick to their original aspirations, go to the grassroots units, and make achievements where the country needs them.



As the representative of HUANG Wenxiu's hometown, DENG Yang expressed his high respect and deep memory to Comrade HUANG Wenxiu, and his heartfelt thanks to Guangdong Province, Zhuhai and BNU for their help and support to Guangxi and Baise. He said that he was very excited to see the statue of HUANG Wenxiu standing in at BNU Zhuhai.



He welcomed more students of BNU to Guangxi and Baise to make contributions, to show greater responsibility in the practice of serving the west region and the grassroot units, and to make new and greater contributions to accelerate the construction of a magnificent Guangxi and realizing the dream of rejuvenation.

Members of the Management Committee of BNU Zhuhai, responsible comrades of relevant units, and representatives of teachers and students attended the unveiling ceremony and presented flowers to the statue of HUANG Wenxiu.



Representatives of teachers and students recited the poem "Mountain Flowers Bloom with Fragrance Everywhere"



# **BNU Zhuhai Held the Opening Ceremony for 2022 Freshmen**

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n the morning of September 13, 2022, Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai (BNU Zhuhai) held the Opening Ceremony for 2022 Freshmen at the Sports Stadium. Ma Jun, Vice Chairman of the University Council and President of Beijing Normal University (BNU); Wang Shoujun, Member of the University Council, Vice President of BNU and Director of the Administrative Committee of BNU Zhuhai; Wei Wei, Vice Chairman of the University Council, BNU and Chairperson of the University Council, BNU Zhuhai; Zheng Guomin, Assistant to President, BNU, Deputy Director of the Administrative Committee of BNU Zhuhai and Dean of College of Education for the Future; other members of the Administrative Committee of BNU Zhuhai; principals of schools, colleges and departments and 2022





freshmen on campus attended the ceremony, while freshmen who were not on campus (and parents) also participated online. The ceremony was presided over by Wang Shoujun.

Ma Jun read out President Xi Jinping's letter to students of BNU attending the "Outstanding Teachers Program". He said that the letter firmly confirmed



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"BNU insists on the sacred mission of revitalizing the country through education, and cultivating talents for national prosperity," and fully extended his deep resoluteness for BNU to provide the direction and fundamental guidance for school development in the new era.

Ma Jun also delivered a speech welcoming and congratulating 2022 freshmen on behalf of all faculty members and students. He said that BNU Zhuhai is a significant component of the university's development strategy of "One University and Two Campuses" implemented by BNU in order to further accelerate the construction of "Double First-class" and deepen the reform of education and teaching in the new era of high-quality development of higher education..

In the past three years, the construction of BNU Zhuhai was reinforced with the support of the central and local governments, rapidly improving the quality of students and talent training, achieving fruitful scientific research and building laboratories and gradually establishing faculty member team mainly formed by "outstanding talents, leading talents and youth talents" at its core. The infrastructure of the campus has been improved progressively, which builds a new stage for students' all-round development.

Ma Jun hoped that freshmen could always keep in mind the spirit of President XI Jinping's important letter and speech on a qualified teacher with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence inherited from great spiritual strength of the 120-year history and "red" heritage of BNU. Ma Jun encouraged the freshmen to strive to inherit the tradition of "patriotism, progress and pioneering spirit", insist on the concept of "pursuing studies, cultivating moral character and benefiting others" and practice the motto of "Learn, so as to instruct others; act, to serve as example to all". In the upcoming university life, they should improve moral character and enhance the sense of mission of devotion to serve the country; study hard and cultivate innovative thinking; adhere to the unity of knowledge and action; cultivate a down-to-eath attitude; constantly surpass and improve themselves, and strive to grow into qualified teachers with firm ideals and beliefs, moral sentiments, solid knowledge and benevolence that the party and people are satisfied with; grow into a new generation of capable young people with moral grounding, intellectual ability, physical vigor,



aesthetic sensibility and work skills for the socialist cause.

Yu Gang, Director of Advanced Interdisciplinary Institute of Environment and Ecology of BNU, spoke as a representative of teachers. He instructed freshmen to waste no time when spent with college teachers and students in the campus, be down-to-earth, study hard, practice earnestly, grow together, and enrich their extracurricular life, which would lay a solid foundation for their future lives in BNU Zhuhai.



Xiong Guojin, a sophomore geography major, spoke as a representative of students on campus. He said it's a great inspiration and encouragement receiving President Xi Jinping's letter, as a student attending the Outstanding Teachers Program. He also shared his feelings after attending the conference, where participants were outstanding teachers from national educational models, the best teachers, national teachers and

families of educationalists, and representatives of normal students. He affirmed his attitude that he would keep President Xi's expectations in mind, waste no time, study hard and work where the country and people needed it the most after graduation, and fulfill the expectation of the party and people.



Liu Ruishu, a freshman math major of Huitong College, spoke as a representative of freshmen. She expressed her pride and excitement as a member of BNU, encouraged students to stay disciplined and improve themselves, make a solid plan for their future, shoulder the responsibility of the era, and end with a successful outcome in four years.



Dong Yaoyao, a 2022 doctoral student from China Basic Education Quality Monitoring Collaborative Innovation Center, spoke as a representative of postgraduate freshmen. She shared





The ceremony ended with the anthem sung by all attendees.

# **BNU Zhuhai Welcomed 2022 International Students**

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the golden autumn approaching and the blue sky is clear, Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai (BNU Zhuhai) is full of vitality. Young faces from all over the world gathered in the beautiful Phoenix Valley with joy, ready to set sail and start an exciting new journey.

On the day of registration, the International Office and Phoenix School set up a one-stop admission procedure site at the welcome area of the library, providing high-quality, considerate services and guarantees for smooth admission for international students of year 2022 from Belt and Road



School. The International Office prepared a postcard of the campus scenery of BNU Zhuhai as a welcoming gift for international students, giving them a warm and friendly first impression when they newly arrived at campus.

In addition, the International Office specially added a publicity section for overseas exchange programs for students of BNU Zhuhai to provide helpful information to the 2022 freshmen. On the day of orientation, the International Office set up a publicity booth at the reception in front of the library to provide selected project introduction leaflets for



colleges and schools. The website of the International Office also released selected projects for students' overseas exchanges. The publicity booth attracted many freshmen's attention, enhancing freshmen's interest and understanding of the internationalization construction and development of BNU Zhuhai, helping them to think about actively participating in overseas exchange projects, and promoting the international development of the campus.

At the same time, the International Office released a series of international scholar and student projects, such









as "Fenghuang Ambassador," "International Students and Scholars Explore the Greater Bay Area," Zhi-Xing China, and other projects through the official WeChat and website of the International Office, exhibiting the international spirit of



mutual learning and integrated development of Chinese and International students at BNU Zhuhai. Regardless of age and country, all join hands to create a harmonious and friendly international campus atmosphere!

# Advanced Materials Research Center Approved to Establish Zhuhai Advanced Energy Storage and Conversion Materials Engineering Technology Research Center

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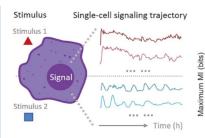
he Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences(AINS) was approved to establish Zhuhai Advanced Energy Storage and Conversion Materials Engineering Technology Research Center on August 15, 2022, relying on the Center for Advanced Materials Research of BNU Zhuhai for construction. This is the first municipal engineering technology research center since the establishment of the AINS at BNU Zhuhai. Aiming at the layout of new energy industry in Zhuhai, the Engineering Technology Research Center will create a new model of research and application of advanced energy storage and conversion materials, carry out research and development of related technologies, and serve the innovative development and technological upgrading of new energy materials in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. The first director of the center is Professor Sun Genban.

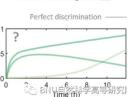
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# International Academic Center for Complex Systems Published a Review Paper in the Top Journal in Physics

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n June 20, 2022, Tang Ying, a distinguished associate research fellow of the International Academic Center for Complex Systems, published a review paper entitled "Quantifying information of intracellular signaling: progress with machine learning", as the first author and co-corresponding author in the top journal in physics-*Reports on Progress in Physics*.





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# The Academic Forum of Guangdong Engineering Technology Research Center of Artificial Intelligence and Future Education Successfully Held

Article source: Institute of AI and Future Networks, Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences | Release date: 2022-07-17

**O** n July 15, 2022, the academic forum of Guangdong Engineering Technology Research Center of Artificial Intelligence and Future Education (hereafter referred to as "the Center") was held in the A708 conference room of Muduo Building. The event was chaired by Professor Jia Weijia, and co-chaired by Professor Wang Tian. Dr. Guo Jianxiong, Dr. Wang Chenhao and other teachers from the center also attended the meeting.

As the first provincial-level engineering technology platform of Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai(BNU Zhuhai), the Center, with Professor Jia Weijia and Professor Di Zengru as co-directors, will actively lay out the engineering technology research on AI and future education, putting theoretical ideas into application, while promoting the personalization of education and the in-depth integration of AI technology and education under the support of intelligent technology.

Ten experts, including Professor Su Jinshu of National University of Defense Technology; Professor Chen Xu of Sun Yat-sen University; Professor Wang Zhibo of Zhejiang University; Associate Professor Dai Haipeng of Nanjing University; Professor Gao Xiaofeng of Shanghai Jiao Tong University; Professor Liu Chi of Beijing Institute of Technology; Professor Ling Zhen of Southeast University; Professor Tan Haisheng of University of Science and Technology of China; Professor Tao Dan of Beijing Jiaotong University; and Professor Liu Fangming of Huazhong University of Science and Technology were invited to share their academic knowledge in the forum, and more than 220 teachers and students participated online and offline.

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Through this forum, teachers and students developed a deeper understanding of the future network paradigm and intelligent computing technology. Finally, Professor Jia Weijia warmly invited experts and scholars to come to BNU Zhuhai for guidance and face-to-face academic exchanges.



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# Symposium and Co-operation Agreement Signing Ceremony Between BNU Zhuhai and GDIIST Held in Zhuhai

Article source: Centre for Biological Science and Technology, Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences | Release date: 2022-7-11



n July 4, 2022, the symposium and co-operation agreement signing ceremony between Beijing Normal University (BNU Zhuhai) and Guangdong Institute of Intelligence Science and Technology (GDIIST) was held at BNU Zhuhai. Distinguished guests from both GDIIST and BNU Zhuhai attended this conference, including Prof. Xu Zhang (member of Chinese Academy of Sciences and also the president of GDIIST), Prof. Yuxian Zhu (member of Chinese Academy of Sciences and the advisory committee member of the Center for Biological Science and Technology), Wei Wei, the Vice Chairman of the University Council, Beijing Normal University (BNU) and Chairperson of

the University Council, BNU Zhuhai many other scholars. This conference and was held offline and many other guests from both sides also attended through Zoom meeting.

Prof. Ren Haiyun, Director of the Center for Biological Science and Technology hosted this symposium. Prof. Lou Anru Dean of the College of Life Sciences of BNU introduced the basic circumstances of the department, and the vice president of GDIIST introduced the history and major research fields of GDIIST. Prof. Xu Zhang and Prof. Wei Wei delivered a speech on the significance of the symposium, and both are looking forward to a prosperous future for further collaboration.

Prof. Xu Zhang said that both institutes will take the great advantages of this partnership, and such an agreement will definitely contribute to the development of basic science research in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. Wei Wei introduced the basic situation of BNU Zhuhai and warmly welcomed this collaborative agreement and looked forward to more cooperation in the near future.



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# Celebration of "Gathering at the 120-year-old BNU, Welcoming the Mid-Autumn Festival" Held

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Autumn is felt deeper as summer recedes.

On the afternoon of September 9, 2022, a celebration themed by "Gathering at the 120-year-old BNU, Welcoming the Mid-Autumn Festival" was held to celebrate the 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Beijing Normal University, and that the 38<sup>th</sup> Teachers' Day coincided with Mid-Autumn Festival this year. The event was sponsored by the International Office and Office of Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan Affairs of BNU Zhuhai. More than 40 international scholars and students as well as scholars from Hong Kong and Taiwan, China gathered in the multifunctional room of the Staff Home, sharing their perceptions on being a teacher and celebrating the festival.

The celebration kicked off at 4:00 p.m. Guo Kanjun, director of the International Office and Office of Hong Kong, Macao, and Taiwan Affairs, attended the event and delivered a welcome address.

Afterwards, all the guests watched the 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary video of BNU attentively. Over the past 120 years, generations of BNUers, filled with

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patriotism and education beliefs, have worked hard to practice the spirit of the school motto — — "Learn, so as to instruct others; Act, to serve as example to all", and have become creators and strivers in the journey of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. Everyone present was deeply affected.

Given the specialness of the occasion, a series of wonderful activities were planned. In the Q&A session, all the attendees, especially. international scholars and students learned the



worth knowing facts about the history of BNU, the Chinese Teachers' Day and Mid-Autumn Festival.

In the "My Students and Me" story-sharing part, Dr. Christoph Stahl from Germany, shared the warm feedbacks of heart-felt thanks from his students in their booklet works. Mr. Martin Wittenberg (U.S.) and Dr. Lin Yingzheng (Taiwan,



China) shared through videos how they were impressed and touched by their students' hard work, progress, and love. Professor Simon Mahony (UK), Professor Qingguo Wang (Singapore), and Professor Hongnian Yu (UK) shared their experience of being a teacher in different countries and what they have gained from the career.

"How long will the full moon appear? Wine cup in hand, I ask the sky." Accompanied by the melodious ocarina performance, the English



version recitation of the poem *Prelude to Water Melody* led the guests into the imaginary view of the bright moon, which enhanced the festive atmosphere.

The event not only provided Chinese and international scholars and students with a good opportunity to learn about BNU and Chinese culture, but also enhanced their sense of identity, honor, and happiness as a member of BNU. It was even more a good chance for them to communicate with each other, to know China, be friends of China, and love China.



# Phoenix School Successfully Organized the 2022 "Global Summer School of Beijing Normal University: Love and Humanism in Chinese Culture"

Article source: Phoenix School | Release date: 2022-08-02

he 2022 "Global Summer School of Beijing Normal University: Love and Humanism in Chinese Culture," held by Phoenix School from July 27 to 29, 2022, came to a successful end. This program aimed at building a new platform for communication between young scholars, home and abroad, to promote a deeper understanding of the essence of Chinese culture, thus broadening their research horizons and enhancing their academic levels. Moreover, it was also considered to be a pivotal attempt for Phoenix School to actively open up international education and promote the internationalization of the campus.

With "Love and Humanism in Chinese Culture" as its theme, the program invited six renowned experts Sinology to talk about the core philosophical concepts of love and humanism mentioned in different historical periods and by different schools in traditional Chinese culture, such as Confucianism, Buddhism and Taoism. The experts invited were from Germany, the United States, India and Slovenia, respectively. The program attracted eighty-five graduate and undergraduate students from the United States, the United Kingdom, Canada, New Zealand, Singapore, Vietnam, and 24 leading institutions in China, including some students from top international schools such as Harvard University, New York University, University College London, University of Toronto, Peking University, and the Chinese University of Hong Kong. The program was hosted by Dr. David Bartosch, a Distinguished Research Fellow at the Institute for Advanced Study in Humanities and Social Sciences, BNU Zhuhai.

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# Title: "Coming to Terms of Love and Humanism in China"

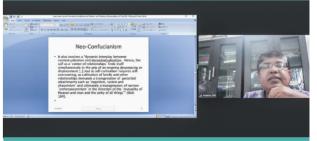
Professor Gu Bin, a world-renowned sinologist, German translator, author and philosophical poet



### Lecturer:

Title: "Love, Learning and Humanism in Chinese Culture and the Calling of Planetary Realizations: Confucianism, Vedanta and Beyond"

Ananta Kumar Giri, Professor at the Institute of Development Studies, Madras, India:



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### Lecturer:

Title: "Homo Mensura and the Alternative of Chinese Humanism."





### Lecturer:

### Title: "Love in the Shadow of Ancient Hillsides"

ading expert on Chinese literature who serves as chair of the George ussell Collis Department of History at Beloit College in Wisconsin:



### "Love in recent Chinese Science Fiction"

Professor Holger Briel, Dean of Division of Culture and Creativity at Beijing Normal University-Hong Kong Baptist University United nternational College

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- to frame this kind of progress. Humans were supposed to co centrality in this process and use its speed to their advantag would be poeticised, but via a poetry that would be based human instinct of aggression.
- They alleged that this was a historically new development, bu would come through it retaining his essential qualifies.
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- Article 10 states: "We want to demolish museums and libraries, fight morality, feminism and all opportunist and utilitarian cowardice".





In short, in the program, young scholars from China and abroad exchanged ideas from different perspectives on the theme of "Love and Humanism in Chinese Culture" in a multicultural context, bringing them closer together and broadening their horizons. Mr. Yang Xirui, the director of the program at Phoenix School, attended the closing ceremony. On behalf of Phoenix School, Zhang Ling, Assistant to the Dean, expressed her gratitude to David Bartosch, other guest lecturers and all members of the program group. Zhang Ling emphasized that Phoenix School will actively organize highquality international course resources, enrich the course contents, and continue to develop international course programs at a high level to form Phoenix School's brand characteristics and implement the strategic deployment of the internationalization of BNU Zhuhai.

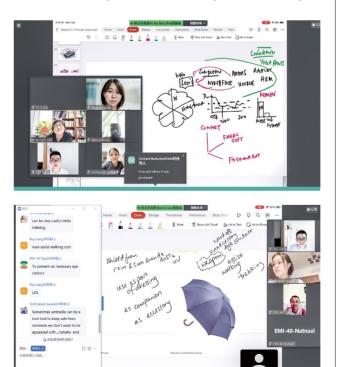
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# **Phoenix Class Series "Creative Problem Solving**<sup>"</sup> Completed Successfully

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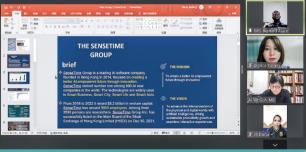
n order to broaden students' international horizons and expand their creative thinking, Phoenix Class Series "Creative Problem Solving," which is also one of the programs of the 2022 "Global Summer School of Beijing Normal University," was successfully held from July to



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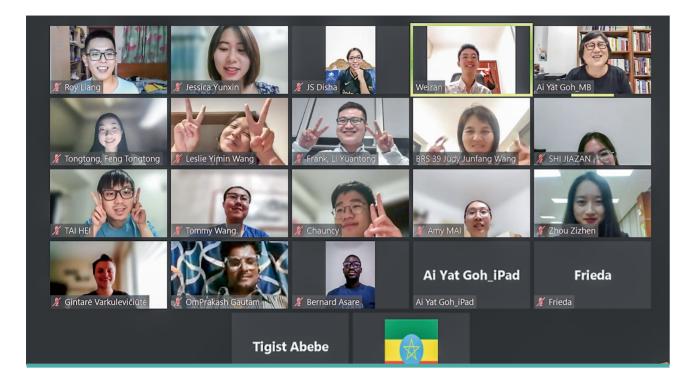
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12, 2022. With 30 students enrolled, covering Macao and 15 international students from the Netherlands, Mongolia, Lithuania, Bangladesh, Ghana, Nepal and other countries and regions, the participation of foreign students in the class reached 50%. The participants of the course included

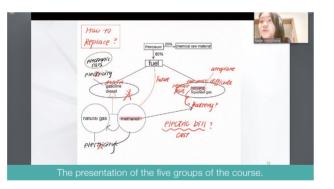
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students from Beijing and Zhuhai campuses of Beijing Normal University, UIC, University of Macau and other universities in China and abroad. The course was conducted by Goh Ai Yat, a former senior banker in Singapore and management consultant of SBF Group, who is currently working in a Singaporean university and also teaches Entrepreneurship and Strategic Finance for the Australian MBA program.

Integrating multiple disciplines of creativity, innovation, entrepreneurship and visual thinking, this course emphasized the application of academic theory and literature to real-world practices and processes, thus presenting a differentiated perspective on creative problem







solving in the business world. Through course study and workshops, the class aimed to help students use creative thinking to solve problems from new perspectives in the face of complex and changing environments.

# **Teachers and Students of BNU Zhuhai Participated in Zhi-Xing China 2022 Closing Ceremony**

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n August, 2022, Zhi-Xing China 2022 closing ceremony was successfully held in Kunming. Nearly 100 outstanding Chinese and international youth representatives from 23 countries participated in the event. Members of the "Digital Greater Bay Area - Pioneering Sailing" research project team from Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai (BNU Zhuhai) participated in this activity. Liu Limin, President of the China Education Association for International Exchange, attended and delivered a speech. Fu Bo, Deputy Secretary-General, presided over the ceremony.

In his speech, Liu Limin expressed his earnest wishes to outstanding youth representatives from home and abroad. He emphasized that Zhi-Xing China invites Chinese and international students from different countries and regions to conduct on-the-spot investigations in Chinese society



and experience the new changes brought about by scientific and technological innovations to green ecology, intelligent manufacturing and people's lives. While conducting the investigation, student representatives experienced the Chinese historical and cultural heritage and the value of the times by themselves, felt the essence of Chinese excellent traditional culture in the unity of knowledge and action, and understood a more real China from being on-site in China. This vividly represents the important practical significance, "There is action in knowledge, and knowledge in action."

Liu put forward three hopes to the students: persist in working together and seeking common development in the global context; persist in mutual learning of civilizations and get to know each other through exchanges; persist in dreams of a bright future and demonstrate youth



responsibility in practice. The students were deeply encouraged and responded enthusiastically.

Outstanding Chinese and international youth representatives from BNU Zhuhai, Shandong University, Zhejiang University, Xi'an Jiaotong University, Northwestern Polytechnical University, University of Science and Technology of China, Nanjing Agricultural University and other universities shared their gains and insights from Zhi-Xing China activities.

The "Zhi-Xing China: Global Young Leaders Fellowships: Digital Greater Bay Area - Pioneering Sailing" Research Project team of BNU Zhuhai conducted special studies and visited two cities in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (Zhuhai and Guangzhou). In the form of group collaboration, they conducted in-depth research and

cooperation. In the form of "Topics of China" study and city visits, they selected representative places to visit based on local advantages and existing resources around the five modules of digital education, digital technology, digital manufacturing, digital government and digital agriculture. Four project members from BNU Zhuhai said that the Zhi-Xing China project provided valuable research and international exchange opportunities for young people home and abroad to integrate knowledge and action, discover China, and understand China.

Chinese and international students also said that Zhi-Xing China provides a platform for Chinese and international youths, allowing them to have the opportunity to understand the development of Chinese society in person, to promote action with knowledge, and to unite knowledge with action. It was an unforgettable experience for all.





Hand in Hand, Promoting Education for International Understanding

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he prosperity of civilization is inseparable from seeking common around while reserving differences, openness and inclusiveness. The progress of mankind is inseparable from the exchanges and mutual learning among different societies. Strengthening education for international understanding, enhancing students' knowledge and understanding of different countries and cultures, and promoting the language socialization between China and foreign countries will help lay a solid ideological root of mutual respect and learning, love of peace, maintaining justice and making progress together in the hearts of young people in all countries.

On July 14 to 15, 2022. Phoenix School was invited by the Organizing Committee to participate in the "China-Zambian Primary and Secondary School Principal Education Leadership Workshop," jointly sponsored by China-Africa Leadership Development Institute Tsinghua University and University of Zambia, Chen Xi, Dean of Phoenix School, recommended Wang Xingang, Principal of Jinfeng Primary School and Jinding Middle School to participate in the principal representative case exchange session and give a keynote speech on "Many Little Makes Mickle-The Value-Oriented School Management Practice Towards High-Quality Development."

Professor Getachew Engida-former Deputy Director General of UNESCO and Co-Chair of China-Africa Leadership Development Institute of Tsinghua University, Ambassador Du Xiaohui of the Chinese Embassy in Zambia, and Professor Yang Bin-Vice President and Provost of Tsinghua University and Co-Chair of the China-Africa Leadership Development Institute, along with 64 representatives of primary and secondary school principals from Zambia attended the meeting.

Adhering to the education concept of "setting foot in China and looking to the world" and the goal of "cultivating synergistic people in the era of globalization," Phoenix School will actively build an international platform for cultural exchanges and cooperation for primary and secondary schools in Zhuhai, help them to deeply participate in international educational exchanges and cooperation, profoundly explain China's educational philosophy to the world, and enhance the global influence of the excellent traditional Chinese culture.





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