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2023 Freshmen Cherish Their First Day at NTU

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"The First Day at NTU," the opening ceremony for the 2023 academic year, began with a tutorial on the NTU school anthem by the FlyingNotes A Cappella Club. Next was the amusing, interactive Q&A session between faculty and students. Adding to the excitement, the NTU Magic Club and the NTU Wind Band thrilled the audience with spellbinding performances. These vibrant, engaging programs were intended to greet the new students with a friendly, welcoming vibe. Feeling enchanted and excited, the freshmen left the ceremony with an indelible positive memory of their first day at NTU.

In his opening remarks, President Wen-Chang Chen extended his heartfelt welcome to the incoming students. Drawing on his own student life at NTU, he emphasized four pillars for a successful college life: building a robust academic foundation, expanding your knowledge horizon, cultivating a global perspective, and applying your knowledge in real-life situations. President Chen added that these four pillars also provide a solid foundation for future leaders to learn and think independently.



President Chen delivers his speech, accompanied by robotic dogs. He encourages the students to lead an active college life and embrace their NTU identity.

The highlight of the ceremony was the interactive segment titled "My First Day at NTU," where a variety of student clubs presented videos showcasing the rich diversity of campus life and inviting the newcomers to embark on voyages of discovery of their own. The amusing Q&A session, "I've got into NTU!" truly instilled a sense of belonging to NTU in these young students.

In closing remarks, Zhi-Cheng Zhuang, President of the NTU Student Association, advised the incoming students to set clear objectives and strive diligently to realize their dreams. Hong-En Chen, a student of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, shared his fascinating experience with NTU Racing, stressing that students can excel in their studies and academic pursuits and still lead a rich university life with their friends and in pursuit of other passions. The entire "First Day at NTU" ceremony offered a stream of motivational advice and well-wishes, inspiring the students to commence their NTU journey with enthusiasm and a solid sense of purpose.



Continuing the tradition of providing special NTU jerseys for the opening ceremony, this year's design features a sketch of the Main Library and the acronym "NTU," signaling the auspicious start of a fulfilling academic journey.



NTU welcomes 4,490 undergraduate students and 5,724 graduate and doctoral students at the Opening Ceremony 2023.