

WHU commencement hosts 7,000 graduates



WHU's degree awarding ceremony Photo by Ren Yong

Wuhan University (WHU) hosted its 2017 commencement and degree awarding ceremony on June 22. With more than 7,000 graduates attending, it was the "grandest ever" commencement in the

history of the university.

Unlike WHU's previous ceremonies, the venue this year was the September Twelfth Sports Ground instead of the Meiyuan Sports Ground. Despite having the magnificent

administration building in the background, the graduates, wearing full academic dress and sitting in white chairs on red carpets, were the most striking part of the view of the campus.

Graduates from Central China Normal University (CCNU) debuted their first graduation-season feature film on the evening of June 19. Nearly 10,000 staff and students watched this 50 minute movie, *Asterism of July*, at the open-air sports ground. Created and produced by the students graduating in 2017 from the School of Educational Information and Technology, the movie tells the stories of a group of college students carrying out a "Star Plan" in backward rural areas to bridge educational gaps by utilizing information technologies. It took the students ten months to complete the project from the start of planning to the film's debut.

CCNU's first graduation-season feature film



Students during the shooting of film

Bus driver receives visits from passengers before retirement

By Wang Gang



Deng Shiping and passengers

At 2.00 P.M. on June 24, 54-year-old bus driver Deng Shiping finished his final shift on the 708.

Chen Tao, on behalf of his 68-year-old mother, came to express his thanks to Deng for taking care of her whenever she travelled on his bus. Chen's mother often told her son about the kindness of this driver, who always waited until she sat down before leaving the bus stop so that she didn't fall over. This thoughtfulness and consideration for her lasted more than five years. Deng said, "when I got on the bus to begin work, I would adjust my attitude to a positive one and smile at every passenger even if I had just encountered some trouble." Deng achieved a record of 31 years of safe driving, without complaints or accidents. More than 30 passengers visited Deng to say their goodbyes and express their thanks to him before he retired from work.

Virtual campus life

Teachers, students and parents can sign into a truly amazing game, and pass many challenges set around a college campus. Model College is an interactive promotional video produced by students from the School of Art Design and Media at Wuhan Huaxia University of Technology. Released on June 26 and highlighting the theme of college life, the video turned every scene into a game task, using HTML (Hyper Text Markup Language), the fundamental technology used to define the structure of a webpage. Doing so provides the opportunity to 'travel' around the campus. By clicking a button, players can easily assume their characters and commence their own journey. Full of creativity and imagination, the video gained praise for its originality and unique style.