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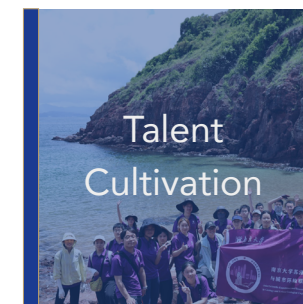


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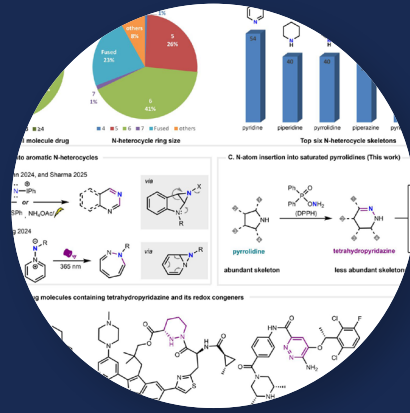
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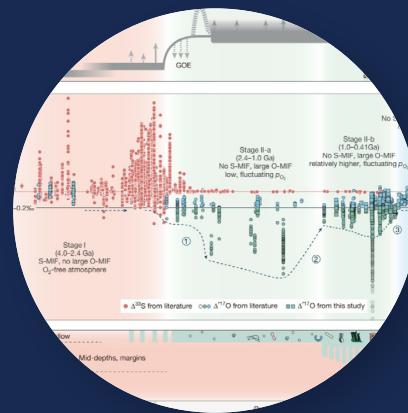
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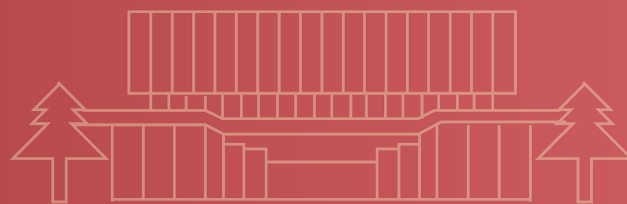
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# FOCUS

## Commemorating the 80th Anniversary of Victory in the Chinese People's War of Resistance Against Japanese Aggression and the World Anti-Fascist War

To commemorate the 80th anniversary of the victory in the Chinese People's War of Resistance Against Japanese Aggression and the World Anti-Fascist War, Nanjing University organized and participated in a series of events, underscoring its commitment to preserving historical memory and promoting peace.



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### 我的邻居 约翰·拉贝 John Rabe

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Im Jahre 1937, dem dunkelsten Kapitel der Geschichte der Stadt Nanjing, nahm der deutsche Kaufmann John Rabe als Vorsitzender des Internationalen Komitees für die Sicherheitszone von Nanjing rund 250.000 chinesische Flüchtlinge in Schutz. Er bot auf seinem eigenen Grundstück mehr als 800 Flüchtlinge Zuflucht, und dokumentierte in seinem Tagebuch täglich die Schicksale der japanischen Soldaten. Nach seiner Rückkehr nach Deutschland machte er trotz der gefährlichen Lage die Gebeilten in Nanjing öffentlich bekannt, wasgenen er von der Gestapo verhaftet wurde. In seinen späteren Jahren führte er ein armes und krankes Leben, aber die Bürger von Nanjing leisteten ihm bereithillige Hilfe. Seine Geschichte veranschaulicht das grenzüberschreitende Engagement zum Schutz von Menschenleben.

本次展览由南京大学“拉贝日记与和平城市”团队主办，通过珍贵文献、“交互式数字形象”等还原历史场景，追溯拉贝的生命轨迹，让观众走近约翰·拉贝，感受跨越国界的生命守护与对和平的永恒追求。

Diese Ausstellung wird vom Projektteam „John-Rabe-Tagebuch und die Friedensstadt“ der Universität Nanjing veranstaltet. Durch wertvolle Dokumente und interaktive digitale Darstellungen stellen wir die historischen Szenen wieder her und präsentieren den Lebensweg von John Rabe. Wir laden Sie ein, durch diese Ausstellung John Rabe neu zu entdecken - sein grenzüberschreitendes Engagement zum Schutz von Menschenleben und sein unermüdliches Streben nach Frieden.





On May 18, 2022, on the eve of NJU's 120th anniversary, General Secretary Xi Jinping replied to NJU-based young scholars who returned after overseas study, encouraging faculty and students to consciously pursue serving the country and the people and make new achievements in fostering virtue through education and boosting China's strength in science and technology.

Cao Weixing, Member of the Standing Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, Deputy Director of the Committee on Education, Science, Health and Sports, and Vice President of the Western Returned Scholars Association; Hu Guangjie, Member of the Standing Committee of Jiangsu Provincial Party Committee and Director of the United Front Work Department; and Tan Tieniu, Chair of NJU CPC Council and Academician of the Chinese Academy of Sciences.

2025 marks the third anniversary of the important letter. On August 29, a special event to review the spirit of General Secretary Xi Jinping's important letter replying to young scholars returning after overseas study was held on Suzhou Campus of Nanjing University. The event was attended by

NJU Western Returned Scholars Association and Suzhou Western Returned Scholars Association signed a cooperation agreement.

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## 2025 freshmen join NJU

In late August and September 2025, Nanjing University welcomed its new undergraduate and graduate students with a series of events. On August 30 and 31, Tan Tieniu, Chair of the NJU CPC Council and Academician of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS), and Tan Zhemin, President of NJU and Academician of the CAS, visited welcome stations on Gulou Campus.

They greeted new students, interacted with volunteers, and inspected services like the "Green Channel" for financially disadvantaged students.

The opening ceremonies for both undergraduate and graduate students were held on September 13. At the undergraduate ceremony, Tan Zhemin delivered a speech titled "Carry Forward the Spirit of the War of Resistance, Strive to Become Pillars of the Nation," encouraging students to contribute to national rejuvenation. Tan Tieniu presented the first lectures to new students, focusing on inheriting the NJU spirit and embracing scientific innovation.

On September 24, Tan Tieniu led the AI general education core course's first lecture, "Basic Concepts and Development Trends of Artificial Intelligence," broadcast live to approximately 9,800 freshmen. He outlined NJU's efforts to integrate AI into education, emphasizing its role in cultivating talent for the intelligent era. University leaders Lu Xiancai and Li Bin participated in the activities, highlighting the institution's commitment to a comprehensive and innovative start for the new academic year.





## NJUers celebrate 41st Teachers' Day



On September 10, Nanjing University held a celebration for the 41st Teachers' Day on Xianlin Campus. Tan Tieniu attended and addressed the event.

During the ceremony, awards were presented to recipients including the "Moral Excellence" individuals and teams, "Zhao Shiliang Chair Professor" awardees, "Outstanding Teaching Teams," "Excellence in Teaching" winners, and "My Favorite Teacher" honorees. Award recipients shared their experiences.

Tan Tieniu visited teacher representatives, including CAS Academician Chen Yong, Senior Professor Zhou Xiaohong, Professor Sun Jianjun, Professor Lei Lili, and Associate Professor Huang Xiaoqiang, conveying holiday wishes and encouraging them to continue contributing to educational and national development.



On September 13, the Civilization Studies in the Digital Age: World Civilization Laboratory Consortium (WCLC) Inaugural Conference was held at Nanjing University. The event was chaired by Chen Yunsong, Vice Chair of the NJU CPC Council, with an opening address delivered by Tan Tieniu.

During the conference, the establishment of the WCLC was officially announced, and an appointment ceremony was held for its Academic Committee members. Chen Yunsong and Melissa Terras were appointed as co-chairs.

NJU also signed and announced multiple domestic and international cooperation projects. Experts and scholars exchanged views on topics such as digital humanities, AI in historical analysis, and digital practices in civilization studies. During the "Digital Civilization Frontier" keynote session, further discussions expanded the global vision of civilization research.

The consortium aims to promote civilizational dialogue, strengthen international collaboration, and establish cross-disciplinary mechanisms to break down "data silos" and "academic barriers," thereby advancing knowledge innovation in digital civilization studies.



## NJU takes the lead in establishing World Civilization Laboratory Consortium



# GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT



## Tan Tieniu leads NJU delegation to South Africa and Kenya

From August 3 to 8, Tan Tieniu led a delegation to South Africa and Kenya to deepen scientific and educational cooperation.

In South Africa, the delegation visited several leading institutions, including Stellenbosch University and the University of Cape Town, agreeing to expand collaboration in fields such as artificial intelligence. Key meetings were held with South African government and scientific bodies, including the Department of Higher Education and Training with Director Marcia Socikwa and the Academy of Science of South Africa with President Thokozani Majozi.

In Kenya, the delegation focused on sustainable development partnerships. They visited the University of Nairobi and signed a cooperation agreement with the University of Embu. A meeting was held with Soomi Ro, Director of the Administrative Division at the UN Environment Programme, to explore collaboration on climate change. The delegation also discussed the potential establishment of an NJU African Research Center at the Sino-Africa Joint Research Center.



## NJU International Summer School 2025 concludes successfully

On the morning of July 12, Nanjing University International Summer School 2025 concluded successfully.

Co-organized by the Institute of Global Humanities at NJU School of Frontier Sciences, NJU School of Intelligence Science and Technology, University of Southampton, and University of Macao, the summer school gathered 40 students from prestigious institutions, to conduct in-depth discussions and hands-on workshops, focusing on the theme "Art, Artificial Intelligence, and Global Humanities".



As a key initiative by NJU to advance interdisciplinary innovation and global dialogue, this summer school serves as a vivid example of "technology embracing humanities". Focusing on cross-cultural, cross-disciplinary, and cross-regional exchange, it features courses on AI ethics debates, digital humanities practices, and traditional art innovation, while pioneering a new chapter in the integration of technology and the humanities.

## NJU hosts UN practical training program for global talents

On July 21, Nanjing University launched a three-week practical training program in collaboration with the United Nations, focusing on cultivating talents for international organizations, highlighting NJU's longstanding partnership with the UN and the importance of multilingual communication.

The program included specialized lectures, language partnerships, and a final project showcase for the



International Organization Talent Training Summer Camp. Designed as an immersive platform, the initiative enhanced participants' understanding of global governance and cross-cultural exchange, reinforcing NJU's commitment to preparing students for roles in international organizations.

## HKU delegation visits NJU

On September 5, Zhang Xiang, President of the University of Hong Kong (HKU), Foreign Member of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, and alumnus of NJU School of Physics, led a delegation to NJU. Tan Tieniu met with the delegation on Gulou Campus to discuss deepening cooperation.



## Delegation of University of Birmingham visits NJU

On September 11, Professor Adam Tickell, Vice-Chancellor and Principal of the University of Birmingham, led a delegation to NJU. They were met by Tan Tieniu for discussions on enhancing educational and scientific research cooperation on Xianlin Campus.



# DOMESTIC COOPERATION



## China Jiangsu International Group and NJU sign strategic cooperation agreement

On July 3, the signing ceremony for the strategic cooperation agreement between China Jiangsu International Economic and Technical Cooperation Group, Ltd. ("China Jiangsu International Group") and Nanjing University was held on Xianlin Campus.

Witnessed by Tan Zhemin and China Jiangsu International Group Party Secretary and Chairman Song Qinbo, the agreement was signed by NJU Vice President Suo Wenbin and the Group's Deputy General Manager Tu Yaxing.

This collaboration is a key step in deepening industry-university-research integration, aiming to seize technological innovation high ground and contribute to national rejuvenation.

## Nanjing City and NJU hold symposium on deepening collaboration

On the morning of July 7, a symposium aimed at deepening collaboration and exchange between Nanjing City and Nanjing University was held on Gulou Campus. Jiang Min, Deputy Mayor of Nanjing Municipal People's Government; Zheng Xiaoming, Deputy Secretary-General of Nanjing Municipal People's Government; and Zheng Hairong, Vice President of NJU and Academician of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, attended the meeting.

Both the university and the local government will establish a regular communication mechanism, clarify a list of tasks and responsible entities for cooperation, broaden the areas of cooperation, achieve complementary advantages, and jointly create a model of university-government cooperation.

NJU will coordinate the integrated development of education, science, technology and talent, aiming to be deeply embedded in the national innovation system, and provide strong intellectual support and talent guarantees for the comprehensive advancement of modernization with Chinese characteristics.





## Tan Zhemin conducts field research on NJU's pairing assistance work at Shuangbai County

From July 19 to 20, Tan Zhemin visited Shuangbai County in Chuxiong Yi Autonomous Prefecture, Yunnan Province to inspect and promote NJU's pairing assistance work. Zhang Jijian, Party Secretary of the Chuxiong Prefectural Committee; Zhang Wenwang, Deputy Party Secretary and Chuxiong Prefecture Governor, held separate work exchanges with Tan Zhemin.

Tan Zhemin and the NJU delegation conducted field research on the development of the mushroom industry in Luoshao Village, visited Yi embroidery workshops and extended regards to university officials serving temporary positions at Shuangbai County.



## Du Jiangfeng conducts field research at NJU

From July 27 to July 28, Du Jiangfeng, member of the Party Leadership Group and Vice Minister of Education, visited Nanjing University to conduct field research and chaired a symposium on strengthening the cultivation of urgently needed high-level talents. Tan Zhemin participated in the symposium. Zhou Zihua, Vice President of NJU, reported on the reform and development of the cultivation of high-level and urgently needed talents at NJU.

Du Jiangfeng visited the School of Computer Science at NJU and listened to reports on talent cultivation in key software and artificial intelligence, the joint talent cultivation work of the NJU-China Mobile Joint Research Institute, and the construction of the School's two strong disciplines. At the School of Earth Sciences and Engineering and the School of History, Du Jiangfeng investigated the situation of the "Double First-Class" Discipline construction and cultivation of postgraduate students in strategic mineral fields, as well as the cultivation of urgently needed talents in the field of archaeology.

## NJU and Jiangbei New Area sign strategic cooperation agreement

On August 26, Nanjing University and Nanjing Jiangbei New Area signed a strategic cooperation agreement, opening a new chapter in university-government cooperation. Tan Zhemin and Lu Weidong, Member of the Nanjing Municipal Committee, Secretary of the Party Working Committee of Jiangbei New Area, and Secretary of Pukou District Committee, attended the signing ceremony and delivered speeches.

NJU has maintained close ties with Jiangbei New Area, and a number of innovation and entrepreneurship teams have achieved breakthroughs here. The vibrant land of Jiangbei New Area is pulsating with innovative vitality and also resonates with the pace of NJU's development. This cooperation will further promote NJU's better alignment with the actual needs of Jiangbei New Area, ushering in a new phase for campus construction.

## DOMESTIC COOPERATION

### Delegation of Zhongshan Company Ltd. visits NJU

On August 28, Shi Xianzhao, Chairman of Zhongshan Company Ltd. and President of the Hong Kong Jiangsu Enterprises Association, led a delegation to visit Nanjing University. Tan Tieniu met with Shi Xianzhao and his delegation on Xianlin Campus.

Participants from both sides engaged in in-depth exchanges and discussions on topics such as discipline construction, artificial intelligence research and



application, industry-university-research integration, and research, and scientific research platform construction, contributing to the scientific and technological innovation and high-quality development of Jiangsu and Hong Kong.

### Delegation of CAS Shanghai Branch visits NJU

On September 12, Wang Hua, Deputy Secretary-General of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) and Secretary of the Party Leadership Group and Director of the CAS Shanghai Branch, led a delegation to Nanjing University. Tan Tieniu met with the delegation on Xianlin Campus.

Tan Tieniu extended a warm welcome and thanked the CAS Shanghai Branch for its long-term support. He noted that since the signing of a strategic cooperation memorandum last year, collaboration between NJU and CAS institutes has deepened. He expressed confidence that this visit would further expand cooperative opportunities.

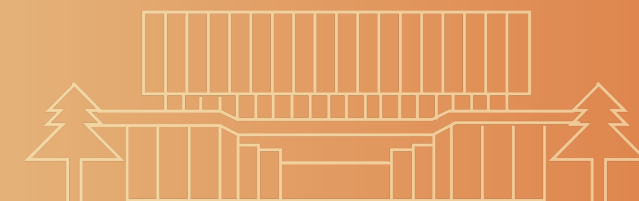
Wang Hua expressed gratitude for NJU's support and acknowledged the university's remarkable achievements



in discipline construction and talent cultivation, which have provided many outstanding talents to CAS. He hoped both sides would expand cooperation space, share resources, and strengthen academic exchanges across multiple research fields.

During an exchange symposium chaired by Lu Xiancai, Vice President of NJU, participants agreed to leverage their respective advantages and explore closer cooperation mechanisms. This effort aims to contribute wisdom and strength to building a strong nation in science and technology and to supporting Chinese modernization.

# STEM





## World Academicians' Forum on Advanced Science and Technology holds at NJU

From July 10 to 12, the 3rd World Academicians' Forum on Advanced Science and Technology was held at Nanjing University's Suzhou Campus. The event gathered top global academicians and leading scholars in AI and interdisciplinary fields to explore AI-driven research paradigms and innovation pathways.

During the opening ceremony, Tan Tieniu presented appointment certificates to Royal Academy of Engineering Fellows Zhao Xudong and Wen Xiaoling as Distinguished Visiting Professors. Themed sessions covered AI in healthcare, life sciences, advanced manufacturing, new materials, robotics, and intelligent control. A tree-planting activity for the "Academicians' Grove" was also held, with 14 academicians participating.



## 198th Science and Technology Frontier Forum of CASAD and 19th Science China Information Sciences Frontier Symposium held at NJU

On July 18, the 198th Science and Technology Frontier Forum of the Academic Divisions of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CASAD) and the 19th Science China Information Sciences Frontier Symposium were held at Nanjing University.

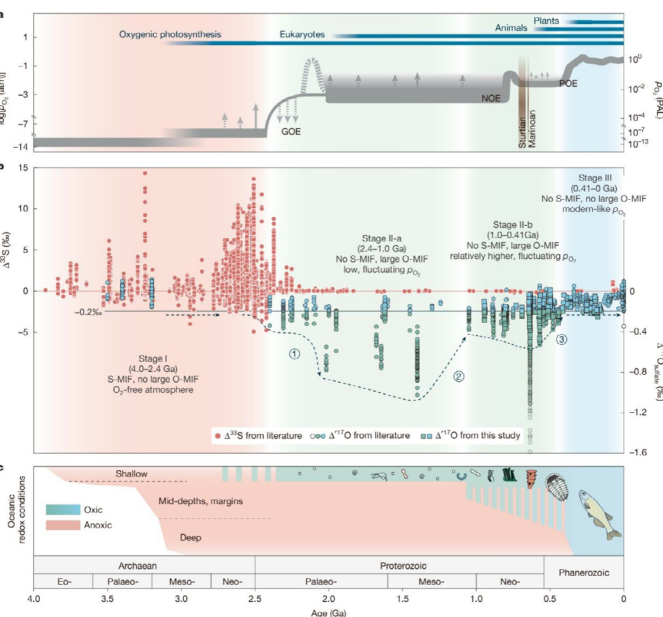
Tan Tieniu welcomed all participants and highlighted the forum's significant role in advancing scientific theories, technological exploration, and interdisciplinary integration. He expressed confidence that this event would positively impact the development of China's information sciences and achieve greater self-reliance in science and technology.

Lyu Jian, representing the Information Technology Division of the CAS, noted that information science and technology have become a strategic focus in major-power competition. He emphasized that the forum would help promote interdisciplinary integration and high-quality development in the field.

The opening ceremony was hosted by Mei Hong, Editor-in-Chief of *Science China: Information Sciences* and the forum's executive chairman. Jointly organized by the CASAD and its Information Technology Division, the event gathered experts to discuss cutting-edge technologies, providing insights into the latest trends and supporting research and development in information sciences.



## Nature: NJU team reveals the Earth's atmospheric evolution and its controlling mechanisms

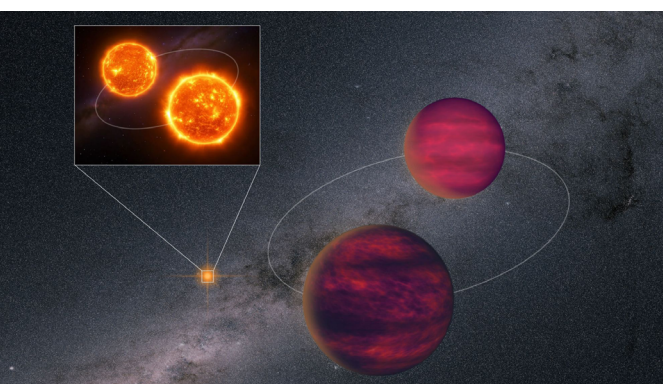


The International Isotope Effect Research Center of the School of Earth Sciences and Engineering, Nanjing University—led by Professors Yongbo Peng, Huiming Bao, and Xiaobin Cao—in collaboration with Professor Chao Li's team from Chengdu University of Technology and several other research institutes, has published a major study in the top journal *Nature*.

This study quantitatively reconstructed the evolutionary history of atmospheric oxygen and revealed the coupled co-evolutionary dynamics of atmospheric and ocean redox states.

Source: <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41586-025-09471-4>

## Astronomers discover rare hierarchical quadruple system



In 2024, a groundbreaking study published in the *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society* revealed the discovery of an extremely rare hierarchical quadruple star system. Located 82 light-years away in the constellation Antlia, the system, named

UPM J1040–3551 AabBab, was identified by an international team led by Professor Zenghua Zhang from Nanjing University using data from ESA's Gaia satellite and NASA's WISE telescope.

This discovery is scientifically vital for solving the "age-mass degeneracy" problem. As co-author Professor Hugh Jones of the University of Hertfordshire explains, "Brown dwarfs with wide stellar companions whose ages can be determined independently are invaluable at breaking this degeneracy as age benchmarks." The team hopes future high-resolution imaging will resolve the brown dwarf pair to measure their orbits and dynamical masses directly.

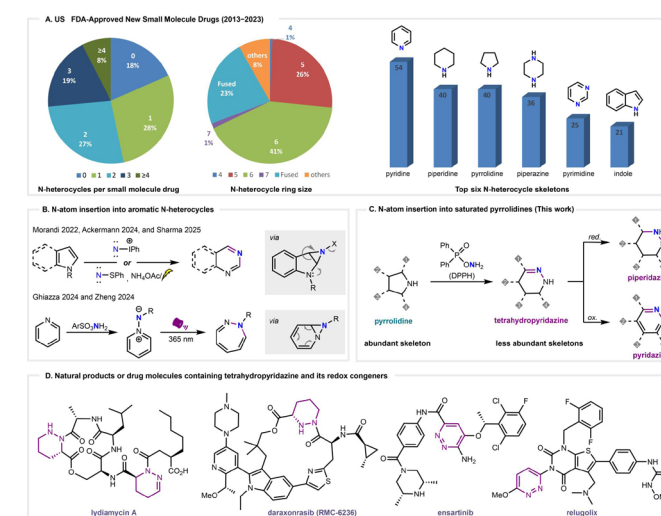
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## Science: Lu Hongjian's team achieves precise insertion of nitrogen atom into the pyrrolidine skeleton

A research team led by Professor Lu Hongjian from the School of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering at Nanjing University recently enables the precise insertion of a nitrogen atom into the pyrrolidine skeleton. Their findings were published in *Science*.

This work establishes a versatile platform for nitrogen-based skeletal editing of saturated pyrrolidines, expanding the synthetic toolkit for medicinal chemistry.

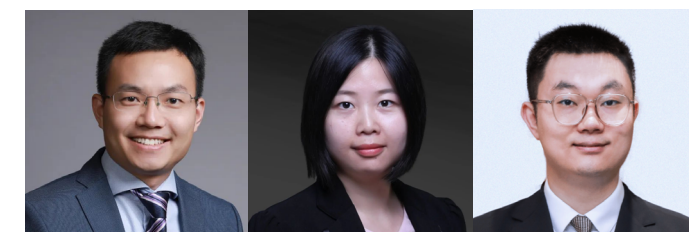
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## NJU scientists honored with major research prizes

On July 27, 2025, during the World Artificial Intelligence Conference in Shanghai, two NJU researchers received the WAIC Yunfan Award for "Rising Stars" prizes. Associate Professor Long Xiaoxiao and Assistant Professor Fu Zhaoyou, both from the School of Intelligence Science and Technology, were recognized for their contributions to AI research.

On August 25, three NJU researchers won the 7th Science Xplorer Prize. The awardees include Professor Tan Hairen from the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, Professor Huang Xin from the School of Atmospheric Sciences, and Associate Professor Huang Xiaoqiang from the School of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering. Established in 2018, the Xplorer Prize is funded by the New Cornerstone Science Foundation and supports emerging scientists.



## Insta360 & NJU set up Joint Innovation Lab in Suzhou



On July 16, the signing ceremony for the Insta360 & NJU Suzhou Joint Innovation Lab was held in Suzhou.

Arashi Vision Inc., founded in 2015 by NJU Software Institute alumnus Liu Jingkang, specializes in R&D and sales of panoramic cameras, action cameras, and professional-grade intelligent imaging equipment. To further promote integrated innovation across industry, education, and research, Arashi Vision Inc. has partnered with NJU and the Suzhou Municipal Government to establish the Joint Innovation Lab in Suzhou. This collaboration aims to leverage Arashi Vision's technological strengths and NJU's research capabilities. On the same day, Insta360's East China R&D Center and the Innovation Product Scenario Application Base project were also launched.

## NJU establishes Brain-Computer Interface Research Institute



On July 22, the Brain-Computer Interface Industry Development Conference was held in Nanjing.

The conference released the "Nanjing Action Plan for Promoting Brain-Computer Interface Industry Innovation Breakthroughs (2025-2030) (Draft for Comments)", launched the Jiangsu Province Brain-Computer Interface Common Innovation and Industry Service Platform, and announced a batch of brain-computer frontier technology achievements including the nation's first domestically developed integrated product for invasive deep brain electrophysiological acquisition and regulation.

# ARTS, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE



## "International Dissemination of Dunhuang Culture and Internationalization of Dunhuang Studies" seminar holds at NJU

On July 19, the academic seminar on "International Dissemination of Dunhuang Culture and Internationalization of Dunhuang Studies" was convened on Xianlin Campus.

The event was hosted by School of Foreign Studies and co-organized by multiple institutions, including the Base for International Discourse Innovation of the China Foreign Languages Publishing Administration and the Japanese Culture Center of the Japan Foundation in Beijing.

NJU is committed to serving national cultural strategies through high-level academic initiatives. Akino Noda, Director of the Japanese Culture Center, reflected on the long-standing history of

Sino-Japanese collaboration in Dunhuang studies and expressed optimism for future exchanges.

Liu Dongbo, Assistant Professor at the School of Foreign Studies, highlighted the academic dedication and cultural responsibility demonstrated by Chinese scholars in preserving and researching Dunhuang relics. He noted that these efforts have fostered profound academic resonance between China and Japan, significantly advancing the internationalization of Dunhuang studies.

The seminar successfully established an integrated platform for academic dialogue, underscoring the pivotal role of foreign language disciplines in facilitating mutual learning among civilizations.



## NJU hosts Sixth Academic Forum on "Traditional Chinese Wisdom and Modern Management"



On August 9, the Sixth Academic Forum on "Traditional Chinese Wisdom and Modern Management" was held at Qinghai Institute of Technology, hosted by Nanjing University and Jiangsu Hongde Cultural Publication Foundation, and organized by the School of Management of Business School, Nanjing University. This year's forum centered on "Cultural Management in the Digital and Intelligent Era".

The Academic Forum on Traditional Chinese Wisdom and Modern Management started in 2013 and has been successfully held for six editions, focusing on the themes of "Chinese Traditional Culture and Modern Management", "Philosophical Basis and Modern Significance of Chinese Management Thought", etc. It has formed its own brand characteristics and academic influence, yielding a series of innovative and leading high-quality academic achievements.

## Workshop on "Studies of Political Culture, Psychology and Behavior" holds at NJU



From August 15 to 16, the 13th workshop on "Studies of Political Culture, Psychology and Behavior", organized by the Research Center for Public Affairs and Local Governance and the School of Government, was held at NJU. During the ceremony, Hunan Normal University was officially admitted as a new member of the Chinese Political Science Research Alliance.

The workshop featured seven thematic sessions where participants shared insights and engaged in academic discussions on topics such as "Development, Progress, and Challenges of Political Science in China."

## Cambridge Medieval Studies Lecture Series concludes



From September 22 to 24, the Institute of Global Humanities at Nanjing University, together with the School of Frontier Sciences and the School of Foreign Studies, hosted the Cambridge Medieval Studies Lecture Series. The event featured distinguished Cambridge scholars Professor Máire Ní Mhaonaigh and Professor Miranda Griffin.

The series commenced with the lecture "Windows on the World: Some Medieval Manuscripts of Cambridge in Context," which explored themes of language, translation, and intellectual history through Cambridge University Library manuscripts, sparking lively discussion.

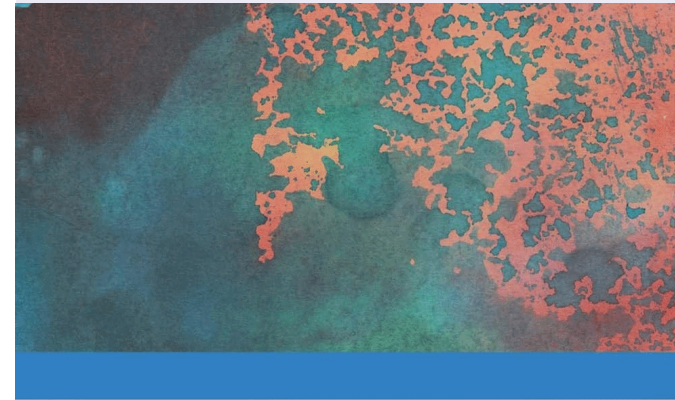


The workshop "Dialogues Across Time: Humanities in Transition" included a keynote by the Cambridge professors, and further contributions by Professor Dai Congrong on *Finnegans Wake*, Professor He Chengzhou on Kun Opera, and Professor Du Lanlan on climate fiction.

The final lecture on September 24, "Stories in the Landscape: The Environment in Pre-Modern European Literature," attracted a full on-site and online audience. Professors Ní Mhaonaigh and Griffin offered a comprehensive exploration of landscape in medieval texts. Professor He Chengzhou joined the subsequent dialogue, engaging with students on topics like literature's role in shaping environmental awareness.



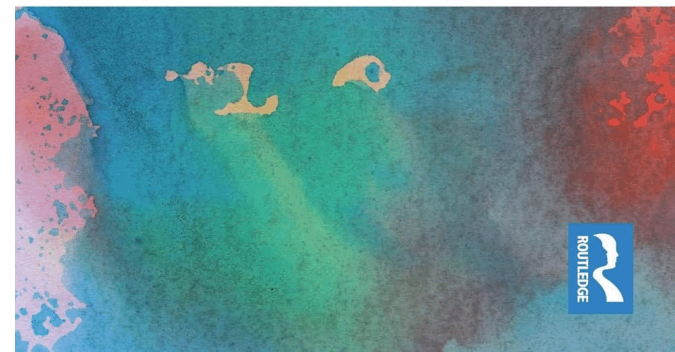
## NJU assistant professor Zhao Xingyu's monograph published by Routledge



### INSIGHTS FROM VISITOR STUDIES

A PURPOSE-ORIENTED MODEL FOR MUSEUMS

Xingyu Zhao



The English monograph *Insights from Visitor Studies: A Purpose-Oriented Model for Museums* by Zhao Xingyu, an Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track) at the Institute of Archaeology, Museology and Chinese Civilization, School of Frontier Sciences, Nanjing University, has recently been officially published by the internationally renowned academic publisher Routledge. This book proposes an original theoretical framework in the field of Visitor Studies, offering the international academic community a fresh perspective from a Chinese scholar.

The book systematically reviews the theoretical foundations and practical approaches of Visitor Studies. It introduces, for the first time, the Purpose-Standpoint-Dimension (PSD) model, emphasizing the necessity and methodological rationale for conducting visitor research or evaluation under different purpose-oriented perspectives.

As the first English academic monograph by a Chinese scholar to systematically elaborate on Visitor Studies, this book signifies the active exploration and theoretical contribution of Chinese museology scholars within a cross-cultural context, demonstrating their original input to the international development of museology.

## NJU's Chinese Civilization Digital Innovation Laboratory unveils major achievements at 2025 Beijing Culture Forum

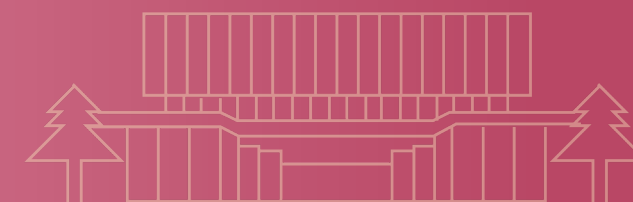
On September 23, the Beijing Culture Forum commenced in Beijing. The event was jointly hosted by the Publicity Department of the CPC Central Committee and the Beijing Municipal Party Committee and the Municipal People's Government, focusing on the theme "Integrated Development of Culture and Technology".

A special session for releasing major achievements was held that evening. Chen Yunsong, Vice Chair of the Nanjing University CPC Council and Director of NJU's Chinese Civilization Digital Innovation Laboratory, unveiled the outcomes of the "Digital Atlas of Ancient Chinese Cities" project. This initiative leverages NJU's interdisciplinary strengths to explore digital pathways for cultural heritage conservation.

The 2025 forum featured a main forum, parallel sessions, and specialized salons. It attracted around 800 distinguished Chinese and international guests, including officials, scholars, and cultural leaders.



# TALENT CULTIVATION



## NJU students carry out multi-disciplinary international field research

From July to August, NJU students successfully concluded a series of international field research programs, fostering academic exchange and collaborative studies across multiple disciplines.

From July 2, a nine-day joint Earth Science and Urban Environment expedition, co-organized by NJU's Undergraduate School and the School of Earth Sciences and Engineering in collaboration with leading Hong Kong universities, was completed. Under the guidance of Associate Professor Tan Daoyuan, Professor Jiang Baoyu, and Associate Professor Zhang Xia, the program combined academic

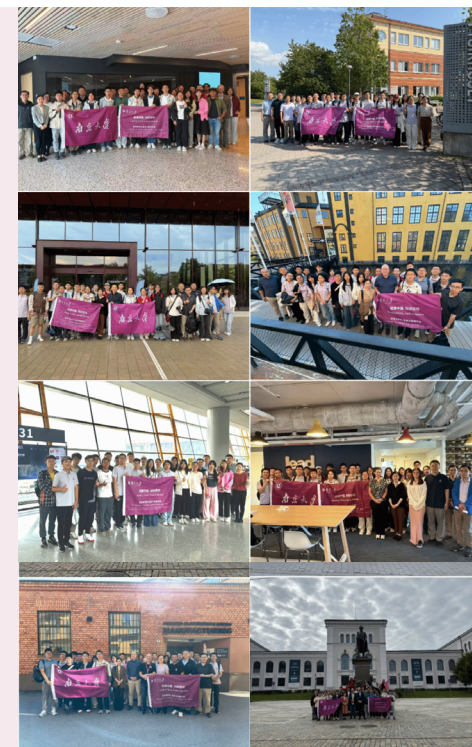
exchanges, geological fieldwork, and urban environmental surveys, establishing a cross-regional platform for cooperation.

From July 7 to 17, an NJU sociology team conducted field research in Toyota City, Japan, alongside Nagoya University. Supervised by Professor Anxin Zhu and Dr. Yang Yang, the team explored sustainable community governance using the "Community Problem Visualization" approach. They visited multiple sites, gathered governance data, and presented findings to Japanese scholars, returning with valuable field data for further analysis.



In August, from the 14th to the 23rd, the Kuang Yaming Honors School and the School of Sustainable Energy and Resources jointly carried out the "Scientific Excursion and Research Training on Carbon Neutrality in Central and Northern Europe." Led by Dean Zhu Jia and Vice Dean Zhao Liang, together with Party Secretary of the Kuang Yaming Honors School Zhou Yuan, 20 undergraduates visited universities in Sweden and Norway, engaging in cutting-edge scientific activities focused on carbon neutrality technologies.

These programs reflect NJU's ongoing commitment to expanding global academic partnerships through hands-on research.



## NJU students excel in academic & technological competitions

In the 19th "Challenge Cup" Jiangsu provincial selection, NJU secured the "Outstanding Cup" with three Grand Prizes, six First Prizes, and one Second Prize.



At the 8th National Embedded Chip and System Design Competition, NJU won 6 national first prizes, 8 second prizes, and 3 third prizes as well as two prizes sponsored by the companies Boliu Jingying and D-Robotics.



In the 2025 TI Cup National Undergraduate Electronics Design Contest, NJU earned 1 National First Prize, 3 National Second Prizes, 4 Jiangsu Provincial First Prizes, 10 Jiangsu Provincial Second Prizes, and 3 Jiangsu Provincial Third Prizes.



At the 2025 National Undergraduate IoT Design Contest, NJU teams won four national first prizes and four second prizes. Innovative projects included a wall-climbing aerial vehicle, a smart medical guidance robot, and cloud-edge collaborative systems, with one team ranking in the Top 6.



## NJU hosts C9 League Graduate Education Conference

From July 12 to 13, the Third C9 League Graduate Education Conference, hosted by NJU and organized by Zhengzhou University, took place at Zhengzhou University. The theme was "Empowering Graduate Education with AI, Advancing the Cultivation of Outstanding Talents."

Nearly 300 participants from the Henan Provincial Department of Education, C9 League graduate schools, and Zhengzhou University discussed AI-

driven innovation in graduate education, talent development for national strategic needs, and collaborative mechanisms.

Representatives from C9 universities presented reports on AI-integrated graduate education reforms. The conference concluded with a consensus on deepening AI-driven graduate education integration and strengthening inter-university cooperation.



## China Postgraduate IC Innovation Competition holds on NJU Suzhou campus



On July 30, the closing and awards ceremony of the "Huawei Cup" 8th China Postgraduate IC Innovation Competition finals was held on NJU Suzhou Campus. The event was hosted by Wang Xinran, Party Secretary and Executive Dean of NJU's School of Integrated Circuits.

During the ceremony, Jiang Tian, Assistant President of NJU and Executive Deputy Director of the Suzhou Campus Management Committee, launched the Suzhou New District-NJU Synergistic Development program. Both sides will collaborate in photonics and integrated circuits to advance industrial and talent development. Additionally, NJU, NUAA, and Suzhou Vocational Institute of Industrial Technology signed an agreement to form an alliance for joint cultivation of IC talents.

After three days of competition, 18 first prizes and 65 second prizes were awarded. Eight NJU teams won one "Chip Innovation Star" award and three enterprise-themed first prizes, achieving a 75% award rate for second prize and above. NJU also received the Outstanding Organization Award.

The finals also featured an Integrated Circuit Industry-Education Integration Forum, Deans' Forum, Graduate Ideological and Political Education Forum, and a High-end Talent Fair.

## NJU holds welcome ceremony for renowned energy expert Jing Xudong

On the afternoon of August 20, Nanjing University held a welcome ceremony on Suzhou Campus for renowned energy scholar and Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering of the UK, Jing Xudong. Tan Tieniu attended and presented the appointment letter to Professor Jing.

Tan Tieniu warmly welcomed Jing Xudong and expressed hope that Professor Jing would leverage his extensive experience, advantages, and influence in team building, scientific research, industrial cooperation, and international exchanges. Collaborating with the School of Sustainable Energy and Resources, he is expected to accelerate the school's development, address major national strategic needs, deepen industry collaboration, build high-level talent teams, and contribute to achieving China's "dual carbon" goals and high-quality economic development.

Jing Xudong thanked the university and relevant departments for their support. He stated that he will continue his research in sustainable underground energy and other fields, actively recruit and cultivate outstanding talents, support the school's development, and contribute his expertise to advancing China's green and low-carbon technological system.



### Two NJU teams selected as "Huang Danian-style Teacher Teams among National Universities"

On August 30, the Ministry of Education announced the third batch of "Huang Danian-style Teacher Teams among National Universities" and the candidate list for the fourth batch. NJU's Foreign Languages and Literature Team was honored in the third batch, while the Water Pollution Control Industry-Education Integration Science and Education Team was shortlisted for the fourth batch.

Led by National Prestigious Teacher Wang Shouren, the Foreign Languages and Literature Team adheres to a philosophy that integrates moral grounding with global perspective. Through interdisciplinary and practice-oriented approaches, the team cultivates versatile professionals and has earned multiple national teaching and research awards.

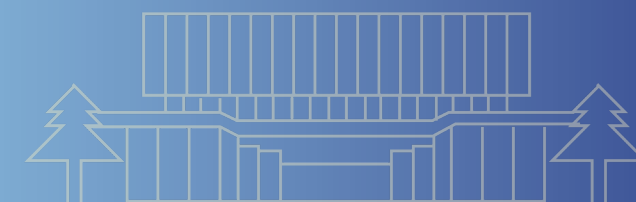
The Water Pollution Control Team is headed by CAE Academician Professor Ren Hongqiang. It has developed a "grounded and innovative" training model and built a "platform-education-industry" innovation ecosystem. The

team has contributed significantly to national green development, with its results featured in Belt and Road tenth-anniversary promotional cases, and has received honors such as the National Outstanding Engineer Team Award.

To date, four NJU teams have been selected as Huang Danian-style Teacher Teams since 2018, including the Remote Sensing for National Territory and Ecological Security Teaching Team and the Interdisciplinary Team of Chemistry and Biology.



# CULTURAL ACTIVITIES





"Beauty of Chinese Characters" exhibition holds on Xianlin campus



"Pearl S. Buck's Rose Garden" nominated for the "Design Value Award"



"Flawless Flowers: Yao Yuan's Painting and Calligraphy Exhibition" opens at NJU Museum



NJU's "Seeking Sounds in the Snow Region" oral history team documents contemporary Tibetan history



NJU Press co-develops large painting "Modern Suzhou Prosperity" to dazzle at Jiangsu Book Fair



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