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Representative of the Teachers

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Honorable Chair Professor Joseph Hun-wei Lee, Vice-Chancellor and President of Macau University of Science and Technology,

Distinguished guests, teachers, students, ladies and gentlemen,

Good morning!

I am Shuxiang You from the University International College. It is truly my honor to stand here today, as a teacher representative, to extend my warmest and most sincere welcome and greetings to the Class of 2025. Welcome to Macao—a city where “One Country, Two Systems” and the traditions of “triliteracy and quadrilingualism” come together. And welcome to MUST, a university often said to be “even more hardworking than its students.”

Today marks the beginning of a new chapter in your life. The years ahead will be full of opportunities as well as challenges. Here, you will study with classmates and teachers from around the world, and you will experience the richness of cultural exchange. This is the unique charm of both Macao and MUST.

“A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step; a mighty river is formed by the gathering of small streams.” Growth in university is the same. Therefore, I encourage you to set clear and actionable goals: complete a high-quality paper, design a reproducible experimental procedure, or initiate a project that will make a meaningful impact. Each small step you take will pave the way for your future. At the same time, I encourage you to step out of your comfort zone—speak up in multilingual settings, listen attentively in cross-cultural exchanges, and collaborate sincerely in group work. Let languages and cultures become bridges that connect you with others and with the world. And always remember to “Study extensively, inquire carefully, think deeply, distinguish clearly, and practice earnestly.” Make the best use of the resources around you, but never compromise on academic integrity, and always keep the warmth and depth of your own reflection.



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Please also remember the ancient verse: “The exuberant years of life will not return; The morning of the day does not repeat itself. Seize your time and brace yourself up; For time does not stop to wait for you.” Don’t get stuck on the past, and don’t let the future scare you. Focus on what you can do today, and give it your best—because today is another day.

Finally, I wish you great success in your studies and true fulfillment in your growth. May you live up to your youth, become a better version of yourselves at MUST, and may our university continue to flourish and achieve new brilliance in the year ahead.

Thank you!