Graduate and Advanced Education

Over the course of AY 2022-23, remarkable change came to NYU Shanghai as the university bade farewell to our beloved Century Avenue campus and flung open the doors of our new Qiantan campus for the first time. Continuing along the theme of transition, the university also welcomed the end of the global pandemic that upended higher education around the world for the past 3 years.

This year also saw the celebration of NYU Shanghai’s 10th Anniversary, a milestone that occasioned everyone in the community to reflect on the university’s tremendous achievements while also looking forward with anticipation to the next chapter of our development. Indeed, graduates of the Class of 2023 were hailed as the cohort that bridges two generations of NYU Shanghai’s story and links the past, present, and future of the institution.

Against this backdrop, graduate and advanced education at NYU Shanghai thrived with successes during AY 2022-23 made possible by the hard work and commitment of numerous faculty, staff members, and partners both within and outside the university, in Shanghai and New York.

NYU Shanghai’s graduate and advanced education community now encompasses 7 master’s programs, 11 PhD programs, 3 semester study programs, nearly 40 faculty teaching graduate courses, around 40 percent of tenure-line faculty participating in the PhD programs, around 30 partnerships with schools / departments in New York, and the new Institute for Cities and Real Estate in Emerging Markets.

Among the highlights in AY 2022-23 were:

- The graduation of 198 NYU Shanghai PhD and master’s students from 10 programs in the Class of 2023, including the inaugural cohorts of the Master of Science in Marketing & Retail Science, the Master of Science in Organization Management & Strategy, and the PhD in Chemistry
- The first term, in Fall 2022, of a new semester study opportunity at NYU Shanghai for 101 NYU New York graduate students from 3 master’s programs in partnership with NYU SPS and NYU Tandon
- China Ministry of Education approval for a new Master of Science in Global Real Estate
- Successful completion of 3 Director-level full-time faculty searches
- Major events including - [Class of 2023 Graduate Convocation](#) in May 2023 (attended by 600 people); [10th Anniversary Post-Doctoral and Doctoral Research Assembly and Alumni Reception](#) in April 2023 (attended by 150 people); [10th Anniversary]
Graduate Alumni Homecoming Gala in March 2023 (attended by 120 people); a two-day conference on healthy aging in March 2023 (attended by 50+ live and 1000+ online); Class of 2022 OGAE Graduation Reception in November 2022 (attended by 120 people); and the NYU Shanghai First-Year Doctoral Summer Camp in July 2023 (attended by 50 people).

Throughout the year, the Office of Graduate and Advanced Education provided leadership and committed to the following priorities:

- Strengthening NYU Shanghai’s collaboration with peer NYU New York schools and departments
- Pursuing world-class excellence in all of its initiatives
- Placing the success of students and faculty first
- Building community across graduate programs and bridges between graduate and undergraduate students at NYU Shanghai
- Promoting a vibrant and united alumni community around graduate education at NYU Shanghai
- Engaging in service to the city of Shanghai that promotes the public good through partnering with local social impact institutions

The Entering Class of 2022

The following infographic provides a snapshot of the 197 students who were admitted to NYU Shanghai master’s and PhD programs in Summer and Fall 2022, combining to set a new high for entering class size. Since 2015, graduate students at NYU Shanghai have hailed from close to 20 countries and regions around the world.
Upcoming New Program

- Master of Science in Global Real Estate

China's Ministry of Education has granted approval for NYU Shanghai to launch a new **Master of Science in Global Real Estate** that will offer students seeking to strengthen their understanding of Chinese commercial real estate markets and investment fundamentals the opportunity to pursue a specialized degree in an advanced, comparative, globally oriented business program taught by distinguished practitioner-scholars from NYU Shanghai, NYU New York, and other NYU global sites. The 36-credit program will be jointly offered with the NYU School of Professional Studies and Schack Institute of Real Estate.

The launch of the program will coincide with the development of the Institute for Cities and Real Estate in Emerging Markets at NYU Shanghai, whose inaugural Executive Director and Professor of Practice, **Jean Zhang**, will begin his tenure in Fall 2023. Previously, Zhang was Managing Director of Taubman China for 11 years and Vice-President for China of Ivanhoe Cambridge. He holds a PhD from the University of Montreal.
Master's Programs

- NYU Shanghai - NYU Tisch MA in Interactive Media Arts

In June 2023, NYU Shanghai celebrated the graduation of 28 students making up the third cohort of the Master of Arts program in Interactive Media Arts (Low Res) with the NYU Tisch School of the Arts.

As part of their graduation, the IMA program organized a Thesis Show at NYU Shanghai and open to the public with student projects spanning a wide spectrum of innovative ideas in VR/AR, machine learning, digital music, ecological sustainability, product design, wearables, games, and performing arts that showcased learning acquired over the past year. The 2-day show from June 21-22 welcomed close to 400 visitors, from kindergarten-age children to senior citizens, professional artists to casual art enthusiasts, giving students a wonderful opportunity to showcase their work to people with diverse backgrounds and collect feedback.
During Summer 2023, the IMA program conducted its first-ever in-person Shanghai session since the start of the global pandemic. Students and faculty traveled from the US and Europe to Shanghai for the 5-week immersive experience. As part of the course “Made in China,” students embarked on a field trip to Shenzhen, exploring how the manufacturing ecosystem in Shenzhen boosts productivity and innovation in the technology sector. In Shanghai, the program organized visits to partner institutions such as TeamLab Borderless, West Bund Museum, RockBund Museum, Power Station of Art Museum, and Museum of Art Pudong. Through these visits, students gained inspiration for their thesis projects.
In July 2023, 37 students were admitted as the fourth cohort, many of whom are working professionals in industries such as technology, design, creative consulting, and film production, among others. Commencing their study in New York with a Summer session, the students will hold an end-of-term show in mid August and are expected to graduate in Summer 2024 following an in-person module at NYU Shanghai. Over their 12 months in the program, they will study the production, application, and understanding of interactive media for creative expression and critical engagement.

NYU Shanghai - NYU Stern MS Programs

In May 2023, 121 students comprising the fourth cohort of NYU Shanghai - NYU Stern Master of Science students were recognized at graduation, with 25 in the Data Analytics & Business Computing (DABC) program, 44 in the Quantitative Finance (QF) program, 26 in the Marketing and Retail Science (MRS) and 26 in the Organization Management and Strategy (OMS). Among the graduates were four alumni of NYU Shanghai’s undergraduate program. Also, 16 of the 121 students are taking advantage of a new option within the program to extend their studies for 8 additional months and plan to receive their degrees in January 2024. Meanwhile, May 2023 graduates are now embarking on promising careers with companies from CICC, PwC, FNZ, Huatai Security, Alibaba, China Mobile, EY, L'Oréal, ByteDance, and Nestle, among others.
Eighteen NYU Shanghai business faculty taught courses for the Class of 2023. The programs also featured corporate engagement with partners such as Morgan Stanley, Goldman Sachs, Bank of America, Blackrock, Wells Fargo, Moody’s, JPMorgan Chase, Dow Chemical, Citibank, Boston Consulting Group, The Walt Disney Company, Gucci, Nomura Holdings, FedEx, SoftBank China Venture Capital, Camus, Hilton, Hormel Foods, Publicis, McKinsey, Unilever, Microsoft, Ali Group, and Meituan, among others. These companies sponsored capstone projects, guest seminars, and corporate visits to enrich the students’ academic experience.

In June 2023, 86 new students enrolled as the fifth cohort of NYU Shanghai - NYU Stern MS students. Overall, the cohort consists of 16 DABC students, 20 MRS students, 24 OMS
students, and 26 QF students. The Class of 2024 began their summer study at Stern in New York and will transition to NYU Shanghai starting September 2023. Students choosing a 12-month program completion schedule will graduate in May 2024 while students choosing a 20-month program completion schedule will graduate in January 2025.

Introduced in Fall 2022, the bifurcated program completion option provides students with more choice and flexibility. The 12-month option will be favored by students who prefer to start their post-graduation careers as soon as possible, perhaps enabling them to accept jobs and begin earning money right away. The 20-month option will be favored by students who prefer to pace their education, giving them more time to, for example, conduct research, deepen relationships with faculty, participate in student engagement opportunities on campus, or acquire pre-graduation professional experience via Summer and Fall internships while still enrolled.

Students in the entering June 2023 cohort bring a diversity of educational backgrounds to their program, with undergraduate degrees from universities all around the world, including in Australia, Canada, China, France, Hong Kong, Japan, Ireland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Their undergraduate majors range from STEM subjects to Economics, Finance to Accounting, Communications to Marketing and Psychology / Social Science subjects.

In June 2023, Assistant Professor of Practice in Business Analytics Tingjun Zheng was appointed full-time faculty. He will serve as the capstone director of the DABC program and also teach the Machine Learning course in the curriculum. Most recently, Zheng was an adjunct professor at Xi’an Jiaotong Liverpool University and an external professor at SKEMA Business School China. Zheng brings more than two decades of academic, teaching, and industry experience in big data, data mining, machine learning, and business and technology.

In the past five years, close to 3300 applications have been submitted for admission to the NYU Shanghai - NYU Stern MS programs.
NYU Shanghai's **MA in TESOL**, jointly offered with the NYU Steinhardt School of Culture, Education and Human Development, continues to flourish into its sixth year. In May 2023, 30 students in the fourth cohort, making up the largest ever, earned their degrees. 17 students in the fifth cohort are expected to graduate in May 2024.

TESOL students make up a diversity of backgrounds, hailing from a wide range of local schools, both domestic and international; educational institutions, both public and private; and all levels of English instruction, from kindergarten to high school, adult learners to online platforms.

Capstone projects this year demonstrated commendable breadth in topics covered and diversity in methodologies employed. They included: an exploration of English speaking anxiety among Chinese graduate students in the U.S. and Singapore; research on motivation and engagement strategies for L2 Secondary English classes through distance
learning; an examination of the effectiveness of a task-based approach in teaching economics vocabulary to high school students; an analysis of national English MOOCs for rural middle school students in Taizhou; an investigation on Chinese international school students’ perception of filial piety and motivation for learning English; and an assessment of the impact of the implementation of project-based learning on non-English major college students’ motivation and attitudes towards vocabulary learning.

In Spring 2023, the TESOL program successfully concluded a worldwide search for a new Clinical Professor and Director by appointing John Liang whose term will begin on August 28, 2023. Most recently, Liang was a tenured Professor of TESOL at Biola University where he was Chair of TESOL Programs in the School of Education and served on the faculty for more than 20 years. Liang earned his PhD from the University of Texas at Austin.

In June 2023, 15 students enrolled in the program as the sixth cohort. Over the course of their two years in the program, they will take courses such as Teaching World Languages: Theory and Practice, Structure of American English, Linguistic Analysis, and Second Language Acquisition, among many others. They are expected to graduate in May 2025.

NYU Shanghai - NYU Silver Master of Social Work

NYU Shanghai’s Master of Social Work program, jointly offered with the NYU Silver School of Social Work, the only MSW program of an American university in China, concluded its eighth academic year. In Spring 2023, 12 students from the program’s
seventh cohort graduated. The program’s eighth cohort admitted in Fall 2022 consists of 12 students who were based at NYU Shanghai from August 2022 to May 2023.

In addition to their on-campus coursework, MSW students completed thousands of hours of off-campus fieldwork at local agencies and social organizations. These included: Fudan International School, Shanghai Mental Health Center, Shanghai Children’s Medical Center, Shanghai United Foundation, and Shanghai No. 9 People’s Hospital, among others. Their service exemplifies the university’s steadfast commitment to making a contribution to the social development of Shanghai.

In March 2023, the program held a two-day conference at NYU Shanghai - **Healthy Aging in a Changing Society: An Interdisciplinary Perspective** - in collaboration with NYU Silver, NYU Aging Incubator, Duke Kunshan University, Fudan University, and Huadong Hospital, convening speakers from a diverse range of fields, including medicine, sociology, demography, anthropology, nursing, public health, and social work. Nearly 50 guests from academic institutions, public organizations, and private enterprises attended, with over a thousand viewers watching a live broadcast online. The conference featured discussion sessions, forums, and workshops delving into topics such as post-pandemic healthy aging, caregiving practices, data research, caregiving workforce, and breakthroughs and developments in geriatric social work.

Over the course of Fall 2022, the program hosted six online seminars with South China University of Technology, centered around research methods. Speakers joined from renowned institutions including Tsinghua University, New York University, Renmin University and University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
At the end of May 2023, Professor Xie Qian led students on a field trip to the Yangjing Memory Home, a dementia-friendly community empowerment center. During the visit, students experienced a simulation to better understand the challenges faced by elderly people. Through engaging activities, they gained a holistic view of dementia and the profound significance of advocating for a dementia-friendly social environment.

In May 2023, as a keynote speaker, Professor Minchao Jin attended a national conference on financial education, financial service and community governance hosted by Central University of Finance and Economy. In December 2022, Jin delivered a speech titled Applied Assessments in Project Design and Implementation at the China Foundation Forum.

For September 2023, 15 new students have enrolled as the program’s ninth cohort and the Class of 2025.

Students in all of NYU Shanghai’s joint master’s programs are taught by faculty of both NYU Shanghai and our New York partner schools, and receive New York University degrees, issued in New York, with diplomas that feature the names of both NYU Shanghai and our
New York partners. Upon graduation, students in these programs have status as alumni of both NYU Shanghai and our New York partners.

**Doctoral Programs**

NYU Shanghai offers opportunities for PhD study and research in 11 disciplines: **Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Data Science, Electrical Engineering, Mathematics, Neural Science, Physics, Sociology, and Transportation Planning & Engineering, and Public Administration.** In all of the programs, enrolled students are advised by and work directly with NYU Shanghai faculty, conducting their research on campus, and funded by the NYU Shanghai Doctoral Fellowship program. Upon graduation, students earn a PhD degree awarded by New York University.

Since the first cohort of PhDs was admitted in Fall 2015, total enrollment has grown to over 50 students, with 1 in Biology, 10 in Chemistry, 11 in Computer Science, 3 in Data Science, 1 in Electrical Engineering, 5 in Mathematics, 9 in Neural Science, 4 in Physics, 3 in Sociology, and 5 in Transportation. These students are supervised by more than 20 NYU Shanghai faculty advisors. Current research projects cover the full spectrum of scientific inquiry, diving into topics pertaining to cancer research, drug design, protein interactions, electronic spectroscopy, molecular dynamics, audio signal processing, optimization, multi-scale modeling, probability theory, motor-sensory transformation, social inequality, and intelligent transportation systems, among many others.

This academic year saw a record number of PhD graduates. They were the following -

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Notably, Wang earned the Pearl Brownstein Doctoral Research Award in the NYU Tandon Department of Computer Science and Engineering which is given to the graduates of each year whose research shows the greatest promise. Narozniak was NYU Shanghai’s first-ever PhD graduate in Physics while Paz was the first-ever graduate in Chemistry. Li was the first-ever PhD graduate to serve as a student speaker during NYU Shanghai’s Graduate Convocation in May 2023.

In June 2023, PhD student in Chemistry Zengkui Liu received the Best Poster Award for his research presented at the “Quantum and Classical Dynamics in Chemistry” session of the 33rd Chinese Chemical Society (CCS) Congress. Liu stood among seven graduate students who were selected for this honor from over 100 poster presenters in the session. The CCS Congress, held in Qingdao, was attended by more than 20,000 participants.

In April 2023, the Office of Graduate and Advanced Education organized the 10th Anniversary Postdoctoral and Doctoral Research Assembly, a first-ever gathering of its scale dedicated to showcasing postdoctoral and PhD research at NYU Shanghai. During the all-day event, nearly 30 postdoctoral fellows and PhD students shared current research projects via posters and oral presentations, with around 20 former postdocs and PhDs returning to NYU Shanghai for a homecoming and more than 150 audience members in attendance. A wide variety of academic fields were represented, including biology, computer science, global health, neural science, physics, psychology, medical anthropology, and transportation engineering.

Receiving awards for outstanding achievement during the Assembly were PhD student in Neural Science Yuhao Liu, PhD student in Transportation Planning and Engineering Yuhao Liu, PhD student in Biology Xiaoai Lyu, PhD student in Urban Studies Meizi You, Postdoc in Mathematics Manuel Rissel, Postdoc in Psychology Mengrun Zhang, Postdoc in
Physics Zhuang Su, Postdoc of Global Asia Bhagya Senaratne, and Postdoc in Global Health Gen Li.

Serving on the Organizing Committee of the Interdisciplinary Colloquium (IDC), 3rd-year PhD student in Biology Xiaoai Lyu, along with OGAE staff Vivien Du and Congyi Lyu, helped organize five IDC events between December 2022 and April 2023. At each event, a distinguished internal or external speaker presented a seminar on topics covering physics, chemistry, computer science, neuroscience or biology. IDC events sparked new interactions among NYU Shanghai STEM faculty, brought together people with different backgrounds, and inspired new interdisciplinary research projects.
In Summer 2023, a new cohort of 9 PhD students was enrolled, representing 3 countries: China, US, and India. Their research areas span 7 fields, including Chemistry, Computer Science, Data Science, Physics, Sociology, Public Administration and Mathematics. Among them, 5 students had prior connections to NYU Shanghai through undergraduate study, or RA experience.

On July 29, 2023, the Office of Graduate and Advanced Education organized the first-ever **NYU Shanghai First-Year Doctoral Summer Camp**, a brand-new pre-matriculation event open to new research doctorate students from any NYU school, portal campus, and program. With nearly 30 students attending, the Camp featured activities designed to give
new students a formative experience that eases the transition into one’s doctoral studies and move to New York City. Activities fostered early social bonds and interdisciplinary connections, celebrated NYU Violet pride, introduced NYU resources relating to student life and support, and provided an unforgettable experience on NYU Shanghai’s campus. NYU Shanghai Dean of Graduate and Advanced Education Eric H. Mao and Dean of NYU GSAS Lynne Kiorpes delivered welcome remarks.

In recent years, NYU Shanghai PhD students have published papers in leading journals and participated in various academic fora, including with the Journal of Chemical Physics, International Journal of Modern Physics, Physics Review Letters, the Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems, International Conference on Machine Learning, International Conference on Quantum Technologies, AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, and so forth.

Throughout the year, NYU Shanghai’s PhD programs contributed to working groups based at NYU New York on matters such as building community across all NYU doctoral programs, professional development for PhD students, and alumni placement tracking.

**Semester Study and Short-Term Programs**

- **Semester Study Programs**

Fall 2022 marked the inaugural term of NYU Shanghai’s new semester study opportunity for NYU New York graduate students in select master’s programs. The master’s programs are: the NYU SPS Master of Science in Integrated Marketing, NYU SPS Master of Science in Management & Systems, and NYU Tandon Master of Science in Management of Technology. Evolved from the go local program that ran from 2020-2022, the opportunity enables newly admitted students in the 3 programs to spend their first semester taking
in-person coursework at NYU Shanghai before traveling to New York for the remainder of their degree.

Students are enrolled full-time, taking a curated set of 3-4 courses on campus, and fully integrated within the NYU Shanghai community. The program also takes inspiration from NYU Shanghai’s long-time undergraduate “study away” program.

101 students participated in the program in Fall 2022. Courses included: Integrated Marketing; Campaign I: Strategy & Execution; Finance for Marketing Decisions; Statistical Measurements, Analysis & Research; Managing in a Global Economy; Financial Management; Project Management in The Information Age; Organizational Behavior; Financial Analysis for Technology Managers; and Global Innovation. Faculty in the program included distinguished practitioner-scholars with decades of senior experience in business and highly accomplished professors from peer Shanghai universities appointed as adjuncts.

- Short-Term Programs

NYU Shanghai regularly partners with other NYU schools to host short-term study away programs in Shanghai for graduate students. These programs consist of short, immersive, for-credit academic experiences that explore current issues and events relevant to China and the world at large.

In June 2023, a cohort of 17 executive-level students from NYU Stern’s Master of Science in Global Finance, a program jointly offered with the Business School of Hong Kong University of Science & Technology, came to NYU Shanghai for a learning module focused on Chinese financial markets. The students represented more than 10 countries. This module was the first to be held at NYU Shanghai since the start of the pandemic.
NYU Shanghai made the following new full-time faculty appointments in Graduate and Advanced Education:
• John Liang: Clinical Professor and Director, Multilingual Multicultural Studies/TESOL Program
• Jean Zhang: Professor of Practice and Executive Director, Institute for Cities and Real Estate in Emerging Markets at NYU Shanghai
• Tingjun Zheng: Assistant Professor of Practice in Business Analytics and Capstone Director, MSDABC Program

In addition, Dean of Graduate and Advanced Education Eric Mao and Anna Kendrick, Clinical Associate Professor of Literature and Director of Global Awards, were appointed to seats on the NYU Graduate Programs Committee (GPC). The GPC reviews and recommends to the NYU Provost the approval of proposals from colleges, schools, and portal campuses with respect to new graduate programs granting master's and doctoral degrees.

Between Summer 2022 and Summer 2023, 35 faculty at NYU Shanghai taught graduate courses.

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NYU Shanghai Graduate Convocations

NYU Shanghai held its *Fourth Annual Graduate Convocation* on May 28, 2023 to celebrate the graduation of 186 PhD and Master’s degree graduates from nine programs. 168 students walked across the stage in the New Bund Campus auditorium to receive their degrees in person, witnessed in person by over 300 family guests. Additionally, 18
graduates joined the event via livestream, along with parents and friends from around the globe.

The event was the first graduate convocation to be held on NYU Shanghai’s New Bund campus, as well as the first to welcome outside visitors since the start of the global pandemic. The event also featured the graduation of NYU Shanghai’s first-ever doctoral graduates in Chemistry, and of the inaugural classes of the Master of Science in Organization Management and Strategy and the Master of Science in Marketing and Retail Science programs.

Chancellor Tong Shijun, Vice Chancellor Jeffrey Lehman, and Provost Joanna Waley-Cohen delivered congratulatory remarks while all graduates’ names were read aloud by Dean of Graduate and Advanced Education Eric Mao, and Professors Han Shen Lin, Rayn Wang, Jing Chen, and JH Moon.

Li Liujunli, PhD ’23 and Xu Mingqi, MA TESOL ’23, represented the Class of 2023 as student speakers. The following graduates received program awards for excellence:

- Wang Che, PhD ’23
- Ted Chiao MA TESOL ’23
- Jessica Nestell MA TESOL ’23
- Xiao Ciyi MA TESOL ’23
- Xu Mingqi MA TESOL ’23
- Wu Ziming MA TESOL ’23
- Zhu Meiting MA TESOL ’23
- Chen Cheng MS DABC ’23
- Lo An Tong MS QF ’23
- Fang Jiahui MS MRS ’23
- Li Junlin MS OMS ’23
On November 20, 2022, a reception was held for Class of 2022 NYU Shanghai master’s, PhD, and go local graduates. Presented as an opportunity to return to campus for one final in-person memory at the Century Avenue campus and to wear full graduation regalia, nearly 100 students attended the festivities. The event was especially poignant because the Class of 2022 Graduate Convocation that took place in May 2022 could only be held virtually and the reception, for many students, was their first time back to campus since the city-wide pandemic-necessitated Spring 2022 lockdown. The reception featured remarks by Dean of Graduate and Advanced Education Eric Mao, two student speakers representing the go local program, and a performance of NYU Shanghai’s alma mater by the university chorale.
Graduate Alumni Community

Over the past decade, NYU Shanghai has welcomed advanced degree students from every province in China and 17 countries worldwide, ranging in age from 21 to 63. Around 600 have graduated from PhD and master’s programs so far. Following graduation, many choose to stay in Shanghai, while some choose to move to other cities in China or abroad like Australia, Los Angeles, New York City, Poland, Saudi Arabia, and Singapore for
employment or further study. They join a worldwide NYU alumni community of 600,000 strong, having earned an unparalleled NYU education while enjoying the unique advantages of study at NYU Shanghai.

In March 2023, nearly 100 NYU Shanghai graduate alumni from virtually every past graduating class of PhD, master’s, and Go Local students from 2017 through 2022 joined in reunion celebrations coinciding with NYU Shanghai’s 10th Anniversary celebration week at the Graduate Alumni 10th Anniversary Homecoming Gala. The event featured messages from many colleagues representing NYU Shanghai’s partner schools in New York, including Dean of GSAS Lynne Kiorpes, Dean of NYU Stern Raghu Sundaram, Dean of NYU SPS Angie Kamath, and Dean of NYU Steinhardt Jack Knott. Faculty and leadership representatives including Minchao Jin, June Bu, Han Shen Lin, Ming Liao, and Eric Mao also delivered toasts specific to each cohort of program alumni.
Community Engagement

In December 2022, graduate students and faculty participated in "On Display Global," an annual, worldwide initiative that honors the United Nations' International Day of Persons with Disabilities. The event in Shanghai took place at the Shanghai Glass Museum and was live-streamed to a global audience. NYU Shanghai graduate students and faculty performed an immersive dance themed “moving sculpture,” where they embodied their support for and solidarity with persons with disabilities in their body movements and interactions.
The Office of Graduate and Advanced Education is committed to social responsibility, service, and the valuable extra-curricular learning that students gain through participation in community engagement. With more initiatives scheduled in the coming new academic year, graduate students will be encouraged to step outside the classroom and create social impact beyond NYU Shanghai’s campus while simultaneously cultivating the skills and values of good citizenship.