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Both ceremonies acquainted new ATU students with various members of the Management and executives of the Student Representative Council. The University's administrators took turns familiarising the freshmen and women with their departments and their roles in enhancing students experience.

After the Dean of Student Affairs, Mr. Martin Owusu Amoamah and the Director of Public Affairs, Ms. Fausta Kilian Ganaa officially welcomed the freshmen and women to ATU, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor of ATU, Professor Amevi Acakpovi, delivered a touching speech, encouraging

students to be mature and take responsibility for every aspect of their lives.

Professor Acakpovi urged the freshmen and women to be responsible when receiving and relaying information. He also cautioned them against sexual misconduct and indecency. According to the Pro-Vice-Chancellor, discipline matters most if students seek to achieve academic maturity. He, therefore, advised students to be time-conscious, hardworking and result oriented.



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The evening students were commended particularly for the enthusiasm with which they sang the Accra Technical University anthem on the first attempt. Other officials present at the ceremony included the Director of Finance; University Librarian; Director, Academic Affairs; Director, Public Affairs; Director, ICT; Director, Quality Assurance and Academic Planning; Director, Industrial Liaison; Director, Guidance, Counselling and Career Development; Director, General Services; University Exams Officer; University Medical Services; Head, SPORELU, and the Head, Sanitation and Environment, who all took turns to educate the freshers on their various areas of operations.

The orientation process continued for the week at the departmental level.



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IPSAS are financial reporting standards for use by public sector entities that aims to improve the quality of general-purpose financial reporting, leading to better-informed assessments of the resource allocation decisions made by governments; thereby increasing transparency and accountability.

Accra Technical University, as part of its quest to adopt IPSAS, organised a training programme for the Finance Directorate and other departments that are involved in the University's financial activities, such as the Internal Audit, Procurement and Human Resources departments.



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According to Professor Odai, while the University's main purpose is to educate, a huge fraction of work in such an institution involved handling and moving money. Knowing when and how to report and do so accurately and transparently is an essential part of the job because someone must account for it after all, in Professor Odai's words.

For this purpose, ATU hosted experts from PricewaterhouseCoopers Ghana (PWC), an international accounting and consultancy firm, to take staff members of the Finance Directorate and other finance-related departments through training sessions that took place daily from 23rd to 27th January 2023. Members of PWC who came to assist ATU employees with the training included Hayfron Aboagye, Partner at PWC Ghana; Johnny Mensah, Associate Director; Augustine Aboagye, Senior Manager; Esenam Asafo, Manager; Steve Afrifa-Yamoah, Senior Associate and Darlington Gyan, Associate.

The Vice-Chancellor graced the occasion together with the Registrar, Mrs. Sylvia Beatrice Oppong-Mensah. Staff members who underwent the programme received certificates to mark their completion of the programme.



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