

Dr. Swartz Named First Lecture Professor at Hospital in China



Appointment Ceremony installing Mark H. Swartz, M.D. as First Lecture Professor at Xiangya Hospital of Central South University in Changsha, China

Mark H. Swartz, MD, Professor of Medicine and Vice President, Medical and Professional Affairs of NYCPM, visited Xiangya Hospital of Central South University, in Changsha, China (in Hunan Province), where he was appointed First Lecture Professor of the hospital in a ceremony on April 24. At the ceremony, Dr. Swartz outlined his teaching plan for the three-year appointment, pledging to teach diagnostics and train teachers for the hospital from a new perspective.

During his week at the hospital, Dr. Swartz hosted a physical examination workshop for students and faculty, demonstrating the techniques for the physical examination of the head, neck, heart and lungs. The audience was reportedly impressed by Dr. Swartz' "humanistic" attitude to the standardized patients during the demonstration. This again was shown during bedside teaching rounds on a teaching ward with a patient with Graves' ophthalmopathy, in which Dr. Swartz' caring approach to the patient was evident. In response to a question, Dr. Swartz affirmed that his experience shows him that sophisticated instruments could never replace a doctor's caring approach to a patient.

Dr. Swartz' landmark text, *Textbook of Physical Diagnosis: History and Examination*, was translated into Chinese in 2016. This was the 15th language translation of his book.

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At the bedside with students and faculty demonstrating the extra-ocular muscle abnormality in a patient with Graves' ophthalmopathy



Bedside teaching group at Xiangya Hospital