

## The 19th National Physical Olympiad Opens at DTU

Around 400 students, lecturers and specialist in Physics across the country attended the opening ceremony of the 19th National Physical Olympiad at DTU on April 21th. The 4-day contest aimed to boost physics learning and research activities amongst students, and to encourage young talents to promote their capabilities and creativity.



*Hero of Labor, Distinguished Teacher Le Cong Co gives gifts to the Organizers*

Opening the ceremony, Associate Professor Chu Dinh Thuy, Vice President of Vietnamese Physics Society, said: *“With the positive participation of local Physical Societies and Physics Associations of the Vietnam Physical Society, eighteen National Physics Olympiads for Students have been organized at different locations so far, with ever increasing number of participating teams and better results. This year for the first time, the contest was held at DTU, a private university, with the highest number of delegations. It was also the first year the national Physics and Science & Technology communities implemented the ‘Program for the Development of Physics until 2020’. We wish all contestants the confidence to successfully complete the contest, and to have interesting experience at DTU.”*



*Contestants*

The National Physics Olympiad for Students is jointly held by the Viet Nam Physics Society, the Viet Nam Union of Science and Technology Associations, the Ministry of Education and Training, the Central Committee of the Ho Chi Minh Communist Youth Union, and the Viet Nam Students' Association. This year's contest attracted around 400 students from 49 universities, academies and colleges across the country participating in the contest, marking the highest number of contestants since 1998. Contestants are competing in 3 main categories, including multi-choice test, experimental test and doing exercises.

Following the opening ceremony, the teams entered the first multiple-choice test. So as to have the contest go smoothly, DTU prepared it all carefully and created the best of opportunities, such as with a computer system with high configurability and guaranteeing a stable internet connection. The university's technical team additionally closely supervises the contest, enthusiastically instructing students on how to log in into the system and giving timely technical support, to assure the students peace of mind while solving the test.

As part of the event, delegations participate in academic exchange meetings, musical festival and sightseeing.

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