



**NEWS**

**First day of classes kicks off with annual USG event**



Although the event did not start until 8 a.m., students began arriving at 7:30 a.m. to get in line to have their photo taken with the “FDOC” banner, with seniors going to the “LFDOC” (last first day of classes), as this was their last undergraduate semester. Many waited in line for over an hour before posing for their pictures, with temperatures hovering around 32 degrees Fahrenheit.



**Event planners and attendees alike expressed their shared appreciation for the event marking the start of their semesters.**

“I’m really glad that we’re doing this kind of tradition. Students get motivated to wake up a little early ... and meet with people that they haven’t seen on winter break or summer break.”

Amy Park ’27

“I just want to take a picture with all of my friends in one place, and later in the day, it’s impossible to get everyone situated in one place.”

Jennifer Melo ’25



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Caption: FDOC, or first day of classes, commenced with the annual University Student Government (USG) event on Jan. 27 on McCosh Walk with coffee, bagels, and photos to celebrate the beginning of the semester. Its a tradition thats continuously getting stronger, USG President Enzo Kho 26 said. Kho also explained that this tradition for the start of each semester began about nine years ago. Tap the link in our bio for the full story. Reporting from Devon Rudolph. Post design by Amparo Sanchez. Photo credit: Devon Rudolph / The Daily Princetonian.

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