

International Students Meet the Pack

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(Off camera): Go Wolfpack!

NC State head coach Tom O'Brien: I lived in Japan for a year and I didn't understand a lot of their customs, so with two girls that had gone overseas to college, I understand that they wanted to learn about the country they were living in and being involved with. I think it helps.

Jens Witteler: Today there was the opportunity for international students to get to know Coach O'Brien of the NCSU football team and to get to know some more about football. Many of us don't have football leagues in our home countries so we came here to get to know what football means here in America, and to get to know about the rules, about the game and about the players.

Leslie Allen: They come from different countries – from Europe, from eastern Europe, from Latin America, and they have know clue about football. Just for them to have that experience – to experience football, to know the rules and actually meet the coach was pretty amazing. To see the stadium, it's a very nice experience for them.

Witteler: We met a German football player, a football player from Germany who plays here on the team, and since I am from Germany too, that was a great experience.

O'Brien: It shows a little bit of our culture, and that's all part of their learning and growing experiences, to understand something about the country they are living in right now.

Witteler: When you come out here for the games, it's always crowded with people and you don't have time to look around because everybody is heading into the stadium. This time it was – we had time to look around on your own and see some stuff. I mean, there's so much information you don't see during the games – it was really a good idea, and that I met a German player was the best of all I think.

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