



# **Temasek Foundation LEaRN Programme @NTU**

AY2021-2022, Special Term II 29 June to 30 July 2022

# Nurturing Global-Savvy Future Ready Asian Citizens in the heart of Global Asia





#### **ABOUT TF LEARN**

The Temasek Foundation Leadership Enrichment and Regional Networking Programme @ Nanyang Technological University (TF LEaRN @NTU) is funded by Temasek Foundation. The goal of this scholarship programme (TF LEaRN @NTU) is to nurture global-savvy future ready Asian citizens, building bridges among student leaders in Asia, with an aim to achieve the following:

- 1. Form a sustained network amongst regional LEaRN participants and build regional connection for the development of Asia.
- 2. Work together in a culturally diverse, multi-disciplinary team on a real-world SDG related project.
- 3. Acquire skillsets in cross-cultural intelligence, entrepreneurship, systems thinking and social innovation whilst involved in the immersion programme.
- 4. Develop a global mindset by acquiring a better appreciation of another culture, lifestyle, language, and enriching their leadership skills.

TF LEaRN @NTU serves to provide a global learning experience for talented Asian undergraduates with good academic standing and leadership potential to participate and learn alongside NTU students in a short-term multi-location (Singapore and another Asian city) programme. Selected participants of TF LEaRN @NTU will develop a strong sense of cross-cultural intelligence, gain a global mindset with sustained network of friends for regional networking among the development of Asia. They will also develop new skillsets in entrepreneurship and systems thinking that will prepare them to be successful in their chosen profession.

30 selected Asian undergraduate students will be offered this opportunity with NTU with tuition and living expenses covered.

The LEaRN Programme will be held from 29 June to 30 July 2022.

Application for AY 2021-2022, Special Term II is currently open!



#### **ABOUT NTU**

A research-intensive public university, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU Singapore) has 33,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students in the Engineering, Business, Science, Humanities, Arts, & Social Sciences, and Graduate colleges. It also has a medical school, the Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine, set up jointly with Imperial College London.

NTU is also home to world-class autonomous institutes – the National Institute of Education, S Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Earth Observatory of Singapore, and Singapore Centre for Environmental Life Sciences Engineering – and various leading research centres such as the Nanyang Environment & Water Research Institute (NEWRI) and Energy Research Institute @ NTU (ERI@N).

Ranked amongst the world's top universities by QS, NTU has been placed the world's **top young university** for the past seven years. The University's main campus is frequently listed among the Top 15 most beautiful university campuses in the world and it has 57 Green Mark-certified (equivalent to LEED-certified) building projects, of which 95% are certified Green Mark Platinum. Apart from its main campus, NTU also has a campus in Novena, Singapore's healthcare district.

Under the NTU Smart Campus vision, the University harnesses the power of digital technology and tech-enabled solutions to support better learning and living experiences, the discovery of new knowledge, and the sustainability of resources.





### **TF LEARN PROGRAMME AND SCHOLARSHIP**

LEaRN Programme Dates	Programme Dates: 29 June 2022 – 30 July 2022	
	First segment of Programme: Immersion in Singapore 29 June 2022 – 15 July 2022	
	Second segment of the Programme): Immersion in Bangkok, Thailand 19 July 2022 – 30 July 2022	
No. of Awards	The TF LEaRN @NTU programme is only offered as a short-term programme during the NTU Special Term II.	
	Up to <b>30 TF LEaRN</b> scholarships worth S\$5,300 each will be awarded for AY2021-2022 Special Term II.	
Quantum	Each TF LEaRN @NTU award is tenable for NTU Special Term II.	
	<ul> <li>Each TF LEaRN @NTU award is worth SGD5,300 and covers the following:</li> <li>Singapore:         <ul> <li>Programme fee at NTU (Tuition and socio-cultural activities)</li> <li>Accommodation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Thailand:         <ul> <li>Programme fee at Thailand (Tuition, socio-cultural activities and industrial visits)</li> <li>Accommodation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Financial award of SGD1,500 as:         <ul> <li>subsidy for airfare for home country to Singapore, Singapore to Bangkok and Bangkok to home country.</li> <li>stipend for the duration of the programme</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Nomination & Application Deadlines	<ul> <li>Nomination Deadline: 10 May 2022         (For partner university to submit list of nominees to NTU)     </li> <li>Online Application Deadline: 12 May 2022</li> </ul>	
	(For student applicant to submit online application together with required documents)	
	Invitations for nominations and applications will be emailed to the International Relations Office of NTU's ASEAN Partner Universities for internal dissemination.	



#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- Open to nationals of member countries of ASEAN (except Singapore) to pursue a multi-location short-term programme with NTU.
- Applicants must be full-time Undergraduate students in one of NTU exchange partner institutions.
- Have completed 2 semesters of study at home university, with proof of results.
- NTU will only review student applications that are nominated and formally submitted to NTU Office of Global Education & Mobility Education (OGEM) by the exchange coordinators of partner universities.
- Each NTU partner institutions should not submit more than number of nominations requested. A selection process (see page 9) will be held and only selected candidates will be awarded the scholarship.
- The nominees should be from different faculties/schools within the nominating university.
- Applicants should possess the following:
  - a) An excellent academic record within the top 5% of cohort
  - b) A very good command of the English Language (see "English Proficiency Requirement" on page 5)
  - c) Hold leadership positions in any of the university student activity clubs and/or involved in community service
  - d) A Recommendation Letter from a faculty of the host institution and a CV of the nominee's accomplishments.
- Please check the requirements of the TF LEaRN @NTU programme and the required documents for the application.



#### **REQUIREMENTS**

#### 1. TF LEaRN @NTU Programme

A comprehensive summer programme over 4.5 weeks has been specially curated to build and enhance key skillsets that are important for students to be Future Ready. ASEAN youths shall first travel to Singapore to meet up with NTU students for cultural and academic immersion. Here at NTU, they will take an Entrepreneurship course, attend workshops and lectures covering Design and Systems Thinking, intercultural and holistic resilience competences and then apply the learnings to solve an SDG issue within a multicultural and interdisciplinary team.

For the second segment of their learning, they would participate in a field trip to an ASEAN city and gain a deeper appreciation about Singapore and the selected Asian host country. This will cultivate a better understanding and sensitivity to diverse cultures and perspectives. In 2022, this segment of the programme will be held in Bangkok, Thailand, hosted by Mahidol University. LEaRN Scholars will earn 3 academic credits upon completion of the programme.

#### 2. Coursework on 'Professional Development and Occupational Success' Pillar

At NTU, the LEaRN Scholars will gain a fundamental understanding of the entrepreneurial process, of how entrepreneurs start and implement their business ideas and this will instill in them an entrepreneurial mindset posture for the future. They will attend workshops and lectures covering Design and Systems thinking, intercultural and holistic resilience competences and then apply the learnings to work on an SDG-related project and build a business model. You will then pitch the business solution to your peers and academics.

#### 3. Workshops on 'Holistic Resilience' Pillar

LEaRN scholars will attend a series of workshops designed to nurture holistic resilience and build the necessary skills and mindsets to be successful in the workplace of the future.

# 4. Experiential Learning on 'Role and Impact of Asia in the World (Singapore's Perspective) and Intercultural Competence' Pillar

The programme will culminate in a 2-week immersive experience in Bangkok, Thailand where LEaRN scholars continue their learning on entrepreneurship to build industry-relevant knowledge that will allow them to expand their business (see Point 2) into the Thai market as well as gain an overview of the economic and social landscape of Thailand and regional networks. They will also deepen their appreciation and empathy towards cross-cultural differences and similarities in a multitude of ASEAN backgrounds. The LEaRN scholars will also learn about the Thai culture and participate in excursions to important heritage sites and visits to leading companies in the region. The group work on a global SDG project to solve real world issue within a multi-cultural and multi-disciplinary team shall enhance their intercultural communication and coordination skills.



#### **REQUIREMENTS - cont'd**

#### 5. TF LEaRN @NTU Events & Activities

LEaRN scholars are required to participate in **ALL** activities organised during the programme.

#### 6. Reflections and Journal Reports

LEaRN scholars are required to periodically write down their reflections as well as to produce a journal, with photos, of **1,500 - 2,000 words** at the end of the TF LEaRN @NTU on their immersion in Singapore and the selected Asian host country, including coursework learning and project work on their chosen SDG topic.

#### 7. TF LEaRN Sharing Sessions

After the TF LEaRN @NTU Programme, LEaRN scholars must be prepared to:

- share their LEaRN experiences through seminars, blogs, university websites, presentations at their home university and country,
- · stay in touch with their fellow LEaRN scholars,
- periodically complete online surveys regarding their progress and development.



#### **APPLICATION**

# Application Process (Please note that the

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Only applicants who have been officially nominated by their home institution to study at NTU via the TF LEaRN Programme @NTU are allowed to apply.

Applicants are required to complete the online application form and upload all required documents at:

Application Link: https://venus.wis.ntu.edu.sq/NG APP/Pages/Login.aspx

In the online application form, please indicate that you are applying for the 'LEaRN Programme' found on the *Home University* tab, under *Student Category*.

LEaRN applicants would automatically be registered for the course, 'ET5131 Venturing into Entrepreneurship' upon admission into the programme.

Note: LEaRN scholars should maintain at least a B grade for the programme.

NTU uses the Grade Point Average (GPA) system in awarding grades as follows:

Letter Grade	Grade Point
A+	5.0
Α	5.0
<b>A</b> -	4.5
B+	4.0
В	3.5
B-	3.0
C+	2.5
С	2.0
D+	1.5
D	1.0
F	0.0

# Supporting documents

# All required information and documents as follows <u>must be submitted online</u> together with the application form:

- 1. Scanned copy of the latest official transcript (signed by the Registrar and includes home university's seal) in English, reflecting all courses taken in PDF format (<600kb).
- 2. Clear, coloured passport-size photo in JPEG format (<60kb; 400(W) x 514(H) pixels)
- 3. Scanned copy of passport information page in JPEG format (<200kb). We need this information to prepare your Student Pass application. Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months from the commencement of the second segment of the programme in Thailand.
- 4. Up-to-date Curriculum Vitae (CV) in PDF format (<600kb)
- Proof of English proficiency (e.g. GCE 'A' Level General Paper, IELTS, TOEFL, SAT1, IB, and MUET)



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- 6. A 200-word letter written by the applicant on why he/she deserves to be part of the **TF LEaRN** programme. (List the leadership roles that you are currently undertaking, including involvement in any form of social or community service. In the application portal, look for the tab "Attachments", then upload your letter under "Other Documents".)
- 7. A Recommendation Letter from a faculty of the home institution and an outline of the nominee's accomplishments. (Upload your letter under "Other Documents".)

The mailing of original documents (hard copies) is **NOT** required.

Above documents are to be uploaded to the application portal by Thursday, 12 May 2022.

### English Proficiency Requirement

Non-native English speakers must have a minimum level of proficiency in English to undertake studies at the Nanyang Technological University. Students are expected to fulfill any of the following:

- General Paper of the Singapore Cambridge GCE 'A' Level Examination: A, B, C, D or E
- EIELTS: a minimum of 6 for the Writing sub-test
- TOEFL: a minimum of 570 (paper) or 90 (internet) or 237 (computer)
- SAT1: a minimum of 600 for the Verbal section; or 7 for the Essay section
- IB: a minimum of 6 for Higher level English
- MUET: Band 6 and a minimum of 50 for writing
- GEPT: High intermediate Stage 2 consisting of writing and speaking modules (applies to students from Taiwan universities only)

# Announcement of Results

All applications will undergo a stringent selection process and be reviewed by our selection committee. The announcement of TF LEaRN Scholarship awardees will be sent to their home university via e-mail by **25 May 2022**.

If your application has been successful and you have been granted the scholarship, a notification will be sent to the email address provided in your online application. TF LEaRN Scholars will be given access and instructions to log on to the **NTU Inbound Study Abroad Portal** to view the following information and perform the following tasks required for enrolment:

- · View and accept Offer of Admission
- View Letter of Enrolment
- Apply for Student's Pass
- Update personal particulars
- Submit health and medical information
- View information on Group Hospitalisation & Surgical Insurance (GHSI)
- · Provide arrival details



### **ACCOMMODATION**

Immersion in Singapore (First	On-campus accommodation is guaranteed for all awarded LEaRN Scholars.
Segment of the Programme)	You do not need to apply for on-campus accommodation separately through the Office of Housing & Auxiliary Services (OHAS) website. Those are meant only for FULL-TIME students, and not TF LEaRN Scholars.
	NTU has 24 Halls of Residence that are home to some 14,200 undergraduates. They offer hostel styled accommodation and are co-ed by floor or wing.
	LEaRN Scholars will be allocated randomly to rooms in an NTU undergraduate Hall of Residences based on double occupancy (twin-sharing). Request for specific room-mates or preferred Halls is not allowed.
	Further information on NTU Halls of Residences can be found at our website.
	Note:
	Students with a medical condition and/or have specific requests will have to submit doctor's letter certifying the condition, which will then be verified by the NTU Medical Centre.
	Students are required to declare their medical condition and any related request when submitting their applications for TF LEaRN @NTU.
Immersion in Thailand (Second Segment of the Programme)	Accommodation at student hostels will be arranged by the selected NTU exchange partner institution in Thailand.



### **IMMIGRATION & ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Student's Pass	All LEaRN Scholars are required to hold a valid Student's Pass issued by the Singapore Immigration & Checkpoints Authority (ICA).  Student's Pass Holders are <b>not allowed to engage in employment activities</b> during the immersion period.
Entry Visa Requirements	Upon approval of the Student's Pass application, an <b>In-Principle Approval (IPA) letter</b> will be issued to the students. A single journey visa shall be incorporated in the IPA letter for entry into Singapore.  For more immigration matters, you may refer to this <u>link</u> .
Entering Singapore	Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, additional entry requirements are implemented by the Singapore government.  Students should only travel to Singapore after receiving their Student's Pass In-Principle Approval letter.  All Student's Pass Holders must be fully vaccinated in order to enter Singapore. Refer to <a href="https://safetravel.ica.gov.sg/health/vtsg">https://safetravel.ica.gov.sg/health/vtsg</a> for information on accepted COVID-19 vaccinations.



### **INSURANCE**

NTU Student Insurance Schemes	LEaRN Scholars are covered under the NTU student insurance schemes while they are in Singapore, namely Group Personal Accident Insurance (GPAI), Group Hospitalisation & Surgical Insurance (GHSI) and Medical scheme, even if students have already bought similar insurance in their home country.
	Falling ill and being hospitalised in Singapore can be a financial drain on international students, who are not entitled to the medical subsidies that Singapore citizens enjoy. Besides the coverage it provides, the GHSI (subject to its terms and conditions) allows you to request a Letter of Guarantee from the underwriter and present it in lieu of the requisite deposit upon admission to government/ restructured hospitals in Singapore.
	For more information, please visit this <u>link</u> .
	<b>Note:</b> The GHSI covers students for COVID-19 treatment and hospitalisation in a government restructured hospital. For details on the GHSI coverage, please visit this link.
Personal Insurance	With the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, it is recommended that you ensure you have sufficient and comprehensive coverage for COVID-19 treatment and travel during your trip (to Singapore till you return to your home country).
	The NTU student insurance schemes cover your time in Singapore. You will <b>need</b> to purchase additional insurance for your stay in Thailand.



### **TRAVELLING TO SINGAPORE**

Arrival Date and	LEaRN Scholars <b>must</b> arrive in NTU in the morning of 29 June 2022.	
Time	A welcome programme will be organised for TF LEaRN Scholars, which will be held in the afternoon of 29 June 2022.	
Vaccinations	Students coming from or who have passed through any country at risk of yellow fever six days prior to arriving in Singapore, are required to have valid certificates of vaccination for yellow fever. Please refer to <a href="Immigration &amp; Checkpoints Authority's website">Immigration &amp; Checkpoints Authority's website</a> for more information.	
COVID-19 Vaccination	All Student's Pass holders must be fully vaccinated in order to enter Singapore.	
COVID-19 Vaccinated Travel Framework	Singapore has implemented a COVID-19 Vaccinated Travel Framework to facilitate the resumption of travel. This new travel framework replaces previous SafeTravel Lanes such as the Vaccinated Travel Lane.	
	Please click on the links below for important information for your travel to Singapore:  Automated Self-Help Tool for Entry Requirements  Accepted COVID-19 Vaccinations for Entry to Singapore  Vaccinated Travel Framework – Summary of Border Measures	
COVID-19 in Singapore	Students are expected to adhere to COVID-19 restrictions implemented in Singapore. For updates on Singapore's COVID-19 situation, refer to <a href="https://www.moh.gov.sg/covid-19">https://www.moh.gov.sg/covid-19</a> .  For a summary of COVID-19 safe management measures, refer to <a href="https://www.moh.gov.sg/covid-19-phase-advisory">https://www.moh.gov.sg/covid-19-phase-advisory</a> .	
Airport Reception	There is no airport reception.  For more information on how to get started at NTU, refer to this link.	
Student's Pass Fees	Student's Pass [payable to Immigration & Checkpoints Authority]  • Processing fee: SGD30, payable upon application • Issuance fee: SGD60, payable upon approval of Student's Pass • Multiple Journey Visa (if applicable): SGD30  * Fees are subject to changes	



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