SMU PREPARES STUDENTS FOR GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

At the Singapore Management University, we strongly believe in learning beyond the classroom. That is why student life at SMU is a journey filled with meaningful experiences, guaranteed global exposure and self-discovery. With over 120 student clubs and sports in SMU, a packed calendar of campus performances to catch or participate in, and so much to see and do on campus, life at SMU is a moveable feast of events, activities and happenings.

GUARANTEED GLOBAL EXPOSURE FOR EVERY SMU STUDENT

Every SMU student will gain global exposure before graduation, with many students going on multiple overseas learning experiences. With more than 260 partner universities in over 180 cities across 48 countries, SMU offers students the world as their classroom.

As an SMU undergraduate, Low Wen Chun decided to make the most of opportunities to explore the world.

That decision led to a study mission and internship at Tata Capital in India, a summer programme at Harvard University, community service in Indonesia, and stints representing SMU at the World University Games in the US and UK.

The global immersion not only helped him in his career, but it also inspired him.

"Seeing the world from another perspective and embracing different cultures and ideas equipped me with skillsets that cannot be nurtured within the constraints of a classroom. It gave me the confidence and independence to be bold, to step out of my comfort zone," said Wen Chun, now a Cadet Pilot with Singapore Airlines. "It taught me to adapt and made me reflect deeply on my purpose in life."

PRINSEP STREET RESIDENCES: WHERE STUDENTS CO-LIVE, CO-LEARN AND CO-WORK

In 2018, SMU ramped up residential student life experiences with the launch of the Prinsep Street Residences.

The spacious, airy apartments feature lush landscaping, purpose-designed communal spaces and meaningful programming that nurtures a co-live, co-learn, co-work community. Student residents benefit from curated programmes including self-discovery workshops, networking events, community trails, fireside chats and sharing sessions by industry guests, as well as mentoring and career talks by alumni.

"Your life on and off campus will be bright, busy and dynamic, filled with a fulfilling social life and invaluable self-discovery. Throughout it all, your housemates will make you feel at home. You will find friends for life among motivated and fun-loving university mates from around the world."

Ansley Chua, Year 2 student, School of Information Systems

SMU undergraduates travel the world on study missions, overseas exchanges, summer programmes, community service projects and overseas internships. Here's a sampling of the more than 180 cities across 48 countries that SMU students have travelled to over the years.

STUDY MISSIONS
Copenhagen, Melbourne, Mexico City, Perth, San Francisco, Sao Paulo, Shanghai, Sydney, Vienna, Zurich and more

OVERSEAS EXCHANGES
Beijing, Casablanca, Helsinki, Lima, London, Milan, Santiago, Seoul, Tianjin, Tokyo and more

SUMMER PROGRAMMES
Amsterdam, Doha, Kyoto, Mexico City, New York, Osaka, Oslo, Rome, Seattle and more

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROJECTS
Chiangmai, Ho Chi Minh City, Kathmandu, Kolkota, Manila, Medan, Nairobi, Phnom Penh, Xi'an, Yangon and more

OVERSEAS INTERNSHIPS
Barcelona, Chengdu, Hong Kong, Mumbai, Munich, New York, San Francisco, Stockholm, Tel Aviv, Zurich and more

GLOBAL INNOVATION IMMERSION
Atlanta, Copenhagen, Fribourg, Jakarta, New York, San Francisco, Shanghai and more

SMU-X OVERSEAS
Bangkok, Tainan, Tel Aviv, Vientiane, and more

THE SMU DIFFERENCE

Guaranteed 2nd major
Over 300 double degree and second major combinations

100% global exposure
All SMU students participate in a global exposure programme, benefitting from SMU's ties with over 260 universities across 180 cities in 48 countries.

Rich internship opportunities
All SMU students complete at least one internship before graduation. Get the chance to try out different industries to gauge your interest and aptitude before you graduate.

Give back through community service
All SMU students are asked to complete 80 hours of community service before graduation but our big-hearted students give back much more, with an average of 145 hours of community service.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: LEARNING FROM SERVING

One global experience greatly inspired Pham Vu Minh Ngoc. In 2014, she and several fellow undergraduates headed to remote Au Giang in Vietnam to teach English to poor students.

She recalled "The amazing experience taught me so much more than I expected. The students didn't have the most basic vocabulary yet they had such determination to learn. Their tenacity made me realise that problems are not to be avoided. The villagers' no-frills way of life also taught me to appreciate the simple things in life."

For Manorama Singh, Project Luminaire 2 literally shone light on the value of community service.

Project Luminaire 2 was a mission to light up Filipino households with solar-powered light made from recycled bottles.

Reflected Manorama, "I realised that service is about thinking sincerely about the real needs of others and helping with the understanding that everybody is potentially in need of help. With this, I began connecting with my identity as a global citizen who has received all kinds of help from this world and who has the responsibility to give back in any way I can."

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