Greetings from CIPE!

We hope you had a wonderful and relaxing break. All of us at CIPE are looking forward to the rest of the semester and are planning events, talks, workshops and because we had such a great time with our Freshman Study break during mid-terms (see the photos below), we're also planning more events that are purely fun.

There are a lot of great events coming up. Don’t miss the talk by Andy Bird, the Chairman of Walt Disney International at the Performance Hall on March 7th at 6:00 pm. In addition to talking about Disney's global strategy, he’ll discuss his liberal arts background and how it prepared him for what he does. Earlier that day, we have Jason Tan, the opinion editor at Today coming to talk about what he looks for when he publishes an opinion piece. If you’re curious about getting your ideas out to the world, this is a good talk to attend.

Summer opportunities are still a priority here at CIPE. If you are still looking for options, keep checking Symplicity for new job listings and if nothing appeals there, consider attending tonight’s workshop on finding your own summer experience. Listen to your fellow students talk about what worked for them and share their advice.

We are also offering workshops and information sessions designed to help you secure other opportunities post-graduation. Those of you thinking about applying for highly competitive fellowships or graduate programs should plan to attend the personal statement workshop on the 8th and the faculty collaboration session on the 29th. The Gates Cambridge Information session on the 16th is a must for those thinking about applying for that fellowship but will also be of more general interest to those seeking fellowships.

As always, your CIPE advisor is here to help you navigate choices and make suggestions. Please get in touch to set up an appointment. And as we mentioned in the last newsletter, we have all kinds of resources in our library so do come by, browse our books and take advantage of our comfy couches.

Cheers,

Trisha Craig
Dean of CIPE
FOR ALL STUDENTS:

Summer LABs are open for applications!

These LABs take place over the summer and are open to students from all classes and disciplines. Information on the offered LABs can be found [here](#). **The deadline for submitting applications is Sunday, 6 March at 5:00PM.** Questions unanswered by the website can be directed to Nikolai Kapustin (nikolai.kapustin@yale-nus.edu.sg) or Adelle Lim (adelle.lim@yale-nus.edu.sg).

Summer Internships

New internships are being added every week in [Sypmlicity](#), including a variety of roles at non-profits, large organisations, video game companies, and the public sector! You are also encouraged to continue searching for opportunities on your own, and work with us at CIPE in preparing your application materials. If you need some ideas for sourcing your own summer opportunity, be sure to come by the event on Wednesday (see below).

External Adviser Programme
As we announced in the last newsletter, CIPE has recently launched the External Advisers Programme (EAP), where students can benefit from the experience and insights of accomplished professionals from a diverse range of occupations and industries. Together with CIPE, EAP Advisers, who are familiar with assessment tools and advising methodologies, will assist you in navigating opportunities and identifying areas for improvement so that are well prepared to pursue your chosen paths. Details on the programme, the advisers' profiles and a FAQ can be found at this link. We’ve also recently added another one of our advisers’ profiles online, so be sure to check it out!

EVENTS FOR ALL STUDENTS:

Source Your Own Summer: Panel Event

Need ideas for what to do during the summer vacation period? Come hear from a panel of CIPE staff and Yale-NUS students on how they self-sourced meaningful summer opportunities, including internships, volunteering, part-time jobs, and academic experiences. Students of all years are invited, and refreshments will be provided. Register here.

Date: Wednesday, 2 March (Tonight!)
Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Venue: Elm Student Commons

Business Fundamentals Crash Course: Understanding & Raising Capital

Ever wonder what you might have learned if you went to business school? Join us next Sunday afternoon for a 3-hour crash course as Dr. Lily Fang, a Wharton alum, renowned associate professor at INSEAD, and visiting associate professor at MIT's Sloan School of Management, provides an overview of capital markets and raising capital. This is an essential workshop if you have ever wanted to start your own business, non-profit, or NGO; or just want to be more comfortable with understanding how finance works.

The crash course will first cover the big picture: how households, firms and market intermediaries are connected. Then it will examine the different ways that ventures raise money- public equity markets, private equity, venture capital and crowd sourcing- and the pros and cons of each of those. Learn how all of these fit together and how this information might be useful to you. Registration is now open and limited. Grab a seat while you can! No background information in business or finance is necessary.

Date: Sunday, 6 March
Time: 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Venue: Tan Chin Tuan LT

COMMENTARY WRITING IN SINGAPORE: A session with Jason Tan of TODAY

Interested in learning more about commentary writing and publishing op-ed stories in the Singaporean newspaper industry? Join us for a lunch time session with Jason Tan, Associate Editor at Today, as he discusses the nuances of writing commentaries for
At Today, Mr. Tan oversees foreign news as well as commentaries. Prior to that, he was head of corporate communications at Surbana, an international building consultant. Jason started his career as a journalist at Singapore Press Holdings before joining the Foreign Service. His work in the last 17 years has spanned five continents and given him a unique understanding of businesses, governments and media organisations.

Lunch will be provided for those who RSVP by Thursday @ 2:00 pm.

Date: Monday, 7 March
Time: 12 noon – 1:00 pm
Venue: Lecture Theatre 01, Saga College

The Importance of Localisation: Establishing Disney’s Place in the Global Marketplace

Andy Bird, Chairman, Walt Disney International (WDI) is tasked with taking Disney to the world! After graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in English in the United Kingdom, Mr. Bird went on to have a career in broadcasting and spent nearly a decade with Time Warner Inc., where he rose to be President of Turner Broadcasting System, a division of Time Warner Inc. Upon joining Disney in 2004, he and his team worked to introduce one of the world’s most renowned brands and iconic characters to new audiences and fans around the world. Please join us for a highly interactive session as Mr. Bird talks about the importance of being locally relevant in establishing a brand in the global marketplace and how his educational background has equipped him in the world of broadcast and media. Register here

Date: Monday, 7 March
Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm (please be seated by 5:50 pm)
Venue: Performance Hall
Dress Code: Smart Casual

Fellowships and Graduate School Session: Personal Statement Writing

For students interested in attending graduate school or hoping to apply for either an academic or experiential fellowship post-graduation, a strong personal statement will be key to an effective application. This workshop will walk students through some of the most important elements of an effective narrative, as well as key ways to prepare and brainstorm while drafting the personal statement. This event is co-led by CIPE and the Writer's Centre. RSVP here.

Date: Tuesday, 8 March
Time: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Venue: Classroom 15

Gates Cambridge Information Session

The Gates Cambridge is a global scholarship at Cambridge University for intellectually outstanding postgraduate students with a capacity for leadership and a commitment to improving the lives of others. It is a full time postgraduate degree in any subject available at the University of Cambridge. The funding for this opportunity is $84,000 for three years (covers full cost of studying and conducting research). Graduating seniors applying to Cambridge for Graduate School who are a citizen of any country outside the UK are eligible to apply for this award. Come learn more about
the Gates Cambridge Scholarship and meet the two alumni presenters representing the program on Wednesday, 16th March 6:30-7:30pm. Dinner will be served for those who RSVP.

Date: Wednesday, 16 March  
Time: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm  
Venue: Classroom 17, East Core

**Fellowships and Graduate School Session: Faculty Collaborations**

The application process for fellowships and graduate schools is a rigorous one and requires significant collaboration with faculty in a variety of different realms. This workshop will walk students through some of the etiquette surrounding working with faculty to create elements of your application. We will talk about ways to ask for recommendation letters, proper email etiquette when doing outreach with faculty at other institutions, and steps to work with a faculty member on fleshing out a research or dissertation proposal. This session will be co-led by CIPE and the Writer’s Centre. RSVP [here](#).

Date: Tuesday, 29 March  
Time: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm  
Venue: Classroom 15

**ON-CAMPUS OPPORTUNITIES:**

**Student Associate Positions**

The latest on-campus roles include research in philosophy, political science and geology, and an opportunity to assist the Philosophy major as a student ambassador. To find out more, visit [this link](#).

**OFF-CAMPUS OPPORTUNITIES:**

**Call for Video Production Volunteers**

New Life Stories is looking for creative storytellers to help create short videos that inform and inspire. Volunteers will develop storyboards, film and edit videos. They should be familiar with video editing and production, and have access to the necessary software or equipment. New Life Stories is a local non-profit supporting pre-school education for children of incarcerated mothers. To volunteer, please reach out to Yock Theng ([yocktheng.tan@yale-nus.edu.sg](mailto:yocktheng.tan@yale-nus.edu.sg)).

**DBS Intervarsity Hackathon**

Are you passionate about fintech, innovation, and problem solving? Join us on 11-13 March for a journey at DBS UNICORN as we trek into the magical forest and carve a disruptive path towards redefining banking. Show us how you can use your creativity, design know-how or coding skills to solve a real consumer problem at the selection round (24-Hour Idea Smash) to win a spot in a coveted internship with DBS Innovation Group! [Register here](#) by **4 Mar**. Students from Year 2 & 3 from all majors are encouraged to participate.
**Hangout at the Hangar**

NUS Enterprise invites you for an exciting housewarming party at The Hangar on **18 March**.

Besides good food on-the-house by some of our very own start-ups and other entrepreneurs, expect to:

1) Mingle with our Made-In-NUS Entrepreneurs - such as the founders of HipVan, Shopback & many more!

2) Check out NUS Technologies and Minimum Viable Product (MVP) booths - such as virtual reality gadgets & drones.

3) Network with the NUS Start-up community comprising start-ups, mentors, industry players and investors.

Chope your hangout pass now; [register here](CIPE@yale-nus.edu.sg). A special take-off gift awaits the first 50 arrivals!

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