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## CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Greetings from CIPE,

As always, there is a lot going on at CIPE and we are happy to bring you news of events and opportunities. Tonight brings a rare opportunity to hear a business sage who is well known for his development of talent in others, a great leadership skill. Join us at 6:30 in the Elm Rector's Commons for a conversation with Achal Agarwal, President of Kimberly-Clark's Asia Pacific business.

Another great conversation that's coming up is with Cheryl Tan, a Brooklyn-based Singaporean author and journalist. Her first novel, *Sarong Party Girls* is a best seller and, in a testament to global culture, is the first book by a major US publisher to be written in Singlish. Hear her read from it on November 1<sup>st</sup> but also talk to her about her experience about pursuing her calling and making a living as a writer in New York.

Interested in social impact and social entrepreneurship? See below for some great upcoming opportunities. Thinking about graduate school? Not only is there a general session on November 2<sup>nd</sup> but representatives from several US programs in law, diplomacy or international affairs will be here for breakfast next Monday (24/10) and from Oxford's Said School of Business at noon on the 31<sup>st</sup>.

Many of you are eager to hear about what opportunities exist for Summer, 2017. Come to the CIPE Summer Opportunities Fair on the 26<sup>th</sup> from noon to 2:00 pm in the Elm Courtyard. Members of the CIPE team will be on hand to talk about programs and deadlines.

Finally, we are reaching out to you for information. Freshmen – we need you to fill out your Week 7 evaluations. We know you had a great time but we want to hear about what worked and what didn't. Juniors – next week, we will send out the Class of 2018 survey to understand what you're thinking about in terms of future plans – summer internships, graduate school, fellowships, work, etc. This is very important to help provide you with the resources you will need as rising seniors and beyond.

Cheers,  
Trisha Craig  
Dean of CIPE

## **FOR ALL STUDENTS:**

### **The Leadership Journey**

Join us for an evening with Mr. Achal Agarwal, President of Kimberly-Clark's Asia Pacific consumer business in territories including Australia, North Asia, ASEAN and India, with leading brands like Huggies, Kotex, Kleenex and Scott.

Achal has over 30 years of experience in leading large, complex business turnarounds in multi-cultural environments and creating scale through market share growth, while building a legacy of empowered leaders. Before joining Kimberly-Clark, Achal spent a decade in PepsiCo's beverage business in Greater China where he was Chief Operating Officer. Achal's external appointments include serving as a Board Member with the Singapore International Chamber of Commerce (SICC), on the Advisory Board of Shanghai Jiao Tong University, as a Director of World-wide Fund Singapore (WWFS) and Asian Venture Philanthropy Network Limited (AVPN).

Date: Thursday, 20 October 2016 **(TONIGHT!)**

Time: 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM

Venue: Elm Rector's Commons

### **Doing Good Well**

Join us to understand how to distill, articulate and assess impact for social impact efforts/projects. With a focus on enhancing effectiveness and sustainability, this session would be most useful for students who are currently involved in social impact efforts.

Register [here](#) if you'd like to attend. Please reach out to Yock Theng via [yocktheng.tan@yale-nus.edu.sg](mailto:yocktheng.tan@yale-nus.edu.sg) if you have questions.

Date: Saturday, 22 October 2016

Time: 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Venue: Classroom 16

### **US Graduate Schools in Law, International Affairs and Diplomacy Info Session**

If you are considering postgraduate studies in law, diplomacy or international affairs, join this morning info session to hear from four top US schools in these fields who only come to Singapore once a year. Breakfast will be provided. Open to all class years, recommended for Class of 2018 and 2019.

Featuring: The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy (Tufts University), The School of International and Public Affairs (Columbia University), The School of Advanced International Studies (Johns Hopkins University), Georgetown University.

Register on [Symplicity](#) under Events -> Workshops.

Date: Monday, 24 October 2016

Time: 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Venue: Elm Student Commons

### **Social Entrepreneurs: Stories from Singapore**

Vadivu and Aseem are social entrepreneurs who have responded to community needs through their own efforts. Vadivu is an advocate and trainer of personal transformation and positive emotional intelligence for work and study. Aseem is the co-founder of GIVE.asia, Asia's leading charity and personal crowdfunding platform that has raised over S\$ 10 million dollars for social causes. Join us to hear about their personal insights, and how innovation, iteration and collaboration has featured in their efforts.

Refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP via [Symplicity](#) if you'd like to join us, or reach out to [yocktheng.tan@yale-nus.edu.sg](mailto:yocktheng.tan@yale-nus.edu.sg) if you have questions.

Date: Monday, 24 October 2016

Time: 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Venue: Saga Rector's Commons

### **CIPE Opportunity Next Summer!**

Calling all Students! Interested in a CIPE opportunity next summer, but don't know where to start? Come to our Summer Opportunities Fair on October 26th from 12 noon to 2:00 PM in the Elm Courtyard and hear from students who have been on these CIPE programs. You will be able to find out more about available opportunities and CIPE staff members will be on hand to answer any questions you may have. We have many exciting programs for you all, so we hope to see you there!

Date: Wednesday, 26 October 2016

Time: 12 Noon to 2:00 PM

Venue: Elm Courtyard

### **Oxford Said Business School Information Session**

Aidan O'Halloran from Oxford Said Business School will be coming to campus to present on the [Oxford MBA](#) and [1+1 MBA program](#). SBS has a large number of scholarships, including the [Clarendon](#), [Pershing Square](#), and [several foundation scholarships](#) to support MBA programs. It is also linked to the [Schwarzman Scholars program as a 1+1 option](#). For students keen to pursue an MBA (with a funding opportunity), please be sure to **sign up for this information session** [here](#).

Date: Monday, 31 October 2016

Time: 12:00 PM

Venue: Saga Lecture Theatre 01

### **Becoming a Wordsmith**

Cheryl Tan is a New York-based Singaporean journalist and author. Her just-published novel is "Sarong Party Girls" and she is the author of the acclaimed "A Tiger In The Kitchen: A Memoir of Food & Family" as well as the editor of the fiction anthology, "Singapore Noir." Cheryl has written for the Wall Street Journal, In Style magazine and the Baltimore Sun. Her stories have also appeared in The New York Times, The Washington Post, Food & Wine, National Geographic, Foreign Policy, Marie Claire, Newsweek, Bloomberg Businessweek, and The Straits Times among other places.

Join us and the Writers' Centre for a Rector's Tea where she will read from her new novel (currently #2 on Singapore's fiction best seller list) and also talk about her story and journey as a writer, which began when she moved to the US at 18 to attend Northwestern University. Aspiring writers will appreciate advice on how to build and sustain a career when starting out.

**Please RSVP on [Symplicity](#) by Monday, 31 October.**

Date: Tuesday, 01 November 2016

Time: 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Venue: Elm Rector's Commons

### **Graduate School Info Session**

Interested in further studies after Yale-NUS? Join this session to learn about graduate degree program types, ways to determine whether and when you should pursue an advanced degree, and the timeline and components of the grad school application process. Hear from faculty and CIPE staff on their personal graduate school experiences and identify helpful resources within the College. Students from all class years are welcome.

**Register on [Simplicity](#) under Events -> Workshops.**

Date: Wednesday, 02 November 2016

Time: 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Venue: Classroom 16

### **Rapid Resume Reviews**

CIPE Career Services will be in the Elm Dining Hall during lunchtime every Friday to provide feedback on student resumes. Bring a hard copy of your resume to strengthen it before submitting for future applications! No registration is needed.

Date: Friday, 04 November 2016

Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

Venue: Elm Dining Hall (main)

### **Personal Statement Review**

As you polish personal statement drafts for fellowships or graduate school, remember to seek feedback from the many sources of support around the College: Your faculty advisors, the Writers' Centre (book an appointment [HERE](#)), [Zhana Sandeva](#) (for grad school), [Charlotte Evans](#) (for fellowships). You can also approach your CIPE advisor for feedback on personal statements for CIPE opportunities.

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## **FOR CLASS OF 2017:**

### **Global Health Corps Fellowship: Deadline Update**

This one-year fellowship focuses on health inequity in Malawi, Rwanda, Uganda, the US, and Zambia. Students are placed in [partner organizations](#) and receive a monthly stipend, along with housing, health insurance, professional development grants, and travel coverage. **Part I opens November 8, 2016, Part II opens December 7, 2016, Full application closes January 18, 2017 @ 11:59pm EST. [Apply online](#) starting November 8 if you are interested.** CIPE is here to guide you through the application process if you would like another set of eyes on your personal statement. Please email Charlotte at [charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg](mailto:charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg) to set up an appointment.

### **Princeton in Asia Deadline Reminder**

Princeton in Asia has 130 fellowships in 21 Asian countries. Applications are **due on Friday, 11 November** and can be submitted through the online portal [here](#). More information about the application requirements, process, and fees can be found [here](#) and [here](#). PiA also encourage potential applicants to reach out to their office at [piaapps@princeton.edu](mailto:piaapps@princeton.edu) to get login information to their website with reports filed by previous fellows. This information will provide valuable insight as you narrow down your focus for potential placements and write your personal statement. Questions? Applicants are encouraged to meet with Charlotte once to talk about program fit and two-three times to go over essay drafts in the 3 weeks before the 11 November deadline. Set up an appointment with her today via email: [charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg](mailto:charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg). Before signing up for an appointment, please be sure to read this comprehensive breakdown of the PiA application process [here](#).

### **\*New Program Deadline Announcement\*: Via Programs – 13 Nov deadline**

Want to pursue a [social impact experiential fellowship](#) post-graduation for a year in the region? Via Programs has education and non-profit placements that allow their fellows to receive "hands-on experience learning how organizations in Asia are using creative and innovative methods to address critical social challenges." Want another set of eyes to look through your application and provide feedback? Email Charlotte at [charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg](mailto:charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg) to set up an appointment to discuss this opportunity and receive feedback on essay drafts leading up to the 13 November deadline.

### **Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) Deadline Reminder**

The Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) Programme is an international opportunity for individuals to work in [local governments and schools](#) across Japan for a one-year placement. Students from [participating countries](#) wanting to deepen their interest in Japan who have not lived in Japan for six or more years in the past ten years are [eligible to apply](#). Students must apply through their home country's Embassy of Japan. [Application will be accepted](#) starting in **October until late November/early December, and timelines vary by embassy (Singapore deadline is 18 November)**. Applicants are encouraged to meet with Charlotte once in October to talk about program fit and two-three times to go over essay drafts 3 weeks before their home country deadlines. Set up an appointment with her today via email: [charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg](mailto:charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg). Before signing up for an appointment, please be sure to read this leaflet by JET [here](#).

### **Harvard Yenching Institute Fellowship Deadline Reminder**

Are you interested in pursuing the [Regional Studies East Asia Master's program at Harvard](#)? The [Harvard Yenching Institute has a fellowship](#) to cover comprehensive costs for the two years Master's program. Applicants apply through the [Graduate Admissions](#) page by **Thursday, 1 December deadline here**. Their office then puts forward strong applicants to Harvard Yenching Institute. No separate application beyond the graduate admissions application is required to be considered for the fellowship. The fellowship parameters are as follows: Asian nationals who intend to pursue a PhD at Harvard or a comparable institution upon completion of the MA and who intend to return to Asia for professorship role. If you are interested in this opportunity and meet the requirements, applicants are encouraged to set up an appointment with Charlotte to talk about program fit and to schedule two-three times to go over essay drafts in the 3 weeks before the deadline. Set up an appointment with her today via email: [charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg](mailto:charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg).

### **Looking for a job after graduation?**

Please ensure that you keep on top of application deadlines for the various graduate programmes across the respective organizations/industries that you are applying for – mark it down on your calendars or schedule reminders on your mobile phone! You can find a sample list of deadlines in [Simplicity](#).

If you're submitting job applications, please remember to check your email (inbox AND spam) and mobile on a daily/regular basis for updates or responses from the employer/recruiter. Some employers will contact you without notice to assess your interest in a position.

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## **FOR CLASS OF 2018 - 2020:**

### **Summer 2017 Language Study**

CIPE is excited to launch the application processes for our summer language study scholarships! Read below for a brief overview of the various language study opportunities, and click the links to get more information and download the application form. You can also chat with CIPE International Programs staff members at

the Language Fair this Friday 21 October in the Saga Dining Hall from 12:00 noon to 1:00 PM. **Application deadline is Wednesday, 16 November at 5:00 pm.**

**Chinese Language Scholarship Funded by the Tan Chin Tuan Foundation** – Open to students at all levels of Chinese language proficiency, this scholarship funds students for a summer of study in China or Taiwan. [More Information & Application Form](#)

**Spanish Language Scholarship Funded by Santander Universities** – Open to students at all levels of Spanish language proficiency, this scholarship funds students for a summer of language study in Spain or Argentina. [More Information & Application Form](#)

**Summer Language Scholarship** – Open to students interested in studying all languages other than Chinese and Spanish, this scholarship provides a stipend of up to SGD\$5,000 per student to pursue language study at any level. As part of the application process, students must identify and list two schools or programs where they wish to study. [More Information & Application Form](#)

### **Summer 2017 Academic & Arts Scholarships**

In addition to the summer language study opportunities, CIPE also offers a small number of scholarships for students interested in pursuing non-language academic programs and arts programs abroad. **Application deadline is Wednesday, 16 November at 5:00 pm.**

**Summer Academic Scholarship** – A small number of scholarships of up to SGD\$5,000 open to students who wish to attend a credit-bearing non-language academic program during summer 2016. Previous recipients studied everything from multivariable calculus to archaeology to tropical botany! Check the website for our program selection criteria and application instructions. [More Information & Application Form](#)

**Summer Arts Scholarship** – A small number of scholarships open to students who wish to pursue rigorous arts programs with an applied focus. Selection criteria are outlined on the website. [More Information & Application Form](#)

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## **FOR CLASS OF 2020:**

### **Week 7 Survey**

Now that you've had some time to settle back in after your Week 7s, we'd like your help completing a survey on your Week 7 experience, [available here](#). The survey should only take 10-15 minutes and your responses are incredibly valuable to us as we plan future Week 7 and LAB projects. **Completing the survey is a prerequisite for participation on future LABs**, so please make sure to fill it out on time. As a bonus – the first Week 7 group to have every member fill out the survey will win a **pizza party!** **The deadline to complete the survey is Sunday, 30 October.** Email Nikolai Kapustin at [nikolai.kapustin@yale-nus.edu.sg](mailto:nikolai.kapustin@yale-nus.edu.sg) if there are any issues.

## **ON-CAMPUS OPPORTUNITIES:**

### **Job Opportunities**

Student Associate positions are available at the Admissions Office, Athletics (Dean of Students Office), the Global Affairs Major, as well as in research – chemistry, ecology, economics and psychology. For more info, visit [the Student Associate Program page](#).

## WHAT WE'RE READING:

We certainly enjoy reading The Mockett and are glad to see the positive response to some of our new career offerings. This week, though, our focus is on a classic work: *Exit, Voice and Loyalty* (Harvard University Press, 1970) by the late, great Princeton economist Albert O. Hirschman. Its subtitle "Responses to Decline in Firms, Organizations and States" shows its wide appeal to business theorists, sociologists and political scientists. We are thinking about it in the context of some conversations we've had about student experience with CIPE. When you are dissatisfied with an outcome to something, you often have the option of responding with Exit or Voice. In the case of a less than positive interaction with CIPE, exit would mean you simply stop dealing with CIPE. We certainly don't want that. Voice means you give feedback with the expectation that things will get better. We are committed to making things better but we need you to be part of the conversation. In the days since Hirschman wrote his book, social media has become one of the primary ways in which people exercise voice. But in a community like Yale-NUS, a dialogue is a more effective use of voice because it allows you to be the agent of change. Talk to us – let the members of the SAC know you want to engage in a conversation; talk to staff members directly.

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