Greetings from CIPE!

This has been a terrific semester and like all semesters so far at Yale-NUS, filled with firsts and new things. At CIPE, we’ve welcomed new staff, brought on new university and internship partners, sent people to new places like the first Week 7 trips to go to Mongolia and South Africa and to new study abroad destinations around the world. And what we’ve been thinking about a lot lately is an upcoming first – our first class to graduate in 2017.

While that may seem like it is far off in the future, from our point of view, it’s right around the corner in terms of our planning for it. We are starting now, making sure you, our students, are ready for that milestone, whether you plan to start your career, continue for further study or pursue fellowship opportunities. To that end, you may have noticed the workshops and programming coming out of our Career Services and grad school advising teams. Or perhaps you attended the recent President’s Town Hall meeting that featured President Lewis and our VPs sharing their career trajectories and offering some really valuable advice. Great takeaways from that: ‘Apply to as many positions as you can and be prepared for rejection – it happens to all of us.’ ‘Don’t be dismissive of job titles or organizations, what you should be looking for is opportunities to build the skills you lack.’ ‘Academia is a great career but it’s a long, competitive road so get some research experience beforehand to ensure it’s what you want to do and if you don’t get admitted to a top program, it might not be worth going.’ ‘Build your networks; start today.’

Our career programming will be continuing next semester (see below) and we’re lining up some great speakers from a variety of fields to talk about their pathways and to offer advice about charting your own course so make sure to check the CIPE newsletters and website. These events are open to all our students but may have special resonance for the Class of 2017. We’re excited about these events and are looking forward to seeing you at many of them.

Final thoughts in 2015: Congratulations on completing another excellent term at Yale NUS. We hope that all of you have a wonderful, restful and recharging break, enjoying the company of family and friends. Get some well-deserved sleep and we will see you in the New Year!

Trisha Craig  
Dean of CIPE
**For All Students**

**BirdLife International Forest Fires Forum**
BirdLife International and their partners from Indonesia and Singapore are hosting a forum discussion on Forest fires, and particularly focusing on the topics of restoration and livelihoods. The goal of the forum is to discuss solutions to preventing the fires happening in two fire hotspots in Jambi and Southern Sumatra. Admission for the event is free.

Date: Monday, 7 December  
Time: 5:30 – 8:00 pm  
Venue: Performance Hall, Yale-NUS College  
RSVP required at: [http://goo.gl/forms/PvNe1K0NR](http://goo.gl/forms/PvNe1K0NR)

**Spring LABs**
Spring LABs are now open for applications! These LABs take place in Semester 2 Break 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 Wednesday, 9 December at 5:00 pm.** 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).

**Introduction to Fellowships Workshop**
Are you passionate about research and searching for a funded opportunity to help you pursue your academic, leadership, and professional interests? Then you might want to learn more about fellowships. Attend this information session to learn broadly about fellowships, steps for application, and specific programs that CIPE hopes to highlight. Interested in attending? RSVP here. Dinner will be provided to those who RSVP in advance. Please RSVP before Friday, 8 January to confirm your spot.

Date: Wednesday, 13 January  
Time: 6:00 - 7:00 pm  
Venue: Classroom 16

**Leadership Certificate Semester Kick-Off Event**
The Leadership Certificate is a trademark event of the Leadership & Global Citizenship pillar within CIPE. Students are encouraged to sign up for the Certificate at any time here, but this semester kick-off event will provide a space for students to learn specifically about this semester’s opportunities and meet some of the facilitators of different courses and electives offered through the Certificate program. RSVP for the event here. Dinner will be provided to those who RSVP in advance. Please RSVP before Thursday, 14 January to confirm your spot.

Date: Monday, 18 January  
Time: 7:00 - 8:30 pm  
Venue: Elm Student Commons

**Develop a Compelling Proposal**
This workshop will cover important components of a proposal, as part of applications for Social Impact and Travel Fellowships, and Service in the City (SitC) grant. Students will learn about formatting, identifying needs, and articulating project ideas. Please RSVP here by Friday, 15 January, or reach out if you have questions.

Date: Wednesday, 21 January
Yale Summer Session (YSS) application to launch in late December
Yale Summer Session—both New Haven and Faculty-Led Abroad Programs—offers courses in a wide range of subjects and allows students to earn academic credit while exploring a topic of interest. Students who choose to take courses in New Haven live in residence halls and experience campus life at Yale. Courses abroad offer students the chance to immerse themselves in the subject matter of their course, as well as the culture of the host country.

The Summer 2016 course offerings and application will be available on the CIPE website by late December. Please check back in late December for further details. Applications will be due to CIPE by 11:59 pm on Monday, 25 January.

Thinking About Your Career Interests
The vacation break is an excellent time to think back on your semester to re-assess your interests and update your resume. Check out the Career Resources Portal for guidance, and look out for Resume/Cover Letter Workshops in January, which is required for all CIPE-coordinated internship applicants.

Looking for a Summer Internship?
Internships are great experiential learning opportunities to explore your professional and academic interests. While students are encouraged to search for opportunities on their own, CIPE will also be coordinating some internships with employers who are seeking student interns for 8-10 weeks over the summer. All CIPE-coordinated internships will be posted online in Symplicity, with the first wave of applications due on 31 January 2016. Please refer to the Symplicity Student Guide for help with login and registration process, and learn more about internships here.

Summer 2016 Research Fellowships
Interested in delving into research in an intensive summer fellowship opportunity? Be sure to take a look at CIPE’s website here for more information on the current external opportunities, eligibility, award descriptions, and application deadlines. Highlighted below are four of the fellowships:

a) Amgen Scholars – This program is a fully funded opportunity at the University of Tokyo and Kyoto University for undergraduates in good academic standing in the fields of biotechnology and the sciences. Application deadline: February 1, 2016

b) Caltech Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship – A $6,000 scholarship for a ten-week program at Caltech to introduce students to research in science, technology, engineering, and math. Application deadline: February 22, 2016

c) Rockefeller University’s Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program – A $4,000 award and free housing allowance for a ten-week program in New York City’s Rockefeller University for college sophomores and juniors interested in the life and physical sciences. Application deadline: February 1, 2016

d) Singapore-MIT Undergraduate Research Fellowship – A paid research opportunity at the SMART Headquarters on NUS’ campus for undergraduates
interested in everything from infectious diseases to future urban mobility. Application deadline: January 22, 2016

Questions about these opportunities or other academic fellowships? Email Charlotte at charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg.

Summer Research
If you would like to submit a proposal for the Summer Independent Research Program, take advantage of the December break to consider the focus, scope, location, goals, budget and potential supervisors for your project, and draft a plan to share with faculty when you return. Applications are open to Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3. Summer 2016 research projects led by faculty in the sciences and social sciences will be updated in January. Year 1 and Year 2 students are welcome to apply.

Writing Fellowship Program
If you are an aspiring writer keen to attend intensive writing workshops overseas with CIPE support, start planning out the writing portfolio for your application over the December break. This program is open to Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 students who are enrolled in or have completed at least one writing course at Yale-NUS College. 2016 program details will be updated on the program page soon – stay tuned!

On-Campus Jobs
Several exciting new positions - in Environmental Studies, Life Sciences and Public Affairs - are open for applications! Take a closer look on the Student Associate Program page, and apply by the stated deadlines.

For Class of 2017

Strengthening Your Resume with Your CIPE Advisor
Have you shared your resume/CV with your CIPE Advisor for feedback? Given how widely resumes are used for applications to internships, fellowships, scholarships, and research opportunities, we would love to help strengthen your materials before they are due. Please email your latest resume to your CIPE advisor, especially if you plan on studying abroad next semester! If you are unsure of who your CIPE advisor is, please email cipe@yale-nus.edu.sg.

For Class of 2019

Future Global Leaders
This competitive fellowship supports 20 students from around the world to participate in exciting experiential programs over three summers. Summer 1 is a 20-day field based leadership development course administered by the National Outdoor Leadership School in Wyoming; in Summer 2, students participate in an internship in either New York, Paris, London, or Hong Kong; Summer 3 is a targeted internship in the field students are interesting in pursuing post-graduation.

In the past, Yale-NUS has had three students who were selected to be part of the Future Global Leaders Fellowship. Open to first-year students who are the first to go to college in their family
Off-campus Opportunities

LinkedIn Career Varsity Roundtable
Co-organised by LinkedIn and Halogen Foundation Singapore, the half day workshop is designed to provide 1st and 2nd year college students opportunities to dialogue on their career choices. Students will learn interview best practices from the experts themselves (LinkedIn HR), receive expert advice on how to best leverage LinkedIn for corporate profiling, and have a professional photo shoot done for their LinkedIn profile. Only 50 spots are available for this program—register here to indicate your interest.

Date: Monday, 14 December
Time: 1:00 – 6:00 pm
Venue: LinkedIn Office (MBFC Tower 2)

Participate in Design (P!D) – Call for Storystitchers
Interested or curious about community art and design? Join design non-profit, Participate in Design (P!D) as a storystitcher and learn to collect stories from the everyday, translate them into visual motifs and create a giant cross stitch installation that will be featured at Jurong Regional Library!

Participants will have to attend 2 sessions scheduled on 20th December 2015 and 24th January 2016 at the Jurong Regional Library.

Head here for more information on programme details and how to sign-up.

Beautiful People – Call for volunteer mentors
Would you like to inspire, educate and empower fellow youths? Join Beautiful People as a mentor to develop meaningful relationships with youth, as they explore personal transformation and growth. Mentors should be aged 20 and above, be passionate about working with youth, and be committed for a year. They may serve in the following programs:

a) My Beautiful Life – An intensive mentoring and life-skills program that equip youth from homes with skills to navigate life.

b) Baby Reader Programme – A mentoring program for young parents, to champion the potential of their children.

c) Free For Good – A pre-release mentoring programme for women inmates aimed at enabling re-integration and transition.

d) The GLOW – Conducted at an orphanage in Batam, mentees learn English and undergo leadership training.

Contact Yock Theng if you would like to find out more.

Summer School courses at the University of Kent
The University of Kent in England is offering Summer School courses designed for students and professionals thinking of pursuing a post-graduate degree programme in the UK. Students can select to attend one, two, or three courses from July 3 to August 13. There is also an option to merge these courses with the European Summer School. Each block of courses has a different set of offerings. The table below illustrates potential pathways for students in this intensive study opportunities.

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The cost for these experiences ranges based on length of stay and covers tuition and self-catering accommodation - £1,500 for 1 course, £2,850 for 2 courses, and £4,050 for three courses. There will be twenty £500 scholarships available to students applying to attend the Canterbury Summer School - students wishing to be eligible for the scholarship should indicate this inter personal statement of the application.

Full details of the application and the summer school can be found here. Students should also feel free to email Sebastian Cadinot at summerschools@kent.ac.uk with further questions about this opportunity.

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“Develop a passion for learning. If you do, you will never cease to grow”

- Anthony J. D’Angelo