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Greetings from CIPE,

Happy New Year and welcome back! All of us at CIPE wish you a wonderful 2016 and we are looking forward to working with you all year long.

The year is just starting but we're already thinking about the summer. If you are still unsure of your summer plans, there are a number of upcoming events you'll want to put on your calendars as well as deadlines to meet. The first place to start is at the Summer Opportunities Fair on the 15th in the Elm Courtyard where you can find out about internships, research positions and summer study.

Internships are a great way to add to your professional portfolio and help you figure out what truly interests you. There are many CIPE opportunities that you can find in Symplicity on our website, which is now live, but don't stop there – you are also encouraged to seek out other internships and our session on the 25th will show you some great strategies for that. Remember, if you are applying to a CIPE coordinated internship, you *must* complete the resume and cover letter workshop – see below for dates and times.

For those of you who might be interested in a summer research fellowship in the sciences, there are some great ones offered by universities and companies listed below. These are extremely competitive and deadlines are soon so if you plan to apply, please get in touch with your faculty advisor as well as your CIPE advisor to discuss your application.

One program many of you should not miss is the Storytelling workshop on the 30th. This is a skill that will serve you well as you begin to focus on job interviews, fellowship applications or graduate school admissions. We are excited to have Singapore's premier storyteller with us for this unforgettable session.

Finally, for those of you in the Class of 2017 who are thinking about applying to grad school, there are some things you should begin to do this semester. Don't worry, we'll keep reminding you but do plan to register for and take standardized tests (depending on graduate program), start thinking about whom to ask for letters of recommendations and start writing a rough draft of your statement of purpose. If you are planning to take the GRE, some general suggestions to prepare for it may be found [here](#) and to take the exam, students must register [here](#). If you have questions, please get in touch with your CIPE advisor or Navid Ladha.

This is going to be a great semester and we can't wait to see you back on campus or hear about your adventures if you are studying abroad.

Trisha Craig
Dean of CIPE

For All Students

Yale Summer Session (YSS) Application deadline is Monday, 25 January

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 are now available on the [CIPE website](#). **Applications are due to CIPE by 11:59pm on 25 January.** Please contact Beth Uding at beth.uding@yale-nus.edu.sg with any questions.

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:

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: 22 January**

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: 1 February**

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: 1 February**

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: 22 February**

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

Summer Internship Offerings Are Live in Symplicity!

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 has also coordinated internships with employers who are seeking student interns for 8-10 weeks over the summer. We are posting new opportunities every week in [Symplicity](#), with majority of **applications due on 31 January**.

All applicants are required to attend a **Writing Killer Resumes & Cover Letters** workshop before applying (see workshop dates below), unless you attended in Semester 1. More information about internships is available on our [website](#). Students having trouble with Symplicity should contact amanda.lim@yale-nus.edu.sg.

Leadership in Action (LIA)

LIA is an eight-week paid summer internship program designed to develop emerging young leaders by providing college students with practical leadership skills and the opportunity to gain hands-on experience working in Asian and Pacific Islander (API) community in Southern California. Leadership in Action interns are placed in selected community-based organizations in Southern California, where they are expected to work 4 full days per week under an assigned staff supervisor. Work assignments differ according to each organization's programs and needs. Each week, one day will be devoted to leadership development training or issue discussions and group project work. Nationally recognized trainers will deliver workshops in critical skill areas. Issue discussions are on local or timely topics of interest and are facilitated by local community leaders/activists and LEAP trainers.

The eight-week program runs from June 13 through August 5, 2016. Interns will receive compensation in the amount of \$3,200 for successful completion of the program and are responsible for their own housing, transportation, and insurance. For more information on who should apply, eligibility requirements, the selection criteria, how to apply, visit the website at www.leap.org/empower_lia or contact navid.ladha@yale-nus.edu.sg.

Intergroup Dialogue (Semester II, AY 2015-2016)

Intergroup Dialogue (IGD) is a face-to-face, curriculum-based, sustained dialogue program led by Yale-NUS staff and faculty facilitators for students belonging to various social identity groups. IGD was first developed at University of Michigan-Ann Arbor and is very popular program on US college campuses. At Yale-NUS, the Intergroup Dialogue program will run across 8 weeks, from mid-February to mid-April. Jointly organised by CIPE & DOS, the program will also count towards the Leadership Certificate.

Intergroup Dialogue will encourage student participants to explore singular and intersecting aspects of their identities, while critically examining dynamics of power, privilege, and inequity in society, as well as building skills for commitment to social justice and action. This methodology blends theory and experiential learning and includes personal story-sharing, reflection activities, and dialogue across difference.

The dialogue topics for next semester are:

- (i) Ethnicity/Nationality
- (ii) Gender

To apply, fill out the [Interest Form](#) by 25 January. Find out more about this program [here](#).

Winner's Dream: A conversation with the CEO of SAP

Do you have dreams about your future and wonder what it takes to realize them? SAP Global CEO, [Bill McDermott](#) will be speaking at NUS Guild House on how he dared to dream as a young man to become one of the top business leaders in the world. [Register here](#)

Date: Monday, 11 January
Time: 4:30 pm - 5:45 pm
Venue: NUS Guild House

Yale Young Global Scholars Info Session

Join CIPE for an exclusive **webinar** on YYGS, a Yale University program which Yale-NUS students can join as seminar instructors for high school students from all over the world. At the session, the Asia Project Manager for YYGS will share more details about the program and the instructor role.

Register by 10 January at [this link](#). For more info on the program, visit the [YYGS information page](#).

Date: Tuesday, 12 January
Time: 9:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Why Foresight Matters in Driving Economic Growth

Are you interested in generating fresh ideas to support the growth of Singapore's economy? During this lunch-time talk, a guest speaker from the Futures and Strategy Division of the Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI) will share about unintended consequences and why foresight matters. This is a great opportunity to learn more if you are keen to apply for the internship opportunity with the MTI. [Register here](#)

Date: Tuesday, 12 January
Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Venue: Elm Private Dining Room

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](#) before 8 January** to confirm your spot. Dinner will be provided to those who RSVP in advance.

Date: Wednesday, 13 January

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Venue: Classroom 16

Writing Killer Resumes & Cover Letters

Do you know the secrets to writing killer resumes and cover letters? While used primarily for internships, resumes are often required for scholarships, fellowships, study abroad, and other programmes. Writing a document that effectively communicates your relevant experiences to date can be challenging, but one that can be mastered. This workshop is a pre-requisite for anyone interested in applying to CIPE-coordinated internships. Students from Year 1, 2, and 3 are all welcome to attend. [Register here](#)

Date: 13, 18, 26 January
Time: 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm
Venue: RC Private Dining Room

Summer Opportunities Fair

Calling all Students! Interested in a CIPE opportunity next summer, but don't know where to start? Here's another chance to come to our Summer Opportunities Fair on **15 January from 11:30AM-2:00PM** in the Elm Courtyard. You will be able to find out more about available opportunities and CIPE staff 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: Friday, 15 January
Time: 11:30 am – 2:00 pm
Venue: Elm Courtyard

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](#) before 14 January to confirm your spot.** Dinner will be provided to those who RSVP in advance.

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

Summer Research and Proposal Writing Session

If you are keen to do summer research in the sciences, social sciences or humanities, join this session to learn more about CIPE research programs (SSR, SSSR and SIRP) and how to craft a compelling application or research proposal for them. **Register by 15 January at [this link](#).**

Date: Tuesday, 19 January

Time: 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Venue: Classroom 16

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 15 January, or [reach out](#) if you have questions.

Date: Thursday, 21 January
Time: 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Venue: Classroom 16

Internship Search Strategies

Whether you are a first-year or a more advanced student, an internship over the summer is an excellent way to help confirm or narrow your career interests as well as build up important skills and contacts that will serve you well in the future. How can you find a placement that's a perfect fit? Join us as Mr. Glenn Loh, the Head of Campus Recruitment at UBS, shares tips and strategies for internship searches for whatever field you're interested in. [Register here](#)

Date: Monday, 25 January
Time: 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Venue: Classroom 15

Tell To Sell: Using Your Personal Stories to Create an Impact in Interviews

In this highly practical workshop, participants will dig down into their life experiences for stories that can be used to highlight their abilities in a compelling way. You will discover how to structure a story so it has a greater impact and learn methods for polishing your narrative so you are ready to shine in your interviews. Storytelling is a necessary skill to have as you apply to internships, graduate school, fellowships and more! [Register here](#) for this special workshop with Singapore's leading storyteller.

Date: Saturday, 30 January
Time: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Venue: Classroom 15

On-campus Opportunities

New roles in writing, biology research, and media services await your applications! See the latest listings on the [On-Campus Jobs webpage](#).

Off-campus Opportunities

Microsoft – Meet the Company Event

Discover why you should work at Microsoft by attending one of our Meet the Company presentations at our very own Singapore office. You'll hear from a range of speakers on our mission, products, company culture, Intern program and much more! You'll also get to meet Intern and Graduate alumni about why they love working for Microsoft. [Register here](#).

Date: Saturday, 16 January

Time: 10:00am – 11:30 am

Venue: Microsoft Singapore Office

(Level 21 Auditorium, One Marina Boulevard, Singapore 018989)

Goldman Sachs – Singapore Operations Information Session

Goldman Sachs invites Year 1, 2, and 3 students to attend a networking event to enable you to find out more about our firm in general, and the Operations Division in particular. The Operations Division works to protect the accuracy and efficiency at every step of the trade. Split into four main functional areas (Capital Markets Operations, Financial Analytics & Reporting, Operations Design, and Data Science & Engineering), the division recruits highly motivated individuals who can help the firm and its clients facilitate business.

To register (by 31 January): Go [here](#) and select “My GS Event”. Choose “Singapore” for country, “Operations” for division. Select your preferred date for event titled “**SINGAPORE OPERATIONS | INFORMATION SESSION**” and register with a 150 words essay and upload your document. Selected participants will be notified with the details via email.

Date: Thursday, 25 February or Thursday, 3 March

Time: 2:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Venue: Goldman Sachs Singapore Office

BNP Paribas Ace Manager Business Competition

BNP Paribas is now accepting registrations for an online business competition where you have the chance to win a trip to Paris. Students in teams of threes get to play the role a banker and experience the bank's two core businesses: Corporate Investment Banking and Retail Banking and Services. **Registration is open until 13 April**, and the competition period is from 20 April – 10 May 2016. Learn more [here](#).

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.

Sun 19 Jun – Sat 02 Jul 2016	Europe and the World (Politics, Brussels)
Sun 03 Jul – Sat 16 Jul 2016 (Politics)	European Security and Foreign Policy (Politics, Canterbury) or
Sun 10 Jul – Sat 16 Jul 2016 (Arts)	Exploring Visual Cultures (Arts, Canterbury)
Sun 17 Jul – Sat 30 Jul 2016	Medieval Canterbury (History, Canterbury) or Skills in Molecular Biology (Biosciences, Canterbury) or Revolutions (Arts & History, Paris)
Sun 31 Jul – Sat 13 Aug 2016	Wartime in Kent (History, Canterbury) or Investigating the Social Mind (Psychology, Canterbury)

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 in their 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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“The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet”

- Aristotle