Greetings from CIPE,

The past fortnight has been important for the College, filled with crucial questions being asked and deep engagement with the community. These conversations will continue but I wanted to highlight two recent events that I found very moving and inspiring. The first was the more public event – the Town Hall. The statements and questions presented were personal, thoughtful, sometimes painful, sometimes angry but above all signaled a profound attachment to the College, which is the basis for the necessary work we will all need to do, collectively, ahead. The second was softer and more intimate – CIPE’s annual Leadership Symposium, where the Seniors who have completed the leadership certificate do a capstone presentation. I wish more of you could have been there. They were terrific, completely individual and represented the diversity that is Yale-NUS: students from four continents, all three divisions and different paths ahead including experiential fellowships, jobs and graduate school. Congratulations to Amelia Chew, Megan Chua, Sebastian Cortes, Fatima Ezzahra Daif, Angela Ferguson, Eva Klein, Daniel Ng, Alex Pont, Tan Weiliang, and Jeffrey Tong.

Tomorrow noon, I hope you will join us for a fika, which is a wonderful concept introduced to us a while ago by one of our Swedish alums. At its most basic, fika is Swedish for coffee break but it is about making time for friends and colleagues and talking to them. It strengthens relationships and is relaxing. So come and talk to us at CIPE. We’ve seen the signs and some of the Facebook posts and we’d like to engage with you on issues such as: are we really trying to push people to work at places like Goldman Sachs; do we look at things besides CAP when allocating study abroad spots; why don’t we do more for students who want to work in the arts and creative fields, and anything else you want to talk about. And if you just want coffee and cake, that’s fine, too. So come, fika with us. Tomorrow (March 21st), 5:00 pm at CIPE.
The Qatar Foundation’s WISE Learners Voice fellowship program brings recipients from around the world together in residencies where they form teams to conceive, design and pilot innovative projects that address critical education challenges, this year focusing on the refugee crisis. Recently, current fellows met in Greece where they volunteered with organizations supporting refugee communities in Athens. They also met with faculty experts in the field, as a springboard toward project development. Two members of Yale-NUS are among the fellows. Here, Charlotte from CIPE and Sebastian Cortes ’18 are seen presenting their final project pitches to community stakeholders at the Athens American Community Schools (ACS).

FOR ALL STUDENTS:

Fika!
Come join the CIPE staff for a hour of conversations aided by some excellent coffee and refreshments. If you are excited to discuss your summer plans, or worried that you don’t have one yet; this is the group of people who can help you.

Date: Wednesday, 21 March 2018
Time: 5:00pm to 6:00pm
Venue: CIPE lobby

Professional Development Lunches
Have you heard about the "coffee chat," but are wondering how to get them and make the best use of them? Join the Career Services team as we explore the use of one-on-one meetings to develop your professional relationships to the next level.

Before joining the session, please take this short survey, which we'll use to guide the session...and also place your lunch order.

Please note that although the workshop appears on the calendar from 11:30-1:30, you may come and go as
your schedule demands...the survey will ask for your arrival and departure times.

Date: Wednesday, 21 March 2018
Time: 11:30am to 1:30pm
Venue: Classroom 15

**How student journalism can help launch your media career, in collaboration with The Octant**

Join us for a dinner conversation with seasoned journalist and Yale alum, Mr. Everett Rosenfeld, as he shares about his media career and how his time at Yale Daily News helped him get to where he is today. Everett Rosenfeld is the Asia Pacific Editor for CNBC, and he has previously worked as a television producer and as a reporter covering international macroeconomics, trade policy, politics and financial technologies. His writing has appeared in Time Magazine, the South China Morning Post, CNN, USA Today, The Fiscal Times, Christian Science Monitor, Yahoo, Re/code and more. Students of all years and majors are welcome to attend, and encouraged to bring questions. Please RSVP on [Symplicity](#) and come dressed in smart casual attire. *Please note that this event has been rescheduled to 21 March 2018*

Date: Wednesday, 21 March 2018
Time: 7:00pm to 8:30pm
Venue: Saga Rector’s Commons

**Problem Solving Crash Course on Analysis, Structuring, & Visual Thinking: The Essential Consulting Toolkit**

What does it mean to have an analytical mindset in the workplace? What are the tools one can leverage to analyse, structure, and visualise information? In this crash course, students will learn about major analytical and structuring tools such as matrices, decision trees, SCQA, and 1-pagers. Led by external facilitators from Kwantum Leap, this workshop will involve short exercises and case studies to practice essential analytical tools like grouping and sorting, constructing timelines, and creating frameworks to explain data. This is an essential consulting toolkit, regardless of what pathway you decide to pursue upon graduation. Students of all years, majors, and career interests are welcome. Dinner will be provided for all who register. Questions? Please email Nayoung at CIPE at nayoung.won@yale-nus.edu.sg. Please RSVP on [Symplicity](#).

Date: Thursday, 22 March 2018
Time: 4:00pm to 8:00pm
Venue: Tan Chin Tuan Lecture Theatre

**Arts for Change: An Evening with Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay**

How can the Arts be used to impact communities? Join the Esplanade team for an evening sharing session, if you are keen to find out more about their role in the Singapore Arts scene, their community engagement efforts to the less privileged groups and the various internship/volunteer opportunities available. Dinner will be provided. Dresscode is Smart Casual. Please RSVP on [Symplicity](#).

Date: Tuesday, 27 March 2018
Time: 6:30pm to 8:00pm
Venue: Cendana Rector’s Commons
Schwarzman Scholars Information Session with IIE
The Schwarzman Scholars program is a global leadership Master’s degree based at Tsinghua University in Beijing. For those looking to explore public policy, economic & business, or international studies with a cohort of global scholars, this is the program for you. We are pleased to welcome Jessica Loh from the Institute for International Education Bangkok office, who works with the program on their admissions. If you are considering an application in an upcoming cycle to the Schwarzman program, or are curious to see how the program has evolved since the last time IIE representatives were on campus, we encourage you to RSVP on Symplicity and attend this session.

Date: Thursday, 29 March 2018
Time: 12:00pm to 1:00pm
Venue: Classroom 16

[NEW DATE] Humanities and Interdisciplinary thinking in International Macroeconomics and Finance
Andrew Wong is Head of Portfolio Strategies at a leading long-term investor. Previously he was Co-Chief Investment Officer and Managing Director of leading convexity hedge funds and before that he developed and managed fixed income and equity derivative businesses for Morgan Stanley, Lehman, and UBS, in Tokyo, Hong Kong, London and Chicago, and also worked on global asset allocation and fundamental strategies. He is currently on the Macroprudential Advisory Group concerned with Markets and Financial Stability at the Bank of England. He graduated from Stanford University, completed graduate studies in mathematical finance at Cambridge University, and was at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government, where he researched economic policy and lectured on finance (and also studied philosophy and intellectual history at FAS). Recently he has been associated with the Centre for Philosophy of Natural and Social Science at the London School of Economics and been a Consulting Faculty at Stanford University on Market and systemic Risk where he is also a Faculty affiliate of the Stanford Neuroscience Institute and the Center for Mind, Brain, and Computation.

This event is co-sponsored by the Elm College Rector’s office; CIPE; Literature Major; Philosophy Major. Light refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP on Symplicity.

Date: Tuesday, 03 April 2018
Time: 6:00pm
Venue: Elm Rector’s Commons

Singapore Fulbright Information Session
Representatives from the US Embassy Singapore will be presenting primarily on the process for Singaporean applicants who wish to apply for a Fulbright grant that would allow for funding for postgraduate study in the US. Students from other Fulbright countries are also able to attend; however, Singaporean students will find this session most helpful. Note: Singaporean applicants are only eligible to apply after three years of post-graduate work experience. The Fulbright representatives will talk about timelines to consider before graduation and ways to strengthen your application during those three post-graduate years. RSVP here to reserve your spot.

About Fulbright: This award is a bilateral agreement between the United States and approximately 150 partner countries. US students interested in pursuing independent research grants outside of the US in sciences, social sciences, humanities, and creative projects are encouraged to apply. Non-US students hoping to continue their academic studies in the United States should apply directly through the point of contact established through the Fulbright Program for Foreign Students. Many countries have pre-established work experience pre-requisites for eligibility.
Lunchtime Talk with Renowned Psychologists Drs. Elissa Epel (UCSF) and Becca Levy (Yale)
Are you curious about a career in psychology, public health or medical anthropology? Do you want to learn more about research on healthy aging? Join us for a lunchtime Q&A session with psychologists Dr. Elissa Epel and Dr. Becca Levy as they share insights about their research and professional journeys. Register on Symplicity.

Lunchtime Talk with Gianna Mosser: Editor-in-Chief, Northwestern University Press
Are you curious about a career in publishing? Join us for a lunchtime Q&A session with Gianna Mosser, editor-in-chief at Northwestern University Press as she shares more about industry insights and her career journey. In her role as editor-in-chief, Mosser acquires works in critical ethnic studies, gender studies, comparative literature, theater and performance, and early modern literature. She is a member of the Association of American University Presses, where she previously served as the chair of the professional development committee. Prior to joining Northwestern University Press in 2009, Mosser was the managing editor of Social Psychology Quarterly, a flagship journal of the American Sociological Association. She has a master’s degree in the humanities from the University of Chicago, where she focused on postcolonial theory and literature.

This event is co-sponsored by Modernities and Identities Research Cluster, Literature major, CIPE and Library. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP on Symplicity.

Rhodes eligibility expansion: Singaporeans and global awards announced
The Rhodes is now back open to Singaporeans this cycle, along with an exciting opportunity for two Global Rhodes Scholars for countries not currently covered in the Scholarship. A lot of the details about the application process are still unannounced, but if you think the attributes of the Rhodes might align nicely with your goals, let Charlotte Evans know via email (charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg) to learn more about the possible institutional endorsement requirements and the way CIPE can support you as you apply.

Take Flight with CIPE (TFC) Programme
Every semester, CIPE organises a variety of events, workshops, programmes and information sessions to help students with their professional, academic, and personal development. With this in mind, CIPE is pleased to pilot a tiered incentive scheme to encourage higher levels of participation by students and this scheme is based on the number of events that the student has attended during each academic semester. For more information on our rewards and how to participate in the TFC programme, please refer here.
**Yale-NUS Student Name Cards**
A good first impression is important and having a name card enhances it. It will also facilitate follow ups after the meeting. If you are interested in having your own name cards, please fill in the [Yale-NUS Student Namecard Request Form](https://cipe.yale-nus.edu.sg/career-services/student/career-events/) and submit it to the vendor directly. The printing process takes approximately 3 working days and an email notification will be sent to inform you once the name cards are ready for collection.

**Career Resources**
If you are looking for tips on how to approach the job hunt or improve your networking skills, the Career Services has recently launched a series of whiteboard videos on topics ranging from “Getting Started on the Job Search Process” to “Making the Most of Coffee Chats” on our webpage [here](https://cipe.yale-nus.edu.sg/career-services/student/career-events/).

**Check Our Website for the Full List!**
There are many more events happening off-campus including case competitions, please check [https://cipe.yale-nus.edu.sg/career-services/student/career-events/](https://cipe.yale-nus.edu.sg/career-services/student/career-events/) regularly for the full list of opportunities.

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**FOR CLASS OF 2018:**

**Alexander von Humboldt Foundation German Chancellor Fellowship Open**
Seniors and recent graduates wishing to spend an intensive year working in Germany on a research-based project should consider this fellowship. The [website](https://cipe.yale-nus.edu.sg/career-services/student/career-events/) shares that “benefits include full financial support, a language course, and a study tour culminating with meeting Chancellor Angela Merkel.” Applicants are required to secure a host affiliation prior to submission of their application, so be sure to commence this process early. **The deadline for applications is September 15, 2018.** If you would like guidance through this process, please email Charlotte at charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg.

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**FOR CLASSES OF 2018 & 2019:**

**Fellowships Personal Statement Writing Workshop**
For those considering an application this cycle to a postgraduate fellowship (in particular the Fulbright, Gates Cambridge, Knight-Hennessy, Schwarzman, and Yenching), this session will walk students through strong applications and ways to enhance their personal statement writing during the drafting process. During the session, students will engage in a first draft writing exercise, so be sure to bring a pen and pencil (and an active mind!). **RSVP required in order to secure a spot.**

- **Date:** Wednesday, 04 April 2018
- **Time:** 12:00pm to 1:00pm
- **Venue:** Saga Lecture Theatre 01

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**FOR CLASSES OF 2018, 2019 & 2020:**
Kunming University of Science and Technology 2018 Scholarship Program
The Kunming University of Science and Technology (KUST) has opened the application for their 2018 Scholarship Program for Master’s and Doctoral degrees in AY 2018-2019. The KUST Post-Graduate Scholarship is a full scholarship covering tuition fees, registration fee, international student insurance and accommodation. Students will be offered a living allowance of 1700RMB/month for a Master’s and 2000 RMB/month for a PhD during their studies. Interested students must apply before 30th March, 2018. For more information on the application process and documents, please contact cipe@yale-nus.edu.sg. For more information on Master’s and PhD programs at KUST, see the attached documents and visit the KUST website.

Fully funded MA Program in Intercultural Communication Studies at Shanghai Theatre Academy (STA)
Established in 1945, STA is one of the most renowned art institutions in China. It trains professionals in dramatic arts, traditional Chinese opera, film, television and dance. Their Intercultural Communication Studies Program has a small cohort of students from all over the world, who develop skills and experiences in intercultural communication for flexible application in a variety of careers. The bilingual (Chinese and English), English-taught two-year MA program includes a year of full-time residency with coursework, and an optional second year of residency for project-based internships. All students in residency are sponsored by STA with scholarships (tuition, accommodation, and stipend). After the first year, students can choose where to live and intern while they write their MA thesis (in English or Chinese). Applicants are expected to have a strong interest in Chinese culture and intercultural communications in any academic and/or artistic field, including but not limited to performing arts, performance studies, literature and all forms of media. Previous knowledge of Chinese is preferred, but not a must. Priority application deadline: 15 April 2018. For more information, visit THIS LINK.

FOR CLASSES OF 2019 & 2020:

Grad School 101
Come to this Q&A session with CIPE staff and current seniors who applied to graduate school this year to learn about the application process and the seniors’ journeys: what led them to apply and what steps they took along the way to build towards a strong application. Lunch will be provided for those who register by Wednesday March 28 on Symplicity. This event is primarily geared towards second-year students, but third and final-year students are also welcome to attend.

Date: Monday, 02 April 2018
Time: 12:00pm to 1:30pm
Venue: Classroom 16

FOR CLASSES OF 2019, 2020 & 2021:

Backyard Brains paid internship in neuroscience
If you are interested in biology and/or engineering, consider applying for the Backyard Brains 10-week paid internship program to conduct hands-on neuroscience research and experiment design with award-winning neuroscientists. The internship allows you to learn about the inner workings of the brains of animals, to publish your results and learn to communicate them to the public. The program features daily journal clubs discussing key academic papers, and each participant will be trained how to develop their own experiments and to build their own devices to perform those experiments. The 2018 program will run from

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21 May to 3 August in Downtown Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA and it is paid at USD$400/week. **Applications must be received by 12:00PM Eastern Standard Time on 22 March 2018.** For more information, visit the program webpage linked above.

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**FOR CLASSES OF 2020 & 2021:**

**Summer Research Program 2018 – you can still apply!**
Some Summer Research Program faculty-led projects are still open for applications until 26 March. Log into Symplicity, go to Opportunities and search for “Summer Research Program” to find out what they are and how to get involved. Reach out to Zhana Sandeva with any questions or if you need guidance on your application.

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**ON-CAMPUS OPPORTUNITIES:**

**Student Associate Program**
The Student Associate Program gives all students a chance to apply for part-time positions on campus with faculty or administrative offices. Opportunities are advertised year-round as they become available. Peak hiring periods are usually at the beginning of every semester and before the summer break. Roles range from research in the sciences, social sciences and humanities to administrative support, photography, videography, event management and outreach, tour guiding and many others. For more information on the program and how to apply, visit this [link].

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**WHAT WE'RE READING:**

In the many conversations prompted by the Town Hall we’ve had around campus this week, the topic of creating and ensuring a healthy, happy and inclusive community came up repeatedly. In one of those, a recommendation for *Out of the Wreckage: A New Politics for an Age of Crisis* (Verso, 2017) by *Guardian* columnist, George Monbiot surfaced. Despite the title, it’s an optimistic book and argues for a politics of belonging, which starts with local projects, civic engagement and togetherness in a demonstration of the power of our voices, imaginations and the capacity to act. His argument isn’t perfect but it’s thought provoking, perhaps in ways that can help us move our own conversation on campus forward or inform external engagement through things like CIPE’s Social Impact fellowship.

We’ve also been listening to the [new podcast feature] The Octant has started called the Octopod. We hope this is a permanent addition to the news at Yale-NUS.
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