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Centre at NUS is first of five to open

New lifelong learning school

All five autonomous universities here will set up centres dedicated to lifelong learning, said Acting Minister for Education (Higher Education and Skills) Ong Ye Kung yesterday.

Mr Ong was speaking at the launch of the first such centre, the School for Continuing and Lifelong Education at the National University of Singapore (NUS).

Mr Ong said: "Many individuals are looking beyond the traditional areas of focus to explore new pathways and we must provide more skills-based learning opportunities to make Singaporeans future-ready.

"Just as learning does not stop after school, the universities' role in education does not stop after graduation."

The school, a $12 million education-al venture by the university, will work closely with government agencies, industries and firms to design professional courses.

NUS president Tan Chorh Chuan said the school will also help local firms and industries stay competitive with industry-relevant development and support national manpower needs.

ADMISSION

The school will offer undergraduate certificate and graduate diploma courses, bachelor's and master's degree programmes, as well as short courses and executive programmes.

Admission will not be based solely on academic background. The applicant's work experience and prior learning will be considered.

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