3.3.3 MBA with Yale School of Management

The Yale School of Management (SOM) admits a select handful of college seniors to a three-year MBA programme called the Silver Scholars Programme. The programme provides the unique opportunity to enter the Yale MBA programme immediately after undergraduate study and move more quickly toward career goals. The Silver Scholars Programme is highly selective. Yale SOM will offer special consideration to Yale-NUS students. This special consideration recognises the distinctiveness of a Yale-NUS education, the exceptional talent of the students who enrol at the College, and the strong preparation provided by an integrated liberal arts education.

The mission of Yale SOM is to educate leaders for business and society. This mission attracts intellectually curious, purposeful, and globally aware people. Silver Scholars are chosen for their combination of intellect, passion, and demonstrated potential to be future leaders in business, government, entrepreneurial, and nonprofit endeavours.

In the first year of the programme, Silver Scholars complete the innovative Yale SOM integrated core curriculum, which is designed to build a broad understanding of economies, markets, and organisations for an increasingly complex global marketplace. Core curriculum courses integrate disciplines like finance, operations, psychology, and organisational behaviour to help students understand global challenges.

After the first year of study, Silver Scholars will apply their skills through full-time work experience. Students will work with the Yale SOM Career Development Office in exploring potential career options, and refining interview and networking skills.

Typically after one or two years of work experience, Silver Scholars return to Yale SOM for their second year of studies to complete their MBA. Students take electives which are either disciplined-based or integrative in nature. These build naturally on their Yale-NUS academic experience and the core curriculum courses. This year allows for specialisation in an area of study either at Yale SOM or throughout the University at the graduate level.

Silver Scholar graduates have gone on to secure full-time work with organisations such as Barclays, Boston Consulting Group, Google, Motorola, the New York Times, and the World Bank; many others have pursued entrepreneurial ventures. With the nature and rigour of the Yale SOM Silver Scholars Programme, companies are consistently impressed with the ability of Silver Scholars to understand how markets function, to understand how organisations and team operate in different circumstances, and to navigate complexities within and across societies.