3.4 Special Programmes

The World Is the Campus

The Centre for International & Professional Experience (CIPE) is the Yale-NUS student’s gateway to the world. Through the Centre, students will be able to access a portfolio of global opportunities designed to enhance their academic pursuits, broaden their perspectives, and hone the skills they need to succeed as today’s students and tomorrow’s leaders. The Centre will also bring the world to Yale-NUS’s doorstep, arranging for innovative leadership programming, inviting distinguished visitors across disciplines, and hosting signature events that will afford students a kaleidoscope of perspectives for framing their education and envisioning their future plans.

Taking the Yale-NUS education on the road

Linking learning and living is an integral part of a Yale-NUS education, and CIPE will offer an array of opportunities for students to extend their learning beyond the classroom and sharpen their education on the edges of the real world. The Centre and its dedicated team of counselors will work with every Yale-NUS student from his or her arrival on campus to craft an individualized portfolio of learning opportunities, offering programming and services in the following areas:

- Leadership Training and Development
- Service Learning and Civic Engagement
- International Summer Sessions
- Language and Cultural Immersion Programs
- Internships and Fellowships
- Research Attachments
- Study Abroad and Exchange
- Career Development and Placement Support
- Graduate and Professional School Advising
- Alumni Career Services

CIPE counselors, familiar with assessment and self-reflection tools, will provide support for navigating these opportunities, help students identify areas for improvement and connect each student with the best matches for maximizing his or her growth. Emphasis will be placed on transformative experiences that might shape one’s academic interests, influence one’s career path, and allow students to explore and go beyond their comfort zones. The Centre will offer guidance in how to choose the right opportunity, preparation to help launch each student in his or her new milieu, and support for each student’s intellectual, professional, and personal development during and after the experience.

Gaining an international perspective

Students have the opportunity to gain international perspectives by participating in programming such as:
• Interning with a leading Singaporean or multinational company or with an NGO making an impact in the region.
• Studying abroad at a wide variety of partner institutions and programs across Asia, Europe, the Americas and beyond.
• Participating in innovative signature offerings such as Social Impact Bootcamp, the NUS Overseas College Programme, which offers internships at start-up companies in entrepreneurial hubs like Silicon Valley, Israel, India, China, Sweden, and Singapore.
• Taking part in a wide range of Yale Summer Sessions held at Yale and around the world.

3.4.1 Leadership Programmes

3.4.2 Internship Opportunities

3.4.3 International Opportunities

3.4.4 Experiential Learning