Temasek Foundation – NTU Leadership Enrichment and Regional Networking

TF-NTU **LEaRN** Programme AY2008/09 (Jan – May 2009)

What is LEaRN?

Purpose	The TF-NTU LEaRN Programme serves to provide a total experiential learning platform for the talented young leaders of the future from China, India and member states of ASEAN, an opportunity to immerse a semester at NTU. The total experiential learning platform is achieved through the amalgamation of semester course work, community service learning and host family experience in Singapore. Asian Undergraduate Students selected to participate in this programme will develop a strong sense of cross-cultural intelligence, gain a network of friends and a better understanding of our nation. **More than 50 Selected Asian Undergraduate Students** will be offered to study a semester at NTU with tuition and living expenses covered. Invitations to apply for AY 2008/09 Semester 2 (**Academic Calendar: 5 Jan – 1 May 2009)** are now open.

LEaRN QUANTUM

No. of Awards	• More than 50 **LEaRN** grants will be awarded in Ay2008/09 Sem 2.
Quantum	• Each **LEaRN** grant is tenable for an academic semester only or up to 6 months at NTU in Singapore. • Each **LEaRN** grant shall cover the following: ➢ Full Tuition fee at NTU ➢ Stipend for the semester: up to S$4,500 (includes air fare, living allowance and hostel fees)

Application & Deadline

Undergraduate Applicants ONLY for Semester 2 AY2008/2009 (Spring 09)	• Applications open on **October 1, 2008** and close on **October 20, 2008.** • **Deadline: Online Application by Mon, October 20, 2008** • Invitations for applications will be emailed to the International Relations Office of NTU Partner Universities for internal dissemination.

Who is Eligible?

Requirements

- Open to nationals of member countries of ASEAN, China and India (except Singapore) to pursue a semester of coursework at NTU.

- Applicants must be a full-time Undergraduate student in one of NTU exchange partner institutions.

- Have completed 2 semesters of study at home university, with proof of results.

- NTU will only review student applications that are nominated and formally submitted to NTU International Relations Office (IRO) by the exchange coordinators of exchange partner universities.

- Each NTU partner institutions **should not submit more than five (5) applications**, unless otherwise indicated, for NTU's review.

- **Each nominee should be from different faculty/schools.**

- Applicants should possess the following:
  a) An excellent academic record - within the top 5% of cohort
  b) A very good command of the English Language
  c) Hold leadership positions in any of university student activity clubs

- Student to submit a 200-word letter on why he/she deserves to be part of the **LEaRN** programme. (Please list the leadership roles that student is currently undertaking, including any involvement in any form of Social Community Services.)

- A Recommendation Letter from faculty of host institution and an outline of a CV of the nominee's accomplishments.

- Students must take a minimum of two (2) courses and are not allowed to audit any subjects when here on the programme. They should also aim to do well in the courses chosen.

- There is no bond attached to **LEaRN**.

How to Apply

Application Process

(Please note that the LEaRN application must be submitted electronically together with the relevant documents)

- Applicants are those students who have been officially nominated by their home institution to study at NTU via the TF-NTU LEaRN programme.

- Prospective **LEaRN** students to complete the NTU Undergraduate non-graduating online application at https://wis.ntu.edu.sg/pls/webexe/GSMS_APPL_SECT_A.DataEntry

- In the online application form, please indicate that you are applying for the **'LEaRN Programme'** found on **Section A**, under the **Student Category**.

- Upon submission of the online application, please remember to complete the Endorsement Form.

- **Afterwards, please scan and email the endorsement together with supporting documents (**a 200-word letter on why he/she deserves to be part of the **LEaRN** programme & recommendation letter from home faculty) to ixchange@ntu.edu.sg.

- For any queries, please indicate **"TF-NTU LEaRN"** and contact our office at:

  Tel: +65 6790 5088   **Fax:** +65 6792 6911
  Email: ixchange@ntu.edu.sg

Supporting documents / materials when submitting the LEaRN online application

- List of 10 courses students would like to take for faculty review (students can take up to 20 AUs only – 4-5 courses)
- PDF format of latest original transcripts in English
- JPG format of digital photo of student
- JPG format of passport copy (must not expire in 6-months time)

  Afterwards to email the following:

- Endorsement & Approval granted by Home University and sign-off by student applicant
- 200-word letter on why student deserves to be part of the programme. (Please list the leadership roles that student is currently undertaking, including any involvement in any form of Social Community Services.)
- Recommendation letter from home faculty

English Proficiency Guide

Non-native English speakers must have a minimum level of proficiency in English to be able to study at the Nanyang Technological university. Students are expected to fulfill any of the following:

- General Paper of the Singapore Cambridge GCE 'A' Level Examination: A1, A2, B3, B4, C5, C6
- IELTS: a minimum of 6 for the Writing sub-test

- TOEFL: a minimum of 570 (paper) or 237 (computer)
- SAT1: a minimum of 600 for the Verbal section; or 7 for the Essay section
- IB: a minimum of 6 for Higher level English
- MUET: Band 6 and a minimum of 50 for writing

Course Registration and Academic Information

Workload per semester	A Maximum of 20 AUs (subject to home university and NTU's approval – approx. 4-5 modules)
Study Programmes Available	**Undergraduates** http://www.ntu.edu.sg/Admissions/International+Students/Undergraduate+Courses/
Curriculum Structure • Students can take any modules in any of the four colleges, subject to availability of seats and completion of prerequisites or with faculty approval.	**For Other Subjects** http://www.ntu.edu.sg/Services/Academic/undergraduates/Course%20Registration/Pages/CurriculumStructure.aspx **Nanyang Business School (For Business Courses)** http://www.nbs.ntu.edu.sg/undergrad/BUS/Prog_Struct/BusElect.asp http://www.nbs.ntu.edu.sg/student/Undergrad_portal/cs/course_outlines/course_outlines_free.asp
Course contents	**Undergraduates** https://wis.ntu.edu.sg/webexe/owa/aus_subj_cont.main Pls use **Academic Year 2008, Semester 2** as a guide for the courses to be offered in AY08/09 Sem 2.
NTU Academic Unit System	NTU's courses are assigned credits based on the Academic Unit System. For a typical one-semester subject, the number of academic units is calculated as follows: (a) one hour of lecture/tutorial per week : 1 AU (b) 3 hours' laboratory/fieldwork per week : 1 AU Find out more from http://www3.ntu.edu.sg/OAS2/regn/AUS_handbk2008.pdf

Grading system	NTU uses the Grade Point Average (GPA) system in awarding grades.

Letter-Grade	Grade Point
A+	5.0
A	5.0
A-	4.5
B+	4.0
B	3.5
B-	3.0
C+	2.5
C	2.0
D+	1.5
D	1.0
F	0.0

Selection Process

- The selection process will be competitively based on superior academic background and leadership quality demonstrated.

- All students hoping to be selected for the LEaRN Programme must have their online application for AY 2008/09 Semester 2 admission submitted by **Monday, October 20, 2008** to NTU for consideration.

- Successful applicants will be notified latest by **Monday, November 10, 2008**. An E-Acceptance package together with the admission letter shall be mailed to the partner university for the selected candidate.

Pre-Departure Details

International Student Pre-Departure Guidelines

- Pre-departure Guide book for International Students may be found on the web.

- More Information on arrival, housing and visa applications will be provided in the E-Acceptance Package **early Dec 2008**.