



**NANYANG
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Temasek Foundation - NTU

LEaRN

**Leadership Enrichment
and Regional Networking**

TF-NTU LEaRN Programme Semester 2, AY2010/11 (January – May 2011)

What is LEaRN?

Goal of the Temasek Foundation - Nanyang Technological University LEaRN (Leadership Enrichment and Regional Networking) programme is to build bridges among student leaders in Asia, with an aim to achieve the following:

1. Develop a global mindset by acquiring a better appreciation of another culture, lifestyle, language and enrich leadership skill.
2. Form a sustained network amongst regional LEaRN participants.
3. Work together towards regional connection and development of Asia.
4. Build capability and learn whilst involved in the immersion programme.

The TF-NTU LEaRN programme serves to provide a total experiential learning platform for the talented young leaders of the future from Asia, 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 TF-NTU LEaRN programme will develop a strong sense of cross-cultural intelligence, gain a global mindset with sustained network of friends for regional networking among the development of Asia.

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 2010/11 Semester 2 (**Academic Calendar: 24 January 2011 – 20 May 2011**) are now open.

LEaRN Quantum

No. of Awards	More than 50 LEaRN grants will be awarded in Semester 2, AY2010/11.
Quantum	- Each TF-NTU LEaRN grant is tenable for an academic semester only or up to 6 months at NTU in Singapore. - Each TF-NTU LEaRN grant shall cover the following: ➤ Full Tuition fee at NTU ➤ Stipend for the semester: up to S\$6,500 (includes airfare, accommodation, books, living and other expenses) NTU hall accommodation will be arranged for LEaRN recipients from partner universities in Asia.
Undergraduate Applicants ONLY for Semester 2 AY2009/2010 (Jan-May 2010)	Deadline: Nomination by Wednesday, 15 September 2010 Online Application by Thursday, 30 September, 2010. - Invitations for applications will be emailed to the International Relations Office of NTU Partner Universities for internal dissemination.

Eligibility

	- Open to nationals of member countries of Asia (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 four (4) applications, unless otherwise indicated, for NTU's review. Each nominee should be from different faculty/schools.
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- 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 3 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.

Requirements

Reflections and Journal Reports:

LEaRN students are required to periodically write down their reflections as well as to produce a journal with photos of 500 words at the end of the TF-NTU LEaRN programme on their Singapore immersion, community service learning and host family experiences.

Community Service Learning:

Apart from the semester course work at NTU, each LEaRN students are required to spend a minimum of 20 hours on community service learning during the period of TF-NTU LEaRN programme.

LEaRN students will be attached to the NTU-Welfare Services Club student group for community involvement projects.

LEaRN Mentor Programme:

Each LEaRN student will be paired with a NTU faculty mentor to gain a lifetime of international understanding coupled with a holistic experience of living and studying in Singapore.

LEaRN students are strongly encouraged to continue to be engaged with their mentors and fellow LEaRN students following the end of the TF-NTU LEaRN programme.

TF-NTU LEaRN Sharing Session:

LEaRN Students are required to share their LEaRN experiences through

seminars, blogs, university websites, presentations at their home university and country after the TF-NTU LEaRN programme.

LEaRN students are required to periodically complete an online feedback form to share their LEaRN experiences at their home university and country after the TF-NTU LEaRN programme.

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://venus.wis.ntu.edu.sg/NG_APP/Pages/Login.aspx
- In the online application form, please indicate that you are applying for the '**LEaRN Programme**' found on **Section A**, under the **Student Category**.
- All required documents as follows must be submitted online together with the application form.
 1. Choice of 10 undergraduate courses for NTU school's review. (Max. 20AUs; approx 4-5 courses to be approved)
 2. Scanned copy of latest original transcripts in English.
 3. Scanned copy of passport identification page. (Min. 6 months validity)
- Students should select at least 10 undergraduate courses during application stage for NTU school's review and approval. This is to ensure adequate number of approved courses prior to arrival at NTU.
- Undergraduate students can only choose undergraduate courses. LEaRN students are strictly prohibited from applying for postgraduate courses.

***Note:** LEaRN students must register and complete a minimum of **three (3)** examinable approved courses at NTU with proven results during the LEaRN programme.

Supporting documents

- 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)

Other supporting documents are to be emailed to tflearn@ntu.edu.sg by 30 September 2010:

	• Endorsement Form approved by Home University • A 200-word letter on why student deserves to be part of the TF-NTU LEaRN programme. (Please list the leadership roles and/or community services involvement) • A recommendation letter from home faculty • Proof of English proficiency. (e.g. GCE 'A' Level General Paper, IELTS, TOEFL, SAT1, IB, and MUET) The announcement of selected LEaRN awardees will be sent to their home university via e-mail in October 2010.
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
Restricted Programmes (Unavailable to LEaRN students and Exchange students)	• Entrepreneurship courses (EN1xxx) • National Institute of Education (NIE) Core and Prescribed Electives. (Only NIE General Electives are available to international students) • Nanyang Business School Undergraduate Programmes a) Core Courses unavailable to non-Business students b) Courses relating to the Singapore legislation, legal and accounting system, which may be relevant only in the Singapore context
When will students receive their E-Acceptance Package?	Awarded LEaRN students will receive their E-acceptance package in December 2010 for admission into NTU. * LEaRN students' home institution will also be notified of acceptance via email.

Course Registration & Academic info

Semester Dates	<u>Semester 2 (Spring):</u> 24 January 2011 – 20 May 2011 (17 weeks) *Note: 1) Students who arrive in NTU <u>AFTER</u> the start of the semester, especially after add/drop period, shall not be allowed to change their pre-registered courses or request for new courses to read. 2) Students should be aware that there may be examination papers even on the last day of the semester. Hence, any return flight arrangements should be made after the semester date. NTU shall not re-schedule examination dates and students who are registered for the course but fail to sit for the examination paper shall be deemed to have failed the examination.
Academic Calendar	Undergraduates http://www.ntu.edu.sg/Services/Academic/undergraduates/Academic%20Calendar/Pages/2010-11.aspx
Study Programmes (NOTE!)  Dedicated Academic Support@NTU	Undergraduates http://www.ntu.edu.sg/collegesandprogrammes/Pages/undergrad.aspx LEARN students are advised to take courses of the same level: Undergraduates can only choose Undergraduate courses. Undergraduates are strictly prohibited from applying for postgraduate courses.
Course contents	Undergraduates https://wis.ntu.edu.sg/webexe/owa/aus_subj_cont.main Note: As updated course information for Semester 2 will only be available towards November 2010, kindly refer to Academic Year 2010, Semester 2 as a reference to the courses to be offered. Nanyang Business School (NBS) Please refer to the following link for the schedule of all courses offered in NBS: http://www.nbs.ntu.edu.sg/ProspectiveStudents/Undergrad/BUS/ProgDetail/Pages/Bus_UnrestrictElect.aspx For other course information, please also refer to the course contents or outlines listed in the respective College/School websites. http://www.ntu.edu.sg/collegesandprogrammes/Pages/colleges.aspx http://www.ntu.edu.sg/Services/Academic/undergraduates/Course%20Registration/Pages/CurriculumStructure.aspx
Curriculum Structure	International Exchange Students can take most of the courses offered in any of the

	four Colleges, subject to pre-requisites with approval by NTU faculty members and/or availability of vacancies. http://www.ntu.edu.sg/Services/Academic/undergraduates/Course%20Registration/Pages/CurriculumStructure.aspx Note: <i>National Institute of Education (NIE) and S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS) are autonomous institutions in NTU and have their own set of criteria for exchange applications.</i>
NTU Academic Unit System	NTU's courses are assigned credits based on the Academic Unit System. For a typical one-semester course, 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: Undergraduates http://www.ntu.edu.sg/Services/Academic/undergraduates/Pages/AcademicUnitSystem(AUS).aspx
Workload per semester	A maximum of 20 AUs per semester (subject to home university and NTU's approval – approx. 4-5 courses) *LEaRN Students are expected to sign up for at least three (3) examinable courses whilst at NTU on the scholarship programme.
Number of courses selection (Note!)	- LEaRN students should select at least ten (10) undergraduate courses at application stage for approval. This is to ensure adequate number of approved courses prior to arrival in NTU. - If students do not have enough approved courses, or choose to apply for new course(s) to read after their arrival at NTU, course approval shall be subject to vacancies available and pre-requisites. It shall not be guaranteed that students will be offered the course(s) and course registration will be delayed. - Students are strongly encouraged not to deviate from the list of approved courses. It is imperative that students select courses which are approved by the home university and deemed necessary for academic progression.
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

Academic Transcripts	LEaRN students' academic transcripts will be mailed directly to their home institution within 2 months after the end of the semester. A copy of the academic transcripts will be emailed to the International Office of the respective universities for file.
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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 2010/11 Semester 2 admission submitted by **Thursday, 30 September, 2010** to NTU for consideration.
- Successful applicants will be notified latest by **October 2010**. An E-Acceptance package together with the admission letter shall be mailed to the partner university for the selected candidate.

Pre-Departure and Arrival

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 2010**.

For further enquiries, please email tflearn@ntu.edu.sg
or visit our website at www.ntu.edu.sg/tflearn