

TMC ACADEMY AND IDP EDUCATION MOU SIGNING CEREMONY

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The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signing between TMC Academy and IDP Education marks another milestone in TMC Academy's continuous improvement to provide quality education and support to our students. Through this collaboration, TMC Academy is appointed as an official referral agent for IDP Education's IELTS (International English Learning Testing System), a globally available and recognised language placement test.



Ms Shania Kim (Left) and Ms Yeow Cheng Khim (right) signing the Memorandum of Understanding between IDP Education and TMC Academy.



Ms Shania Kim (left) from IDP Education and Dr. Chin Kon Yuen (right) from TMC Academy.

What is IELTS?

- ▶ World's most popular and important international English language test
- ▶ Recognised by more than 10,000 organisations in over 140 countries for study, work and migration
- ▶ Choice of Academic (developed for entry to tertiary education) and General Training (mainly developed for migration and non-academic uses)
- ▶ Covers all 4 skills – Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing

STUDENT ORIENTATION - SINGAPORE BOTANIC GARDENS NATURE TRAIL

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On 29th July, we started the first day of orientation with an introductory programme to the TMC campus. As most of our students hail from other countries, our Student Services Support colleagues played tour guide for half a day, showing them places of interest and dining options in the vicinity.



The orientation continued on August 5 with a morning at the Singapore Botanic Gardens. Organised by the TMC Institute of Public Relations of Singapore (IPRS) Student Chapter Club and supported by the TMC Student Club, this Nature Learning Trail is a bonding session for both students and staff, while learning about Singapore's oldest garden, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. There was a ton of laughter and everyone enjoyed the games planned out. The winning group received coffee gift cards for their hard work under the sun!



ABSS ANNUAL DINNER AND THE ASIA PACIFIC BARTENDER OF THE YEAR COCKTAIL COMPETITION

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The 26th Asia Pacific Bartender of the Year Cocktail Competition, presented by the Singapore Hotel Association, was held at the annual dinner of the Association of Bartender and Sommelier Singapore (ABSS), at the Holiday Inn Atrium Hotel. As a close partner of ABSS, TMC Academy was invited to attend the event.

Our Higher Diploma in Hospitality & Tourism Management students also assisted with the planning and execution of the event as part of their TMC-ABSS Youth Wing commitments.

TMC ACADEMY - APPROVED WSQ TRAINING ORGANISATION

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TMC Academy is now a **Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ)** Approved Training Organisation (ATO) – Public and In-House, under SkillsFuture Singapore (SSG). The organisation accreditation was achieved on 28/8/17 for 2 years (renewable). The first run of courses is scheduled to be offered in November / December 2017.

The Singapore Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) is a national credential system – a robust and integrated continuing education and training system. Designed to build industry competencies, it is founded on international best practices and validated by industries and employers. WSQ caters to adult workers who have widely diverse training needs; it offers a wide range of certification and qualification ranging from Certificate to Graduate Diploma.

TMC Academy celebrated Teacher's Day with a morning of team bonding activities. It was a great opportunity for both teachers and support staff to flex their muscles while bonding with colleagues from different departments in sports games like Combat Archery and Pool Ball.



After all the sweat and tears of laughter, the staff gathered for a speech by Ms Yeow, Chief Executive Chairman of TMC Academy. She spoke about TMC's core values of Professionalism, Affinity, Continuous Improvement and Empowerment, and how she was glad to see it exhibited amongst colleagues in that morning of activities. Ms Yeow also highlighted the importance of an active and healthy lifestyle at work and TMC's involvement in promoting this movement. Most notably, we have been invited to speak at the 15th Annual World Health Congress, sharing our growth in this healthy workforce journey.



What Is The World Congress on Safety and Health?

The World Congress on Safety and Health at Work offers a platform for the exchange of information and views to experts in occupational safety and health, representatives of enterprises and workers (the social partners), decision-makers in governments and public authorities, and anyone else active in the area of occupational safety and health.

As our Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong called for Singaporeans to adopt a healthy and active lifestyle in the latest National Day Rally, Singapore also played host to the XXI World Congress on Safety and Health at Work 2017. This 4-day congress is organised by the Ministry of Manpower (MOM) alongside the International Social Security Association (ISSA) and International Labour Organization (ILO). Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong was also invited as the guest-of-honour.



From left to right: Mr Sim Beng Khoon, Dame Carol Black, Dr Chin Kon Yuen, Ms Pamela Gana, and Mr Ong Kim Pong

Singapore Health Promotion Board (HPB) was in-charge of the symposium titled 'Bringing impactful health and safety programmes to workers at their door-steps' on 6th September 2017. TMC Academy is honored to be invited by HPB as a speaker to share our experience in the segment 'Cultivating a Healthy Working Environment – A Small, Medium Enterprise's journey towards workers' wellbeing'. **Dr Chin, Executive Chairman, represented TMC Academy at the symposia.**

It has been a busy month for TMC Academy IPRS (Institute of Public Relations of Singapore) Student Chapter members, as they attended a series of events and industry visits, with the highlight being TechInnovation 2017, held on 19th and 20th Sept at the Marina Bay Sands Expo and Convention Centre.



TechInnovation is a premier technology-industry brokerage event organised by Intellectual Property Intermediary (IPI) Singapore. Our students worked alongside Pinpoint PR Agency to prepare delegates for their media interviews.

YOW! 2017 SOFTWARE DEVELOPER CONFERENCE

Our Higher Diploma in Infocomm Technology student, Sophia, volunteered in the YOW! 2017 Software Developer Conference held in Singapore between 11th and 12th September 2017. Apart from packing conference bags, assisting attendees during registration, ushering attendees and speakers before/ between/after sessions, collecting feedback after every session and performing basic admin work, Sophia had a chance to also attend the 2-day conference, participate in a workshop and meet people in the industry.



Sophia (second from the left), Volunteered in YOW! Conference 2017



YOW! Software Developers Conference 2017 @ SG

TMC WELCOMES THAI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS ON HAWTHORN HOLIDAY ENGLISH PROGRAMME

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School's out for the children in Boriboon Wittaya Elementary School in Thailand, and the fun starts at TMC Academy, Hawthorn English as they join us in Singapore for a Summer Holiday English Programme.

The students, aged 7 to 12, attended the 4-day programme with 2 hours of classes daily. As the course title "Learning English in a Fun Way" suggests, classes were specially designed to engage students and allow them to approach the language in a fun and creative way. Apart from class activities, the students were brought outdoors at our newly built basketball court for interactive games. Through the games, students are encouraged to pick up new words in a stress-free environment, which proves to be effective with our young learners.



Students are divided into groups for the outdoor activities



In TMC Academy, classes don't always stay indoors!



When it comes to learning basic English, flash cards are the best choice



Make your holiday meaningful, improve on your English!



TMC Academy welcomes you!

The programme concluded with a certificate award ceremony, where every student received a Certification in Participation, a sense of achievement that they can bring home to their parents!

About TMC Academy

TMC Academy was established in Singapore in 1981. It offers widely recognized courses in various disciplines including Accounting & Finance, Business & Management, English Language, Hospitality & Tourism Management, Infocomm Technology, Mass Communication and Psychology & Counselling.

VISION

The leading academy that develops successful and high performance graduates.

MISSION

We commit to delivering high quality courses with industry relevant skills and knowledge in a nurturing environment.

CORE VALUES

Professionalism – we uphold the highest standards of ethics, accountability and transparency

Affinity – we value relationships and see ourselves as a family that constantly supports and stands by one another

Continuous Improvement – we are uncompromising in our pursuit for excellence and strive to re-invent ourselves to stay relevant

Empowerment – we are ambassadors of our brand and each and everyone of us is responsible for creating an enriching and inspiring TMC experience