

## TMC ACADEMY AND FOREIGN TRADE UNIVERSITY, VIETNAM MOU SIGNING CEREMONY

MAY 04



*Guests from Foreign Trade University (FTU), Hanoi, Vietnam*

TMC Academy hosted a group of distinguished guests from Foreign Trade University (FTU), Hanoi, Vietnam – one of the most prestigious universities in Vietnam, last Friday. Our principal, John Lee, has enjoyed a long standing partnership with FTU and we are pleased to have this privilege extended to TMC Academy.

The meeting started with a presentation on TMC and our programmes by our representatives and lecturers, followed by a fruitful discussion on the following areas:

- Student Exchange Programmes – to provide Singapore as a destination for Vietnamese students
- Jointly development of academic programmes and entrepreneurship short courses, and
- Academic staff development between TMC and FTU

With both parties pleased with the outcome of the dialogue session, we proceeded with the official Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signing.



We certainly look forward to fostering close partnerships with FTU that will mutually benefit both institutions and make greater contributions to the education of our future generations.

## JUMPSTART YOUR CAREER - JOB SHADOW AT BARCLAYS BANK

MAY 11

We are down to the final round of the Junior Achievement (JA) – Jumpstart Your Career Program! After attending workshops conducted by practitioners from Barclays Bank on areas like Personal Finance, CV & Interview Skills and so on, our Higher Diploma/Degree Business and International Tourism Management Degree students were sent off to ‘work’ at the Barclays office at Marina Bay Financial Centre (MBFC).



“it was a fun and engaging experience which allowed students to get a glimpse of the corporate world. We were given good and critical feedback on how we can do certain things better and also made new connections with not only the Barclays employees but with our schoolmates as well. I would highly recommend students to attend the program as it was certainly a different way of putting classroom learning to practical use.”

**Lee Jia Nian**

*TMC Academy Business Management Degree student*

## HANSHAN NORMAL UNIVERSITY DELEGATES VISIT TMC

MAY 30



Earlier in April, TMC Academy's new CEO, Mr John Lee, visited our sister school, Hanshan Normal University in China. The invitation was then extended to our China education partners; for them to visit Singapore so we could do our part as host and bring them around on a little red dot tour. Today, we are pleased to have our distinguished guests at our school, which brings our continuous discussion on collaborations to the next level.

We launched our first The Art of Mixology short course, conducted by Mr David Chan, Honorary Secretary (General) from the Association of Bartenders and Sommeliers Singapore (ABSS). This short course is jointly certified by TMC Academy and ABSS, and is SkillsFuture Credits applicable.



In this day course, participants learn the arts and science of making a good cocktail, both alcoholic and non-alcoholic. We are not talking about mixing canned fruits and soda here! The class covers:

- Different types of mixing methods including stirring, shaking, blending;
- Preparation of drink according to a person's taste preference;
- Categories of international cocktails – so you can recommend drinks during the next visit to the bar, and more.

Whether you are bringing your Friday parties up a notch with fancy drinks in the comfort of your home or an aspiring bartender taking your first step – join us in the next The Art of Mixology Short Course on 25 August, Saturday. Corporate events and special occasion requests are welcomed!



# SUMMER HOLIDAY ENGLISH INVASION!

JUN 11



It has been bustling with life at TMC Academy campus as our Holiday English Program kick starts! We have been receiving groups of young and bubbly students from Vietnam, who are on tour – alike mini superstars – in Singapore, for their English Summer Camp experience.

Before embarking on this 2 to 4 weeks program, students take placement tests with our Hawthorn English teachers and are assigned to a class appropriate to their level. Classes are specially designed based on a shorter teaching duration, focusing on special areas including reading, writing, speaking and listening.



What does Hawthorn English teachers do best? Bringing lessons out of the classroom! Our energetic students were brought to the basketball court for a few games – having some outdoor fun while picking up simple conversational English.

To round up the program, our Holiday English students will each receive a Certificate of Participation; and bring home many wonderful memories created in TMC Academy, Singapore.





In the 2018 edition of nEbO's Youth Entrepreneurship Symposium, TMC students were given the opportunity to engage with homegrown entrepreneurs through a series of keynote presentations, dialogues, quick business pitch and networking.



*From left: R Abiramy, Xiao YanXuan, Jasmine Wong, Freya Anne Macdougall, and Lee Jia Nian (Photographer)*

Our group of students presented their business idea titled 'Autism Sensory' in the Quick Pitch segment, to a panel of judges. With the motto of 'Improving Lives – One Space at a Time', Autism Sensory is a safe space created for autistic individuals and their families to 'escape' during meltdowns, as they realised that there are not many facilities in Singapore that cater to this group of people. The business pitch included details like objectives, budgeting and marketing initiatives.

Let's hear what our student, R Abiramy, has to share!



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I learnt a lot from this competition. I learnt all about business ideas, like how to make a presentation more appealing for you future investors. I also learned how to better improve myself and not to give up easily. If a business fails, it does not mean the person has failed. I would like to thank TMC Academy for giving me a chance to take part in YES 2018.

**R Abiramy @ Nur Zahayra**

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## HAWTHORN ENGLISH EXCURSION – BEACH EDITION

JUN 26

Our Hawthorn English students hit the sandy shores of Sentosa for their excursion this term! They visited historical sites like Fort Siloso and everyone's favourite Siloso Beach. Thank goodness for good weather as we have been experiencing erratic weather of late in Singapore!



## STUDENTS AWARDS CEREMONY

JUN 28

Yet another school term has ended and we have new students to congratulate on their excellent effort in school! Ms Esther Lee, Academic Director presented the certificates to our Foundation Diploma graduates and, Top Module Scorers of Professional Diploma and Higher Diploma students. Our Student of the Month awards were also presented during the ceremony.



*Congratulations to everyone who did great in your study!*

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH

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### Student of the Month (April)

**Logesvari** is a part-time student of the Higher Diploma in Hospitality and Tourism Management. She has a positive learning attitude as she always seeks to continuously improve in her studies. Her dedication and hard work towards her studies are shown in her outstanding academic performance as she has achieved many 'Top Student by Module' awards!



### Student of the Month (June)

**Zhang Mo** is an all-rounded Higher Diploma in Business student who not only excels in her studies but is also actively involved in campus activities. Zhang Mo displays the TMC core values in several ways. She displays Empowerment by taking on the role as the Student Club's President and takes the initiative to engage fellow schoolmates in meaningful campus and community activities.

## About TMC Academy

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**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