# Attractive educational programmes in cooperation with the industry for the global human resource development



# The NUS Overseas Colleges Programme

Beijing – Bio Valley – India – Shanghai – Silicon Valley – Stockholm – Israel 2002-2011

# The NUS i LEAD Programme

(innovative Local Enterprise Achiever Development)
2008-2011





#### Introduction

NUS Overseas Colleges (NOC) is the experiential entrepreneurship education arm of NUS Enterprise.

In the NOC program, selected NUS students are immersed in leading entrepreneurial-academic hubs around the world where they

- work as full-time interns in hi-tech startup/innovative companies
- study <u>entrepreneurship-related</u> & disciplinebased courses at partner universities
- experience the start-up environment & learn from the founders & entrepreneurs







#### Introduction

NUS Overseas Colleges (NOC) aims to develop an entrepreneurial spirit and transform mindsets by:

- providing NUS students with a unique entrepreneurial experience
- immersing NUS students in leading entrepreneurial-academic hubs and emerging markets around the world
- Providing opportunities to foster strategic partnerships with companies



# Nus Enterprise

#### NUS College in Silicon Valley (2002)

- Work in the innovation "habitat" and study at Stanford
- Focus on tech startups in Silicon Valley

#### NUS College in Bio Valley (Philadelphia) (2003)

- Study at University of Pennsylvania & work in US' pharma hub
- Focus on bio/med tech

#### NUS College in Shanghai (2004)

- Study at Fudan University & work in China's commercial hub
- Focus on China-related business/bi-cultural immersion NUS College in Stockholm (2005)
  - Work in Europe No.1 IT nation and study at KTH Royal Institute of Technology
  - Focus on mobile/IT with European perspective

#### NUS College in India (2008)

- Work in Silicon Valley of India
- Focus on India startups/social entrepreneurship

#### NUS College in Beijing (2009)

- Study at Tsinghua University & work in China's political and hi-tech hub
- Focus on China-related tech startups

#### NUS College in Israel (2011) - NEW!

- Experience the dynamic start-up culture that defines Israel
- Benefits from entrepreneurship classes and networking sessions at prestigious Israeli universities







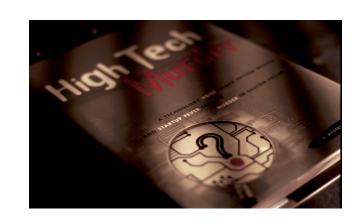


#### **Key Program Features**

- Year-long full-time internship in selected startups and innovative companies
- Part-time study at partner universities

#### Participants will earn

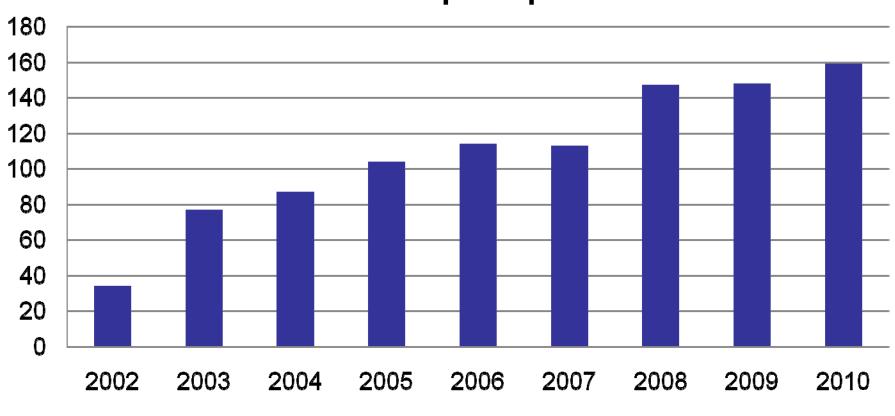
- A "Technopreneurship" Minor
- 40 Modular Credits (full load) for the two semesters spent on NOC
  - 11 -- 12 months' internship
  - Startup Business Case
  - Entrepreneurship courses
  - Discipline-based courses at partner universities





# **Intake figures**

#### **Number of participants**





# **Student Organizations**



**NCSV** – NUS Entrepreneur's Association (NUSEA)



NCBV - Singapore-Philadelphia Innovators (SpiN)



NCSH – Shanghai House of Entrepreneurs (SHEN)



NCST - nuStart



NCBJ – Young Entrepreneurs Association of NUS



NOC Entrepreneurial India – Singapore-India Connections & Enterprise



# **Activities Organized**

#### Mentorship sessions / Speaker series

Various leading entrepreneurs/CEOs are invited to share their experiences with the NOC students in a small group setting

#### Speakers invited includes:

- Kevin Walsh (CTO of Oracle Asia Research & Development)
- Farzad Naimi (CEO & Cofounder of Litescape)
- David Noteware (CEO of Sinewave Energy Technologies)
- Seth Sternberg (CEO Meebo)
- Mitchell Baker CEO, Mozilla Corp
- Gokul Rajaram, Chai Labs



# **Activities Organized**

#### **Conferences**

#### StartMeUp@Stockholm (S.M.U.S)

- Held in Dec 2010 & was organized by several NOC students in Sweden
- 2-day-1 night camp aims to reach out to Swedish high school students who are interested in entrepreneurship

#### RainMakers series

- Yearly conference organized by NUSEA in NCSV
- Aims to provide a platform for young entrepreneurs and investors to engage in an exchange of ideas and opinions, both among themselves as well as with industry experts.
- Past participants includes have hosted top executives from Google, Yahoo!,
   Cisco and YouTube



# **Activities Organized**

#### **Business Case Competitions**

#### **BizBuzz**

- aims to establish a rapport amongst students between renowned universities across the globe through challenging business case competitions.
- BizBuzz07 inaugural NOC intercollege business case analysis competition
- BizBuzz08 organized by SHEN in Shanghai March 2008
- BizBuzz10 organized by YEAN in Beijing March 2010



#### **Business plan competitions**

- Lee Kuan Yew Global Business Plan winners in 2008, 2006 and 2004
- Start-up@Singapore winners in 2007, 2006, 2004 and 2003
- Excitera Mobile cup 2010 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize
- hArtes Design Contest 2009 winner
- Wharton Business Plan Competition finalists in 2008, 2007, 2006 & 2005
- Peak Time 2010 winner
- Intel Berkeley Technology Entrepreneurship Challenge 2008 winner
- International Red Dot Concept Design 2006 winner



# Taking stock of the last 10 years ...

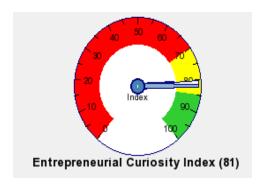
#### NUS College in Stockholm Survey

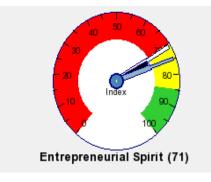
- Collaboration with 3S (Swedish based company)
- NUS College in Stockholm (NCST) was chosen
- Survey rolled out in 2007 on 6 batches of students
- 3 categories of students were surveyed:
  - Students coming into the programme
  - Students who are on the programme
  - Students who have completed the programme

Key indicator used in Survey: Student Entrepreneurial Index

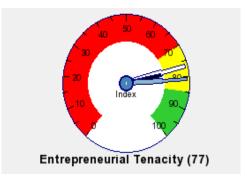


# **Entrepreneurial Index**









Entrepreneurial Curiosity

Those who find concept of entrepreneurship appealing.

Eager to explore and find out more.

Entrepreneurial Spirit

Those with desire to create. Actively seeks out opportunities.

Sees opportunity when others see problem.

Entrepreneurial Drive

A master of their own destiny who charts his own course. Strong need to control, direct and achieve.

High energy level.
Pursue goals tirelessly.

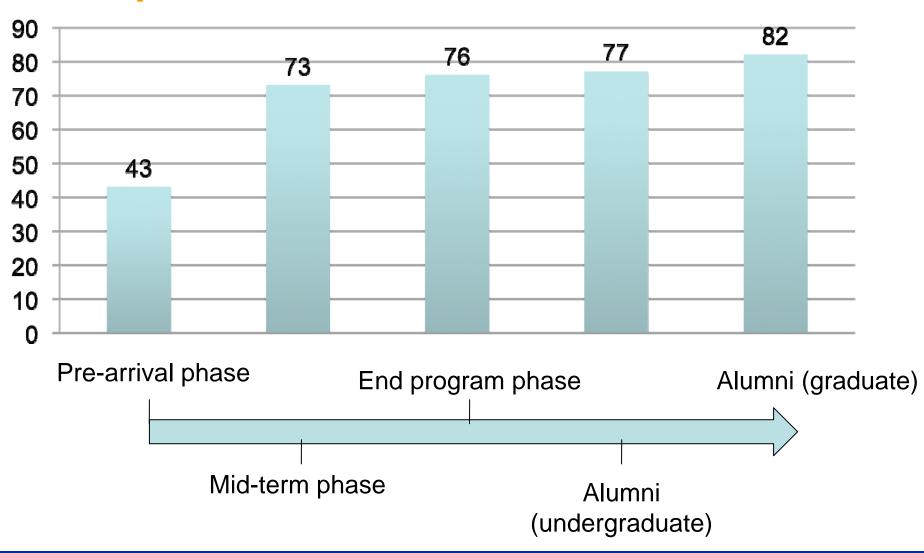
Entrepreneurial Tenacity

A determined fighter with total commitment to succeed.

Tolerant of ambiguity, uncertainty and failure.



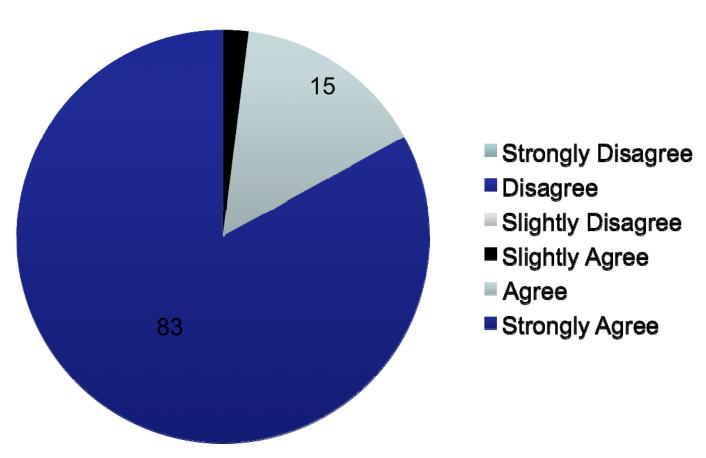
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# Feedback - Students

I would recommend this programme to my friend





#### Feedback - Students

# The programme has enhanced my entrepreneurial qualities

