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by Methodist College Kuala Lumpur

Making Waves In The Accounting Scene

Heartiest Congratulations to Our Students and Alumni on Their Successes!

Top in Malaysia and the World for ACCA Papers

This year, two ACCA students from Methodist College Kuala Lumpur (MCKL) have exemplified its motto of Excellence for Life through their outstanding performances in their exams.

Wong Wei Lim achieved the Highest Mark in Malaysia for the ACCA Paper P6 in December 2016.

In the following months, Lee Yee Von (pictured right) emulated her senior's success by winning top place in Malaysia for F6 in March 2017, and shortly after that followed up with the Highest Mark in the World for ACCA Paper F8 in June 2017.

Lee Yee Von is from the A Level Class of 2016.

Learn more about the ACCA programme at MCKL inside!

MCKL Alumna is EY Careers Young Tax Professional of the Year 2017 Winner



Marissa Gabriel, who is currently studying at Sunway University, won 1st prize at the EY Careers Young Tax Professionals of the Year 2017. Marissa is from the A Level Class of 2014.



Lee Yee Von (centre) receiving her award at the 15 August ceremony.

MCKL Alumni is Top 5 at HWUM Accounting and Business Finance Programme



Soh Hui Sin who is currently studying at Heriot-Watt University Malaysia (HWUM) on the HWUM Pioneer Scholarship has been named as one of the top 5 students in their Accounting and Business Finance degree programme.

Her performance came to the attention of ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) and was awarded a special prize.

Hui Sin (2nd from left) is from the A Level Class of 2015.

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See more of our alumni inside!



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- Integrity.
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Another year has flown by all too quickly at the College. The College has seen growth at many levels not just in the number of students but also in terms of staff and programmes offered. Juniors are now seniors, and the seniors have moved on to begin a new chapter of their lives at university and in the workplace.

We have new university partners offering our students and alumni a variety of scholarships. On board this year are International Medical University, Monash University Malaysia, Manipal International University, INTI International University and Colleges, and First City University College. We also have new American partner universities on board, offering excellent credit transfers and competitive scholarships to our ADTP students.

New programmes like Malaysia's first Diploma in Social Work, Cambridge International Diploma for Teachers and Trainers and part-time ACCA and Diploma in Early Childhood Education programmes open up new avenues for professionals and working adults to expand on their expertise and enhance their knowledge.

Additionally, the College is expanding on its staff development programme: we welcomed to our teaching faculty Beh Su Jane, our newly-graduated 2014 MCKL Teaching Scholar. Samuel Lim, alumnus of the A Level Class of 2014 and JPA scholar at Imperial College, London, UK, is also back with us and happily teaching Mathematics and Further Mathematics.

We also welcomed back Mathematics lecturer Chung

Rui-Zhe who was away at the Hong Kong Baptist University for a year on the United Board Faculty Scholarship, as we sent off another two candidates pursuing higher education through our staff development initiative as well: Yee Weng Yan is reading a Master of Education (Curriculum and Pedagogy) at the University of Hong Kong on the United Board Faculty Scholarship and the MCKL Faculty Scholarship, whereas Regina Yoong Yui Jien is reading a Ph.D. in English, with a concentration in Literature at Ohio University, US, on an Ohio University Fellowship and a MCKL Faculty Scholarship.

We have seen continued excellence in the A Level programme, with 100% passes in both the November 2016 and June 2017 examinations, and an increase in the number of As and A*s in several subjects as well.

10 students received Cambridge Learner Awards this year, including Celine Lean Yew Lin from the CAL1607 cohort, who was awarded Top in Malaysia for AS Level Law. I am especially happy with Celine's achievement as she is the first blind student in MCKL. Congratulations to her and her lecturers for this excellent achievement!

We have also seen new records being achieved by our CAT and ACCA students, who are obtaining higher and more passing rates than the world averages. Two students, Wong Wei Lim and Lee Yee Von, have also received ACCA Awards for their exceptional performance in the ACCA examinations.

We have seen our alumni obtain scholarship offers to study at the top universities in the world. We bade farewell to Chua Yu Li, Lois to the University of Manchester, UK, to read Biology on this year's MCKL Teaching Scholarship. Shameera Lin has defied the odds and earned herself a place at the University of Cambridge, UK, where she is reading English on scholarship, whereas our young inventor Yong Zheng Xin is reading Computational Science at the Minerva Schools at KGI, US, on scholarship as well.

We also celebrated as an unprecedented number of our alumni gain admission to Universiti Malaya, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia and Universiti Teknologi Malaysia this year. This is nothing short of impressive as they enter these top local universities for highly-competitive programmes like Medicine, Engineering, Physics and Economics.

They and many others have all obtained excellent university offers and scholarships to study all over the world, where they are also excelling in their studies and extra-curricular activities.

We received good news of our students' and alumni's excellent achievements - many are participating and winning in academic triathlons, business innovation challenges, national athletic initiatives, and even securing excellent leadership roles at their universities. MCKL graduates are also doing well at their workplace and are commended for their strong work ethic.

We are also pleased to announce that our plans for the new 15-storey building have been approved by the Methodist Council of Education, and we will soon send the plans to the DBKL for the construction of this new facility.

It has indeed been an exciting 2017 at the College. As we reflect on these milestones and successes of our students and alumni this year, and overall growth at the College, we look forward to celebrating more successes and milestones together in 2018. And the College is committed to achieving this by continuously giving our best in helping our students discover their potential and to strive on to achieve excellence in all their pursuits.

Blessings,
Moey Yoke Lai

Career Opportunities at MCKL

In line with the College's expansion plans, we are seeking dedicated individuals to join our family in both academic and administrative positions. Interested applicants are invited to submit their resume with a recent photograph, stating expected salary and contact details to:

hr@mckl.edu.my

Attn: Ms Chan Chiau Khoon, Human Resource Development Manager

Heartiest Congratulations

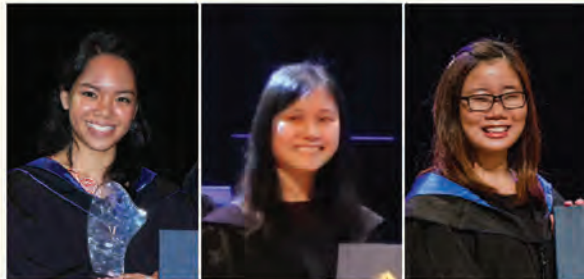
On Graduating With 1st Class Honours!

University of Gloucestershire, UK
BA (Hons) Early Childhood Studies



Gwendoline Heng Choon Ping
Bue Lim Zhu Ai

Institute of Technology, Tralee, IE
BA (Hons) Early Childhood Care & Education



Nadia Iman Abdul Jalil
Vivian Tan Pei Yoong
Cheah Xeen Hui (Stephanie)



All five graduates are alumnae from the Diploma in Early Childhood Education (Dip. ECE) at MCKL. Our Dip. ECE programme has a good repertoire with both local and foreign universities, offering our graduates the option of transferring credits and completing their Bachelor's degrees within one to two years.

At both the University of Gloucestershire, UK and the Institute of Technology, Tralee, IE, our graduates transfer as final year students.

Graduating with first class honours is no small feat, and is indeed a success to be celebrated! We are very proud of all of them and wish them continued success in their future endeavours.

DIPLOMA IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

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NEXT INTAKES :

Full Time Mode

April & August 2018

Part Time Mode

January, April, June,
August & October 2018



"At the heart of education
is the education of the heart"

Partner Universities



Joint MCKL Scholarship with Local Methodist Churches

Methodist College Kuala Lumpur (MCKL) has always supported the development of affordable and quality academic programmes for students who wish to pursue early childhood education as a career. In 2004, MCKL's efforts culminated with the successful launch of the Diploma in Early Childhood Education (ECE) programme, which has been instrumental in preparing students for the rigours of nurturing and teaching young children.

With more than 12 years of experience in this endeavour, MCKL is expanding its efforts to increase support for kindergartens in Methodist Churches through the Joint MCKL Scholarship programme with local Methodist churches. In this scheme, the College will provide a scholarship award of approximately RM22,000 for tuition fees and general fees whilst the local Methodist church will provide an equivalent sum for the student's books, accommodations and living expenses. Upon completion of the Diploma in ECE, the recipient will then be expected to serve as a teacher or administrator in their church's kindergarten for 4 years.

To date, MCKL has committed a total of more than RM150,000 to support seven recipients of the Joint MCKL Scholarship enrolled in the Diploma in ECE. They have committed themselves to serving in Methodist kindergartens, and they are as follows:

Hoo Jia Wen (ECE 1708)

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH, SITIAWAN

"I taught in a kindergarten for 7 months after SPM. In that time, I discovered my passion for teaching children and can say for sure that ECE in MCKL is the best way forward to prepare me for my career."

Alvina A/P Selvaraja (ECE 1708)

PORT KLANG CHINESE METHODIST CHURCH (PKCMC)

"The world needs us to educate all the young children. I want to be a missionary to help children in need through education."

Jessieca Ching Shu Wen (ECE 1708)

KLANG CHINESE METHODIST CHURCH (KCMC)

"I chose MCKL because it is Christian-based, and I chose ECE because our church's kindergarten has a shortage of teachers. We need more youth who are interested in becoming kindergarten teachers, and I want to set an example."

Chee Wei Ling (ECE 1604)

GUNUNG RAPAT CHINESE METHODIST CHURCH, IPOH

"My parents were very supportive of my decision to pursue ECE. I used to teach in the church kindergarten and tutor primary school children, and I believe that the course has given me more knowledge of child development to be a more effective teacher in the future."



Lai Zhi En (ECE 1704)

MENTAKAB CHINESE METHODIST CHURCH, PAHANG

"I chose MCKL based on my church's recommendation. I like taking care of children and believe that this course is the best way to prepare for a career in childcare."

Alvina A/P Katayah Yasin (ECE 1608)

TAMIL METHODIST CHURCH, BRICKFIELDS

"I learnt a lot in terms of child psychology and development, and I can't wait for next semester when I will have the opportunity to use everything I have learnt in my practicum. It might look easy at first, but we must be prepared to work hard."

Chin Wei Nie (ECE 1508)

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH, SITIAWAN

"I used to babysit children for church members and teach in the church kindergarten, but I wasn't always prepared for everything. Taking this ECE course will change that, and my family can afford it because of the joint scholarship."

Exclusive MBBS Bursary from Monash University Malaysia, Attractive Tuition Fee Waivers from Manipal International University

MCKL recently signed MOUs with Manipal International University (MIU) and Monash University Malaysia, providing our students with more options and attractive scholarships from local universities.

The MIU Scholarship offers a 40% tuition fee waiver for any degree programme offered at MIU and it is open to all students who have completed their A Level programme at MCKL. On top of that, one deserving student from MCKL will receive a full tuition scholarship.

MCKL alumni looking to pursue Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (Honours) at Monash University may apply for the Monash MBBS Bursary, which covers a total of RM 50,000 for the entire programme. Monash University has graciously



reserved at least one of their MBBS Bursary exclusively to a MCKL Student for 2018.

MCKL Students who are interested to know more about these attractive scholarships may email ask@mckl.edu.my or pay a visit to our University Placement office.

INTI & First City Offer Exclusive Scholarships for MCKL Alumni



This year, Methodist College Kuala Lumpur (MCKL) has signed Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) with INTI International University & Colleges and First City University College (FCUC) in order to facilitate a seamless transition from pre-university to undergraduate programmes.

MCKL alumni who choose to pursue degree programmes in these institutions will be eligible for exclusive scholarships if they meet academic requirements. INTI offers partial tuition fee waivers to MCKL students, as well a full scholarship to one outstanding MCKL student transferring into its degree programmes. FCUC will be offering an exclusive 30% tuition fee waiver for Year 1 of their undergraduate degree programmes to MCKL alumni for 2017 to 2019 intakes.

With these new opportunities available, we hope that more MCKL graduates will be able to fulfil their potential and exemplify the College's motto of Excellence for Life.

2017 MCKL Teaching Scholarship



Heartiest congratulations to Chua Lu Yi, Lois the 2017 MCKL Teaching Scholarship recipient. Lois, from the A Level Class of 2016, is reading Biology at the University of Manchester, UK.

Upon graduating, Lois, like the other eight MCKL Teaching Scholars, will return to serve a few years as a lecturer at the College.

Currently-serving MCKL Teaching Scholars are Chan Yen Ping (A Level Class of 2013), Melissa Chew (ECE Class of 2015) and Beh Su Jane (A Level Class of 2014).

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MCKL ALUMNI



* 100% SCHOLARSHIP

for MCKL students with high academic achievement and excellent extra-curricular involvement in MCKL

limited to 1 qualifier

SEPTEMBER 2018 INTAKES, ANY DEGREE



* MBBS BURSARY RM 50,000

for MCKL Students limited to 1 qualifier

2018 INTAKES, ANY DEGREE

* BOOK PRIZES

for MCKL Students Who Qualify for Monash High Achiever Scholarship limited to 3 qualifiers

OCTOBER 2017 / FEBRUARY 2018 INTAKES, ANY DEGREE



* RM2000 BURSARY for MCKL students

* RM300 WAIVER FOR APPLICATION FEE WAIVER for MCKL students

2018 INTAKES, ANY DEGREE



* FREE HOSTEL FOR SEMESTER 1 for all MCKL students

RM100 WAIVER FOR APPLICATION FEE WAIVER for all MCKL students

2018 INTAKES, ANY DEGREE



* FREE ACCOMMODATIONS for MCKL students

€1000 Fee Waiver

2017-18 Special Malaysian Citizen Scholarship



* 100% SCHOLARSHIP for MCKL students with 4 A's in A LEVEL or ATAR 97 in AUSMAT

* RM1500 WAIVER FOR TUITION FEE WAIVER for MCKL A LEVEL & AUSMAT students

2017-18 INTAKES, ANY DEGREE



* RM2000 BURSARY for all MCKL students

2018 INTAKE, SELECTED DEGREES



* 30% TUITION FEE WAIVER FOR YEAR 1 for all MCKL students

2017-19 INTAKES, ANY DEGREE



* 40% TUITION FEE WAIVER

for all MCKL students with minimum 2 A's and minimum B in the other subjects

* FULL TUITION FEE WAIVER for MCKL students limited to 1 qualifier

2018 INTAKES, ANY DEGREE



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TONG YIU SHYWIN**

@ Colorado State University



CHONG YAN FAY

@ University of Central
Oklahoma



TEY CHEE HO

@ Irvine Valley College

from right to left
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FAITH WONG PEI YI,
OOI ENG KIT,
SHARON TOO HEUI LIN,
& CHONG YAN FAY**

@ University of Central Oklahoma



from right to left

**CHING SHI,
BRIAN ONG GHIN CHUEN,
LIM EE REN JAMES,
LEONG KAI YUEN,
LEE JIENG SHENG,
JOSHUA LEE JIAN KAI,
LINUS CHIN YI ERN,
LIM JOO YEE**

@ Messiah College

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**CHEAH LERK XUE,
JOEY LIM,
& LEONG KAI XIANG**

@ University of Wisconsin
- Eau Claire



SARA ONG JIA WEI

@ University of Minnesota
- Twin Cities



Scholarship and Credit Transfer Opportunities through ADTP@MCKL

Methodist College Kuala Lumpur (MCKL) has forged strong ties with many American universities thanks to an excellent academic and co-curricular track record. Most of our partnered universities have plenty of options for scholarships, and several of them have exclusive scholarships for MCKL students transferring to the US.

We would like to congratulate the American Degree Transfer Program (ADTP) students who are transferring to their US universities this year. In particular, three of them have successfully acquired very competitive and substantial scholarships from their respective universities that are exclusively offered to MCKL students. They are as follows:

Ivan Oon Chun Hao

Mechanical Engineering – Messiah College
Moey-Phipps Scholarship of Distinction – full tuition fee waiver of 33,320 USD/year

Ooi Eng Kit

Business Administration, Legal Studies – University of Central Oklahoma
UCO-MCKL Merit Scholarship – 6,000 USD/year

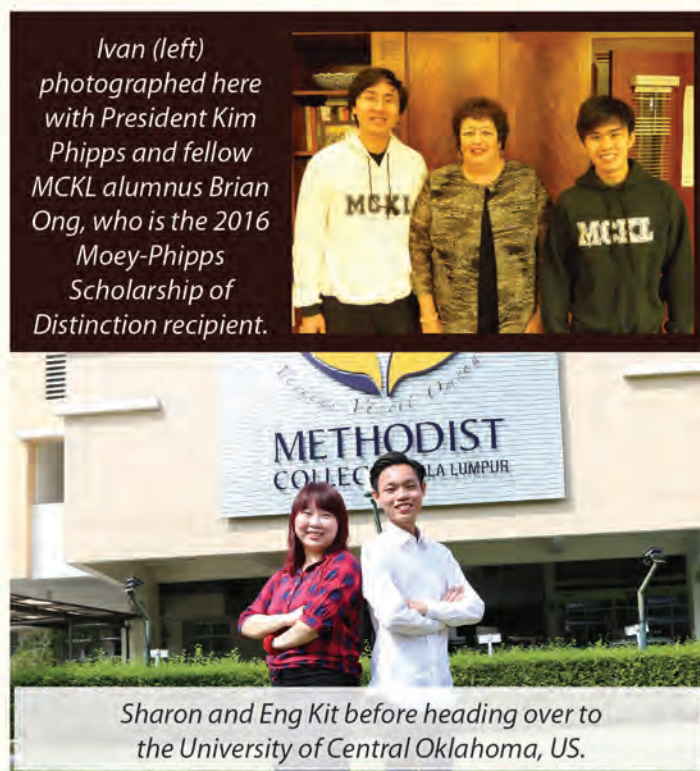
Sharon Too Huei Lin

Forensic Science & Software Engineering – University of Central Oklahoma
UCO-MCKL Merit Scholarship – 6,000 USD/year

Students seeking to study in the US will find many new opportunities in ADTP@MCKL this year, since MCKL's recent partnership with University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (UWEC) has resulted in the exclusive UWEC-MCKL Merit Scholarship being offered to ADTP students who intend to enroll in the fall/spring semester at UWEC. This exclusive scholarship is valued at 6,000 USD and is automatically renewable for up to 4 ½ years, and only two candidates (one for the fall intake and one for the spring intake) per academic year will be awarded.

Shorter University has also offered the exclusive Shorter University-MCKL Excellence Scholarship for MCKL's ADTP students, and it is renewable annually. These renewable scholarships are valued at 6,000 USD each, and will be awarded to two students per academic year in addition to the general Global Partner Scholarships awarded.

In addition, a host of US universities have entered partnerships with us to facilitate credit transfers for our ADTP@MCKL programme this season. These institutions include California State University – Monterey Bay, Northern Illinois University, University of Kansas, University of Wisconsin – River Falls and Utica College, all of which offer a variety of scholarships ranging from 1,000 to 25,000 USD. And on top of that, we have



collaborated with the University of Waterloo in Canada to provide more options for ADTP students.

With more and more opportunities like these becoming available each year, we hope that more students will see ADTP@MCKL as a prime pathway to tertiary education in the US.

ADTP @ MCKL 2017

Congratulations to our American Degree Transfer Program Students and Latest Scholarship Recipients

Check out our ADTP University Placement ad on page 13 for more details!

New intakes commence in April and August 2018. Contact the Counselling & Admissions Office for details or visit our website www.mckl.edu.my.

MORE THAN JUST A CHRISTIAN COLLEGE



Messiah College, a Christian college of the liberal and applied arts and sciences, is one of the partner universities that offer exclusive scholarships to ADTP@MCKL students. Founded in 1909, their mission is to educate men and women toward maturity of intellect, character and Christian faith in preparation for lives of service, leadership and reconciliation in church and society.

The heart of Messiah College's tagline "See Anew" is the concept of transformation and reconciliation where students' life, faith, world and possibilities open up.

Currently under the leadership of its 8th president, Dr. Kim S. Phipps, the college has seen an increase in visibility throughout the U.S. Appointed in 2004, she is the first woman president in the college's history. Prior to her appointment as president, Dr. Phipps served as Messiah's interim president, provost and academic dean. She holds a Ph.D. in communication studies from Kent State University.

Community of Faith

Messiah College is an educational community profoundly devoted to worshipping, loving and serving God. The college's motto, "Christ Preeminent," factors to the community's full, rich and shared understanding of Jesus Christ and the way the Christian religion is relevant to every dimension of life. They are committed to personal faith in Christ for the forgiveness of sin and to pursuing the exemplary nature of Christ's life as a version

for their very own lives. This common Christian conviction shapes each aspect of students' experiences within the Messiah community.

In contrast to many other Christian colleges, Messiah College embraces students from a wide variety of Christian faith traditions. It's no longer uncommon for a residence hall floor to be comprised of students from a dozen or more church denominations and traditions. Not only does the Messiah community accept this broad evangelical representation amongst the students and faculty, they celebrate it! Messiah College believes that learning from each other is a part of what it means to be an authentic Christian community.





Messiah College may be Christ-centered but non-believers are still welcome to join as diversity is encouraged.

Academics

Messiah College is a nationally ranked private Christian college with a reputation for successfully integrating rigorous academics and Christian faith into all of the academic programmes. The faculty are superb teachers, students and researchers who will mentor and endorse you as you expand your opportunities.

Students at Messiah College enhance their classroom experiences by means of taking advantage of a rich variety of campus resources and opportunities that help prepare them to steer lives of service, leadership and reconciliation. The opportunities are:

- Career
- Research
- Service Learning
- Study Abroad
- Internship
- Sustainability
- Diversity

Messiah College has many approaches for students to achieve their university degree, such as these non-conventional options which can assist them in obtaining their career goals even quicker:

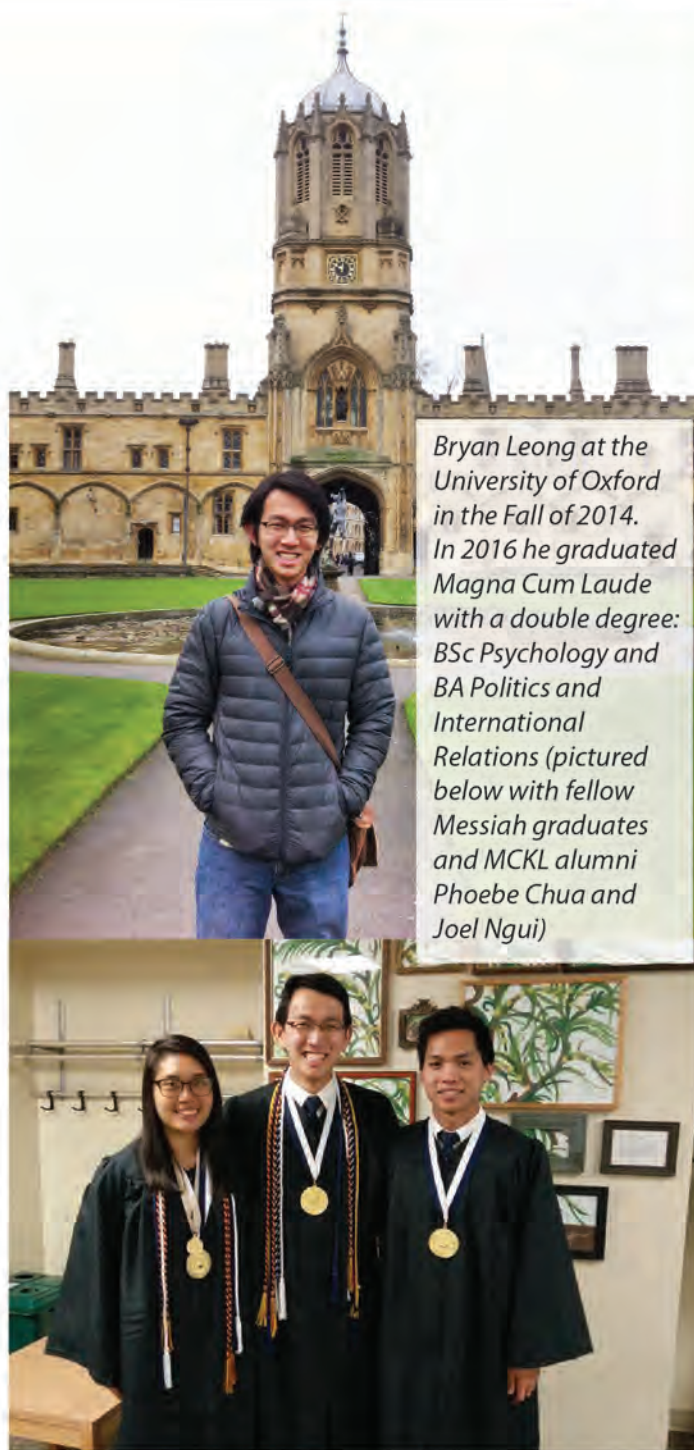
- 3+ partner programmes
- Dual enrollment
- Three-year degree options
- Summer Undergraduate courses online

On top of that, Messiah College gives an array of academic support services that make it feasible for students to access any extra help needed or wanted outside of the classroom. Whether it is accommodation for a specific learning challenge or someone to proofread a paper before it is turned in, there are qualified students and personnel prepared to help.

Messiah College offers Off-Campus Programmes which provide holistic support to students as they explore safe, transformative semester-long and short-term experiences that encourage them to reflect, learn, and develop as they navigate the complexities of turning into global citizens in a diverse world. Whether it is to study at another university around the world (for 1 semester) or to intern abroad, Messiah College can make arrangements for its students.

MCKL alumnus Bryan Leong (A Level Class of 2012) writes:

"In the autumn semester of my third year, I decided to take advantage of the opportunities offered by Messiah



Bryan Leong at the University of Oxford in the Fall of 2014. In 2016 he graduated Magna Cum Laude with a double degree: BSc Psychology and BA Politics and International Relations (pictured below with fellow Messiah graduates and MCKL alumni Phoebe Chua and Joel Ngui)

College by applying to spend a semester at the University of Oxford. I was accepted into the rigorous Scholars' Semester in Oxford to study "Theories of Government" and "Modern History".

"Through the programme, I was matriculated at Wycliffe Hall as a visiting student, allowing me access to Oxford's facilities and amenities like all their students. This was an exciting time for my academic career, and looking back, I would not have imagined its far-reaching impact on my life.

"Messiah College offers a variety of study abroad programmes that go from America to Europe, Latin America to Africa to the Middle East, and even to Australia. Programmes last for a month, a summer, or – in my case – a whole semester.

"Not all of these programmes are strictly academic; they vary in nature. A graphic design major might find inspiration studying renaissance art in Orvieto, Italy. Aspiring doctors can participate in Malaria research in Zambia, Africa. A political science student could intern at the British parliament. Are you talented in music? You could immerse yourself in one of America's biggest music hubs – Nashville, Tennessee – where you will record, produce and perform songs while touring the country on concerts! Despite these great options, I chose to stretch my academic ability at the oldest English-speaking University in the world.

"In preparation for my semester at Oxford, I was troubled by the costs and expenses associated with studying abroad. Fortunately, Messiah College is one of the few schools that generously transfer all your scholarship and financial aids into your choice of one semester abroad. After the processing, I found myself paying almost the same amount as I did for a regular semester at Messiah. Imagine that: paying the same amount to attend Oxford University instead of your home institution! Messiah College made it incredibly easy to pursue these opportunities."

The Giving College

Messiah College has partnered with MCKL to come up with an exclusive scholarship for ADTP@MCKL students called "The Moey-Phipps Scholarship of Distinction". It is a full-tuition scholarship for a single ADTP student who intends to enroll in the fall semester at Messiah College.

Since its introduction in October 2014, two ADTP@MCKL students have received this scholarship:

- Brian Ong Ghin Chuen – Fall 2016
- Ivan Oon Chun Hao – Fall 2017



Left to right: Brian is from the ADTP Class of 2016 whereas Ivan is from the ADTP Class of 2017

For students who fall short of the requirements to receive The Moey-Phipps Scholarship of Distinction, fret not, as Messiah College offers other scholarships, though not exclusive to ADTP@MCKL students. Some of the more popular scholarships with MCKL students are the Provost's Scholarship and the Messiah College Scholarship.

Messiah College is very generous with scholarships, as 100% of students admitted have received scholarships.

Recognitions

With more than 100 years of providing education, Messiah College is no stranger when it comes to recognitions.

U.S. News & World Report ranks Messiah College Third Best Value School in the North, Fourth Best Regional College in the North, and One of the "Best Undergraduate Engineering Programmes" in the U.S.

They were named among the "Most Environmentally Responsible Colleges in the U.S. and Canada" by The Princeton Review.

The Colleges of Distinction states that Messiah College is "one of the best places for students to learn, to grow and to succeed in the state of Pennsylvania" and is recognized for providing an outstanding education, a wide form of innovative learning experiences and wonderful preparation of undergraduates.

On top of providing scholarships to students, Messiah College is fifth in the country among baccalaureate colleges based on community and public service. It is also one of only seven colleges in Pennsylvania on the honor roll for service-learning and civic engagement in the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll.

Messiah College is one among 240 U.S. colleges and universities to obtain The Carnegie Foundation 2015 Community Engagement Classification in 2015. To be selected, institutions had to provide distinct descriptions and examples of institutionalized practices of community engagement that showed alignment among mission, culture, leadership, resources and practices.

Messiah College is recognized by Jabatan Perkhidmatan Awam (JPA).

For more info on the Moey-Phipps Scholarship of Distinction, please approach any of our marketing staff.

For more info on Messiah College, head over to <https://www.messiah.edu/>



ADTP @ MCKL

2017

*Congratulations to our American Degree Transfer Program
Students on their University Transfer*



Ivan Oon Chun Hao
Engineering (Mechanical)
Messiah College
on Moey-Phipps Scholarship of
Distinction & MCKL Book Prize



Ooi Eng Kit
Business Administration
- Legal Studies
University of Central Oklahoma
on UCO-MCKL Merit Scholarship



Sharon Too Huei Lin
Forensic Science
& Software Engineering
University of Central Oklahoma
on UCO-MCKL Merit Scholarship



Lim Chen Ye
Electrical Engineering
Iowa State University
on Presidential Award for
International Transfer Excellence



Lai Yee Shuan
Mathematics & Application Area Option
Iowa State University
on Cardinal Level International Merit
Scholarship



Caleb Eddrick Tong Yiu Shywin
Computer Science
Colorado State University



Luke Kok Tee Xuan
Electrical Engineering
Purdue University



Ng Ka Wai
Computer Science
University of Central Missouri



Ng Wei Yee
International Business
Messiah College
on Provost's Scholarship
and Financial Aid



Mia - Megan Foo Hui Kai
Psychology
Messiah College
on Provost's Scholarship
and Financial Aid



Sara Ong Jia Wei
Biomedical Engineering
University of Minnesota - Twin
Cities



Mervin Lim Xuyang
Chemical Engineering
Tennessee Technological University
on Multinational Scholarship
& Merit Scholarship



Nicholas Chai Jui Yang
Psychology
Kent State University



Joey Lim
Communication Sciences and Disorders
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
on International Student Scholarship
and Nazneen & Saleem Chida Memorial
International Scholarship



Yip Ze Liang
Management - Entrepreneurship
University of Wisconsin- Eau Claire
on International Student Scholarship



Brandon Lee Shun Zhang
Computer Science
Wichita State University
on New Student Scholarship
Award



Cheam Kim Huat
Computer Science
Drake University
on Presidential Transfer Award



Ethan Wong Weng Mun
Computer and Information Science
Messiah College
Messiah College Scholarship



Lim You Rong
Mechanical Engineering
Iowa State University



Chong Kitli Joy
Marketing
University of Central Oklahoma

Name	Major	University Placement	Scholarship
Abigail Poh Ching Ern	Psychology	Messiah College	Provost's Scholarship & Financial Aid
Chin Li Sun	Enviromental Science & Psychology	Tennessee Technological University	Multinational Scholarship & Merit Scholarship
Cheah Lerk Xue	Business Finance	University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire	International Student Scholarship
Leong Kai Xiang	Information Systems	Univesity of Wisconsin - Eau Claire	International Student Scholarship
Tey Chee Horng	Electrical Engineering	University of Minnessota - Twin Cities	



... and many more

MCKL's Diploma in Social Work

A New Avenue of Professional Education And Training In The Field of Social Work

Many Malaysians are volunteering or holding positions in government and non-government welfare-based organisations, committed to making a difference in someone else's life, empowering the poor, the vulnerable and the marginalised, giving back to society when they themselves are in a better social position to help others. They do so without any professional concept of social work, without any professional qualifications, largely based on their religious beliefs, cultural values and personal ethics and life experiences.

Such people would need professional knowledge and training to effect more appropriate, effective and efficient outcomes of intervention. However, they do not have avenues to acquire professional social work education and training with secondary school education, financial and other personal constraints, and limitations within their organisations.

In response, Methodist College Kuala Lumpur (MCKL) collaborated with Yayasan Kajian & Pembangunan Masyarakat (YKPM) and the Malaysian Association of Social Workers (MASW), to develop the Diploma in Social Work (Dip SW) programme to meet the needs of aspiring social workers. It was launched in April 2017, and is the first of its kind being offered by a private institution in Malaysia, designed to be more accessible to those who would otherwise be untrained or unable to make the time commitment for degree courses in public universities.

To date, 13 students have enrolled in the Dip SW programme in MCKL. Among them is Tang Hoi Xin, who has five years of working experience as an administrator in a nursing home and as part of a crisis response team. Her goal is to



acquire professional training in order to serve the church by entering medical social work. Victor Chen is another student with a degree in Media and Creative Studies from UTAR, and he has over two years of filmmaking experience and has volunteered with the Methodist Crisis Relief. He chose MCKL because of its values, and once he has the Dip SW qualification, he intends to become a full time social worker and filmmaker.

In time, social workers like Victor Chen and Tang Hoi Xin will be able to enter a market urgently in need of professionals of their calibre, as YKPM is lobbying for increased government oversight and regulation in the field of social work in Malaysia.

Those who have a basic interest in engaging with people and have a strong sense of values and ethics based on human rights and social justice may wish to consider MCKL's Diploma in Social Work as an



affordable starting pathway, leading to a fulfilling career in making a difference in people's lives.

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Professional Development For Teachers At MCKL

Teaching and learning to educate may be defined as complex, multifaceted, value-laden corporations towards the worldwide backdrop of the knowledge society. This is in part because teaching is a social practice, which takes place in a particular context and consequently reflects the values of that particular context.

Elements that impact what is expected of teachers consist of history and tradition, social perspectives about the purpose of education, popular theories about learning and so forth.

Here at MCKL, we are committed to the professional development of teachers. The Cambridge International Diploma in Teaching & Learning (CIDTL) is designed to focus on the development of knowledge, skills and understanding in the key aspects of teaching and learning.

The modules enable teachers to enhance the quality of their teaching by engaging critically with new ideas and approaches. As they develop their skills and knowledge through research, evaluation and adaptation, they will become reflective practitioners who are innovative and equipped for teaching in the 21st century.



Offered as a part time course and affordably priced at RM 8000, candidates have the opportunity to:

- Critically review learning theories to help them understand and develop their own professional practice and learners' learning.
- Design and evaluate a sequence of learning that is coherent and meets curriculum and learner needs.
- Plan lessons that are inclusive and have a coherent structure, with clear links to previous learning and intended learning outcomes.
- Evaluate strategies used to facilitate the learners' learning to help them progress and achieve learning outcomes.
- Evaluate strategies used to develop learning creativity and inclusivity.
- Analyze how formative assessment has been practiced to support and monitor the learners' learning, prepare them for summative assessment, and inform their own teaching practice.
- Evaluate their own professional practice and its impact on learners and their learning.

Separated into 3 modules, candidates can choose to either obtain just the certificate by completing Module 1 in the first year, or to progress to Module 2 and 3 to complete the diploma.

Candidates are evaluated by means of portfolio which they are to submit for each module. There, they must demonstrate their professional thinking and practice, and to provide evidence of practice, learning, and reflection.

This course is opened to all practicing teachers. For more information on the CIDTL programme, please contact us at 03-22741851 or email us at ask@mckl.edu.my.

The Fulbright Journey

Of An MCKL Alumna-turned-Staff

In 2016, I received a phone call that changed the course of my life.

"Hi Regina?"

"Yes, speaking."

"We want to offer you the Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistantship (FLTA) scholarship. Are you willing to accept this grant?"

Fast-forward a year and I'm sitting here, penning this article.



Regina Yoong Yui Juen is from the A Level Class of 2009



Where do I begin to share my journey with you? Should I start from the place I was posted to – Athens, Ohio? A rural, countryside completely foreign to myself. After all, I was born and bred within KL city lights my entire life.

Or should I start with the people I met from almost 35 different countries? All of them -- living embodiments of their own cultures.

Maybe I should talk about the engaging professors and fellow classmates I came across in the American classrooms? All who reminded me that Academia can be meaningful with the right mind and heart.

Ever since arriving back from the States, people have

been asking me, "So, how do I find Malaysia now, after returning?" I always say that Malaysia is home. I find my sense of purpose back here. Did I enjoy my time in America? You bet, the American openness and creativity is one I will always admire. Yet, each time I am there, I find myself wanting to return to Malaysia to share all I have gained with people back home, especially the young people in the classroom.

Teaching in MCKL for the past 4 years has been a joy to me. I have had the privilege to teach many talented, good-hearted and hard-working students from all walks of life. It is hard to believe that my first batch of students have just graduated from universities and I cannot be more proud of them, more than what they have achieved but who they have grown to become.

I am thankful for the role MCKL has played in so many young lives. The College's goal is to develop and provide students with a holistic education for their God-given abilities and I find this to be true not only for the students but for the staff as well. Upon finding out about my Fulbright placement and consequently, my Ph.D. offer to return to the States, the College has been very supportive in my pursuits. MCKL is not just an institution, it is made up of men and women who believe and live out the values they aspire to instil in their students -- one of excellence in every aspect of our human lives – Veritas Vincit Omnia, indeed.



Regina with fellow staff Chung Rui-Zhe, who has just returned to MCKL after a year at Hong Kong Baptist University on a United Board Faculty Scholarship. This scholarship, offered in collaboration with the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia, is offered annually to one nominated MCKL staff as part of the College's staff development initiative.

stepping stones

College is often considered the next stepping stone in a student's academic experience to a successful career and life – it is about preparing for more advanced subjects and more rigorous academic hurdles as they take their first steps into a world that values hard work and independence.

However, MCKL aspires to be more than just a facility for academic learning. The College aims to be a safe place where students can balance learning with character development, social skills, friendship and for some, spiritual growth.

The effects of such an environment are evident in the testimonies

of our alumni. They have willingly done so in the interest of sharing their experiences with current and future students, and have helped to make MCKL a home away from home. Senior students often fill the roles similar to that of older siblings by guiding and inspiring their juniors by working in the Student Council, tutoring in the Psychology & Learning Centre, or simply leading by example.

There are many others with similar experiences shared here, and we hope there will be many more like them in the years to come. Enjoy reading!

Passion And Scholarship

Five years ago, I was a fresh-faced student in Methodist College Kuala Lumpur, with dreams of becoming a clinical psychologist. Never would I have thought that, in only one and a half years, I would learn that teaching was what I really wanted to do. Never in my wildest dreams would I have expected to be offered the MCKL Teaching Scholarship and graduate from one of the top universities in the United Kingdom. My mother was a secondary school teacher and headmistress, and through her eyes I saw the many difficulties faced by schools in Malaysia and the desperate need for passionate teachers. However, it never occurred to me that I could be the one to make a difference, and would even enjoy the process while doing so. It was during my time in MCKL that I finally explored the possibility of a teaching career. Since community service was made compulsory, I chose the most

convenient option at that time and taught English and Mathematics to children from low income families at a church nearby the College. Many of the children were from broken families, and I only needed to show the tiniest bit of concern for them and they would share their stories and ask for advice. My students were always thankful for every minute I spent with them, and showed improvement in their studies, even though I only saw them for an hour a week. That first-hand experience really helped me to realise teaching could bring such personal impact to individuals. I thoroughly enjoyed the experience, looked forward to it each week

and even did more hours than I was required. Later that year, I joined the Tutor-Tutee programme in College, and became a student speaker in chapel via the Christian Fellowship. At the same time, I studied really hard and eventually developed deeper interest for Biology. Besides these various learning opportunities inside and outside the classroom, my family

“ Never in my wildest dreams would I have expected to be offered the MCKL Teaching Scholarship and graduate from one of the top universities in the United Kingdom. ”

and friends were really encouraging throughout that stressful season. My lecturers and CF advisors continually challenged me to discover, think and learn about God, people and myself. I cannot thank them enough for that.

When it was time to apply for universities, I discussed my options with my parents. I decided I wanted to teach Biology, and was interested in pursuing my degree overseas, especially in the UK. My parents were very supportive but it was financially a little tight. So we made a deal – if I could find a way to cover half of all my expenses, I could go abroad for my studies. However, I looked at every scholarship I could find, and applications had either closed, or I was not qualified to apply, or they just do not provide scholarships for people who aspire to teach. I had very little hope to further my studies abroad at this point. Nevertheless, I applied to UK universities via UCAS with the help of MCKL's excellent University Placement Office, without a scholarship offer. I applied to 5 UK universities with my provisional results and received 5 conditional offers. I also applied to 10 local public universities but was rejected by all and was then told to appeal at the Ministry of Higher Education.

I was about to give up my search, until the morning that my mum handed me a newspaper article about the MCKL Teaching Scholarship. I wrote in to Ms. Moey and the CEO office multiple times after. The requirement of the scholarship was that the university must be in the top 100 and fortunately, my first choice placed exactly at the 100th. Biology was not on the list of approved courses to study, but I sent in my application to do Biology anyway, right in the middle of my A2 examinations.

After my exams, I was called in for an interview. Although nervous, my interviewers showed me so much grace, I was able to be myself and fully express what I believed in and my ambition to invest in the younger generation. That same evening, they shook my hand and offered me a scholarship amount equal to exactly half the amount I needed to cover all my expenses. My family and I were over the moon!

Flash-forward three years and I have now graduated with 2nd upper class honours in BSc Biology from the University of York, UK. In these three years, I was given the opportunity and the resources to explore the boundaries of our knowledge in biological science and technology. It was very humbling and continually spurred me on to learn and improve each day. Moreover, I saw the world from a different perspective, experienced their culture and learned how to formulate opinions and stand up against injustice. I made lifelong friends and was strengthened in my personal faith in many ways. Now, I am back in MCKL serving as a Biology lecturer, teaching and guiding those younger than I to achieve excellence. In line with the College mission, I hope to steer individuals to discover and use their God-given



Standing proud: Su Jane with her parents (above). Her mother is a retired secondary school principal.



potential to make a unique contribution in their local community. As the Nobel Peace Prize winner, Elie Wiesel once said, "the opposite of love is not hate, it's indifference," I pray that my students will have a heart to identify problems in today's society and be willing to do something to change the situation.

I want to express my heartfelt thanks to all MCKL's staff and lecturers for not only gearing us students towards academic excellence, but also shaping our hearts and minds to become individuals with integrity, compassion and ambition. A special thank you to Ms. Moey and the management staff, for having faith in me and providing me with the opportunity to study abroad.

A big thank you to my family and friends who have been there for me, especially my mum and dad for being my best advisory team, most secure support net and selflessly going (literally) miles for me. Most of all, I thank and praise the Lord for His faithfulness and overflowing grace, who has been my provider, my source of purpose, strength, peace, comfort and joy. All glory belongs to Him!

Beh Su Jane is from the A Level Class of 2014. She is currently a Biology lecturer at MCKL.

A Journey of Hope Began in MCKL

I can say with absolute confidence that the path to my where I am today all began at MCKL.

Before that, I had vague dreams of studying overseas, but my father's condition after being diagnosed with Leukaemia in 2002 as well as his need for my mother's constant care-giving meant that the dream seemed destined to remain just that.

However, my aspirations only began to take on a more concrete form within the nurturing environment of MCKL.

I was fortunate enough to be the first person fully sponsored under the MCKL Financial Aid Program, and to this day I am heartened by the faith and philanthropic spirit of the people who made this happen. As a result of the sponsorship, I was able to focus on developing myself academically as well as wholeheartedly immersing myself in campus activities without the looming dread of financial issues.

Whilst I was at MCKL, I had the privilege of learning from enthusiastic lecturers well-versed in their respective subjects. Their high expectations of us, their drive to go above and beyond and the maturity in their treatment of students prepared me for the rigors and interactions in a university setting.

It was through my study of English Literature that I painlessly adapted to academic writing, my grapples with Further Mathematics that I aced all my quantitative modules and my sound foundation in Economics that I could intelligently engage in the subject matter at the university level from the word go.

Lecturers were also concerned for other aspects of our development and would frequently dole out life advice as well as useful anecdotes of their personal experiences. This really made them more approachable and help to foster a strong sense of camaraderie within our classes.

Moreover, I was blessed to have been surrounded by intelligent and driven students, all of whom I am honoured to call friends. I am often awed by their approach to life's ups and downs, and can often count on them to give me much needed perspective. I fondly recall the many intense discussions we have had over MCKL's egg fried rice, all of which laid stable groundwork for the university discussions I would later engage in. The student community was tightknit and, despite being a Penang girl and far away from home, rarely have I felt such a strong sense of belonging as every face was friendly and I could always easily join the many



groups of people playing captain ball. Even after years apart, meeting an MCKL face in the UK truly feels like home.

With the support of so many people in MCKL, from Ms Moey with her pearls of wisdom, to Mr Reuben in the Marketing Department, lecturers with their infinite patience and dedication, to Ms Choong in the University Placement Centre with her motivational talks, it felt as though everything fell seamlessly into place for me. I managed to secure the Datuk Roger Tan Memorial Scholarship as well as the LSE Undergraduate Support Scheme to study BSc Government and Economics at the London School of Economics and Political Science. In the whirlwind of 3 years at the LSE, it was my time at MCKL which allowed me to fully take advantage of the wealth of opportunities available there.

In July 2017, I graduated with First Class Honours.

The people is what truly makes MCKL such a gem, it was through their ceaseless guidance and kindness that I am able to achieve and experience so much which I had imagined were beyond my reach. For that, I am forever grateful. That is why I can say, with utter conviction, that my journey began at MCKL.

*Lee Chiou Yih is from
the A Level Class of 2014*

The Importance of Being Earnest

If there is anything from the Bible I have always steadfastly adhered to, it is this magnificent verse from John 8:32: 'And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.' Whilst pragmatists might sneer at the seemingly flighty nature of this statement, being candid with oneself is a surprisingly poignant approach to life. My thirst for knowledge has propelled me forward; no obstacle has stopped me from genuinely pursuing my academic aims.

With my academic record a mixed bag, I have defied the odds statistically. Due to extenuating circumstances, I was forced into doing SPM independently at the age of 18, with three months to prepare — somehow obtaining relatively decent, yet not outstanding, grades. The tide turned at pre-university: I received 3A*s at A Level, paired with an academic award from CIE. Whilst relatively decent under such conditions, here's a quick reality check: universities are perpetually inundated with a barrage of perfect scores, a spectacular array of extracurricular activities and incisive personal statements.

Not abysmal for someone with three months to study SPM in its entirety, yet that would have placed me at the lower end of top-tier university applicants. How was I supposed to go up against that guy with 9A+s at SPM, 5A*s at A-Level and an obscene number of leadership roles? ("Oh, I represented Team Malaysia at Harvard MUN a few years ago and met Pope Francis recently — it was

superb.") I, on the other hand, spent my teens watching Alfred Hitchcock films obsessively. Little did I realise, indulging in the latter would be of more use than the former.

After deciding on a gap year, there was ample time to prepare my university applications appropriately. After eight months of careful deliberation, I took the plunge: 17 top institutions received my application, with no knowledge of the circumstances that led to my SPM marks. The list included the Australian National University, King's College London, University College Maastricht, the Chinese University of Hong Kong and the University of Cambridge. By then, I had figured out a way to apply to several universities strategically without forking out big bucks: get as many application fee waivers as possible.

Still, my SPM marks seemed like a major barrier. As I found out after receiving 16 offer letters and four scholarship offers, however, a number of institutions are relatively holistic. The one value I stuck to was sincerity; every personal statement I wrote highlighted my passion in spades. I discussed personal musings on how the employment of traditional literary devices in modern poetry showcases the ability to be creative in spite of limitations, Nassim Taleb's 'antifragility' and the effect In the Mood for Love has had on my perception of landscape. During a number of admission interviews I had with leading academics, there were illuminating discussions conducted on topics such as political sophistry, Bob Dylan and — yes, you guessed it — Alfred Hitchcock. One interviewer, in particular, pointed out that my application was profoundly different from any other he had screened at the time. This was due to the approach I took: I chose to focus on academic ideas and content. Extracurricular activities were secondary, as submitting a CV sufficed. My



Cambridge interviews — done via Skype — were truly enjoyable as well. I will be starting the English Tripos in October, after a strenuous decision-making process.

In the spirit of full disclosure, I must confess: I chose Methodist College Kuala Lumpur **mostly** for the sake of broadening my perspective. There were easier options, like attending a secular institution where religiosity would not pervade the essence of student life. Or perhaps not opting to study Divinity at A Level; a subject even those from a Christian background tend to evade at all costs. Then again, I have always had esoteric interests — no other pre-university college in Malaysia would have allowed me the degree of academic freedom I had at MCKL.

I cannot begin to stress upon the amount of support I have received from my lecturers at MCKL, until today. My English literature lecturer wrote me a letter of recommendation despite being thousands of miles away. My Divinity lecturer, on the other hand, sacrificed a portion of his son's birthday to invigilate my Cambridge entrance examination. For



Shameera with her lecturer Ms Regina Yoong, who is also an MCKL alumna.

this alone, I am eternally grateful.

It would be too romanticised a notion to declare the eighteen months I spent at Methodist College Kuala Lumpur as "the best time of my life".

Nonetheless, my pre-university experience was nothing short of transformative.

In retrospect, three remarks were constantly etched on each damning report card: 'intelligent', 'too outspoken' and 'problematic'. Throughout my formative years, I paid little attention to anything those of little significance to my life had to say. Still, there was always something mildly disconcerting about being deemed an 'outlier': I never felt a sense of belonging no matter where I went. And whilst that might always remain the case, there is no harm in being an 'outlier', be it academically or generally. At the end of the day,

my focus on always doing what I love rather than what was expected of me has paid off to some extent. In spite of the hurdles I have had to overcome, I would not trade a second of strife for ease. When walking down the lane of life, always remember the importance of being earnest.

Shameera Lin is from the A Level Class of 2015. She is also the current Film and TV Editor at The Cambridge Student at the University of Cambridge.

Discipline, Hardwork, And A Little Bit Of Luck



Nadia's passion for early childhood education came through a chance meeting with a school teacher at a gym dance class. Having taken up French after completing high school, Nadia connected well with her new acquaintance which resulted in a teaching opportunity. The next three years teaching French-speaking four and five year olds had an immediate impact on Nadia's chosen career.

When Nadia decided to pursue this newfound potential and passion in teaching, she enrolled for the Diploma in Early Childhood Education at Methodist College Kuala Lumpur (MCKL). With her hard work and dedication, she graduated top of her class, and was the class valedictorian and nominated recipient of the Dr Chiam Heng

Keng Award at the February 2016 graduation ceremony.

After graduating, Nadia immediately returned to teaching until



September 2016, when she commenced her final year of a Bachelor in Early Childhood Care and Education at IT Tralee, Ireland. Nadia enjoyed her Irish education very much, and spoke fondly of ITT.

"It is very much like MCKL. It's a small, close-knit community of 3000. The staff are very nice, especially at the International Office. They're always keeping an eye out for international students.

"It was a good experience at

Tralee, being away from the hustle and bustle of the city life which I've grown up in. It is not as stressful, more slow-paced. I think all the pressure to study hard was from ourselves, because our parents spent so much to send us for studies. But the slow pace here gave me more time to reflect on life as well."

Despite her excellent grades, Nadia went to ITT as a full-paying student, but had received some good news along the way.

"Sometime in my first semester, I was informed that I was nominated and confirmed as the recipient of the MCKL-ITT Scholarship worth approximately 4000 Euro. That was a bonus.

"Academically-speaking, it was different from Malaysia. However, their style of teaching and learning is quite similar to MCKL, so it was quite easy to adapt to. The working ethic developed at MCKL



especially helped with preparing for my final year and the dissertation at ITT. I had gotten used to the strict marking at MCKL, and Ms Khor really trained us in academic writing. That was very useful especially since we had to write 14 papers averaging 3000 words and above in our first semester itself. The journals and materials we need to read for these were a lot! I'm a bit kiasu, and I wanted to get as high a grade as I could on all my assignments, so I really pushed myself.

"But the second semester was much better, for all of us. We now knew what to expect. Also, the topics in the second semester are a bit more interesting (at least to me it was). It was really good that we also got to learn about Irish laws and policies regarding early childhood education. Surprisingly they are quite similar to Malaysia. In many class discussions, we could compare the laws and policies globally. I really enjoyed these group projects and discussions - mixing with the Irish students, to learn something about them, their perspectives. It's a breath of fresh air."

While there, Nadia also kept herself active and on the move.

"I stayed off campus, and most of the time I walked to class. It took me only a half hour, as I would walk quite fast. Most of my friends didn't want to walk so far, though. But it's good exercise, and it keeps me nice and warm (I get cold very easily)!"

"I joined a few clubs but really was consistent with the kickboxing club. I signed up for that within my first month there. That was really fun. Helped me keep warm too! I was one of the most regular members, which got me nominated as the club person of the year. I didn't expect that!"

On campus, Nadia also took part in the IT Innovate programme and was one of the winners. During holidays and some weekends, she also travelled and enjoyed the local scene.

Nadia returned to Malaysia a few days before Ramadhan with a 1st Class Honours degree and a job offer in hand. She credits her success to a good sense of discipline and positive mindset.

"You must have resilience to overcome the challenges, in my case especially with academic writing. Take advantage of the difference in lecturing style. Lectures are so important, and many things taught are not in your books or notes.

"And be positive! Don't get homesick. Enjoy your life there, the seasons. Explore the local scene. You can always come back and enjoy Malaysian food!"

Looking forward, Nadia would like to further her studies after gaining more working experience. She also plans to come back to MCKL someday as a lecturer.

"I want to give back to the College. Everyone has been really nice and helpful. I want to be able to share my experience and help others, but want to have more experience with the children before doing this."



Nadia Iman Abdul Jalil is from the ECE Class of 2015. She currently teaches at the Joy Kids International Preschool.



The One and Only University of Queensland Centenary Scholar of 2017



Hi I'm Koh Sher Li, and I am currently studying the Bachelor of Economics at University of Queensland under the Centenary Scholarship which is offered by the School of Economics.

I chose University of Queensland due to its excellent reputation especially for research in the field of economics.

The scholarship is offered to only one international student applying for the Bachelor of Economics programme. It covers a 100% programme tuition fees, living allowance of AUD\$20 000 per year, a once off book allowance of AUD\$500 and a once off return economy air fare from my place of residence.

I first found out about the availability of this scholarship through an education fair, where the representative from University of Queensland introduced me to the various scholarships offered, including another scholarship offered specifically for Malaysian students only. In order to be eligible for the Centenary Scholarship, I had to first secure an unconditional offer from the university, then send in the application form with two reference letters, a personal statement and a resume. Later on, I was shortlisted to attend a Skype interview conducted by a panel of academics consisting of the Deputy Head of School and the senior lecturer in Microeconomics.

Before entering university, I did A Levels in MCKL and it was one of the most enjoyable times that I had. I first heard about MCKL through my friends who were planning to enrol there as well, and I decided to find out more about MCKL. I visited the College and immediately liked it there, as it is medium sized and provides a conducive studying environment with plenty of nature and open spaces. Besides, I was delighted to find out about the generous merit scholarships offered which really eased my financial burden as I was offered a 100% tuition fee scholarship based on my SPM results.

Although my 1.5 years of A Levels journey had been quite tough, with the patient dedication of my lecturers who always willingly answered any questions we had and diligently having extra classes, it really made my journey much smoother and I am really grateful for having such dedicated lecturers. In addition to that, the many fun activities organised by MCKL such as Orientation Camp and Midsummer Night are some of the highlights of my MCKL days.

My future plans after completing university would be to further my studies at postgraduate level, either in Australia or UK. My advice to future students would be to have good time management and always get your priorities straight. Also, take up the initiative to find out about the many scholarships offered by Australian universities on the internet or ask the helpful staff in the University Placement for help.

*Koh Sher Li is from the A Level
Class of 2016*



Be An Inspiration To Others!

Are you an alumna or alumnus with a tale to tell or advice to give? Write in to ask@mckl.edu.my with your full name, programme and cohort, and send us your stories with some pictures. We'd love to hear all about your experiences and share it with others!

A Tribute To My Brother

Kim Heey Jin graduated from MCKL in 2011 and pursued further study in the University of Hong Kong (HKU) on a 50% scholarship. That year, many amongst her cohort went on to Hong Kong as well, most of whom managed to do so on various scholarships. They have all graduated by now, thanks to the support of friends and family, and Kim is especially grateful for the support she received from her brother in order to complete her studies. Her testimony is as follows:



Regardless of whether you are a current HKU student, a prospective one, an alumnus, or a sideline supporter of HKU, I hope that this post can serve as a reminder of how important family is and that everyone around us has a different story to tell.

It has taken me an incredibly long time to write this, for it is something I have let on to very few around me and is very personal.

On 26th November 2016, I graduated from HKU with a Bachelor of Engineering in Engineering Science. The quest to earning this degree has been challenging, and there have been many occasions when I wondered if I could graduate at all. Thankfully, many have accompanied me throughout this journey, but one in particular has been an everlasting pillar of support for me.

I would like to make this post a tribute to my elder brother who is currently serving in the air force in South Korea.

We grew up in a family constantly struggling to make ends meet. Borrowing from relatives to pay for education was common in our household. Even before middle school, we had come to terms that there was no way our parents could afford tertiary education and if we wanted to further our studies, only a full scholarship would suffice.

I transferred to a public elementary school after a few

years studying the international curriculum. The sudden change in curriculum and medium of instruction was difficult to adjust to and I was failing every subject possible, including PE. At that point, I just thought I was stupid and done for. In the meantime, my brother sat for his O-Levels. Not only did he achieve straight A's, he also came first in his entire grade and received a full scholarship for his A-Levels. Only then did I realise, "Oh, there's someone smart in the family after all!" He went on to complete his A-Levels with flying colours and was admitted into the Nanyang Technological University (NTU) in Singapore on a full scholarship, complete with living allowance.

He'd done it. He'd managed to pursue tertiary education without help from our parents. He'd done what I thought was impossible.

That got me thinking: we share the same set of genes, if he's so smart, I can't be that hopeless. And although our family never condoned sibling rivalry, I found myself silently comparing myself to him. My brother's achievements subconsciously became my goals. He had set the standard annoyingly high, and I had to really push my limits to come anywhere close. It wasn't easy. It was probably due to my lack of discipline or my overflowing self-confidence (though I really don't know where that came from), that I always fell short of his achievements. I had to retake A-Levels to match my brother's grades and I

was rejected from NTU three years in a row before I finally gave up.

Four years ago, when I received an offer letter and a 50% scholarship from HKU, I was thoroughly disappointed in myself because I knew full well that in our family, 50% still meant a no. Our family was in no shape to afford anything and education-wise, we were very much on our own. At that time, my brother had almost completed his Masters degree in Europe and had been planning on returning to Korea to serve his mandatory military service which he had already postponed for a long time. But when he heard my news, he changed his plans. He applied for a PhD in Singapore. He said the stipend and scholarship he would receive would be enough to cover the remaining 50% and told me to accept HKU's offer.

And today, I am a HKU graduate. My brother granted me the opportunity to earn this title, but could not witness me receive it at my graduation because he is finally serving in the military, a decade later than others.

I cannot thank my brother enough for his sacrifice. He has put his future on hold for my future, to make sure I receive the best education possible.

I cannot thank him enough for believing that I was worth the investment. He put aside two-thirds of his monthly PhD stipend and scholarship for four years without a single complaint to pay for my tuition.

I cannot thank him enough for always being the overachiever, because without him to look up to, I would never have pushed my limits so far.

Lastly, selfish though this may sound, I cannot thank fate enough, that I am not the eldest in the family because honestly speaking, I don't think I could have done as good a job as he did.

My mother says there is no such thing as debt between siblings. But I feel that I will forever be in debt to my brother. People around me know that I am a strong-headed person with a rebellious side, but I will always trust my brother's advice

whole-heartedly, for my HKU degree has shown that he has my best interests at heart.

My brother has always acted on the saying, where there's a will, there's a way. He has taught me to hold my head up high and dare to dream big regardless of the circumstances. It will be two years before he can pursue his dreams again. I hope that when that time comes, I will be doing a good job pursuing my own dreams, so he knows I was worth the sacrifice.

오빠야, today, as a HKU graduate, I salute you!

P.S.: Congratulations to all my fellow 2016 graduands for making it. It has been a tough four years where we have shed many tears but also had much fun. There has been many a time when we were less than satisfied with the way things were run, but I trust that we can all agree that our HKU journey turned out to be much more than we anticipated, no? During this festive graduation season, let us toss our graduate caps in the air not only to congratulate ourselves, but also to thank those who have been by our side all this way, for we know better than anybody else that we could never have done this alone.

Kim Heey Jin is a localized Korean from the A Level Class of 2011. She was Vice Treasurer of the Student Council in 2010 and was among the top students of her graduating class while at MCKL. Heey Jin is currently pursuing her Masters in Korea while simultaneously learning about her cultural roots there. Heey Jin welcomes any questions you may have. You may drop her an email at kimhjin33@gmail.com.



Kim's testimony was published at <http://www.als.hku.hk/hkudos/a-tribute-to-my-brother/>



MCKL Alumnus Develops Affordable Method To Detect Lung Cancer Early



Meet Yong Zheng Xin, the teenager who invented the world's first and affordable method of detecting lung cancer in the early stages.

At a glance, Zheng Xin looks the studious type. What is unknown until you strike up a conversation with him is that there's more to him than just head knowledge: it is a passion for improving the quality of human life.

When Zheng Xin came to KL, he involved himself in a lot of volunteer work. He was a volunteer tutor at CSO Malaysia, an organization dedicated to the education of refugee children in Malaysia, as well as at Pandawas Academy in Ampang, as both tutor and member of the management team.

"I never thought I'd be a teacher, or even teaching refugee children," admits Zheng Xin, but for him it was an experience unlike any other.

Unlike many of his pre-university peers who have yet to discover their passion and calling in life, Zheng Xin is already on his way to becoming a scientist - one with a big heart and the potential to influence and impact the world in a meaningful way.

The Journey

Zheng Xin's research journey began in 2012 at Chung Hua High School, Seremban, when a beloved teacher was diagnosed with stage four of lung cancer. This devastating news came as a shock to everyone as the teacher was a non-smoker. The tragedy of the situation compelled him to research on early lung cancer detection.

At the initial stage, Zheng Xin spent long hours in research, often bouncing off ideas with his teacher and lab assistants, and testing multiple hypotheses. Eventually he had a

breakthrough, and developed a system that could detect lung cancer with the patient's breath. His research presentation at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) sparked interest, and with the assistance of a few academicians and researchers, the proposal became a reality.

In 2013, Zheng Xin focused on methodology and identifying the biomarker indicating the presence of lung cancer, and in 2014, while studying for his SPM examinations, he created a sensor that would be able to detect that biomarker.

In January 2015, Zheng Xin joined the A Level programme at MCKL on the recommendation of a teacher, and was offered a full tuition scholarship. Zheng Xin did well in his SPM examinations, eventually earning him a KPM Bursary as well. At this time, he also embarked on the clinical trial stage of his research, conducted in partnership with the University of Malaya Medical Centre (UMMC), and self-studied statistics as he wanted to analyse the data collected from the clinical trials himself.

This was no small feat and nothing short of impressive, considering that he was also still active in volunteer work and maintained his high grades.

Zheng Xin's continued discipline and excellent time management eventually paid off: he scored straight As in the November 2015 AS Level examinations, and earned an Outstanding Cambridge Learner

Award for Top in the World - AS Level Mathematics.

In April 2016, Zhen Xin finalized his research proposal for entry in the Google Science Fair 2016. The data from the clinical trials were also ready at this time, and Zheng Xin spent the next few months delving deep in data analysis while simultaneously sitting for his A Level final examinations.

Zheng Xin was on a roll.

The Google Science Fair

The Google Science Fair was a global event and an excellent platform for Zheng Xin to network, make comparisons, and gain new insights on his research and the impact he and his fellow innovators would have on the global community. All projects at the Google Science Fair were assessed based on four criteria: Novelty, Methodology, Results and Conclusion.

Zheng Xin's project was certainly unique, and in July it was among the 100 entries selected at the regional level.

Come August, Zheng Xin received two excellent bits of news: not only had he scored A* in all 4 A Level subjects taken, he was also one of the 16 shortlisted global finalists at the Google Science Fair 2016 who would be flown over to the Google headquarters in California, US in September to present his project.

Mapping Out The Future

With a brilliant mind, a heart for people, excellent academic achievement and an astounding CV to boot, Zheng Xin only had one more



Photo credit: Utusan Malaysia. Interview with Yong Zheng Xin, 13 September 2016.

thing to do: decide on his tertiary education.

After taking a few months off to finalize his university applications, he accepted a scholarship offer from Minerva Schools at KGI in the US to do Computational Science, commencing in Fall 2017.

Considering the nature of his research, it was interesting to note that all of Zheng Xin's higher education choices, including Engineering and Mathematics, were more technical than scientific. When asked about his choice, Zheng Xin's remark was no less fascinating:

"In the field of research, you need to focus on one area of study, and it is not always easy to find a good professor to research under, or to obtain the funding for it. It's very limiting. And even when cures for diseases and medical conditions are developed, it may not be suitable for what it was developed for. Then it gets shelved. But with data analysis, there are so many more possibilities. I can look across the data from research done with cures developed (although not suitable for what it was initially developed) and match them up with the global needs in the medical industry. I can catch what has been missed from individual research and bring them together."

It is precisely this positive attitude and forward thinking beyond the known that enabled this outstanding teenage scholar to develop an early detector for lung cancer, and it will surely continue to be the driving force behind his future successes.

Facing the Unknown

Of course, no success comes without obstacles.

Zheng Xin ventured into scientific research with many handicaps due to his limitations as a teenager: higher education, access to research technology and soft skills.

On top of these immediate challenges, Zheng Xin also faced the unknown: this research was unique in Malaysia. No one had done it before. And if facing the unknown for this teenage researcher was a concern, it was even more so for

his parents.

"They were initially very concerned about my studies," he admits, "but eventually they became very supportive once they saw that I was balancing things well."

Words of Wisdom

While no road to success is the same for everyone, one thing they all have in common is that many steps make the journey. Here are 3 steps from Zheng Xin's journey:

1) Give it a go!

Don't be discouraged. This applies to research, entrepreneurship, startup businesses. If you don't give it a go, you won't know.

2) Create the opportunity

Sometimes you can't wait for the opportunity to arrive, you've got to make it happen.

3) Network

Start building your network early. Build up a good rapport with your teachers/lecturers. There's so much knowledge and input you can gain from them. One thing I learned from my MCKL lecturer, Mr Soong, is that there are three parts to knowledge about ourselves: the known-known (we know what we know), the known-unknown (we know what we don't know) and the unknown-unknown (we don't know what we don't know). While we can know the first two, we can never know the last one. Only others can give perspective on that.

The name Yong Zheng Xin has become globally recognized: his research has become a source of hope to many, and his passion and perseverance an inspiration to a new generation of innovators and world-changers.

*Yong Zheng Xin is from
the A Level Class of 2016*

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**Happy 35th
Anniversary, MCKL!**



MCKL Students Maintain Their Winning Streak At Inter-college Science Competitions



On 15 July, Methodist College Kuala Lumpur (MCKL) sent two teams of its students to enter the IMU Science Discovery Challenge 2017 inter-college competition, and they emerged as champion and third runners up. Teo Jin Yeet, Cheong Ruoh Wen and Tan Wei Hao each won RM1000 and a trophy for the First Prize.

A week later, MCKL students scored another victory as two teams entered Monash Science Triathlon 2017 and came away as champion and second runners up. Noah Lee, Tan Chia Wen, Teh Hui Wen and Mark Alexis Chia Jihming won the grand prize, which was a trophy, RM200 each and the Monash Bursary.

The sciences have long been highly regarded as the cornerstones of development in any nation, and MCKL has a long record of academic success and achievements in this area. An average of 60% of students scored A or A* in all the science subjects in the A Level exams of June 2017, which matches MCKL's past achievements. One particularly exemplary student is Yong Zheng Xin, a senior MCKL graduate, who once trod a similar path as one of the global finalists in the Google Science Fair 2016. He is now known as the teenager who invented a new and affordable method of detecting early-stage lung cancer.

In time, we hope that they will go even further to apply the same degree of talent and effort in their chosen fields of expertise. MCKL will continue to encourage its students to develop their talents and hard work in pursuing that goal.



Sin Chew Online Quiz Winner

Congratulations to Ang Zheng Jiet (CAL1707) on achieving 7th place in the 16th Sin Chew Online Quiz Competition! The finals took place on 5 August 2017, and 100 students (shortlisted from 2,000) from various schools and colleges participated.

This competition was held to aid students' understanding of the internet and its effectiveness as a learning tool, and to encourage students' interest in current affairs. Furthermore, the competition promotes the correct way of obtaining genuine and verified news through mainstream media.

For his achievement, Ang Zheng Jiet received a 1-year subscription to the Sin Chew E-newspaper.



MCKL Student Goes For Gold

Congratulations to Adam Quah Tzuang (CAL 1707) on his excellent sportsmanship and performance in bowling at the MASISWA and SIPMA games organized by the Ministry of Higher Education.

Adam emerged as the top 14th bowler in the individual event of the MASISWA games, and won gold in the Team event at the SIPMA games!

We wish Adam all the best as he trains for the SUKIPT events in 2018!



MCKL Students Win Consolation in Nottingham University Economics Essay Competition 2017

Two of our students, Liew Van Kie (CAL1607) and Joseph Lim (CAL1701), recently participated in Nottingham University Malaysia's Economics Essay Competition 2017. They were to write an essay entitled, "A Nobel Memorial Prize Laureate in Economics Who Has Inspired Me".

Liew Van Kie wrote about Amartya Sen while Joseph Lim wrote about Daniel Kahneman. They came in as consolation prize winners (only three consolation prizes were given). Their essays can be found at <http://www.nottingham.edu.my/Economics/Study-with-us/Economics-Essay-Competition-2017.aspx>

We would like to congratulate them on their efforts and may they continue to expand their knowledge.

Monash Business Competition Winners

Mere weeks after scoring first place in inter-college Science competitions in Monash University and IMU, another exemplary group of MCKL's students have proven their mettle in another contest, this time in the Monash Business Investment Challenge 2017 on 12-13 August.

Congratulations to Ritz Yeow Kentze, who emerged as Champion in the Individual Challenge category and received a 50% Tuition Fee Scholarship for a Degree in Business from Monash University! He was amongst the group of six students representing

MCKL, and amongst the three students who won prizes.

Choong Ming Hui and Saw Yu Ming came in at fourth place in the Team Challenge category.

Their achievements are clear evidence that MCKL students are more than capable of excelling in both the Arts and Sciences, and special thanks are due to Jennifer Chua and Tai Wai Sum, who were the lecturers involved in coaching our competing teams!



Celebrating Success With The Cambridge Learner Awards 2017

Heartiest congratulations to all winners of the Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards 2017. Award winners from the November 2016 Examinations are (pictured right):

Narviinya Murugappan

Top In Malaysia - Literature in English (A Level)

Alicia Sabrina Gomez

Top In Malaysia - Literature in English (AS Level)

Kiara Ting Yung Ching Gigacz

High Achievement - Divinity (A Level)

Elvin Ngu Jun Keh

Top In World - Further Mathematics (A Level)

Praveen Nair

Top In World - Business (AS Level)

Joining their ranks this year are the award winners from the June 2017 Examinations:

Chin Yan Han Kristen

Top In Malaysia - Literature in English (A Level)

Chen Vic Kie

Top In Malaysia - Accounting (AS Level)

Chew Chi Yew

Top In Malaysia - Business (AS Level)

Celine Lean Yew Lin

Top In Malaysia - Law (AS Level)

Chu Huan Enn

Top In World - Biology (AS Level)

We wish them all the best as some of them complete their A Level programmes while others begin their journey to university in this second half of 2017.



CIE June 2017 Examination Highlights

Congratulations to the A Level students on their excellent performance in the June 2017 Examinations!

100% passing rate

27 students obtained 4A*

45% of students scored at least 3 As

59% scored A or A* in Biology

61% scored A or A* in Chemistry

60% scored A or A* in Physics

57% scored A or A* in Mathematics

55% scored A or A* in Further Mathematics

39% scored A or A* in Accounting

43% scored A or A* in Economics

29% scored A or A* in Business Studies

40% scored A or A* in English Literature

46% scored A or A* in Psychology

11% scored A or A* in Law



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Record-Breaking Excellence for MCKL's ACCA & CAT Students in June 2017 Examinations

MCKL students performed better than the world averages in both the ACCA and CAT papers taken in the June 2017 examinations.

The ACCA students' results beat the world averages by a margin of up to 32% in 12 of the 14 ACCA papers taken.

As a mark of success, Lee Yee Von received an award from ACCA for obtaining The Highest Mark In The World for the F8 paper. She was also awarded Top in Malaysia for the F6 paper in the March 2017 Examinations.

The CAT students' results were also impressive, obtaining

CAT Paper	MCKL Pass Rates	World Pass Rates
FA1	91	73
MA1	100	79
FA2	100	67
MA2	90	53
FAB	75	74
FFM	89	64
FFA	100	64
FTX	86	78
FMA	81	67

higher passing rates than the world averages in all papers, with 100% passes in one third of the CAT papers taken.

The College is proud of their achievements and congratulates them

ACCA Paper	MCKL Pass Rates	World Pass Rates
F1	100	80
F2	80	64
F3	100	68
F4	80	77
F5	60	43
F7	80	48
F8	60	43
F9	60	46
P2	50	47
P3	80	54
P4	54	34
P6	53	43

on their hard work. We wish them good success as they prepare for the upcoming examinations.

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Top 10 Reasons **ACCA** to study @ MCKL

The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) is truly a global body for professional accountants; it has more than 80 global accountancy partnerships, providing support to over 16,200 members and 428,000 students across 128 countries.

Any student seeking a career in accounting or its related fields will find ACCA a solid entry point into the industry, and MCKL is committed to ensuring that they have the best possible learning experience. Ten reasons stand out:

4. Video Lectures



Video recordings of lecture sessions are available to students who may have missed class or for revision at a more convenient time and location.

5. High Student Satisfaction

Students give great feedback about our lecturers. They like us for being responsible, dedicated, and being able to break down complex topics into easily-understood lessons. Students can even attend a trial class, free of charge. Register yourself with our ACCA coordinator and you will be entitled to one free session.

9. Strong Track Record



MCKL has produced ACCA students who are national and even world prize-winners in their exam performances. In the latest 2017 exam sitting, MCKL students have a higher passing rate in 12 out of 14 papers compared to the world average pass rate.



3. Affordable Course Materials

ACCA@MCKL's course materials are tailor-made by in-house lecturers to suit students' needs. They are not required to purchase costly textbooks.

6. Effective Monitoring

Students are given 2 tests and 1 trial exam in each ACCA unit, with ample opportunities to assess your performance and to prepare for the exams accordingly.

8. Affordable Fees, plus Scholarships

MCKL's fees are competitive in the market and amongst the lowest in private institutions. Full time students are also eligible for scholarships based on academic performance and co-curricular achievements.

10. Holistic Education

MCKL provides a variety of co-curricular activities, clubs and societies for students' personal development to meet the demands of a sophisticated job market. The leadership soft skills acquired will complement ACCA's academic rigour to give MCKL students a competitive edge in the world of business and finance.

1. Experienced Lecturers

MCKL has very experienced lecturers who have trained many professionals and produced prize-winners around the world. They also teach classes in China, Hong Kong and Singapore, which are established markets that demand quality training.

2. Recognised Pathway to UK Universities

ACCA@MCKL gives students a lot of flexibility when enrolling into UK tertiary institutions such as the University of Gloucestershire, either as an ACCA transfer student or for a Master's degree. Birmingham City University even accepts MCKL's Certified Accounting Technician (CAT) for direct entry into their undergraduate programmes.

7. ACCA Gold Status



MCKL is a Gold Status learning partner of the ACCA UK, in recognition of our commitment to providing quality teaching and support for students.



ADTP Merit Scholarship Offer 2018

Qualification	100%	50%	25%
A Level / AUSMAT / STPM	3As and above / 90.00 ATAR and above	2As and 1B / 85.00 ATAR and above	1A and 1B / 80.00 ATAR and above

ACCA Merit Scholarship Offer 2018

Qualification	100%	50%	25%
A Level / AUSMAT / STPM (Scholarship Applicable to Papers F1-F3)	4As and above / 95.00 ATAR and above	3As and 1B / 90.00 ATAR and above	2As / 85.00 ATAR and above
Certified Accounting Technician / ACCA Skill Papers (Scholarship Applicable to Papers F4-F9)	85% and above in each of FAB, FFA & FMA or F1-F3	75% and above in each of FAB, FFA & FMA or F1-F3	70% and above in each of FAB, FFA & FMA or F1-F3
ACCA Professional Papers (Scholarship Applicable to Papers P1-P7)	75% and above in each of F4-F9	70% and above in each of F4-F9	60% and above in each of F4-F9



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- 50% : 8A & above
- 25% : 6A & above
- 15% : 5A- & above

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- 75% : 7A & above
- 50% : 6A- & above
- 25% : 5A- & above
- 15% : 3A- & above

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MCKL Alumni Secure Monash High Achiever Scholarships, Exclusive IMU 25th Anniversary Bursaries

MCKL is always looking to improve the prospects of its graduates who enter university, and one such way is through partnerships that grant MCKL graduates exclusive benefits.



MCKL has established a strong connection with Monash University Malaysia, enabling MCKL students to win an exclusive Book Prize if they obtain the High Achiever Scholarship from Monash.

This year, six students obtained the High Achiever Scholarship:

1. Tan Oi Jin - Bachelor of Pharmacy
2. Yong Chen Kin - Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical)
3. Tan Siew Yin - MBBS
4. Krystal Fong Lai Ling - Bachelor of Pharmacy
5. Jaqueline Ong - Bachelor of Business and Commerce
6. Lee Jenn Wah - Bachelor of Engineering

Tan Oi Jin, Tan Siew Yin and Krystal Fong (pictured left) also received an RM500 Book Prize each in addition to their High Achiever Scholarships.

In the same spirit, MCKL has also forged close ties with International Medical University (IMU), and in conjunction with its 25th Anniversary this year, IMU offered up to 5 bursaries worth RM25k each for



MCKL alumni applying for the Medicine and Pharmacy (local programme) intakes this year.

We are proud of **Geena Hew Suet Yin**, **Melissa Ang Yen Ying** and **Teng Carine**, (pictured above) who have all obtained the IMU 25th Anniversary Bursary to study Pharmacy this year.

And The 2017 MCKL-HWUM Scholarship Goes to...



Last year, Methodist College Kuala Lumpur (MCKL) entered a partnership with Heriot-Watt University Malaysia (HWUM) in order to provide MCKL's graduates with more attractive options for their tertiary education in Malaysia.

This joint effort has resulted in the MCKL-HWUM Scholarship, which is a full tuition fee waiver – potentially up to RM160,000 per programme – offered exclusively to one MCKL student a year to continue his/her undergraduate studies in any programme in HWUM.

Our most heartfelt congratulations to the recipient of the MCKL-HWUM Scholarship for the year 2017, Jason Wong Yuen Sung, who will be pursuing Mechanical Engineering in Heriot-Watt University Malaysia!

Two MCKL Alumni Nab Khazanah Scholarships in 2017



Heartiest congratulations to Tan Chee Yong and Kelly Lau Jia Jia on securing a Khazanah Scholarship for their respective degree programmes.

Chee Yong, from the A Level Class of 2017, is a first year International Relations student at Kings College London, UK whereas Kelly, from the A Level Class of 2015, is a third year Real Estate student at the University of Reading Malaysia.

Both scholars were celebrated at a Yayasan Khazanah event held on 18 August 2017.



THE SONG OF AN OLIVE

A poem by Celine Lean Yew Lin (CAL 1607)



In the distance,
Past darkness, a light is seen,
In the distance,
A beam, a ray, just a gleam;
Yet ... in the distance,
A little Olive seedling weeps,
Heart brimmed with despondence,
Wilting in blue melancholy.

Then came Zephyros,
He, the West wind, doth gently whisper,
Fearing the ominous,
Seeks he to learn of Olive's despair;
Thence halloo to the world,
Olive's sad tale, times and times over,
Hath been told yet never heard,
Oh, if only life could be more fair!

Whence great Athens still thrives,
Tall and proud did I stand for peace!
But, oh, dark glooms arise,
Lo and behold, none is at ease:
Yonder, the poor suffers...!
Yonder, the innocent, the vulnerable perishes...!
Yonder, Mother Nature shudders...!
Yonder, too many are deprived of privileges...!

How oh how can this be?
Countless cruelties! Infinite inhumanities!
Oh, the nights without sleep,
Let the lightning strike out in anger,
Let the clouds rain and weep,
Let the sky thunder its wrath and raging furies!
Agony cuts me deep!
How is Peace betrayed? Such that I wither ...

But here comes serene Dove,
Soaring gracefully, high above the chaos,
Here to deliver love,
With the fire of hope that still burns, all is not lost;
So tells Dove to Olive:
The great leaders have helping hands for the young and elderly,
The ailed may yet live,
And lo there, the disabled aided by technology ...

Ah ... but dear little Olive,
Little still you are, miles to grow ere you touch the sky,
Truly ... to give and forgive,
The world must learn, and more and greater they must still try;
Though commenced is the long journey,
Longer still is the course ahead we must endeavour together,
Above all strife Peace must have victory,
Then will Olive be crowned in laurels to rise above horizons.

Yes. Oh, yes. Now I see,
It is not only the light above darkness, Hope is more!
Hope is in each of thee,
It is fragrance above stench, music above clamour,
It is sweet above bitter,
It is the touch of flawless silk above harsh gravel,
Above all that is dear,
It is Peace above all, the world to cherish forever!

Celine read her poem at the Yayasan Khazanah 2017 Dinner held on 18 August 2017. Celine, who is visually impaired, is also a recipient of the Yayasan Khazanah Scholarship and was recently announced as a Cambridge Learner Award recipient for Top in Malaysia in Law (AS Level) in the June 2017 examinations.

Celine is currently in her final semester of the A Level programme.



2017 MCKL-IT Tralee Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to Chow Jo Yee and Alicia Sim, who scored a CGPA of 3.85 and 3.84 respectively in their Diploma in Early Childhood Education studies this year! They have both been accepted into Institute of Technology Tralee, Ireland for the September 2017 intake.

For their outstanding academic performances in MCKL's Diploma in ECE, they have been granted the exclusive MCKL-IT Tralee Scholarship, which will cover 60% and 40% of the tuition fees of their degree programmes, respectively.

They are both exemplary graduates who have helped to strengthen MCKL's ties with IT Tralee for future students, and we wish them all the best in their endeavours.



Alicia (left) and Jo Yee adjusting well in their first semester at IT Tralee.

2017 STAR Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to this year's STAR Scholarship recipients at MCKL!

Eight students were awarded scholarships under the STAR Education Fund to attend various programmes at MCKL. They are Alyssa Tan Yuen Yee, Ooi Yen Ming, Ignatius Joel Nathan and Kurniati Binti Suran (A Level); Muhammad Rashad Bin Hairizam and Nurul Shamirah Binti Shamsul Kamar (AUSMAT); Hee Zi Shuo (CAT) and Chu Wai Lam (Dip. ECE).

Not to be outdone were several MCKL Alumni who also received STAR Scholarships for their respective degree programmes (pictured below):



Chen Kok Wei, University of Nottingham Malaysia, BEng (Hons) Mechatronic Engineering; Divya Leyasheena, IACT College, BA (Hons) Media, Culture and Communication in Journalism; Ho Lee Ann, University of Nottingham Malaysia, BSc (Hons) Economics and International Economics; Ng Sher Li, UTAR, BEng (Hons) Mechanical Engineering; Cheng Kar Mun, Taylor's University, BSc (Hons) Food Science with Nutrition; and Alvin Ong Siau Shun, Sunway University, BSc (Hons) Accounting and Finance.

We wish them all the best as they pursue their tertiary education with excellence.

2017 MCKL-Stedfast Scholarship Recipients



Congratulations to Chuah Siong Jie and Khor Cheng Ee (front row, 2nd and 3rd from left) on being selected as recipients of the MCKL-Stedfast Scholarship this year.

Siong Jie received a full tuition scholarship to pursue the AUSMAT

Programme, with additional provision to cover examination fees as well.

Justin, on the other hand, has received a partial tuition scholarship to pursue the A Level programme.

MCKL Alumni Take Charge At HWUM

MCKL's mission which is "to nurture a community where excellence, in all its forms, is celebrated; and where individuals come alive to their God-given ability to make a unique difference in the world" was prevalent when our alumni were voted into five out of the 18 leadership roles at Heriot-Watt University Malaysia Student Association for the 2017/2018 committee. They are (pictured in sequence from left to right):

1. Lee Kok Xin (CAL1503) – Community Service Officer
2. Nicholas Lee (CAL1601) – MACS Officer
3. Goon Zhu Wei (CAL1401) – Secretary
4. Soh Hui Sin (CAL1507) – School of Social Science (SOSS) Officer
5. Shareen Cheng (CAL1507) – Graphics and Design Officer

Congratulations to all of you and may your contributions to society be fruitful. As Lee Kok Xin puts it, "always try to better yourselves and others in life."



Captainball Game Reunites Alumni with Lecturers and Juniors



What started off as a time for fellowship and motivation prior to the external examinations quickly became a joyous reunion of lecturers with their students and alumni.

The captainball game between lecturers and students was originally organized by the lecturers teaching the CAL1701 S1 class (Ms Grace Tan, Ms Mak YM, Mr Soong JC & Mr Ngew KY) to motivate their students after a lengthy preparation period leading up to their AS exams.

Soon the invitation to join in the fun was extended to other CAL1701 lecturers (Ms Chan YP, Mr Yau CK, Ms Gan BS, and Mr Jeremy Tan) and also their own former students from the CAL1507S1 cohort so that they would meet the minimum numbers to form a team against their students.

It was a fun time for all, with both teams leaving in high spirits and having developed a stronger bond with each other.

Alumni Return On A Midsummer Night To Reconnect and Reminisce

This August, up to 40 alumni returned to MCKL from all over the world to celebrate Midsummer Night and to reconnect with old friends and lecturers.

Their combined cohorts span a total of more than 10 years of the College's timeline, some coming from as far back as 2007, with 11 of them currently serving in MCKL in both academic and administrative positions.

It was heartening to see that even after so many years, they all still have a strong sense of connection to each other and the College. In the coming years, the



MCKL Alumni Association intends to build upon this foundation of camaraderie and excellence for life, and we hope to find

more support for future programmes and events for the development of the College.



ADTP 2017 Dinner



Orientation Camp



Debate Championship



Guest Lectures



Lecturer Appreciation



Orientation Ball



Midsummer Night



Business Class Activities



Fundraising Activities



Inter-Cohort Games



Easter Rally



Service Learning



Graduation



Industrial Visit to PWC



International Week



LEO Club Children's Day Activity



Suit Up Day



Uni Visits

METHODIST COLLEGE

Students Admitted to Top



Sacchidanandan Viruthasalam
Pillai
Earth Sciences
University of Oxford, UK



Ow Ming Cong
Engineering
University of Oxford, UK



Emily Ho Mei Li
Law
University of Cambridge, UK



Chin Yan Han Kristen
History
University of Cambridge, UK



Shameera Nair Lin
English
University of Cambridge, UK
on Scholarship



Levinthran Kuruparam
Economics
London School of Economics, UK
on LSE Undergraduate Support Scheme



Chua Lu Yi, Lois
Biology
University of Manchester, UK
on MCKL Teaching Scholarship



Jason Wong Yuen Sung
Mechanical Engineering
Heriot-Watt University Malaysia, MY
on MCKL-HWUM Scholarship



Tan Chee Yong
International Relations
King's College London, UK
on Khazanah Scholarship



Prisca Kian Xi Er
Physics
University of Sydney, AU
on Vice Chancellor Scholarship



Gan Hui Hui
Economics
Nagoya University, JP
on Monbukagakusho (MEXT)
Scholarship



Rachel Leong Qi Qi
Medicine
Penang Medical College, MY
on RCSI & UCD Dublin
Scholarship

NAME

Chong Hui Ying
Wo Kah Jen
Tan Goh Shi Pei
Lim Ee Sar
Yew Xin Tung
Lam Yin Hau
Chong Hui Qi
Liew Shiau Wei
Tristan Chang Juin Han
Lu Hwi Mun
Soh Hui Sin
Chow Hui Er
Cheng Xin Yi
Timothy Ong Wei Ren
Yew Ming Liang
Yap Zhi Yun
Soh Yee Xin
Lin Zi Hen
Teng Carine
Tey Haw Ren
Woo Wei Hsin
Phang Lyee Lynn
Dube Siddhant Sunilkumar
Krystal Fong Lai Ling
Ng Yong Jian
Jee Xian Yu
Leong Jia Lin
Alvin Ong Siau Shun
Cheng Kar Mun
Lee Zhao He
Pendkar Nitya
Ng Sher Li
Janice Wang Xin Jie
Chai Jia-Yi
Esther Pang Li Rong
Christopher Richardson
Choo Yong Zheng, Timothy
Lim Chiy En
Mun Yin Yee
Chan Kok Wei
Ho Lee Ann
Yaw Guan Hong
Ko Cheng Zhi
Kong Yan You
Natasha Herbert Jenos
Rachel Choo Shen Wen
Gavin Choong Yao Sheng
Chen Ai Yin
Ng Cal-Vin
Ng Chen Yang
Sim En You
Ng Meng Jing
Khoo Kar Wai

UNIVERSITY PLACEMENT

Chinese University of Hong Kong, HK
City University of Hong Kong, HK
City University of Hong Kong, HK
City University of Hong Kong, HK
City University of Hong Kong, HK
City University of Hong Kong, HK
City University of Hong Kong, HK
City University of Hong Kong, HK
City University of Hong Kong, HK
City University of Hong Kong, HK
City University of Hong Kong, HK
Heriot-Watt University, MY
Heriot-Watt University, MY
Heriot-Watt University, MY
Heriot-Watt University, MY
Heriot-Watt University, MY
HKUST, HK
Hong Kong Baptist University, HK
Hong Kong Baptist University, HK
International Medical University, MY
Kyushu University, JP
Macquarie University, AU
Monash University, MY
Monash University, MY
Monash University, MY
Nagoya University, JP
Royal Holloway, University of London, UK
Sunway University, MY
Sunway University, MY
Taylor's University, MY
The University of Hong Kong, HK
The University of Hong Kong, HK
Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman, MY
University College Dublin, IR
University College Dublin, IR
University of Chester, UK
University of East Anglia, UK
University of East Anglia, UK
University of Nottingham, MY
University of Nottingham, MY
University of Nottingham, MY
University of Nottingham, MY
University of Nottingham, MY
University of York, UK
Aberystwyth University, UK
Curtin University, AU
Curtin University, MY
Durham University, UK
Imperial College London, UK
Imperial College London, UK
Imperial College London, UK
Imperial College London, UK
Imperial College London, UK
Imperial College London, UK
Imperial College London, UK

PROGRAMME

Business
Advanced Physics
Computational Finance
Computational Finance
Accountancy
Environmental Science and Engineering
Computer Science
Chemistry
Chemistry
Linguistics and Language Applications
Accounting and Business Finance
Business Management with Marketing
Actuarial Science
Actuarial Science
Chemical Engineering
Engineering & Management
Accounting
Computer Science
Pharmacy
Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
Business Analytics
Business and Commerce
Software Engineering
Pharmacy
Physics
History
Computer Science
Accounting and Finance
Food Science with Nutrition
Actuarial Science
Engineering
Mechanical Engineering
Engineering
Chemical Engineering
Psychology
Energy Engineering
Actuarial Science
Chemical Engineering
Psychology
Mechatronics Engineering
Economics and International Economics
English
International Relations
Occupational Therapy
Chemical Engineering
Biomedical Sciences
Biological Sciences
Biomedical Engineering
Biomedical Engineering
Chemical Engineering
Chemical Engineering
Design Engineering
Mechanical Engineering

SCHOLARSHIP

Tuition Scholarship
Top Scholarship
Top Scholarship
Full Tuition Scholarship
Full Tuition Scholarship
Full Tuition Scholarship
Full Tuition Scholarship
Full Tuition Scholarship
Full Tuition Scholarship
Half Tuition Scholarship
Pioneer Scholarship
Pioneer Scholarship
Tuition Scholarship
Tuition Scholarship
Tuition Scholarship
Belt & Road Scholarship
HKBU Merit Scholarship
HKBU Merit Scholarship
IMU 25th Anniversary Bursary
International Undergraduate Scholarship
Macquarie University ASEAN Scholarship
Monash High Achiever's Award
Monash High Achiever's Award
Monash Pharmacy Excellence Scholarship
Monbukagakusho (MEXT) Scholarship
RHUL's Int. Excellence Scholarships
Jeffrey Cheah Entrance Scholarship
The Star Education Fund
The Star Education Fund
Tuition Scholarship
Tuition Scholarship
The Star Education Fund
Global Excellence Award
Tuition Scholarship
International Merit Scholarship
Vice Chancellor's Prize Scholarship
Vice Chancellor's Prize Scholarship
Tuition Fee Waiver
High Achievers Scholarship
The Star Education Fund
The Star Education Fund
Sharifah Sofia Albukhary Scholarship

NAME

Jonathan Chew Zhong Yuan
Deborah Wong Kai Wai
Elyssa Dhena Especkerman
Ng Bai Lin
Julian Chuo Zung Hieng
Lee Ee Xuan
Neoh Zhe Qin
Noor Bazilah Bt Mohd Hasyim
Susheena Subramaniam
Bryan Ng Wai Kit
Chong Jia Voon
Ing Xin Rou
Amritpal Singh Sarabjeet Singh
Maria Mustafa Doola
Ewe Zu Lin
Penmetisa Sai Pavitra
Ananya Balaji
Tan Sin Hui
Soon Mei Shi
Ong Yi Zong
Hannah Beaumont Boocock
Kok Jia Yunn
Tee Jie Ying
Chen Yen Wei
Dillon Lay Kai Jing
Yap Wei Liam
Everlyn Poh Yee Wen
Divya Shankar
Samiha Susmit
Shirley Lau Hui Jin
Shakir Mahmud
Tan Ann Ting
Soong Ying
Celine Wong Yue Lin
Cham Lork Shuen
Crystal Lee Jing Hui
Moh Heng Ying
Beh Yan Ni
Liu Wei Zi
Teng Chiew Thin
Choo Jia Hsien
Edwin Tan Tjin Shuen
Eunice Toh Youxuan
May Esther Wong Sze En
Melvin Liew Zhen Da
Nehemiah Tan Shin Yong
Ng Siew Yoong
Rochelle Dawn Augustin
Ng Yi Sheng
Vanycia Sarah Ong Shuang Fern
Ngai Qi Yang
Bin Jer Han, Bryan
Tan Wei Xin

E KUALA LUMPUR

Universities in 2017*



Koh Sher Li
Economics
University of Queensland, AU
on Centenary Scholarship
(the only Malaysian recipient in



C.Hari a/I S.Shankar
Economics
Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific
University, JP
on APU Tuition Scholarship



Tee Jing Yi
Chemistry
Chinese University of Hong Kong, HK
on Full Scholarship



Kho Nyak Lek
Mechanical Engineering
City University of Hong Kong, HK
on Full Tuition Scholarship



Rebekah Chin Yu-En
Mathematics and Statistics
Hong Kong Baptist University, HK
on HKBU Merit Scholarship



Elvin Ngu Jun Keh
Civil Engineering
Imperial College London, UK



Sarah Ng Ern Ee
Petroleum Geoscience
Universiti Teknologi Petronas, MY
on Gamuda Scholarship



Chan Hao Ting
Liberal Arts
International College of Liberal Arts,
Yamanashi Gakuin University, JP
on Full Tuition Scholarship



Geena Hew Suet Yin
Pharmacy
International Medical University, MY
on IMU 25th Anniversary Bursary



Bhpndhar Singh a/I Manjit
Singh
Engineering
Monash University, MY
on Monash High Achiever's



Marcus Leong Wern Han
Economics
The Catholic University of America, US
on University Honors Scholarship



Ng Kirjane
Psychology
King's College London, UK

UNIVERSITY PLACEMENT

INTI International University, MY
King's College London, UK
King's College London, UK
King's College London, UK
London School of Economics, UK
London School of Economics, UK
London School of Economics, UK
London School of Economics, UK
Monash University, AU
Monash University, MY
Monash University, MY
Monash University, MY
Monash University, MY
Nanyang Technological University, SG
National Chiao Tung University, TW
National Institute of Technology, IN
National University of Ireland, Galway, IR
Penang Medical College, MY
Perdana University, MY
Plymouth University, UK
Queen Mary University of London, UK
Queen's University Belfast, IE
Taylor's University, MY
The University of Hong Kong, HK
The University of Waterloo, CA
Tilburg University, NL
Trinity College Dublin, IR
UCSI University, MY
Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, MY
Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, MY
Universiti Teknologi Malaysia, MY
Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia, MY
University College London, UK
University College London, UK
University College London, UK
University College London, UK
University of Bristol, UK
University of Edinburgh, UK
University of Edinburgh, UK
University of Malaya, MY
University of Malaya, MY
University of Malaya, MY
University of Malaya, MY
University of Malaya, MY
University of Malaya, MY
University of Malaya, MY
University of Malaya, MY
University of Malaya, MY
University of Nottingham, MY
University of Sheffield, UK
University of Warwick, UK
University of Warwick, UK

PROGRAMME

Physiotherapy
Law
Genetics
Economics
Finance
Actuarial Science
Actuarial Science
Actuarial Science
Law
Mechatronic Engineering
Computer Science
Mechanical Engineering
Medicine
Computer Engineering
Electrical Engineering
Computer Science Engineering
Engineering
Medicine
Medicine
Data Modelling and Analytics
Zoology
Architecture
Medicine
Computer Science
Mathematics
Economics
Computer Science
Medicine
Software Engineering
Mechanical & Aeronautics Engineering
Optometry
Psychology
Economics
Biomedical Sciences
Law
Chemistry
Mathematics and Computer Science
Accounting and Finance
Biological Sciences
Chemical Engineering
Economics
Mechanical Engineering
Medicine
Medicine
Medicine
Medicine
Physics
Nutrition
Plant Science
Law
Law with Humanities



Aashtad Cyrus Daruwalla
Medicine
Queen Mary University of London, UK



Praveen Nair
Law
University of Warwick, UK



Choi Eunjung
Economics & Finance
The University of Hong Kong,



Aaron Ngu Fong Wei
Computer Science
University of British Columbia, CA
on International Major Entrance Scholarship



Melessa Au Hui Yan
Chemical Engineering
University of Malaya, MY



Samuel Tee Jian Yang
Mechanical Engineering
Taylor's University, MY
on Taylor's World Class Scholarship



Michelle Lau Yu Ling
Chemical Engineering
Xiamen University, MY
on Merit Scholarship



Lim Wei Sum
Penang Medical College, MY
Medicine



Eng Xin Ru
Actuarial Science
Heriot-Watt University, MY
on Merit Scholarship

Entry Into Malaysian Public Universities: A Record-breaking Year for MCKL Alumni!



*Beating Statistics: Seven of the MCKL Pre-U students who entered UM this year:
(from left) Ng Siew Yoong, Choo Jia Hsien, Nehemiah Tan Shin Yong,
Melvin Liew Zhen Da, Edwin Tan Tjin Shuen, Eunice Toh Youxuan
and Rochelle Dawn Augustin*

This year, MCKL sent an unprecedented number of its Pre-U graduates to Malaysian public universities for competitive courses such as Medicine and Engineering. STPM and Matrikulasi are no longer the only pathways into public universities; institutions like University of Malaya (UM), University of Technology, Malaysia (UTM), and University Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) are opening their doors to MCKL A Level and AUSMAT graduates as well.

This is therefore a golden opportunity for many MCKL graduates who otherwise would have had to seek these options in costlier private universities, locally or overseas. Several of MCKL's graduates have already capitalised on this opening for a number of years, and an outstanding nine of them have been offered a place in UM to read Medicine, Engineering, Physics and Economics this year.

Of these alumni, three have come forward to provide some insight into their experience in MCKL and how this new development has affected their future.

Ng Siew Yoong and Rochelle Dawn Augustin will be entering UM to read Medicine, which will span 5 years and cost around RM12k. According to them, they simply had to apply through Unit Pusat Universiti (UPU),

pass the Biomedical Admissions Test (BMAT) and make it through an interview for applicants. "I chose MCKL because of its track record and scholarships, but I still had to work real hard in order to qualify for Medicine in UM," says Rochelle.

Siew Yoong's efforts paid off, too, as she says, "It took a lot of hard work to prepare for the exams and interviews, but now that I am on the JPA Scholarship which will cover my tuition fees and living expenses, I can say that it has paid off."

Their experience illustrates a typical pathway to a public university, but it can vary

depending on the applicant's programme of choice, even within the same institution.

Eunice Toh Youxuan's application process for Mechanical Engineering in UM was more direct; she bypassed UPU's application process entirely. She has aspirations for building up the aerospace industry in Malaysia and believes that it has been made possible through MCKL and this new opportunity. As she puts it, "I chose to study A Levels in MCKL because my sister studied here previously, and because I qualified for the 100% Merit Scholarship. I didn't have a specific plan on where to study engineering after A Levels, and my family didn't have the financial pull to give me many options, but luckily for me, UM opened up its intake to graduates from private colleges, and so I was able to apply directly to UM for Mechanical Engineering, which would be for 4 years and cost a total of RM90k."

In all, more than 10 of MCKL's graduates have received offers for undergraduate degree studies in public universities this year, ranging from Medicine to Law and Economics. It is a welcome step by Malaysian public universities, as this will greatly broaden options for MCKL graduates seeking tertiary education after completing their A Level or AUSMAT studies.



Shakir Mahmud, pictured here with Rochelle, Siew Yoong and Eunice, was admitted to UTM's Engineering programme.