Overseas Summer UROPS in Marine Science

Programme Overview

As part of the Marine Science Research & Development Programme (MSRDP) Overseas Programme Award, undergraduates from the Faculty of Science will have the opportunity to undertake a marine science-related UROPS (LSM2288 or LSM3288) at an overseas host institution/organisation.

In this 8 to 10-week programme, students will be mentored by marine researchers at selected institutions/organisations. Students may apply to the various projects offered every year according to their interest. Selected students will be eligible to apply for the MSRDP Overseas Programme Award.

Location

The programme takes place overseas in various countries and cities, depending on the projects available.

Dates

Mid-May to Mid-August, for 8 to 10 weeks, depending on the project.

Credits

Students will be assessed and graded according to the assessment criteria of the Department of Biological Sciences at NUS, and obtain credits and grades for a LSM2288 or LSM3288 UROPS.

Grades from this Programme will be counted towards the first semester’s results of the following academic year.

Eligibility Criteria

NUS students must:

- Be a full-time Faculty of Science student.
- Have a clean disciplinary record.
- Not intending to graduate at the end of Semester 2.
- Not be National Servicemen who are called up for In-Camp Training (ICT). Deferment letter will not be provided.

As students will be carrying out these projects under module code LSM2288 or LSM3288, applicants must not have done past UROPS projects under these module codes.

Interested students are strongly encouraged to attend the briefing and project pitch on 27 March 2019, 2.00pm to 4.00pm at Block S2 Level 5, DBS Conference Room 1, before applying for the projects. Information about the application process will be disseminated during the briefing.

Number of Places
There are up to 10 places available for the various projects.

**Programme Cost and Financial Assistance**

Students do not need to pay NUS Special Term fees nor tuition fees to the host institution/organisation.

Selected students are eligible to apply for the [MSRDP Overseas Programme Award](#). The Award is estimated to cover return airfare and living allowance, including the cost of accommodation.

**Programme Application Procedure and Deadline**

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**Insurance**

All students travelling overseas for activities or purposes approved, endorsed, organised, sponsored or authorised by NUS will be covered by the NUS Student Travel Insurance Policy. Click [here](#) (under Insurance Cover for Official NUS Trips) for more information.

Exclusions to the NUS Student Travel Insurance may apply. Students are to ensure that they have sufficient travel insurance coverage, and may consider purchasing additional travel insurance if required.

**Contact Details**

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