



CONSULATE OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE
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Dear Friends,

This marks my third time attending this event and I thank you for the invitation to this year's Cross Cultural Internship Program (CCIP) Recognition Ceremony.

Congratulations to this year's J-1 exchange visitors on their success in being accepted to this meaningful and exceptional program. In times like these, it is so crucial that we come together to learn about and understand not just the differences that make us unique but the many similarities we share so that strong bridges are built and sustained, mutual respect, care, and concern are cherished, and our co-existence warmly embraced by us all.

This year, of the 74 students participating in the program, 14 students are from Singapore. Of the 12 partner universities, two are from Singapore; National University of Singapore and Nanyang Technological University. I am delighted and proud that two of our very own world-class institutions are part of this program. I hope more Singapore universities will participate in this meaningful initiative.

I am certain that the participants from Singapore this year will be excellent representatives of my country and along with the other participants, I wish them the very best. To the individuals and organizations recognized tonight, thank you and congratulations.

Have a wonderful evening.

Sincerely,

Eugene NG

Singapore Consul in New York