Jim Li Hui Hong  
Class of 1986  
Diploma in Electronic & Computer Engineering

A graduate of Ngee Ann Polytechnic’s Electronic & Computer Engineering course, Dr Jim Li has gone on to become a prolific inventor and holds numerous patents in the areas of advanced technology deployment to electronic products and manufacturing processes. Following a fulfilling stint in Texas Instruments as a research and development engineer, Dr Li set up the Ventura group of companies in 1992 and JSB Tech Singapore - Ventura’s marketing hub and R&D centre - in 2002.

Based in Singapore, the group of companies employs a total of over 1,000 people in Japan, China and Indonesia. These companies produce flexible flat cables for mobile phones and tablets, entertainment systems, printers, as well as precision instruments for precision engineering and aerospace industries.

Dr Li has published in various international journals and served as a resource panel member of the Singapore Government’s Economic Strategies Committee.

John Ho Chi  
Class of 1989  
Diploma in Accountancy

Mr John Ho Chi has over 20 years of experience in assurance and advisory services. In 1989, Mr Ho joined Arthur Young which later merged with Ernst & Whinney to form Ernst & Young, one of the largest “Big Four” professional accounting services firms in the world.

A graduate of Ngee Ann Polytechnic’s Accountancy course, Mr Ho started his career in audit and taxation services and moved on later to information and technology risk advisory services. As a Partner, Mr Ho is responsible for managing the information systems assurance and advisory services to key global clients in various sectors such as banking, securities, retail and manufacturing.

Mr Ho has volunteered with the Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA) for more than ten years and served in various capacities such as President of the Singapore Chapter and Chair of the Professional Standards Committee. He is currently on the International Board of ISACA. He had also served as Vice-Chairman of the National Trust Council, Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore and as a board member of the Asia Trustmark Alliance and the National Internet Advisory Committee in Singapore.

Currently a member of Ngee Ann Polytechnic’s Business & Accountancy Advisory Committee, Mr Ho provides valuable advice to strengthen the curriculum and better prepare students for the challenges ahead.
Lok Shee Mei
Class of 1993
Diploma in Biotechnology

A graduate of Ngee Ann Polytechnic’s Biotechnology course, Dr Lok Shee Mei was thrust into the limelight when she became the only Singaporean scientist to receive a National Research Foundation grant of up to US$1.5 million in 2009 to study how antibodies work against dengue virus infection. Now an Assistant Professor in the Emerging Infectious Diseases programme at Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School, Dr Lok is passionately continuing her research work on dengue.

Dr Lok is currently collaborating with researchers from the NUS Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, and the Defence Medical and Environmental Research Institute at DSO National Laboratories to develop an antibody-based cure for the disease. The team has already made a breakthrough with the discovery of a human antibody which can destroy the dengue virus within two hours. Clinical trials are expected to begin in the next 12 to 16 months.

Edwin Siew
Class of 1992
Diploma in Building Services Engineering

Mr Edwin Siew was a source of national pride when he became part of the first Singapore team to reach the summit of Mount Everest in 1998. A graduate of Ngee Ann Polytechnic’s Building Services Engineering course, he is an avid climber whose strong sense of adventure has repeatedly drawn him to the mountains of the Himalayas and beyond. Battling the bitter cold, sharp inclines and other difficult conditions, Mr Siew is a shining example of courage in the face of great physical and mental challenges.

During his 20-year career in Outward Bound Singapore (OBS), Mr Siew conducted numerous outdoor education and adventure learning programmes. He held various leadership positions and played a key role in improving training and operations in the OBS. Banking on his extensive experience in training and great passion for adventure pursuits, he set up Incredible Journeys in 2012 to provide training and consultancy services to both individual and corporate clients. He has led clients on various expeditions around the world.