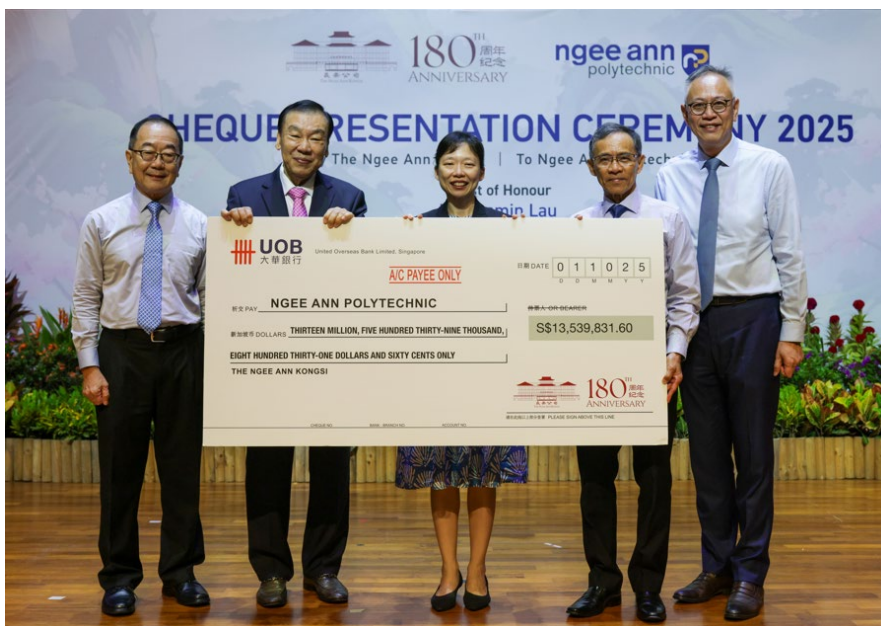


## The Ngee Ann Kongsí Gifts \$13.5 million to Ngee Ann Polytechnic

*Enduring partnership will enhance student aid and  
enrich the polytechnic's student development programmes*



*(From left) Mr Chia Mia Chiang, Chairman of Education Sub-committee, The Ngee Ann Kongsí; Mr Chia Chor Meng, President of The Ngee Ann Kongsí; Ms Jasmin Lau, Minister of State, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Digital Development and Information; Mr Willie Tan, Deputy Chairman of Ngee Ann Polytechnic Council; and Mr Lim Kok Kiang, Principal and CEO of Ngee Ann Polytechnic.*

Singapore, 02 October 2025 — Philanthropic organisation The Ngee Ann Kongsí donated \$13.5 million to Ngee Ann Polytechnic (NP) yesterday, in the presence of Ms Jasmin Lau, Minister of State for Education, and Digital Development and Information. The donation from The Ngee Ann Kongsí will be used for supporting bursaries, scholarships, student aid grants, NP's education fund, as well as its operations.

The contribution will also bolster NP's suite of student development initiatives, including the institution's flagship Global Entrepreneurial Internship Programme (GEIP) and Overseas Merit Fellowship (OMF).

Launched in 2016, the GEIP was the first programme of its kind for polytechnic students to immerse in vibrant start-up ecosystems across Southeast Asia. Over six months, participants gain hands-on experience in start-ups, receive mentorship from seasoned entrepreneurs, and take part in learning journeys and pitch challenges. To date, more than 850 NP students have benefitted from the GEIP, thanks to The Ngee Ann Kongsí's generous donation which supports part of the programme costs.

One of the beneficiaries of GEIP is recent Business Studies graduate Teoh Yi Wen, who was also awarded the Ngee Ann Kongsi Gold Medal this year. She shared: "Through GEIP, I experienced firsthand the challenges and rewards of working in the dynamic Vietnamese environment. I learnt to navigate cultural differences and adapt quickly, and gained new perspectives on global business operations. My time in Ho Chi Minh City has spurred me to pursue entrepreneurship in the environment-tech start-up space, where I hope to create innovative, sustainable solutions that can make a real difference in the world."

Inspired by stories like Yi Wen's, there is growing interest for global exposure among students. To cater to this, NP will create opportunities for more than 3,000 students to gain overseas learning experiences this academic year, up from 2,000 last year. Additionally, over 200 students are set to participate in overseas internships, including the GEIP.

"We are deeply grateful for the continued generosity of The Ngee Ann Kongsi. This significant donation allows us to provide more of our students with invaluable opportunities to gain global perspectives and develop into confident, well-rounded individuals. The funds will go a long way in supporting programmes that are crucial for nurturing a generation of leaders ready to make meaningful impact in today's interconnected and rapidly evolving landscape," said Mr Lim Kok Kiang, Principal & CEO of Ngee Ann Polytechnic.

"Advancing education has always been at the heart of The Ngee Ann Kongsi's mission. As the founder of Ngee Ann Polytechnic, we are proud to continue supporting the school and to have nurtured generations of students through the decades. Our latest contribution further strengthens this enduring partnership in empowering students through scholarships, bursaries, and various student development initiatives. Through this contribution, we aim to create opportunities for students to reach their full potential and, in turn, give back to society", said Mr Chia Chor Meng, President of The Ngee Ann Kongsi.

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**About Ngee Ann Polytechnic**

Ngee Ann Polytechnic started in 1963 and is today one of Singapore's leading institutions of higher learning with over 13,000 enrolled students in close to 40 disciplines. It seeks to develop students with a passion for

learning, values for life, and competencies to thrive in a global workplace. The polytechnic also supports Continuing Education and Training (CET) through its CET Academy, which offers a wide range of part-time programmes and short courses. It works closely with industry partners to curate programmes for emerging skills, develop talent pipeline for the industries and help adult learners stay agile in today's rapidly changing global economy.

For more information, please visit [www.np.edu.sg](http://www.np.edu.sg)

### **About The Ngee Ann Kongsi**

The Ngee Ann Kongsi is a non-profit Teochew philanthropic organisation focused on educational, cultural, and charitable activities in Singapore, while placing a deep emphasis on preserving the Teochew heritage. The organisation is an active advocate in education which funds scholarships for high-performing students and study awards to disadvantaged students. It was founded in or about 1845 by Mr Seah Eu Chin and a group of Teochew merchants to provide welfare services for the Teochew immigrants and was formally incorporated under the Ngee Ann Kongsi (Incorporation) Ordinance in 1933.