Getting to know you



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Our Warmest Welcome to all Freshmen! COURSE BRIEFING FOR LANDSCAPE DESIGN & HORTICULTURE

APR 2024

Hello and Welcome to LDH!



Introduction

Dr Akasta Sinaga

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meet your Lecturers





Ms Seahmala

Muniandy



Mr Saiful Anuar Mohd Said



Mr Gregory Chow Ms Chris Chia

Mr Soh Eng Lam





Dr Akasta Sinaga



Overview of Course Briefing About the course - objectives and

structure

- How You Will Learn Learning @NP
- Student Code of Conduct + Attendance
- Safety & Emergency
- Q&A

meet your Class Advisors

Every student is assigned an Advisor who will journey with you for the next 3 years

Your Advisor will guide you as part of Education & Career Guidance (ECG) in NP

Main point of contact for you should you need help, information or advice.

Mr Saiful Anuar Mohd Said

Ms Surinam Sumsudin

Class: 1G01

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- Contact: 6460 8926

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Class: 1G02

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o Email:

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Level 1

- 2 classes
- Each class mapped to either sub-level 1.1 or 1.2
- And will take a set of prescribed modules
- Class will swap sublevel in Semester 2

Note: Namelist as at 3 Apr 2024

1G01

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1G02

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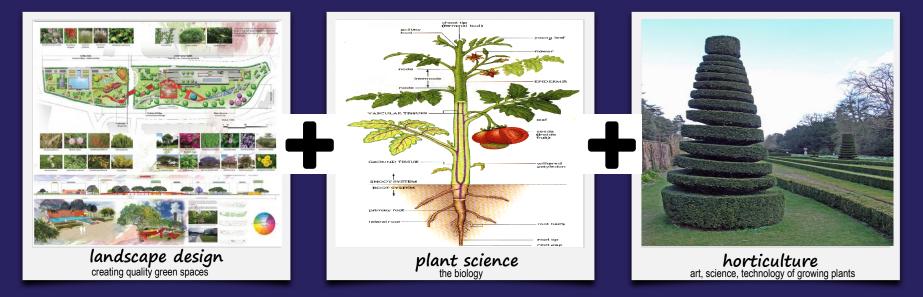
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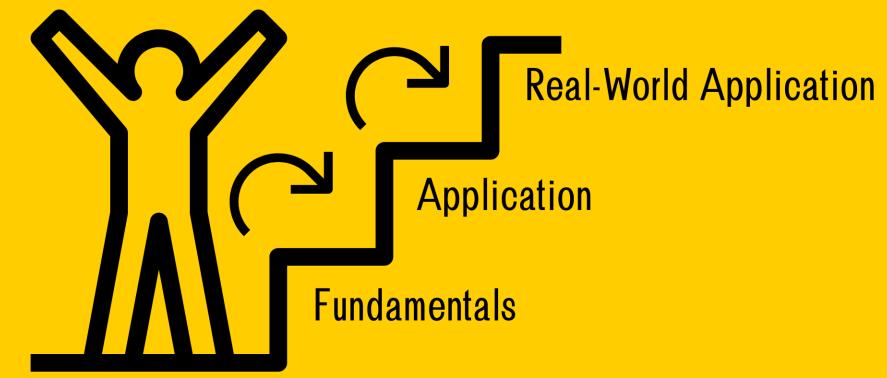
mixed disciplines

h y b r i d One and ONLY course at the tertiary level in Singapore



Stepped Progression of your learning in NP





NP's Signature Pedagogy: Service-Learning

Apply what you learn in the classroom to meaningful community projects that address real needs

- Gain a deeper appreciation of your course of study and hone your critical thinking skills
- Experience personal growth and be inspired to make the world a better place!



Other pedagogies or way of learning in LDH to train you for the professions in the landscape industry



Project-Based Learning

Actively learn and integrate knowledge & skills, investigate and respond to complex real-world problems over an extended period of time

Field Based Learning

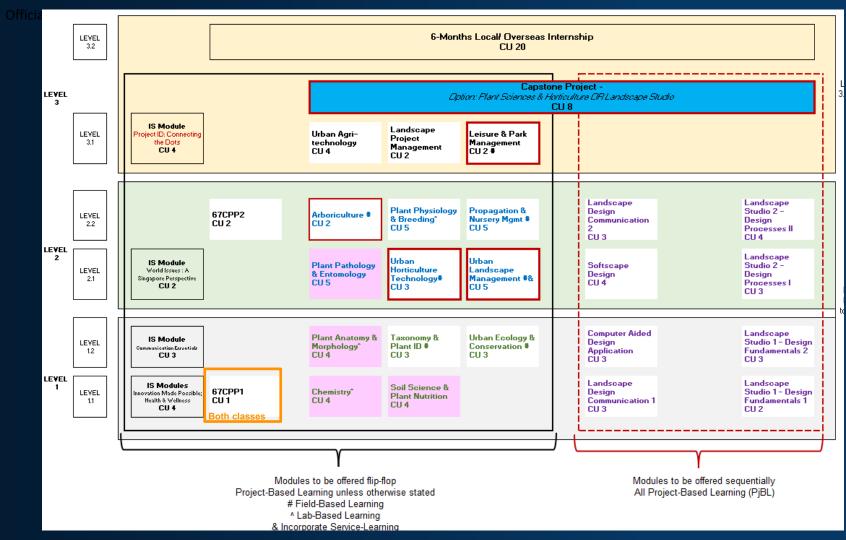
Extends walls of classroom, direct interaction with an environment in which concepts taught are applied or used

Lab Based Learning

Design & conduct experiments, manage project, analyse and interpreting data, communicate findings and conclusions with the laboratory as the central focus

Flipped Learning

Online, Self-paced in preparation for deeper learning engagement when lessons are faceto-face



<u> Curriculum Structure</u>

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Career & Further Studies opportunities

Career

Horticulturist Horticulture Product Specialist Park Officer Turfgrass Specialist Urban Farmer Nursery Supervisor Landscaper Landscape Designer Landscape Project Executive Lab Technologist Research Officer

Studies

Local universities BLA in NUS

Australia Uni of Queensland, Western Australia, Melbourne, Tasmania

New Zealand

UK

US



Carissa Kwa Landscape Design & Horticulture graduate, Class of 2016

Carissa is an assistant project manager and certified arborist at Mao Sheng Quanji Construction Pte Ltd.



Siti Zaleha Abdullah Landscape Design & Horticulture graduate, Class of 2016

Zaleha is a flora specialist in Camphora Pte Ltd.



Tan Jing Xiang Horticulture & Landscape Management^{*} graduate, Class of 2010

Jing Xiang was awarded a CapitaLand scholarship to pursue a Masters in Architecture. He recently received the SG Eco Fund grant to start a food waste recycling programme at his farm in Bukit Timah

*Renamed the Diploma in Landscape Design & Horticulture



Emelia Quek Landscape Design & Horticulture graduate, Class of 2022

Emelia is currently pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Environmental Earth Systems Science at NTU



Kevin Ang

Landscape Design & Horticulture graduate, Class of 2018

Kevin is pursuing a degree in Landscape Architecture at NUS

Learning @NP



Academic Calendar

Essential Learning Tools

Grading & Assessments

IT matters

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Academic Calendar

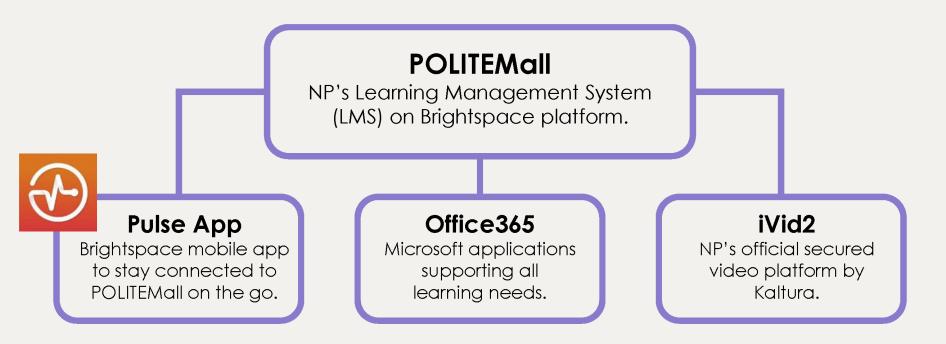
Academic Calendar

- 15 teaching weeks
- 1 week common test week
- 2 weeks Study & Exam week
- 2 weeks term break
- End of semester long vacation

April 2024 Semester 1	
Teaching Weeks	15 Apr 2024 to 9 Jun 2024
Break	10 Jun 2024 to 23 Jun 2024
Teaching Weeks	24 Jun 2024 to 11 Aug 2024
Study & Examination Weeks	12 Aug 2024 to 25 Aug 2024
Vacation	26 Aug 2024 to 13 Oct 2024

Essential Learning Tools

NP's Essential Tools for Learning Online



Note: Lecturers may at times use other tools available online to support their teaching style.

Key Applications

NP Website

- <u>http://www.np.edu.sg</u>

NPal Student

https://npalstudent.np.edu.sg

mStudent

- Mobile version of NPal Student. Scan the QR to install
- Remember to enable Notification for the mStudent app so that you don't miss out on important alerts from NP.





How Do I Login?

What is my User ID?

- Derive your User ID from your student number.
- If your student number is 12345678A,

Your User ID would be \$12345678 (prefix with "S" and drop the check digit at the end of your student number, eg. "A")

What's my NP Email Address?

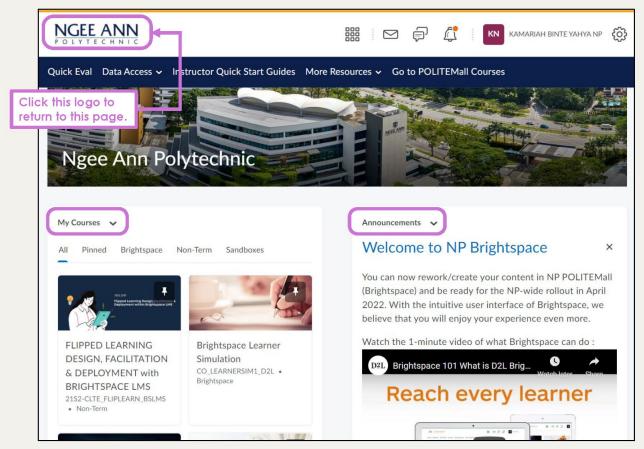
- The format of your email address is {User ID}@connect.np.edu.sg
- Example: \$12345678@connect.np.edu.sg

Oops, I forgot my Password

- if you have registered your Personal Email in NPal for password recovery purposes, you may Reset your password <u>HERE</u>.
- If not, please email <u>Dora.ITCare@np.edu.sg</u> for assistance

Official Open

POLITEMall - NP Courses



Upon clicking on "NP Courses" in POLITEMall Main Page, you will arrive at NP Courses Page.

Here, you can find widgets for "**Announcements**" and the courses you are enrolled in under "**My Courses**".

At any point you want to return to this page, click on **NP logo** on the top lefthand corner.

How to Access Your NP Email

It is essential that you know how to access your NP email as **important messages are sent to you via NP email**.

3 ways to access your email:

- i. Direct web link: https://outlook.office365.com
- ii. Microsoft Portal: <u>https://portal.office.com</u> Here you can access your NP email and other Microsoft apps off the Office365 Cloud
- iii. Install the Microsoft <u>Outlook or Office apps</u> locally into your computer. Go to https://portal.office.com and click [INSTALL OFFICE]. Launch Outlook after installing and login.

Get ready your NP Email address and Password for access.

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IT Helpdesk

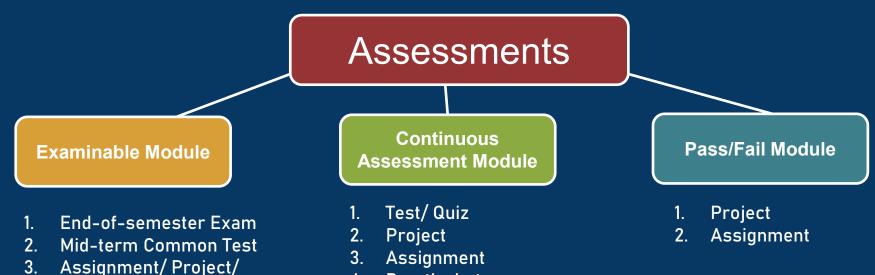
• Email : <u>Dora.ITCare@np.edu.sg</u>

•Operating hours: Mon – Fri: 8.30am to 6pm

Closed on Public Holidays



Grading & Assessments



4. Practical etc

- You will be informed of the types of assessment by your module leader.
- Work must be submitted on time. ZERO TOLERANCE on late submission.
- Individual + Group work

Practical etc

How GPA (Grade Point Average) Works

Grades	Description	Grade Point	Criteria	
AD	Distinction	4.0	Top 5%	
A+	Excellent	4.0	> 85%	
А			80 - 84%	
B+	Very Good	3.5	75 - 79%	
В		3.0	70 - 74%	
C+	Good	2.5	65 - 69%	
С		2.0	60 - 64%	
D+	Pass	1.5	55 - 59%	
D		1.0	50 - 54%	
F	Fail	-	0 - 49%	
PX	Pass	-	Pass for modules graded as "Pass or Fail"	

How GPA (Grade Point Average) Works

Current GPA =

- GPA = Grade Point Average
- Used to measure academic standing
- Calculated based on graded modules taken in the semester
- Current GPA vs.
 Cumulative GPA

Sum of (Credit Units x Grade Points)

Total credit units for graded modules in the current semester

Timetable

Looking Forward: Preparing for Your First Class

- Check your timetable on **mStudent App** or **NPal Student Portal**
- Look out for your **Tutorial/Practical Group** (e.g. T01)
- You will see the following in your timetable:
 - Course Code (i.e. HORTICUL)
 - Module Code (e.g. 67SOIL)
 - Class Section (e.g. T01)
 - Location (e.g. LT 51A)
 - Lecturer's Name

Student Set Timetable

Student Set LDH1G01

Term April Semester 2023

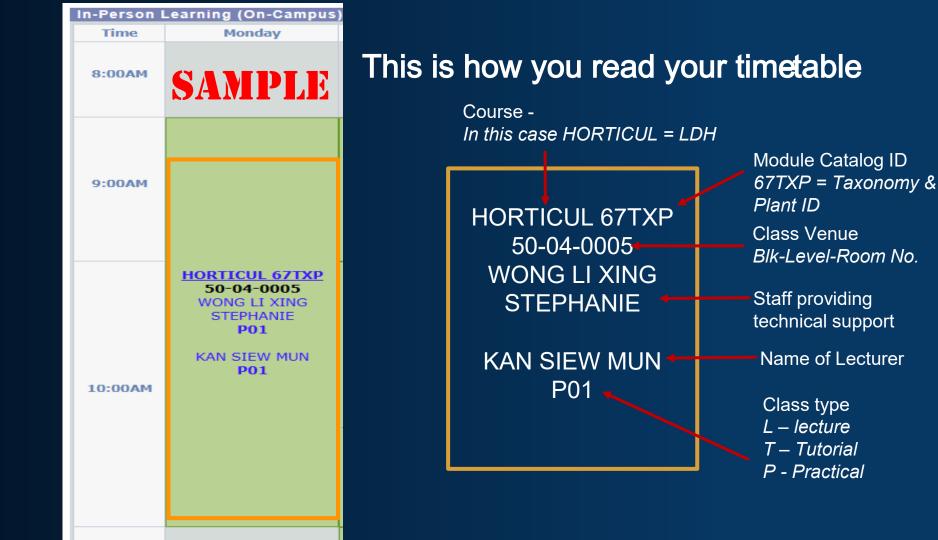
Note: Dates where displayed indicate the first and last sessions of the class in that yenu

Onli	Online Asynchronous Learning (Self-Paced)					
	Module	Required hours per week	Lecturer	Class		
1	HORTICUL 2PAM	2	SEAHMALA D/O MUNIANDY	L01		
2	HORTICUL 67CHEM	2	SINAGA AKASTA	L01		

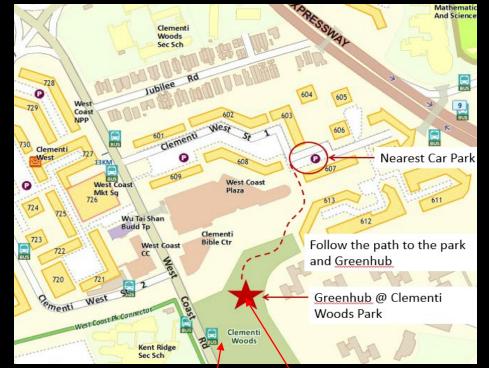
In-Person Learning (On-Campus)						
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	aturday
8:00AM						
9:00AM		HORTICUL 67CHEM 83-07-0004 SINAGA AKASTA P01 ODD weeks				
10:00AM	HORTICUL 67CADIM 82-04-0001 CHIA WAN YE CHRIS P01	ODD weeks		HORTICUL 2PAM 82-04-0005 SEAHMALA D/O MUNIANDY P01		
11:00AM		HORTICUL 67CPP1 82-04-0001 CHIA WAN YE	<u>PP1</u>			
12:00PM		CHRIS T01 EVEN weeks			IS modules Check TT from 10 Apr onwards	
1:00PM				HORTICUL 67LSDF 82-04-0001	1	
2:00PM				SOH ENG LAM P01		
3:00PM				HORTICUL 4PCH1 72-04-0009 CHIA WAN YE CHRIS P01		
4:00PM						
E-000M						

Self-directed, independent learner with good time management skills

Schedule for In-Person learning in NP campus



DIRECTIONS TO GREENHUB @ CLEMENTI WOODS PARK



By vehicle

- If you are driving on AYE (West-bound),
- j) Exit 10A and join Clementi Ave 2
- ii) In about 100m, turn left into West Coast Road
- iii) In about 200m, turn left into the Car Park at Clementi West Street 1
- If you are driving from Clementi Road,

Alight near the Bus Stop (ID: 17039)

- j) Turn into West Coast Road
- ii) In about 1km, turn right into the Car Park at Clementi West Street 1

The parking charges of the ERP Car Park at Clementi West Street 1 is calculated on a per-minute basis (60 cents per half an hour).

By Bus

Greenhub is serviced by the following bus routes;

- 30, 51, 143, 175, 201, 533 & 655(Bus Stop ID: 17039)
- 30, 51, 143, 175, 201 & 655 (Bus Stop ID: 17031)

By Taxi

Learning Out of Campus in real world setting







Timetable official release on 12 Apr 2024 Login to mStudent (download the app) or NPal to check timetable

Full online lectures Note: Year 1 Lectures are F2F for <u>first 2 weeks</u>

Your lecturers will provide a more detailed lesson plan

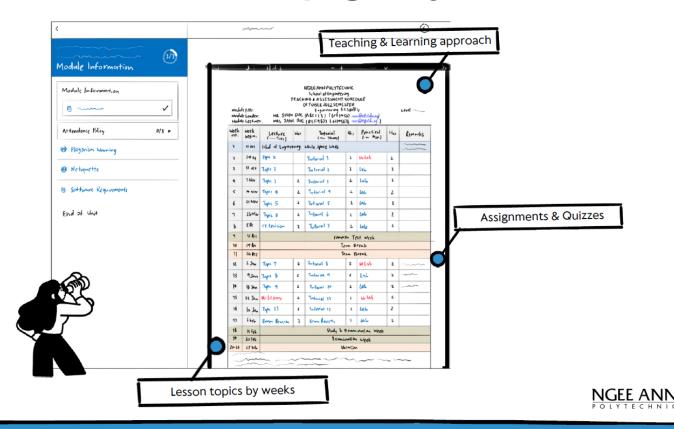
Module	Lecturer	Date	Time	Venue
2PAM	Seahmala	17 Apr	9am – 10am	71-02-0016
Plant anatomy & morphology		24 Apr		
67CHEM	Akasta	17 Apr	10am – 12pm	71-02-0016
Chemistry		24 Apr		
67TXP	Surinam	17 Apr	2pm – 3pm	71-02-0016
Taxonomy & plant identification		24 Apr		
67SOIL	Seahmala	17 Apr	3pm – 4pm	71-02-0016
Soil science and Plant Nutrition		24 Apr		
67UEC	Saiful	17 Apr	4pm – 5pm	71-02-0016
Urban ecology & conservation		24 Apr		

Where do I get the detailed schedule of lesson topics?





Refer to module information page in your module



Attendance



7 Attendance policy

Punctuality policy

Grade Cap policy

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Attendance is a key factor in your academic progress. Regular attendance correlates with better results.

- Must meet minimum 70% overall attendance for lectures, tutorials & practicals
- Only **valid reasons** are accepted for absence from class
- Submit reasons with supporting proofs within two (2) working days
- 1st warning given when attendance falls to 80%
- 2nd and final warning when attendance falls to 73%
- Grade cap kicks in automatically when attendance rate falls below 70%

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PUNCTUALITY POLICY

No grace period for attendance-taking in classes

Late without valid reasons will be marked "Absent"

- Being punctual shows respect for others and maximises lesson time for all.
- **Be self-responsible** in attending classes regularly and punctually.
- Cultivate good habits that will serve you well in life.

GRADE CAP POLICY - 4 THINGS TO KNOW

Attendance required	Minimum 70% overall attendance
Grade Cap	 If you pass the module and do not meet the minimum attendance requirement, your module grade will be <u>capped at the passing grade</u>: "D" grade for examinable and continuous assessment modules "PX" or "Pass" grade for modules graded Pass/ Pass with Merit/ Fail
Reasons for absence	Only valid reasons are accepted. Submit them within two (2) working days.
Notifications on lo attendance	 Max 2 warnings will be sent to you and your parents/guardians: 1st warning when attendance rate falls to 80% 2nd and <u>final</u> notification when attendance rate falls to 73% Grade cap kicks in automatically when attendance rate < 70%

Submit medical certificates or other supporting documents for missing class in NPal. You can use the mStudent app to access as well.



Refer to steps here:

https://www2.np.edu.sg/cc/NPalStudent/Documents/NPal2_Steps_to_submit_MC_otherdocs.pdf

Steps to submit MC/ other leave application

- Do note that students will still be required to submit the original hard copy MC/ other document to schools within 48 hours for certain situations such as exam/test/other assessment.
- Please read the instructions below carefully.

Step		Instruction	
1.	Access the Npal Student Self Service @ Log in using your NP Student ID and pas		
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4.		of leave, e.g. you have a MC for that day. 1 is applicable for adult CET students only)	

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	O Level Exam MC #: Other						
	Participate School/Nati Event Date Issued: Work Related						
	Clinic/Hospital Tel No:						
5.	Complete all the required information						
	Start and End Date						
	MC/ Document number						
	Date issued (i.e. date that the doc. was issued)						
	Clinic/Hospital Tel, number						
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Some reminders for your first weeks...

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- Check out the Catalyst website
 - Freshmen Onboarding Site



Find out more about all the student life opportunities at NP

*Catalyst can also be accessed via the mStudent app and Student Portal



Download the mStudent App

- Timetable, exam schedules and more... Find it on the Apple App or Google Play Stores



- Look out for CCA Fiesta 2024
 - CCA Fair at Atrium
- Sign up for a CCA in NP
- Check Catalyst for more info closer to the date



Student Development Office

Bridging courses for Freshmen

- Short workshop for basic biology and chemistry on Friday 12 Apr 2024
 - 9-11 AM: Biology
 - 1-3 PM: Chemistry
- Only for those with no O-level Chemistry and/or Biology background

Check your Freshmen Orientation 2024 website for the links



Wear proper attire for Laboratory, Greenhouse, Shadehouse and practical work outdoors including field trips/ Your lecturers will brief you on the attire required.

YOU are not ALONE





Support Structure

Counsellors, Para-counsellors

- Everyone goes through ups and downs
- You can make an appointment to speak with a counsellor from the NP Student & Alumni Services (SAS) at 6460 6777
- Or chat with a School-based Paracounsellor.
- Your first point of contact when you need help is your class advisor.
- Or you can always contact the course chair or any lecturers that you are comfortable with.



The LDH family welcomes you and we wish you a fruitful journey with us! Be Well!



