PROFILES AND QUOTES OF SELECTED NIS SCHOLARS

1. Teo Wei Lin Denise, Female, Singaporean, 19, Chinese Barclays Capital, SMU-CMU Fast Track Programme

"Having a passion for infocomm and web designing, I developed and now maintain an inventory database system and a corporate website for my book store business. This made me realise the major role IT plays in the success of a business and the vast amount of flexibility it provides. I believe that such exposure will be beneficial to my career in infocomm, where business practices must be understood thoroughly in order to come up with appropriate and effective infocomm solutions."

2. Sangar s/o Annadorai, Male, Singaporean, 22, Indian BT Frontline, NTU – Computer Science

"I was involved in various activities during my tertiary education. For example, I was the President of the eGarage Student Club, a committee member of the NP-SCS Student Chapter, a Microsoft Student Champion, the Director of Special Projects for SgDotNet.Student SIG and the President of the Photography & Videography Club, just to name a few. I hope to set up my own infocomm company to provide consultancy and research for cutting-edge technology."

3. Hibatun Nasir Bin Numawar, Male, Singaporean, 23, Malay UOB, SMU-CMU

"I have a great interest in the area of infocomm technology and often read up on the latest technologies, learning new applications and programming languages since I got my first computer in Primary 3. I was faced with objections from my parents and friends when I applied for the Science in Information Systems Management course in SMU. The course is completely new and they were not confident about its prospects. But I made the effort to apply leave from my NS duties to attend the school's talks to find out as much as I can. The course may be new but it has strong endorsement and support from the industry. I am glad that I held on to my decision and I have been enjoying my studies at SMU."

4. Lee Jian Sheng, Male, Singaporean, 25, Chinese StarHub, NUS-Computing

"My parents are low income earners. I have not been getting any allowance after I was enlisted into the army. I understand the importance of education in Singapore. I was working part time in StarHub as a customer care consultant and studying full time at Ngee Ann Polytechnic. I look forward to the NIS and a job in infocomm to subsequently help me improve my life."