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Why study Pharmacy? And how has the journey been thus far?

I wanted to serve in the healthcare sector and I have an affinity for the sciences. Pharmacy is a great blend of both, with unlimited career opportunities in the future.

My journey so far has been extremely eventful and enjoyable. I am thankful for the amazing friends and teachers that I have met these last 2 years, who share the same passion for Pharmacy as I do. The programme is well-structured and integrated, which aids in my understanding of the clinical concepts as well as the expectations of me, as a future pharmacist.

What interests you most in your studies?

What interests me the most is the clinical aspect of Pharmacy. I enjoy learning about the various pharmacological and non-pharmacological treatments available and understanding how these treatments should be applied in different cases. I also like how whatever I learn in school can be directly applied into my daily life! For instance, ever since I started school, my family and friends have bombarded me with drug enquiries, which encourages me to study hard in school so that I can graduate with knowledge to help not only my patients but also those close to me.

Apart from academic lessons, what other programmes did you participate in? And how did the experience(s) benefit you in your (a) personal growth and development, and (b) academic pursuits?

I participated in various volunteering projects, such as the Community Health Angels Mentoring Programme, that allows students to visit a client regularly for a year and help them to achieve their health goals. Programmes like this allows me to apply the knowledge I have learned from school, as well as develop soft skills like communication and teamwork which can only be acquired through practice.

I was privileged to participate in a 12-day NUS Health and Humanity STEER (Study Trip for Engagement and Enrichment) to Yunnan. Comprising of 17 students from Pharmacy, Medicine, Social Work, Nursing and Business, we visited various parts of Yunnan, including Kunming City, Xishuangbanna and Lijiang, to learn more about how changes in employment, environment and regional development affect policies and the professionals in the healthcare sector, as well as how different or similar the healthcare beliefs and systems are as compared to Singapore. This once-in-a-lifetime trip has broadened my horizons and taught me valuable lessons outside the classroom setting. The interaction with the locals has provided me with greater insights into the different struggles that people worldwide face and it has also definitely changed my perspective on health treatments. I hope to apply this learning as I continue my studies in Pharmacy, as well as beyond when I enter the workforce in future.



At Skills Lab with A/P Doreen Tan and TBL mates

* TBL = Team-Based Learning



Getting to know a Dai village doctor to learn more about his work