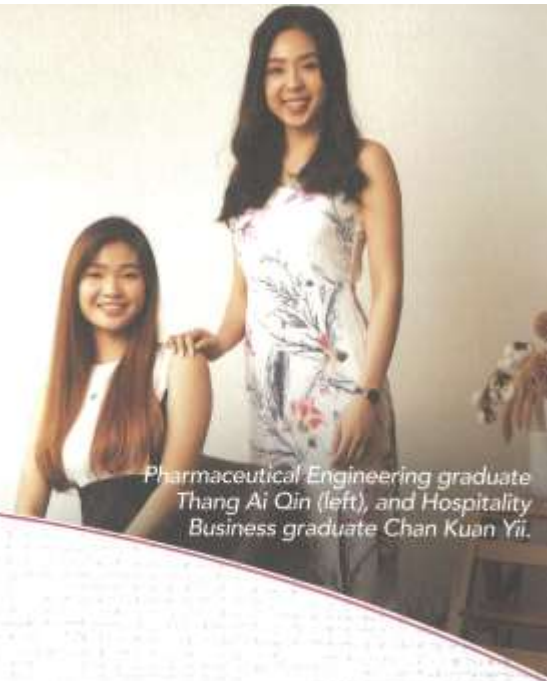


Dear Tan Chin Tuan Foundation,



Pharmaceutical Engineering graduate Thang Ai Qin (left), and Hospitality Business graduate Chan Kuan Yi.

My name is Kuan Yi, a 2017 **Tan Sri (Dr) Tan Chin Tuan Scholarship** recipient, and I would like to convey my heartfelt appreciation for your amazing support. Because of your generosity, I was able to embark on an eight-month Overseas Integrated Work Study Programme in Taiwan. On my own in a foreign land, my cultural awareness expanded as I adapted to a new work culture and navigated unfamiliar local customs. I became more independent, and my understanding of my field broadened in ways I couldn't have experienced back home. As someone who used to work in sales, events, and as a part-time financial advisor to support myself, the Scholarship really allowed me to focus less on working part-time and juggling finances, and to focus more on precious educational experiences like these.

Today, I'm working at OTA Insight, a cloud-based data intelligence platform supporting the hospitality industry, doing Business Development in the Asia Pacific market, and I appreciate every moment of the work I'm doing. The scholarship helped me to concentrate on what was important – education – and allowed me to complete my educational journey from ITE to SIT, to arrive at where I am today. Thank you for believing in me; one day I hope to be able to give to others as you have given to me.

Yours sincerely,
Chan Kuan Yi
B (Hons) Hospitality Business
Class of 2019

Hello I am Ai Qin, and I became a **Tan Sri (Dr) Tan Chin Tuan Scholar** in 2018. I would like to say thank you. I was not at the top of the class in school, so I never imagined myself getting a scholarship. The day I received this scholarship on stage with my family watching was one of my happiest moments in SIT!

The Scholarship boosted my confidence and helped me to succeed in new environments. During the two internships with multinational pharmaceutical companies that I took up at SIT, I learnt to excel in a work setting, broadening my skills to include basic coding and data visualisation. I also met a caring mentor who taught me to communicate better, to lead, and to see things from a wider perspective. Today, I am an Industrial Postgraduate Program Trainee at The Lubrizol Corporation and am pursuing my PhD. My work involves researching new ways to improve battery performance and safety.

I started my SIT journey feeling a bit lost. I used to think getting good grades was everything, but now I feel the most important thing is social and communication skills. Encountering new people and experiences taught me different things and perspectives. Your support paved a smoother road to these encounters. Thank you so much once again!

Best wishes always,
Thang Ai Qin
BEng (Hons) Pharmaceutical Engineering
Class of 2020

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