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Education

Sep 2023 –
Sep 2024

London School of Economics and Political Science, MSc Public Policy and Administration

Overall grade: Distinction

- Scored distinction for dissertation on ascertaining the extent of AI use by the UK government.

Sep 2020 –
Jul 2023

London School of Economics and Political Science, BSc Social and Public Policy with Politics

Overall grade: First Class Honours

- Highest and 2nd highest score in cohort for first and second-year social research modules respectively.
- Scored within top 5% of cohort for dissertation on the effectiveness of Singapore's pro-natalist policies.

Professional

Aug 2024 –
Aug 2025

Singapore Economic Development Board, Associate

- Ranked in the top 10% of a ~50-person cohort for shaping national strategy and value propositions across the intelligence value chain, with a focus on semiconductor startups, data centres, and AI industry adoption.
- Engaged >100 overseas executives primarily in emerging and strategic tech sectors (e.g. semiconductors, AI, deep tech), to position Singapore as a hub for expansion - administering incentives for high-potential projects.
- Co-hosted industry events (>50 attendees each) with companies like BCG and NVIDIA to connect AI startups with large enterprises, facilitating demand-matching and ecosystem growth.

Jan 2019 –
Jul 2024

Kopi, Founder & Director

- Reached >700,000 people monthly (Sep 23) by founding a media outlet that explains current affairs through short-form videos, image carousels, and other youth-centric and easily-digestible mediums.
- Grew revenue by 107% (2022-2023) by developing branded content for clients like the National Youth Council, and ensured sustainability by drawing investments from TheSmartLocal, a leading lifestyle brand.
- Expanded viewership by >1.7 million views (2023) by diversifying to new platforms like TikTok.
- Produced >300 posts about subjects ranging from AI to Singaporean politics by leading, mentoring, and providing editorial advice on ideation and writing to >15 writers and interns.

Jun 2022 –
Aug 2022

Ministry of Trade & Industry (Singapore), ASEAN Division Intern

- Spearheaded the unification of trade-related knowledge from >6 different sites through the proposal of a one-stop depository of FTA knowledge, decreasing information asymmetries for firms looking to expand abroad.
- Created >10 outreach assets educating SMEs about underused FTA provisions that aid in cost-reduction.

Oct 2018 –
Aug 2020

Singapore Armed Forces, Full-Time National Serviceman

- Recognised for initiative and effective management of the finance and transport requirements of ~250 soldiers in a signals unit through the Best Soldier, Best Trooper, and the Commanding Officer awards.
- Completed 11-week foundation course for logistician commanders and leaders.

Leadership & Volunteering Experiences

Jul 2023 –
Aug 2024

LSE SU 180 Degrees Consulting, Senior Consultant & Human Resources Director

- Co-evaluated ~120 student consultant candidates by restructuring the society's recruitment process, creating interview structures, questions, rubrics, and model answers.
- Conceptualised development plan for >200 aspiring consultants, which includes workshops and case preps.

Sep 2021 –
Aug 2024

LSE Student Wellbeing Service, Peer Supporter

- Counselling >20 students on relationship, cultural, familial, and academic issues, and executed >5 wellbeing events such as hikes and dinner pop-ups, coordinating with relevant LSE agencies.

Skills & Interests

Skills: English (native), Tamil (proficient), familiarity with Excel, Stata, R, ArcGIS, Illustrator, Photoshop, Final Cut Pro.

Interests: Comedy (started a satire publication at LSE), hiking (Hike Leader & Secretary at Outdoors Society), basketball.