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Overview

The NUS ASEAN Internship Experience Vietnam, a collaboration between Global Ready Talent under Talent JDI and the National University of Singapore (NUS), offers students an unforgettable two-week internship journey at top companies across Vietnam.

Running from 8 to 22 December 2025, the program opened doors for NUS students to tackle real projects and learn side-by-side with industry experts, shaping their career path and offering insider insights into today's cross-cultural work setting.



Participant Profile

63 NUS students from diverse academic backgrounds:



Arts & Social Sciences



Liberal Arts



Business



Medicine



Design & Engineering



Nursing Studies



Law



School of Computing



Program Activities Summary



01 | Pre-Departure Preparation

- **Innovation Workshop:** An industry-led masterclass that equips students with practical innovation frameworks for real-world problem-solving.
- **Vietnam Essentials Briefing:** A comprehensive overview of culture, safety, and programme expectations to ensure students are well-prepared for the journey.

02 | Arrival & Orientation

- **Airport Pickup:** A warm on-ground welcome upon arrival in Vietnam.
- **Program Onboarding & Local Orientation:** Hands-on guidance to help students settle in quickly and start their journey with confidence.

03 | Internship At Host Companies

- Work on **team-based projects** addressing **real business challenges** from host companies
- Apply **innovation frameworks** in real workplace settings
- Receive **ongoing mentorship and feedback** throughout the internship
- **Final presentations** of findings and recommendations on the final day
- **Structured reflection** to consolidate learning and personal growth

04 | Cultural & Professional Exchange

- **Networking event** with experts and industry leaders
- **Cultural** outdoor adventures and immersive local **activities**
- **Peer bonding activities** and travel around Vietnam



01

PRE-DEPARTURE PREPARATION

Pre-Departure Preparation

Structured Preparation For A High-Impact Internship

Before the journey began, GRT set the bar with "The Innovator's Playbook", an industry-led masterclass equipping students with proven innovation frameworks, structured problem-solving tools, and the mindset to tackle real host-company challenges with confidence.

Students learned how to ideate, validate their business assumptions, build the business model, and translate insights into compelling pitches, so they could step into an intensive two-week innovation sprint ready to deliver impact.

Alongside this, the "Vietnam Essentials Briefing" ensured students arrived informed and confident, with cultural, safety, and program expectations clearly aligned, creating a shared foundation for high-performance from Day One.



Our Industry Experts



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Head of Global Ready Talent (GRT)



Mr. Hussein Sulaiman

Investment Principal



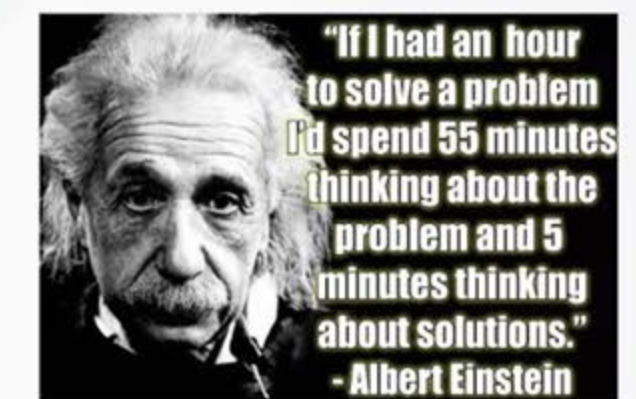
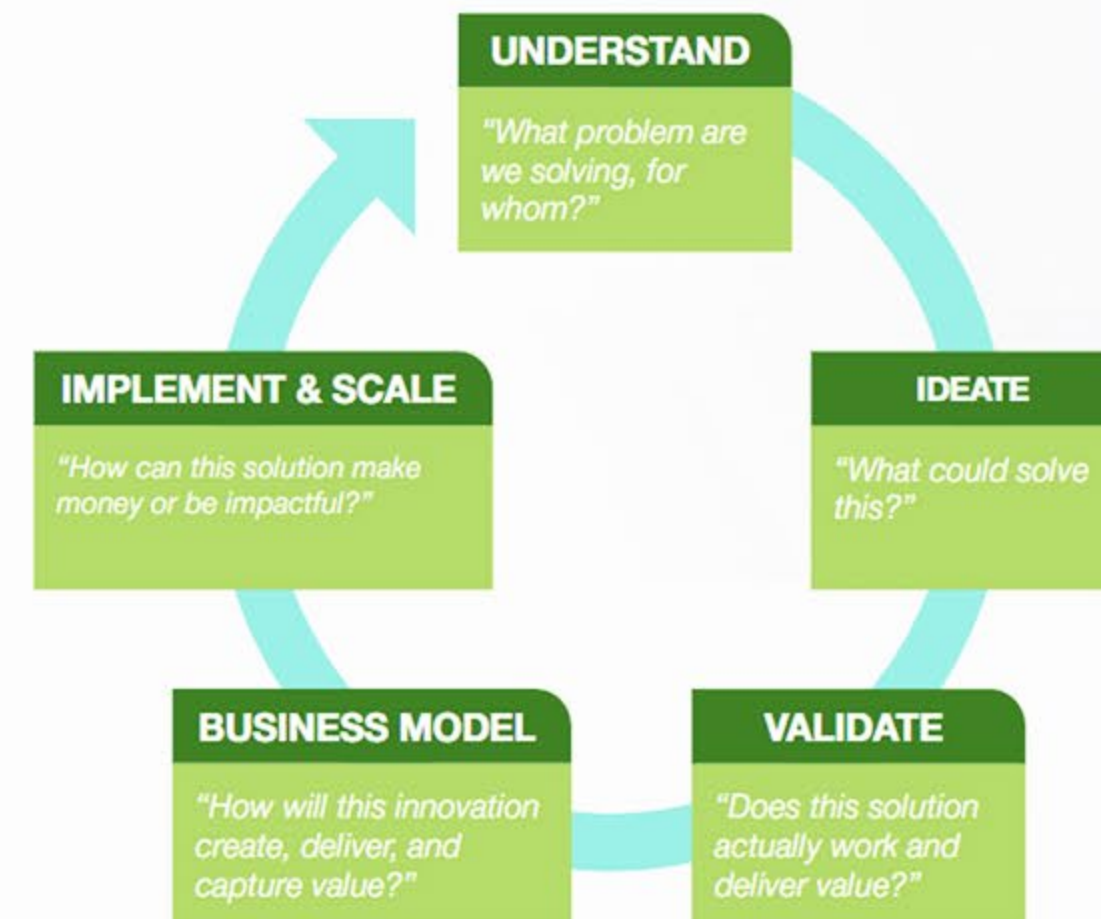
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Talent JDI Innovation Journey

WHAT IS INNOVATION

It isn't a linear process - it's a learning loop



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ARRIVAL & ORIENTATION

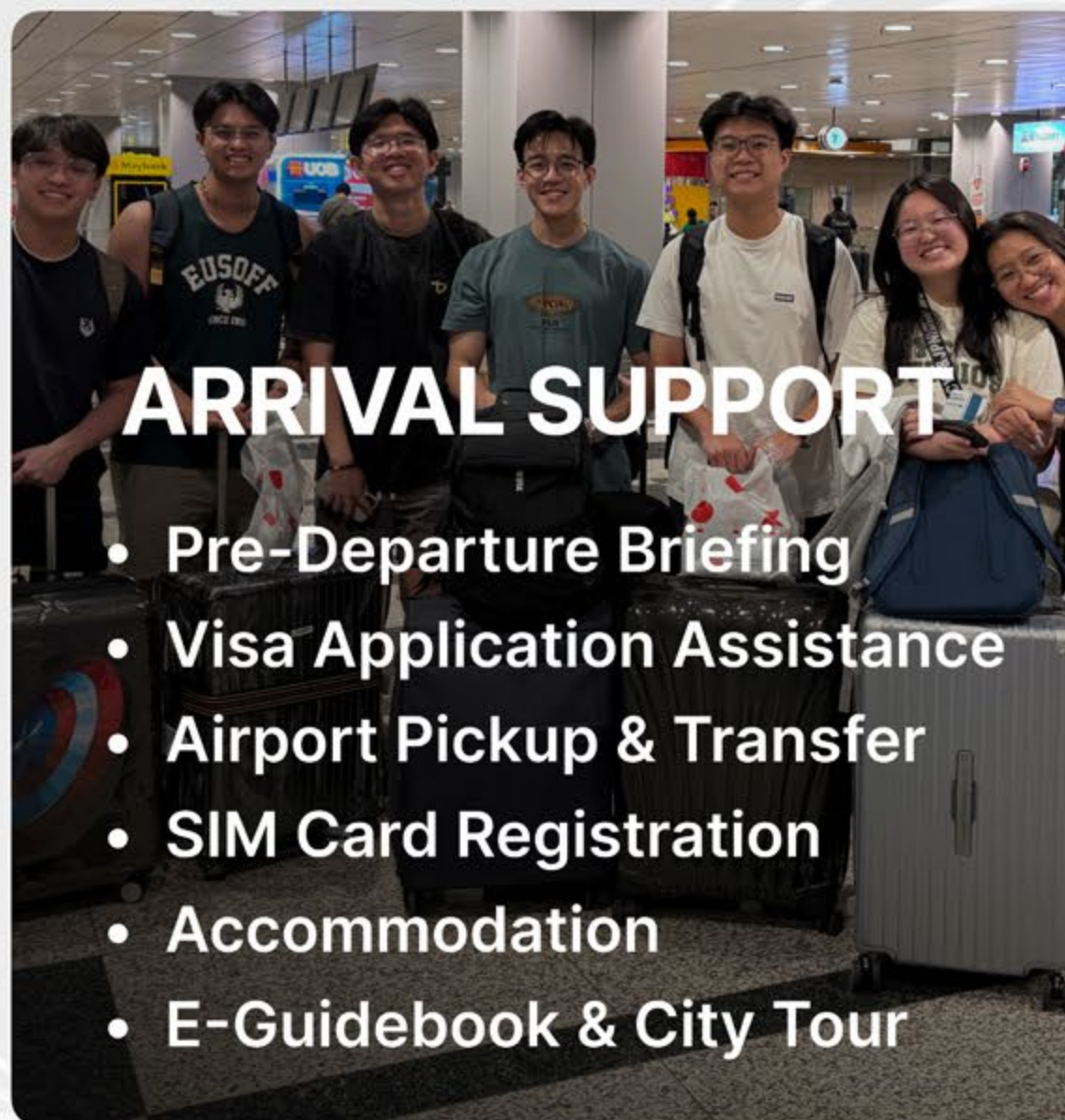


Arrival & Orientation

Welcome To Vietnam

As soon as 63 NUS students arrived at Tan Son Nhat Airport, they were warmly welcomed with professional and enthusiastic support from Talent JDI's Global Ready Talent team.

Excitement and lively conversations quickly filled the air, setting the stage for an unforgettable and transformative journey ahead.



03

INTERNSHIP AT HOST COMPANIES



Internship At Host Companies

Meet Our Host Companies



Business Consulting and Services



E-commerce



Investment



Hospitality



Technology



Staffing & Recruiting



Manufacturing



Internship At Host Companies

Warm Greetings



From onboarding sessions to lively office tours and friendly meet-and-greets, NUS students kicked off their learning journey Vietnam style — surrounded by support, encouragement, and an atmosphere that sparked real excitement for what came next.





Internship At Host Companies

Company Projects



The internship journey pushed students far beyond classroom theory and straight into real business challenges, turning learning into action through hands-on projects and real responsibilities.

Working side by side with local teams and guided by experienced mentors, they took on meaningful projects that sharpened their skills, strengthened their professional mindset, and boosted their confidence in a big way.



04

CULTURAL &
PROFESSIONAL
EXCHANGE

Cultural & Professional Exchange

Networking Event



After an action-packed week, 63 NUS students from different host companies gathered for a cozy and insightful networking event.

Through playful ice-breaking games like Human Bingo and fun treats, students were encouraged to engage in peer-to-peer sharing—reflecting on their internship experiences from the first week.

The gathering was further enriched by insights from **Mr. Frank Lee, Founder of JDI**, and **Mr. Bala, Chief of Staff**, who shared real-world perspectives on entrepreneurship, professional growth, and navigating the ASEAN business landscape.

A simple yet meaningful session for students to bond, learn from one another, and explore ideas far beyond their usual circles.





Cultural & Professional Exchange

Cultural Outdoor Adventures

Amazing HCM: The Trail To A Hidden Vietnam

Challenge 1

Independence Palace
Photo Hunt



Challenge 3

Vietnamese Traditional
Games At Tao Dan Park



Challenge 2

Post Office Code Mission



Facilitated by Global Ready Talent team, 63 NUS students, together with our local buddies, were divided into six teams and took part in a fast-paced cultural adventure: **Amazing HCM**.

With their Bingo challenge sheets in hand, students stepped outside their comfort zones to race through iconic Vietnamese landmarks, solving puzzles, and take on fun missions - traditional games like hopscotch-style and group skipping.

From discovering cultural symbols to dashing through historic sites, every moment brought Vietnam to life in an unforgettable way. Laughter, adrenaline, and shared victories filled the day, leaving students with deeper friendships and stories they'll be telling long after the journey.

Cultural & Professional Exchange

Hang Out Together



Beyond the office and activities coordinated by the GRT team, students also went out on their own and explored the city with their Vietnamese friends and peers, immersing themselves in authentic cultural and social experiences.

Through shared conversations, local cuisine, and meaningful cultural exchanges, they strengthened cross-cultural understanding, built lasting friendships, and memorable moments in Vietnam.





Cultural & Professional Exchange

Travel Around Vietnam



During the weekends, students also made the most of their time in Vietnam by heading out to explore beautiful destinations like Mekong Delta, Da Lat, and Mui Ne, soaking in stunning landscapes, local culture, and the lively atmosphere around them.

Each trip brought new perspectives, unforgettable moments, and stories that they'll look back on and treasure for years to come.



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INTERNSHIP PROGRAM REFLECTIONS

Internship Program Reflections

Hear From **Our Students**



Gopinath Ravi

Industrial Systems Engineering at National University of Singapore

“The internship made my December holiday truly memorable. I would highly recommend this program and would sign up again without hesitation if I weren’t already in my final year.”



Valerie Wong

Business Administration at National University of Singapore

“Through this internship, I developed my interpersonal & problem-solving skills. After experiencing VN firsthand, I realized how large the market is & the many opportunities it offers.”



Jefferson

Business Analytics at National University of Singapore

“This internship was a valuable experience that broadened our understanding of how businesses operate across different markets and cultures.”



Janna Wong

Business Administration at National University of Singapore

“The program left a strong impression on me and sparked a genuine interest in returning to Vietnam in the future.”



Xavier Teo

Engineering at National University of Singapore

“This experience strengthened my ability to apply academic concepts to real-world problems in a growing startup context.”



Niveditha Anoop

Business Administration at National University of Singapore

“The experience offered a meaningful exposure to real-world problem solving, structured thinking & collaboration in a fast-paced environment.”



About Global Ready Talent (GRT)

Global Ready Talent, a division of Talent JDI, serves as a dedicated platform for fostering collaborations between Singaporean schools and Vietnamese corporations and institutions. Our primary goal is to facilitate internship opportunities and cultural exchanges.

With a steadfast vision to nurture and develop talents, Global Ready Talent is committed to creating programs that provide students with genuine overseas work experiences in a professional environment, aiming to broaden their perspectives and expand their career options.

Our Team



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What We Helped The Students With



Internship Placement



Airport Pick-Up



In-country Support



VISA Assistance and Application in Vietnam



Local SIM Card Registration



Accommodation Finding & Support



Cultural Immersion



Industry Mentorship & Strategic Networking

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