



# are you asia ready?

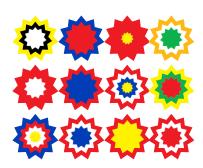
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# what is the aep?

The Asia-Ready Exposure Programme (AEP) is a youth development programme by the National Youth Council (NYC) that empowers youth to be Asia-ready by providing opportunities for meaningful exposure to ASEAN member states, China and India (ACI), and strengthening their competencies in building friendships and networks within the region.

Specifically, the AEP aims to:

- Increase youth awareness and understanding of the social, cultural and political dimensions of ACI cities.
- Increase awareness of the economic growth trajectories and opportunities in ACI markets.
- Broaden personal growth opportunities and youth ACI networks.

The AEPs are typically organised by the Institutes of Higher Learning (IHLs), Youth Sector Organisations (YSOs) and Corporates.



### programme phases

There are 3 mandatory phases that AEP participants will have to go through. You must be able to commit to the full duration and complete all phases of the programme.



#### preparation

Complete e-learning modules that are recognised by NYC to learn more about the language and culture of ASEAN member states, China and India.



aep project

Complete a project curated by NYC and/or its partners. This allows you to gain an awareness of Asia's growing economy, discover personal growth opportunities and broaden your friendship networks.



Attend facilitated debrief session(s) to reflect on and share about the AEP experience with your peers.



## types of aep projects

AEP supports various forms of projects such as:

- Immersion Trips
- Project internship/attachment to an organization.
- Content-based projects related to a problem statement.
- Thematic events (e.g. webinars, dialogues, cultural performances, sports competitions).





### desired outcomes

At the end of the AEP, you will achieve the following outcomes:

#### cultural awareness

Greater awareness of the differences between cultures. Greater interest and awareness of ACI countries.



#### global perspectives

Understand issues affecting other countries, and the opportunities and challenges that these countries have.





## AEP funding eligibility



Interested in the programme? Great! Do check that you fulfill the following criteria in order to be eligible for the AEP\*:

- Be a Singapore Citizen / Singapore Permanent Resident (PR) aged 15 to 35 years old, who is either currently studying in an Institute of Higher Learning (IHL) or has graduated from an IHL for not more than 3 years;
- Has not been funded under the AEP before\*\*; and
- Fulfil any other criteria that are specific to the AEP project.

\*Youths who are not eligible for AEP funding may still take part in an AEP at the discretion of the organisers.

\*\*Exceptions will be made for select group of youth who will benefit from additional support.



### how to apply

Check out the opportunities below and follow the application instructions as indicated for the AEP project(s) you are interested in.

Project applications will typically close at least 2 weeks before the stated start date or earlier if the project is oversubscribed. Applications for oversubscribed projects may reopen again if additional placements are offered.

Feel free to contact us at <u>AEP\_enquiries@nyc.gov.sg</u> if you have any questions.





### project opportunities

Interested in taking up an AEP project? Read on to find out about the opportunities available!



### Skilio Industry Immersion Programme 2023 (Vietnam)

**Skilio Industry Immersion Programme 2023 (Vietnam)** is an 8-day hybrid programme filled with local exchange with Vietnamese students, HQ visits to Vietnamese industry partners, and a chance to curate a ground-up solution to tackle issues faced by local communities in both Singapore and Vietnam.

#### What's the timeline and expected commitment?

1) 4D3N local immersion @ HCM City, Vietnam: July or December 2023 (refer to the form for specific trip dates)

2) Pitch prep and delivery for assigned problem statement (held virtually in Singapore)

#### I am interested? How to apply?

Fill out this <u>form</u> to indicate interest at least 6 weeks before your earliest desired immersion trip date (you will be contacted at least 4 weeks before your confirmed trip date)

For additional clarifications, do reach out to Zhi Hui (@hozhihui) or Felix (@felixtanjs97) via Telegram





### AEP Manila 2023

Join us on a journey to Manila! From 30 July to 3 August, the immersion trip aims to enrich your understanding of Manila's business opportunities, cultural learnings, and political understandings through visiting businesses, organizations, and cultural sites.

Sign up by 12 July 2023 here and be a part of the immersion to Manila!

