Scholarship set up in memory of terror attack victim makes first award

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A year after National University of Singapore (NUS) Faculty of Law (FoL) alumna Ms Lo Hwei Yen died in the 2008 Mumbai terror attacks, the FoL and her employer, Stephenson Harwood (Singapore), established the Lo Hwei Yen Memorial Scholarship to recognise outstanding law students. The inaugural Scholarship has been awarded to Seow Tzi Yang (pictured), a Fourth Year law student who overcame financial difficulties to excel in his studies and represent NUS on the international stage.

According to Professor Tan Cheng Han, Dean of the Faculty of Law, "The Scholarship seeks to create an educational opportunity that will nurture the potential of a promising individual to be the outstanding alumna that Hwei Yen was." Hwei Yen was known as an exceptional lawyer who created a lasting impression on those around her.

“Our family hopes that this memorial Scholarship will help a worthy student experience a similarly fulfilling education in NUS and embrace life as fully as Hwei Yen did,” said Ms Lo Hwei Shan, Hwei Yen’s sister, at the launch of the Scholarship last year.

Enrolled in the highly selective NUS-NYU dual degree programme, Tzi Yang is an ideal candidate for the Scholarship. He is the top student of his class and has represented NUS at the Phillip C Jessup International Law Moot Competition, winning the Richard R Baxter Prize for best legal memorial in the world. He is also a published writer on the Singapore Law Review.

The promising student has worked hard to get to where he is today, having taken on part-time jobs ranging from private tuition to furniture transportation to finance his education in Singapore and in New York. Tzi Yang says, “This Scholarship has been invaluable to me and my family for more than monetary reasons. It has been invaluable because all of my experiences in my law schools would have been nothing but dreams had my sponsors not reached out to make them happen. Because they never asked for anything in return, all I can offer is my most humble gratitude, and a promise to live up to the faith they have shown in me. Their kindness has inspired, and will continue to inspire me to carry on this tradition of turning the dreams of young students into reality.”

If you would like to make a gift, please contact Ms Ho Yuen Kwan at (+65) 6516 5755 or email dvo@nus.edu.sg

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