

Message from the Dean

Despite being Dean of NUS Law for more than a decade, the easing of the pandemic has made many events feel fresh and new, since it's the first time we've done them in person for more than two years.

I write this note shortly after one of our most lively prize-giving ceremonies. It is a lovely occasion, at which we recognise some of our best students, thank donors for their support, and provide ample opportunities for proud parents to take photographs. That event is just one example of how life has returned to the Bukit Timah Campus, with in-person classes (masks optional) and student events starting to resemble pre-pandemic times.

And yet, we emerge from the pandemic transformed. We have learned to use technology in different ways. Though I hope that most of our classes will remain "live", we will doubtless continue to "Zoom in" visitors from around the world as and when needed. More generally, we are introducing a new Law & Technology module for all students, which will address not just the regulation of new technologies, such as artificial intelligence (the "law of technology"), but also how those tools are changing legal practice (the "technology of law").

We have also become more conscious of the importance of health, but not just physical health. Awareness of the mental health implications of the pandemic is something that I hope will stay with us, with greater sensitivity to the need for outreach and support, and less stigma associated with asking for help.

For myself, the opportunity to see NUS Law through at least the worst of the pandemic is a blessing of my fourth term as Dean, as is reforming our curriculum to prepare our students for the changing profession. That said, I am delighted that Andrew Simester will be taking over as the fifteenth Dean of NUS Law in January. Andrew is one of the leading scholars of criminal law and theory in the world and an outstanding educator. Over the decade and a half he has been at NUS, he has also shown a deep commitment to mentoring junior colleagues. All of these qualities make me confident that NUS Law is in good hands.

This edition of Law Matters touches on all these topics, with features on an alumnus who was an early mover in the technology space, an alumna whose grit and determination offers lessons for us all, and an introduction to three of our newest colleagues. Enjoy!



*Professor Simon Chesterman
Dean, NUS Law*

Alumni Features



Steve Tan '98: The Digital Age Tech Man

In an age where everything digital matters, Steve Tan '98 had shown foresight in leading the charge into this new terrain. Professor David Tan has a chat with Steve about his work, what keeps him up at night and what he does for fun.

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Goh Chui Ling '16: A lawyer with an outstanding track record

A bemedalled national track and field athlete who is on a record-breaking streak, as well as a doctoral researcher in sports law and governance, Ms Goh Chui Ling '16 tells us about her journey in sports and law, and what drives her to persevere and excel at both.

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The Sheridan Fellowship : A Bridge to Academia

The Sheridan Fellowship Programme aims to develop talented young lawyers into academics fit for tenure track positions within NUS Law. We quizzed three of our newest additions to the Programme to find out the inside scoop on life as a Sheridan Fellow.

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Faculty Highlights



Professor Andrew Simester Appointed as New Dean of NUS Law

A world-leading researcher in criminal law, Prof Simester has been Dean-designate of NUS Law since 1 September 2022, and will take over as Dean of NUS Law in January 2023.

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Simon Chesterman appointed as David Marshall Professor of Law

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Alumni Events



Restarting Reunions!

With the lifting of restrictions on group size and other Covid regulations, our alumni have been raring to meet and celebrate at their milestone class reunions. Featuring:

- Matriculation Class of 1972 Celebrates 50 Years
- Class of 1980 Reunion
- Upcoming Reunions

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Join our webinar on **Tuesday, 4 October 2022 at 8:30pm**, to learn more about our Graduate Programmes. Our directors will give you an overview of the programme structure, scholarship opportunities and application procedures.

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