



PRESS RELEASE

NUS medical school names new Professorship after distinguished diplomat

Singapore, 7 October 2021 - The NUS Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine today announced the establishment of a new professorship.

Named after Professor Kishore Mahbubani, veteran diplomat, one of Singapore's most celebrated global thinker from the NUS and prolific writer, the professorship aims to recognise leaders in Medicine and public health policy as well as catalyse the formation of partnerships with experts from various disciplines to address healthcare challenges of the day.

In a three-decade long diplomatic career, Professor Mahbubani has served two tours of duty as Singapore's Ambassador to the United Nations (UN), been the President of the UN Security Council as well as undertaken postings to Cambodia, Malaysia, Washington DC, and New York. The author of 8 books was also Permanent Secretary of Singapore's Foreign Ministry (1993-1998).

In 2004, he launched his second career in academia as the Founding Dean of the NUS Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy. Prof Mahbubani is a Distinguished Fellow of the NUS Asia Research Institute and through his writings, attempts to explain the Asian perspective to Western intellectuals, while advocating for the strengthening of multilateral institutions, including the World Health Organization. He is also the Chairman of the NUS Medicine International Council (NIC).

"We hope the professorship will help to nurture a new generation of healthcare professionals who think creatively and are able to approach challenges and problems from various perspectives," said the Dean of NUS Medicine, Prof Chong Yap Seng.

About the National University of Singapore (NUS)

The National University of Singapore (NUS) is Singapore's flagship university, which offers a global approach to education, research and entrepreneurship, with a focus on Asian perspectives and expertise. We have 17 faculties across three campuses in Singapore, with more than 40,000 students from 100 countries enriching our vibrant and diverse campus community. We have also established our NUS Overseas Colleges programme in more than 15 cities around the world.

Our multidisciplinary and real-world approach to education, research and entrepreneurship enables us to work closely with industry, governments and academia to address crucial and complex issues relevant to Asia and the world. Researchers in our faculties, 30 university-level research institutes, research centres of excellence and corporate labs focus on themes that include energy; environmental and urban sustainability; treatment and prevention of diseases; active ageing; advanced materials; risk management and resilience of financial systems; Asian studies; and Smart Nation capabilities such as artificial intelligence, data science, operations research and cybersecurity.

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About the NUS Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine (NUS Medicine)

The NUS Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine is Singapore's first and largest medical school. Our enduring mission centres on nurturing highly competent, values-driven and inspired healthcare professionals to transform the practice of medicine and improve health around the world.

Through a dynamic and future-oriented five-year curriculum that is inter-disciplinary and inter-professional in nature, our students undergo a holistic learning experience that exposes them to multiple facets of healthcare and prepares them to become visionary leaders and compassionate doctors and nurses of tomorrow. Since the School's founding in 1905, more than 12,000 graduates have passed through our doors.

In our pursuit of health for all, our strategic research programmes focus on innovative, cutting-edge biomedical research with collaborators around the world to deliver high impact solutions to benefit human lives.

The School is the oldest institution of higher learning in the National University of Singapore and a founding institutional member of the National University Health System. It is Asia's leading medical school and ranks among the best in the world (Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2022 by subject and the Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings by Subject 2021).

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