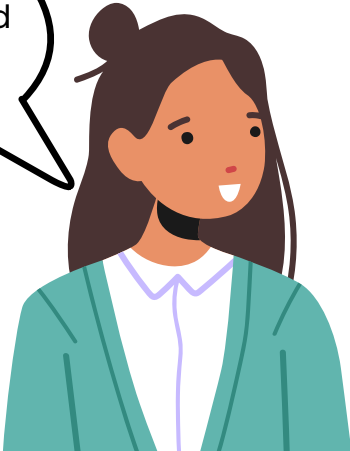


THE EXPLORER




Education and Career Guidance
e-Newsletter for Students (Pre-University Edition)

Dear Students,



Have you decided what you would like to do in the future?



Not really. I am still thinking about it.

Unsure what you would like to do in the future? Want to discover what motivates and inspires you? In this issue of The Explorer, we will share some tips and ideas on how you can broaden your career possibilities so that you will be more prepared for your next step in your education and career journey!

What's trending in this issue?



Industry Watch: Infocomm Technology and Social & Personal Services



Broadening Career Possibilities



Broadening the Definition of Success

Industry Watch

In the last issue, we looked at three sectors featured in the ECG Fair at WorldSkills ASEAN 2023 - Transportation & Logistics, Manufacturing & Engineering Technology, and Creative Arts & Fashion.

In this issue, we will take a closer look at Infocomm Technology and Social & Personal Services.



Infocomm Technology



Are you familiar with brands such as Google, Facebook, Grab and Lazada? Singapore is home to many global Information & Communications Technology (ICT) firms and these are just some of them!

Ranked as the world's most digitally-connected country, Singapore offers world-class infrastructure, talent, and a vibrant ecosystem of partners for ICT firms.

Singapore is constantly working with leading companies to develop cutting-edge technologies and solutions to support our Smart Nation vision, as well as regional and global markets.

Social & Personal Services

Curious to know more about this sector which focuses on creating positive experiences and promoting customer well-being?

The Social & Personal Services Sector is a collection of various businesses that offer consumers intangible products or services that are useful to customers, clients, and the general public. These services may include customer service, design, education, maintenance and repairs, healthcare, or positive experiences that provide emotional value and enhance customer well-being.

Sources of Information: <https://www.edb.gov.sg> | <https://sg.indeed.com> / <https://www.mom.gov.sg>



Type #ExploreECGPreU in the search bar to access all ECG SLS resources!



Explore Further!



Explore the sectors above in this SLS resource, 'My Careers Exploration'

The Futurist Series

Missed our ECG Fair@WorldSkills ASEAN 2023 held on July 24 and 25? Don't worry, you can catch some of the recorded talks by the industry professionals featured below.

Data Terminator / Infocomm Technology

Do you know that your data remains online forever if you do not take steps to destroy it?

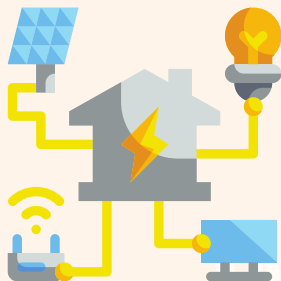


Singapore Fashion Council / Creative Arts & Fashion

Interested to find out more about the fashion ecosystem for a more in-depth understanding of the fashion industry?

Chemistry SG / Creative Arts & Fashion

Do you know what new skills and mindsets designers should adopt as they navigate towards sustainable designs?



PacificLight Power Pte Ltd / Manufacturing & Engineering Technology

Have you ever thought about the jobs that make sure Singapore's lights are always on?

Ng Teng Fong / Social & Personal Services

What are some dispositions and qualities that a healthcare worker should have? What is a day in a life of a healthcare worker like?



C.H Robinson / Transportation & Logistics

Do you know that freight-forwarding professionals deal with external pressures and make important decisions on a daily basis?

[Click here to watch the videos!](#)



Higher-Ed & Career Exploration Strategies

Feeling uncertain about your future? Overwhelmed by the numerous opportunities and pathways? Unsure who you should talk to in order to figure out your aspirations?



Help is close at hand! Seek out these resources and learn what to do!

Click on the hyperlinks to access the resources!



Teacher

You can use the '**Career Wheel**' found on SLS to guide your decision-making. Become more self-aware as you consider:

- Internal factors (e.g. your interests, skills & strengths)
- External factors (e.g. your school/work experiences)

Once you have completed this, discuss your findings with me!



Make an appointment with me and together, we can explore a challenge that interests you. Let your chosen challenge guide your career exploration and higher education plans. For example, if you're passionate about the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI), you can do some research to find out more about the organisations working on this challenge, the people involved, their tasks and required qualifications. Reflect on your work values, interests, personality, skills, and strengths to identify potential education and career options. You can use the resource '**Exploring My Life Purpose**' to learn from three individuals about how their lived experiences have shaped their life purposes.



ECG
Counsellor



Family/
Seniors

Curious to learn more about my education and career journey? I'll be happy to share more about my university life, my job, and the essential skills it requires. You may also want to consider connecting with professionals from different industries to gain a better understanding of their job roles. Check out the tips provided by the SLS resource on **Information Interviews**! It might give you some ideas on how you can ask more insightful questions. You can also take a step further and sign up for internships as they are a great way to gain industry experience.

Broadening Definitions of Success

There is no fixed definition of success. You are unique individuals with your own strengths, interests, and purpose. Stay open-minded, explore possibilities, and understand that there are pathways to purposeful work for everyone.



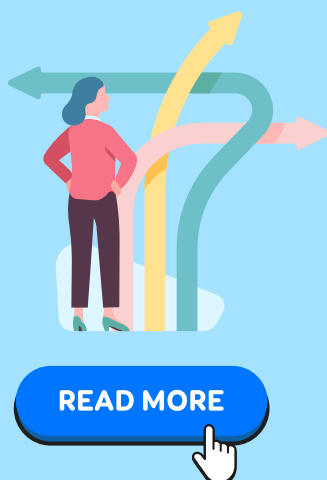
Let's watch four students engage in a conversation with Education Minister Chan Chun Sing and learn how different individuals define success at various points in time.

Read these inspiring stories and follow the education and career journeys of two students who found success in their own ways.



What if my best is average?

Struggling to find his place in school, writer Lim Jun Kang was not certain where his education journey would take him. But permission from his parents to take the time he needs to walk before he runs led to a breakthrough moment of clarity. He shares what success now looks like to him, someone who was once 'an average student'.



After JC, she takes the polytechnic route to nurture her healthcare dreams.

Adilah Binte Affandi was unsure of herself and her career goals when she was a JC student. But the moment she joined the nursing programme at Ngee Ann Polytechnic, it was like a switch had been flipped. Here, she talks about the ups and downs of her education journey and how she found the path that's right for her, albeit a longer route.

What is your definition of success?

