The best of both worlds

Tan Shun Fa, 24, has a well-rounded education by striking a balance between work and play

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What's school life like?
Although extracurricular activities are not mandatory, I decided to join the Student Management Committee (SMC) to hone my leadership skills and increase my competency in interpersonal communication. The SMC takes care of the well-being of the student body.

How have you benefitted from being in the SMC?
Taking on the role as vice-president has taught me managerial skills as it involves a lot of communication, interaction and exchanging of ideas between leaders and students. Planning events has also helped improve my analytical and critical thinking skills when dealing with challenging situations. All these skills will better prepare me for the workforce.

What educational opportunities are there for students?
I am currently in Munich for my Overseas Immersion Programme. During my three-month stay, I will be working alongside PhD and Master students to complete my bachelor thesis. This short stay will provide me with the opportunity to work with people of different nationalities.

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