

OPEN DAY

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 10am - 4pm

 No 340 Jalan Macalister
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DISTED Students Shine at Jabil Bootcamp



DISTED College celebrates the outstanding success of our Diploma in Computer Science students at the Jabil Early Career Program (ECP) Bootcamp 2.0. Competing with top institutions nationwide, our students secured First Runner-Up after excelling in hands-on workshops, AI and SAP activities, and a real-world case study challenge. Themed Absorb, Create, Evolve (ACE), the bootcamp highlighted innovation, problem-solving, and career readiness. Their achievement reflects the quality of a DISTED education and our commitment to preparing students for the future of work.

Week's Best Titles

- ☐ DISTED Team Wins First Runner-Up at Jabil ECP Bootcamp 2.0
- ☐ Phor Tay Private High School Students Explore Future Pathways at DISTED
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- ☐ Strengthening Financial Operations with a Passion for Precision: Welcoming Tan Hooi Kin to DISTED College



Remarks from the President

Learning Journey

DISTED Community,

I am currently travelling in Japan, reconnecting with old friends and visiting educational institutions. Every journey I embark on always amazes me – there is always something new to learn, and we must always be open to new views. This trip reminds me of the importance of our network of contacts. Nothing beats shaking hands with old or new friends, and I'm once again reminded of the strong value system ingrained in Japanese culture.

I begin with values. In Japan, the culture of care and respect is instilled and reinforced over time. The consistency in their approach and commitment to continuous improvement is evident. It can be seen in the teaching approach to young children in kindergartens and schools. In colleges, there is acceptance and respect for creativity, and a celebration of new entrepreneurs. We strive to uphold this ideal by supporting our students and caring for the environment, aiming for excellence in our achievements and outreach, and working collaboratively to strengthen the bond between our students and the broader DISTED community.

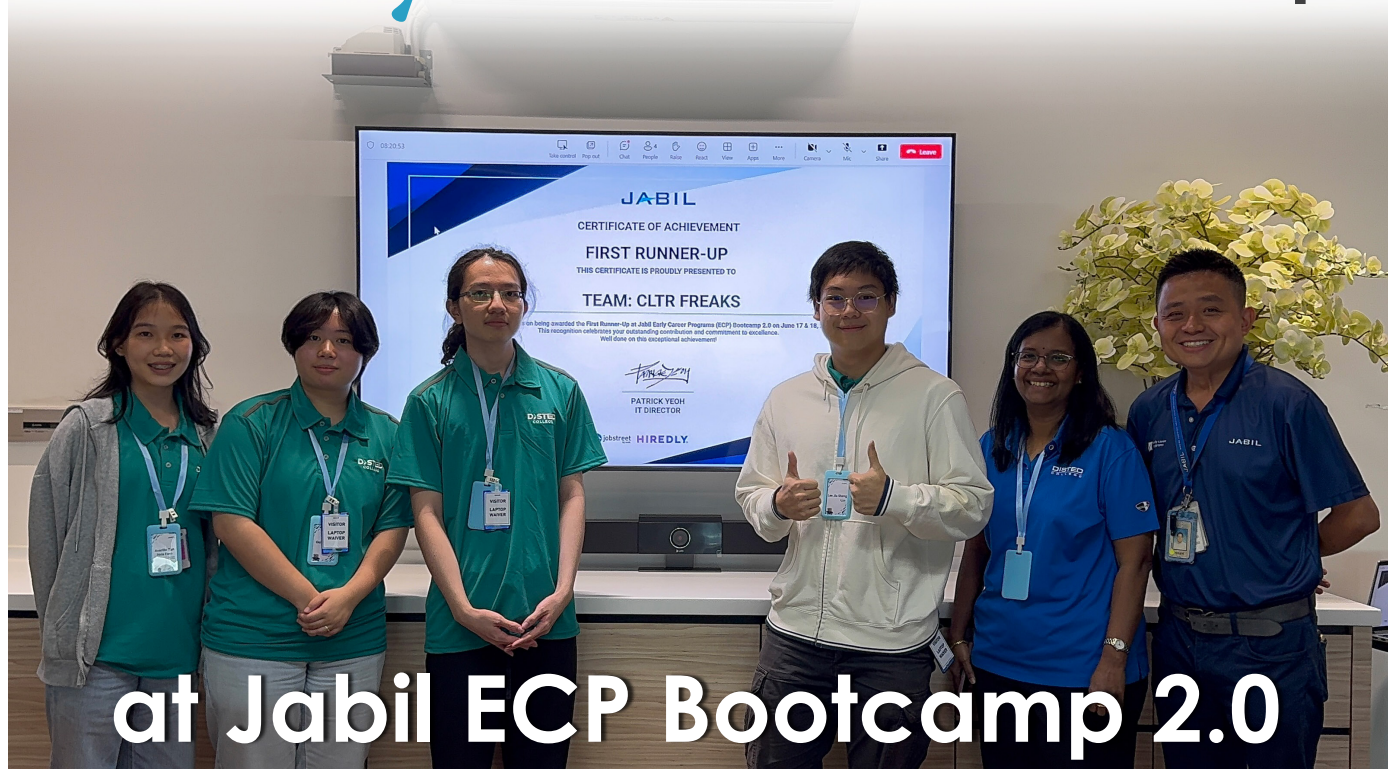
In Japan, I reconnected with old friends. The handshake, the warmth that comes through the firmness of the grip, the respectful bow, and the twinkle in the eye are still important in any personal or business relationship. The honesty and candour in conversation, and the follow-through that comes after, help build trust and resilience in long-term relationships.

Discovery and learning never stop at DISTED.

Dato' Lim Si Boon
President

Cover Story

DISTED Team Wins First Runner-Up



at Jabil ECP Bootcamp 2.0

The Jabil Early Career Program (ECP) Bootcamp 2.0, held on 17 and 18 June 2025, offered an intense, hands-on learning experience for future tech professionals across Malaysia. With the theme Absorb, Create, Evolve (ACE), this year's bootcamp focused on cutting-edge fields including Data Science, SAP systems, and Stakeholder Management — key areas shaping the digital workforce of tomorrow. Bringing together institutions such as MCKL, INTI, TARUMT, UTeM, USM, SEGi, UOW Malaysia, Vitrox College, and DISTED College, the event was designed to bridge classroom learning with industry realities. Participants attended expert-led sessions, panel discussions, and a series of workshops that tested both technical ability and creative thinking.

DISTED's Diploma in Computer Science team — Averille Tan Hsia Fern, Lee Jia Sheng, Lim Siau Chong, and Ooi Ker Min — represented the college with distinction. Through activities like GenAI NLP simulations, SAP system sequencing, and AI teachable machine exercises, they demonstrated strong collaborative skills and analytical thinking. The centrepiece of the bootcamp was a Case Study Challenge, which required students to apply everything they had learned to propose practical solutions. Guided by mentors and assessed by industry experts, the case study tested their ability to innovate under pressure.

The team's hard work paid off when they were named First Runner-Up in this national-level event. It was a proud achievement not only for the students but also for DISTED College, reflecting the institution's commitment to producing industry-ready graduates who thrive in fast-paced, tech-driven environments. This success reinforces DISTED's mission to provide quality education grounded in hands-on experience and up-to-date skills development. Congratulations to the winning team, your accomplishment is an inspiration to the entire student community.

Seethai Subramaniam,
Head, School of Computing and Engineering



Phor Tay Private High School Students Explore Future Pathways at DISTED



On 21 June 2025, DISTED College welcomed students from Phor Tay Private High School for a dynamic and enriching campus experience. The visit began with a psychology-based career test designed to help students discover career pathways suited to their personality traits. Students were then taken on a guided tour of the campus and attended a detailed program briefing introducing DISTED's academic offerings—from Pre-University to Business, Psychology, Computing, Communication, and Multimedia programs. The day's highlight was the Cash Flow Champions game. Students worked in teams to simulate launching a small business, preparing a one-month cash budget and presenting their ideas. The winning team impressed with their Nutmeg Juice concept, which stood out for its pricing strategy and creative marketing. This visit reflects DISTED's commitment to offering hands-on, practical learning experiences that spark curiosity and build future-ready skills.

Tong Pei Sun
Senior Lecturer, School of Business and Hospitality

Beyond the Books: A Day at Audi Dream Farm

As part of the Community Service and Co-Curriculum subject, three committed students from DISTED College recently participated in a volunteering programme at Audi Dream Farm in Balik Pulau, Penang. This initiative encouraged students to step outside the classroom and engage with real-world challenges while cultivating values such as responsibility, teamwork, and environmental care. The students spent the day assisting with farm maintenance, cleaning animal enclosures, and helping with feeding tasks. Despite the physically demanding nature of the work, they carried out their duties with enthusiasm and dedication. The experience offered meaningful exposure to sustainable farming and animal care practices, as well as the opportunity to observe and learn from the farm's daily operations. DISTED College is proud of these students for embodying the spirit of civic responsibility. We also extend our thanks to Audi Dream Farm for welcoming our students and inspiring their learning journey.

Ugartini Magesvaran
Lecturer, School of Communication, Arts & Multimedia



Building Stronger Bonds Through Communication: PCGHS Students Explore Connection and Expression

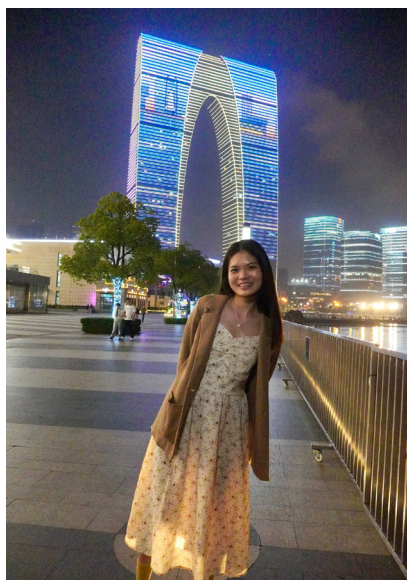
On Wednesday, 23 April 2025, students from Penang Chinese Girls' High School (PCGHS) engaged in an insightful and interactive talk on communication skills. Hosted by the School of Psychology, the session aimed to deepen students' understanding of how communication shapes personal relationships, particularly among peers. The session kicked off with students sharing amusing or awkward miscommunication experiences, setting the tone for an engaging exploration of verbal and non-verbal expression. An activity called "Can You Hear What I See?" challenged pairs of students to describe and draw objects without visual contact—demonstrating how easily messages can be misinterpreted when cues are unclear. The talk also focused on self-disclosure, active listening, empathy, and appropriate timing as key components of effective verbal communication. Students were encouraged to reflect on how meaningful conversations can help build trust, emotional closeness, and healthier social dynamics.

It was an engaging morning that left students feeling more confident in their ability to express themselves clearly and connect with those around them.

Teoh Ker Hsin
Lecturer, School of
Psychology



Strengthening Financial Operations with a Passion for Precision: Welcoming Tan Hooi Kin to DISTED College



Tan Hooi Kin has recently been appointed to the Finance Department at DISTED College, marking a valuable addition to the institution's professional team. She holds a Bachelor of Business (Hons) in Accounting from Wawasan Open University and possesses a solid foundation in core financial functions, including financial reporting, budget planning, and account reconciliation. Her prior experiences have shaped her into a detail-oriented and systematic practitioner, driven by a strong commitment to precision and timeliness in financial processes. Hooi Kin is particularly passionate about maintaining accuracy and improving operational efficiency, and she approaches her role with a mindset anchored in continuous improvement. She is eager to contribute meaningfully to the college's financial health while advancing her own growth as a finance professional. Her appointment reflects the college's commitment to strengthening its internal capacities and investing in staff who align with its values of diligence, accountability, and professional excellence.

Raziah binti Ehia Mohd
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