

Work Attachment Experience with World Wide Fund for Nature (Singapore)

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My Locus

My learning needs

My learning needs were to

- gain insights and understanding of the Eco-Schools Programme run by WWF-Singapore;
- experience developing and reviewing education content, communications, and outreach programmes; and
- gain exposure to the competencies needed in the planning and executing of educational events and engagement activities.

Opportunities

The attachment provided me with opportunities to

- gain new perspectives on how I could support and empower the student Green Ambassadors in the planning and execution of environmentally sustainable school projects, and
- provide new ideas on how I could design learning experiences that would develop the student Green Ambassadors to be self-motivated and demonstrate responsible decision-making skills that are environmentally sustainable.

Constraints

I faced the constraints of possessing insufficient knowledge to support the organisation's needs.

My Focus

My learning goals

During my attachment with WWF, my learning goals were to

- gather programme ideas for my school's Applied Learning Programme (ALP) committee work (e.g., Eco-School Programme projects, and tracking and monitoring of waste production);
- network with other sustainability organisations (e.g., Werms); and
- present the youth outreach programme 'We Got This' with our graduating students and alumni, which could provide them internship opportunities in the sustainability industry within or beyond Singapore.



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My Experience

During my work attachment, I had the opportunity to

- assist in school engagement thematic assembly programme
 and workshop for students and educators, and
- engage in publicity outreach for the Rifle Range Guided Nature Walk and Festival of Biodiversity.



My Learning

From the work attachment, I gained

- greater clarity of the Eco-Schools Programme through my involvement in the revamping of the award criteria, and
- inspiration to roll out new sustainability-related programmes in Kranji Secondary School's ALP committee that would develop my students as active and concerned citizens.

Application of My Learning

applied my learning from the work attachment by

- teaching the student Green Ambassadors critical thinking skills such as collecting and analysing data pertaining to waste generation, water and electricity consumption; and
- developing the students' decision-making and inventive thinking skills such as identifying the right solution and innovating. This helped to establish a school culture where students are challenged to adopt responsible consumption and production patterns.