# Essay Competition 2015: "Social Unity Against Extreme Ideology"

# **Rules & Regulations**

#### **Background**

The recent spate of radicalization worldwide has brought to attention this concern of social polarization. In Singapore, one only needs to look at her history to find out the immense efforts put into amalgamating the diverse strands of society and forging a cohesive Singapore we know today. All these took time and effort not just from the government, but from Singaporeans themselves and now, the question is whether our social fabric is tenacious enough to withstand the divisive powers of extremism.

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this educational initiative is to capture the perspective of youths from all backgrounds on the issue of Extremist Ideology. This will indeed be a useful resource that can be shared with the public that will heighten awareness and understanding of the issue. It will further contribute in clearing up sentiments, skepticism and most importantly, to educate the community on the threat of radicalization.

### **Eligibility**

Only matriculated students of local Universities are eligible to participate.

Undergraduates and post-graduates of all nationalities are welcome to participate.

# **Essay Focus & Content**

Essay should be revolving around the topic above, and participants are encouraged to devise their own focus and structure in the essay.

Applicable citations, footnotes, references etc – if any – should be duly acknowledged.

## Plagiarism is strictly prohibited.

## **Submission Details**

All Entries are to be submitted in English by 28 Feb 2015.

Late entries will not be considered.

Each student is only allowed to submit only 1 essay entry.

Entries are to be in **Arial font, size 12, double spacing.** 

Essay to be between **1.500 to 2.000 words** 

Each essay is to be submitted with a COVER PAGE with the following information:

Full Name (as in NRIC or Passport)

NRIC No./Passport No.

Nationality

Address

Gender

Date of Birth

Highest educational qualification

Current educational institution

Year of study

Current degree & major

**Email** 

Mobile

Word count (all inclusive)

## Both hardcopy and softcopy of essays are to be submitted.

Softcopy of essay to be emailed plus hardcopy to be mailed to the following:

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## **Intellectual Property & Publication**

Entries submitted shall become property of the organisers who shall be the owner of the intellectual property /copyrights.

Selected written work or digital work of any entry will be selected for Journal Publication, digital/online or any other media publication.

#### **Winning Entries & Decisions of Judges**

Decisions of judges for the winning entries are final at sole discretion of the judges. No enquiries

on the judges' decisions or selection of essay will be entertained.

#### **Disqualification**

Essays found to be plagiarized will be disqualified.

Entries with incomplete submission information will be disqualified.

Late entries will be disqualified.

Multiple entries from same student will be disqualified.