

NUS law school ranks among top 10 in the world

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SINGAPORE: The National University of Singapore's Faculty of Law (NUS Law) is now among the top 10 law schools in the world.

In the "2012 World University Rankings by Subject" by London-based Quacquarelli Symonds, NUS Law is placed at 10th position in Law, climbing 14 places from its previous ranking of 24th in 2011.

It is the only law school from Asia to join the top 10, which include universities such as Harvard and Oxford.

"NUS Law is Asia's global law school and aspires to be one of the very best law schools in the world. This latest recognition of our achievements is testimony to the hard work of our faculty and students, but also the successes of our alumni," Dean of NUS Law Professor Simon Chesterman said.

Earlier this year, as part of a strategy to position NUS Law as Asia's global law school, the Centre for Asian Legal Studies was established to serve as a leading forum for research on Asian law.

The centre, headed by Professor Andrew Harding, is the first of its kind in Asia.

NUS said the centre builds on NUS Law's collaborations with other law schools in the region as part of the Asian Law Institute.

It focuses on justice and law reform issues across Asia, offering Asian perspectives on these issues.

NUS said students of its law school are given rigorous legal training, together with personal and professional skills.

This includes opportunities to spend a semester or more at partner law schools in over 15 countries, or complete the final year with a Masters of Laws degree from New York University or Boston University.

Together with the NUS Centre for International Law, it recently announced the creation of the Singapore International Arbitration Academy, which will take in its first candidates in November.

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