

**Title: NUS launches new joint degree programme with America's first state university**

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Students interested in the Arts and Social Sciences will soon have another degree option.

The National University of Singapore is launching a new Bachelor of Arts degree programme, in collaboration with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, or UNCCH in the US.

This joint degree programme will offer a choice of majors including Economics, English Literature, Geography, and Political Science.

NUS students get a chance to spend between two to five semesters at UNCCH.

They'll be awarded with a degree certified by both institutions at the end of four years.

UNCCH is America's first state university and has ranked consistently as one of the top five best public universities in the US in various college guides.

Vice Dean of NUS' Arts and Social Sciences Faculty John Richardson on how students can benefit from this collaboration.

**"They get a combination of two systems, another is they get the expertise from two different institutions which means they get more expertise than any one institution could offer. The third is, they graduate from two institutions, so they're graduates from both NUS and UNC, the oldest public university in the US, they stretch back to the 18th century. As far as we know, there's no comparable programme with a leading US university anywhere as far as we know, between a leading US university and an external partner."**

Classes for this new programme will start in July, with an initial intake of 8 to 10 students from each university.