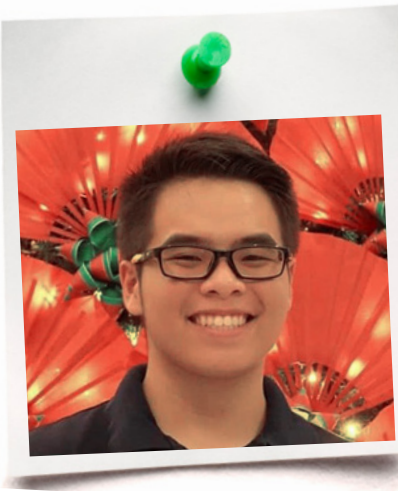


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I began my education in NSW back in 2016 at Canley Vale High School. I heard that NSW was one of the best places to study in Australia. Initially, it was a very different environment. The students and teachers were really friendly and outgoing, so it wasn't difficult to make friends.

I enjoyed the way teachers make classes fun. They don't just teach us the concepts. They integrate quizzes, group work, and a form of non-competitive game called Kahoot. Studying here wasn't as challenging with the help of my international student coordinators. They were always there for me when I needed help, whether it was a problem with my visa, or having difficulties understanding English.

Engineering Studies was my favourite subject back in high school because I've always been interested in timber works and construction. My goal is to further pursue Construction Management and become a Project Manager for a big building project.

Out of all of my achievements, I'm proud that I was selected as a Student Ambassador for DE International. Getting to know people who work for the NSW Government and meeting other alumni who have achieved similar accomplishments was one of the best things I've ever done.

Sydney has quite a pleasant atmosphere. I love my friends who I've got to know for the last few years. They've created this safe space where I feel like I can be myself and enjoy my time with them. I love the weather, though it can be hot during summer time, it's always a great time for a beach day. Sydney is also very beautiful, with a large variety of animals and natural gardens and parks. There's a lot of nice restaurants for me to try, including those Vietnamese restaurants, where I can still enjoy my favourite hometown food while living in another country.

Ever since I completed the HSC in 2018, I've been focusing on studying for my career goal. I've been doing community work whenever I can, outside of my study, to give back what Sydney has given me. Whenever I see an opportunity to try something new, such as one of the building projects offered by the university, I always put my name in to gain more experience of the industry.

If you're coming to study in a NSW government school, enjoy what NSW will offer, and work hard to achieve your goal. Don't be afraid to ask around and make friends, as the people are very friendly and approachable. Study smart, study hard, and most importantly, don't forget to have fun.