

STANFORD CLUB OF SINGAPORE



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Stanford Club of Singapore Book Prize 2005 Official Application

Each year, the Stanford Club of Singapore offers a Book Prize competition for Singapore's JC students. This will be the ninth consecutive year in which the Book Prize competition is being held. The Stanford Alumni here in Singapore believe that this competition is an excellent way to raise your level of awareness about the opportunities in the US for university education, and especially about Stanford University, which has become one of the most popular schools in America for Singaporeans. Our competition focuses on your skills in writing, speaking, and communicating. It is designed to identify and recognize an outstanding young individual who demonstrates uncommon talent and potential for success in an American university environment.

As you will see, the Application sets essay questions, and in this respect is very much like a typical application for entrance into Stanford or other American universities. This year's contest offers a range of essay topics that should appeal to students from every academic field.

The contest is open to all students who are enrolled in JC-1 during 2004 and are promoted to JC-2 beginning in January 2005. The Applications should be submitted for judging in January after you have been promoted to JC-2. A panel of judges from the Stanford Alumni Club then reads all of the applications. Semi-finalists are selected for interviews with the judges, and a final winner together with two runners-up is then determined. An awards dinner is held in April, at which the names of the winner and runners-up are announced. Each of the finalists receives a book prize selected from current books on the Stanford Undergraduate reading list. And the winner receives a roundtrip ticket to San Francisco along with a weeklong stay on Stanford campus.

RULES:

1. This Application must be mailed to the address above and postmarked not later than 31 January 2005. Please submit your application in **duplicate**.
2. All responses are to be typed into the spaces provided on the Application with the exception of the essay questions, which may be printed on separate sheets. It is acceptable to submit applications on a photocopy of the application form.
3. The responses to all questions must be written completely by the applicant. No editorial, conceptual, or secretarial assistance is to be sought or accepted.

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4. Responses to all questions must be the original work of the applicant. Your response to the essay question should be typed double-spaced on the application page and continued onto additional sheets of white A-4 paper if needed.
5. Once your Application has been submitted, neither the Stanford Club of Singapore Book Prize Committee nor the Panel of Judges will respond to any inquiries from applicants regarding the process or their prospects.
6. All participants will be informed of their results by mail.
7. This Application may also be downloaded from the following website:
www.stanfordalumni.org.sg

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Application Form

Family Name _____

First and/or Given Names _____

Date of Birth _____ Sex _____

I/C or Passport Number _____

Residence Address _____

Singapore _____

Mailing Address _____
(if different) _____

Telephone Contacts _____

E-mail Contact _____

Name of Parent or Guardian _____

Telephone Contacts _____

School Attendance History (make sure to list current school first)

Name of School	Dates Attended
_____	_____ to _____
_____	_____ to _____
_____	_____ to _____
_____	_____ to _____

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Mail Application in **Duplicate** to: **Stanford Club of Singapore, 9 Gul Circle,
Singapore 629565**

1) Please list below your courses for JC-1 and JC-2:

JC-1

JC-2

2) Please list below your extra-curricular activities, both school and non-school related. Indicate any leadership or official positions you hold. Also indicate your favorite hobbies.

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3) In the space below, tell us about yourself. What is it that you would want us to know about you. (Single-spaced typing please)

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4) Essay Question:

Please select one of the questions from the following list. In 500 words or less, please type, double-spaced, your response to the question you have selected (you may use continuation sheets of A-4 paper. Question must be repeated if you choose to begin your response on a fresh sheet of A-4 paper):

- a. Discuss an area of science and/or technology that interests you and that you might plan to pursue as a career. Why would you make this choice?
- b. If you have visited another country, tell us what impressed you the most and what you disliked the most. What did this overseas visit teach you about your own society?
- c. Write about a challenging situation that you have encountered. What possible responses did you consider, and why did you make the decision that you did? In retrospect, did you make the right decision?
- d. Success in international trade and business depends on a nation's competitive strengths and advantages. Over the next ten years which of Singapore's competitive strengths and advantages will have the biggest impact on Singapore's success?
- e. Describe for us a creative experience that you have had. What was achieved? What contributed to this creativity? What did you learn about yourself?