NTU gets 49th place in latest US News & World Report Global Universities Rankings

NTU of Singapore has moved up six spots to 49th place in the latest US News & World Report’s Best Global Universities Rankings. Photo courtesy: NTU

As far as the performance among Asian universities is concerned, NTU was placed number one for Materials Science and Chemistry, number two for Computer Science, and third for Engineering.

These are among the key areas shaping the Fourth Industrial Revolution. Earlier this year, NTU announced its vision to be a Smart Campus that harnesses the power of digital technology and tech-enabled solutions to support better learning and living experiences, the discovery of new knowledge and the sustainability of resources.

The US News & World Report rankings are based on 13 indicators that measure their academic research performance and their global and regional reputations. Now into
its fifth year, the rankings evaluated 1,250 schools across 75 countries to provide a comprehensive assessment of research universities around the world. Notably, NTU has vaulted 76 places from the 125th spot since the US News & World Report global rankings began five years ago. Its overall rank improvement was contributed by its strong global research reputation and percentage of total publications with international collaboration that jumped 14 places and 20 places respectively.

Elated about the performance, Professor Subra Suresh, NTU president, said, “My colleagues and I are committed to the goal of elevating NTU as a great global university. However, our pursuit of excellence is not just measured by rankings as they don’t always fully convey our strong push for excellence in research, education and innovation not reflected in quantitative metrics.

“The latest ranking by the US News & World Report places NTU near the very top among the world’s best universities in the key areas shaping the Fourth Industrial Revolution. This augurs well for the NTU Smart Campus which is a living testbed for advanced technologies and innovation that will benefit Singapore and the world,” he added.

Notably, NTU has been consistently climbing up the global league tables in the last few years. NTU is ranked the world’s No. 12 this year by QS, as well as No.1 young university for the fifth consecutive year. Times Higher Education ranked NTU 51st in the world and No. 3 in the young university league earlier this year.