CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND THE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAMMES TO COME UNDER NTU DISCRETIONARY ADMISSIONS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2007

1. Come Academic Year (AY) 2007, Co-Curricular Activities (CCA) will no longer be included in the university admission score. Instead, CCA and Community Involvement Programmes (CIP) will be considered qualitatively under the university’s discretionary admissions where candidates are screened for qualities such as leadership, creativity, passion and a sense of the values in areas such as sports, the arts and community service.

CURRENT ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

2. Currently, CCA contributes up to 5% of the university admissions score. CCA are also taken into consideration in the screening for discretionary criteria. The discretionary intake is now capped at 10% but may be increased in the future.

QUALITATIVE ASSESSMENT OF CCA AND CIP

3. From AY2007, the university will scan all applicants’ CCA/CIP participation under its discretionary criteria. In evaluating CCA/CIP, NTU will not only consider outstanding achievement and leadership but will also take into account the level of participation and representation. Applicants for discretionary admission are short-listed and interviewed by admissions panels comprising university faculty, students and alumni, a practice that is already adopted to select the 10% discretionary intake.

4. Applicants not given places under the discretionary criteria will be processed based on their admissions score. Borderline cases may be interviewed by the NTU Schools to which they have applied for admission where CCA/CIP will be further reviewed and taken into account for admission.

5. NTU Dean of admissions, Prof Lun Kwok Chan, says, “CCA and CIP will continue to be an important element in our holistic approach to selecting
applicants for admission into NTU. By evaluating CCA and CIP qualitatively, NTU is placing a higher premium on and recognition of CCA and CIP beyond the current 5-point cap of CCA for admissions score. “