



Volunteers' experiences

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A view from a volunteer:

Chong Sheng Lim



“I started my actuarial career in Asia after graduating from Heriot-Watt University in 2014. Since then, I have been actively involved as a volunteer career ambassador for the IFoA.”

The experience of a volunteer in Singapore

“The first of the many events that I have volunteered to attend was at a careers fair held at a local university in Singapore. My role was to encourage students to consider a career as an actuary and the experience was amazing!

I am always excited to meet with enthusiastic potential actuarial students, as it reminds me of my teenage years when I was searching for an undergraduate course to pursue. I am eager to share my experience, and unfold the known and untold facts and figures of the actuarial profession. In addition, I enjoy raising public awareness about the various roles that actuaries play, how it differs from the other professions, and how the IFoA plays a pivotal role if one decides to pursue this career path.

Some of the students I met even connected with me after the careers fair via social networks and by email to ask further questions. It is always a delight to see some of the students whom I had once given advice to doing well in their studies and career. I am extremely honoured to be an inspiration to them.

I have never regretted taking time out of my schedule to volunteer and am very appreciative towards the IFoA for giving me this opportunity. There will never be too many volunteers and there will always be a role that we, be it students or qualified actuaries, can all play to shape the future of both the IFoA and our profession. I encourage you to get involved.”

