

THE AWARDS ASIA 2021

Teaching and Learning Strategy of the Year

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Submission title or project name	Program in Interdisciplinary Studies
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URL	https://siwan.nsysu.edu.tw/en/centres/program-in-interdisciplinary-studies/
Submission	<p>A typical phenomenon in Asia is that high school students are divided into specific disciplines, such as liberal arts or science. This situation of early disciplinary separation and the high pressure of college entrance examinations have resulted in young students lacking the ability to solve comprehensive and complex problems.</p> <p>The new Program in Interdisciplinary Studies (PIS) was established in 2018 at National Sun Yat-sen University to face this challenge. This program offers issue-oriented courses and projects with an emphasis on collaborative learning and implementation. Students in this program focus on the specific problems that they want to solve.</p> <p>Strategies applied in PIS include Practicing in the Real World, Learning by Doing, Learning through Creative Thinking, Learning through Caring with People, Learning through Entrepreneurial Spirit.</p> <p>Through educational innovation, the Program in Interdisciplinary Studies (PIS) will help young people see future developmental trends during rapid technological development and dramatic environmental changes.</p>