

**SUMMER/WINTER PROGRAMMES (SWP)**

**IMPORTANT NOTE**

Before applying for any summer/winter programme, read the [GRO website](#) and [application guide](#) for important information on:

- General Eligibility Requirements and Application Process
- Course Mapping and Financial Aid
- Visa Application, Travel Advisories and Student Insurance

**Programme Title: Ateneo Development Field School (ADFS)**

*(Updated as of 13 Mar 2026)*

Host University Website: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1splzKWamv\\_Md595hJBLx9Mz4khqmXsPd/view?usp=drive\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1splzKWamv_Md595hJBLx9Mz4khqmXsPd/view?usp=drive_link)

Programme Location: Metro Manila (Mainly Quezon City but for the immersion program, since most of the weeks will be in the partner community area, the location will shift to the province, which is Samar), Philippines

Programme Dates: 15 June - 18 July 2026

Application Period: Now to 30 April 2026

**ESTIMATED COST OF PARTICIPATION**

1	<b>Programme Fee &amp; Discounts (if available)</b>	<p>Program fee on top of the Tuition fees is USD 600</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Tuition and other Miscellaneous Fees for 6 Units (please a note that the tuition fees will be confirmed by Ateneo at a later date)</li> <li>2. The Community Immersion Fee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local air and land transportation</li> <li>• Site accommodation</li> <li>• Meals (lunch/dinner) during immersion</li> <li>• Research and cultural activities, if any</li> <li>• Other logistic costs</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
2	<b>Projected Expenditure</b>	<p>Cost of living:  <a href="https://www.expatisitan.com/cost-of-living/manila">https://www.expatisitan.com/cost-of-living/manila</a></p>
3	<b>Financial Aid Available</b>	<p>You should have enough monetary funds to last you through the whole summer/winter programme. Your decision to go on the summer/winter programme should not be dependent upon the confirmation of a scholarship or bursary award.</p> <p>If you are a Singaporean, you can consider the following financial aid options to fund your summer/winter programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">NUS Awards for Study Abroad (NASA) Enhancement Bursary</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Overseas Student Programme (OSP) Loan</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Post-Secondary Education Account (PSEA) Funds</a></li> </ul> <p>All NUS students can consider the following financial aid option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Experience Southeast Award (ESA)</a></li> </ul>

		Please note that successful financial aid applicants might only receive the funds after the completion of the programme.
<b>PROGRAMME DETAILS</b>		
4	<b>Academic Content</b>	<p>A transformative 5-week, 6-unit credit-earning course combining academic study with immersive fieldwork, service learning, and community engagement on sustainable development and social justice in the Philippine context.</p> <p>Week 1: Lecture and Discussion-based activities  Week 2-3: Community Immersion and fieldwork activities  Week 4: Campus-based activities  Week 5: On-site presentations and online asynchronous activities</p> <p>Course codes:  DEV 183.19 Immersion/Work Camp (3 units): This course immerses students in a marginalized community. The immersion allows students to experience the dynamics of a marginalized community and reflect on their experience using various lessons learned in class. This course also introduces students to the practice of social investigation, which is often used as a preparatory step for community development and community organization efforts.</p> <p>(DEV 183.36) Community Organization (3 units): This course provides an in-depth analysis of community organizing as an approach to social development, thoroughly analyzing the philosophy underlying this development approach. The focus is on examining the relative strengths and limitations of community organizing as a social development initiative, including assessments of various community organizing efforts.</p>
5	<b>Eligibility Requirements</b>	<p>NUS' generic eligibility requirements apply, please see <a href="#">GRO website</a> for details.</p> <p>Additionally, the host university's requires participants to:  <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1splzKWamv_Md595hJBLx9Mz4khqmXsPd/view?usp=drive_link">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1splzKWamv_Md595hJBLx9Mz4khqmXsPd/view?usp=drive_link</a></p>
6	<b>Accommodation</b>	The on-campus accommodation will be provided but the student will still have to complete the application steps to be able to reserve a slot in Ateneo dormitories.
7	<b>Application Procedure</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. You <b>must</b> apply concurrently via <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">EduRec</a> ; and</li> <li>• The host university online application: Upload requirements in the portal - <a href="http://ateneo-global.admissions.ph/">ateneo-global.admissions.ph/</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>2. You <b>must</b> accept both <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The EduRec offer; and</li> <li>• The host university offer to confirm your participation in this programme.</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. You may proceed with course mapping and applying for financial aid after accepting the offer on EduRec.</li> </ol>

		<p>Nomination process: NUS will send a list of student sign-ups</p> <p>We require all NUS students going on NUS endorsed summer programmes to apply via EduRec. Besides allowing you to submit course mapping and apply for financial aid, this allows NUS to contact and assist you in times of crisis/emergency while you are overseas. Additionally, NUS can also provide supporting letters for visa application and NS deferment (for NSmen).</p> <p>Please read the <a href="#">application guide</a> before applying for the programme with NUS.</p> <p>Application results release date: Summer program: Early to Mid-May</p>
8	<b>Course Mapping</b>	<p>Students interested in transferring units can start the course mapping process after applying and accepting the offer for the programme in EduRec. Course mapping requests are subject to approval from the Faculties. Click <a href="#">here</a> for a step-by-step guide on applying for course mapping.</p> <p>Please also note that students may map up to a maximum of 10 units for each Summer Programme and up to a maximum of 5 units for each Winter Programme.</p> <p>A total of 12 units from a maximum of 2 overseas summer/winter and research programmes can be mapped without having to pay NUS tuition. Additional units mapped will be subjected to Special Term fees. For details, visit the <a href="#">Office of the University Registrar's website</a>.</p>
9	<b>Transcript</b>	<p>Please provide <b>your personal mailing address</b> to the host university so that they can send your transcript to you directly after the programme. If the host issues an electronic transcript, please provide your <b>own NUS email address</b> to receive the transcript.</p> <p>Please do not request that your transcript be sent to NUS Global; NUS will not be responsible for missing transcripts.</p> <p>Transcript release date: 1-2 months after the last day of the programme</p>
<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>		
10	<b>Visa Application</b>	<p>The practical information sheet consisting of these details will be provided after complete the application steps.</p> <p>Please note that you are responsible for obtaining a valid visa before making any travel arrangements for your summer programme. Students are encouraged to prepare and apply for visa as early as possible, as obtaining a visa might be time consuming.</p>

11	<b>Travel Advisories</b>	Visit the <a href="#">MFA website</a> for travel advisories on various countries from the Singapore government.
12	<b>Student Insurance</b>	<p><a href="#">NUS Student Travel Insurance</a> is provided for your participation in this programme. Please request a certificate of insurance from the insurer directly following the instructions detailed in: <a href="https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/">https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/</a>. (Log in using your NUSNET ID and password.)</p> <p>Students are responsible for ensuring that they have sufficient travel insurance coverage for the full duration of their trip (including travelling). Please review the insurance coverages to ensure that they meet your needs. Students may purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.</p>
13	<b>Contact Information</b>	<p>Questions about the programme? Contact the host university here:</p> <p>Pamela Magtalas: <a href="mailto:inbound.global@ateneo.edu">inbound.global@ateneo.edu</a></p> <p>Questions specific to NUS GRO? Contact us at: <a href="mailto:global@nus.edu.sg">global@nus.edu.sg</a></p>