NUS grads 8th most employable globally, survey finds

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Graduates from the National University of Singapore (NUS) are the eighth most employable in the world, according to a survey based on inputs from international recruiters and managers.

This is one spot higher than NUS’ showing in 2021, said the Global Employability University Ranking and Survey, which was released on Wednesday and is in its 12th year.

In the latest ranking, compiled annually by French human resources consultancy Emerging and published by Times Higher Education, NUS is the only Singapore university to place in the top 10 and one of two from Asia, with the University of Tokyo in seventh place.

Nanyang Technological University was the next highest-ranked Singapore institution, dropping four spots from its 2021 ranking to No. 32.

Four of the top five universities are from the United States – the Massachusetts Institute of Technology ranked first, followed by the California Institute of Technology in second place, Harvard University in third and Stanford University in fifth. The University of Cambridge in Britain is fourth.

The survey measures how sought after graduates from various universities are in the job market.

A total of 98,014 votes were canvassed from international recruiters and managers.

The ranking is based on six key drivers identified by businesses as the main contributors to creating employable graduates.

These include academic excellence, specialisation in technical and research expertise, as well as soft skills and digital skills of graduates.

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