A Few Words From This Year’s Winners...

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“How would you describe your approach to teaching and educating students?”

Lecturing large classes at NUS offers lecturers many valuable opportunities for self-improvement and reflection on teaching. I think it is fair to say that as far as instilling in our students a drive towards creativity and critical thinking is concerned, the buck stops at us teachers. Being an experimentalist myself, I am intensely excited and challenged by a goal I have set for myself—to try and not teach the same module exactly the same way twice. A continuously evolving series of experiments over the years with module content and emphasis ('flavour'), delivery and the modalities of interaction with students ensures that I am constantly engaged in self-reflection and crucially, attempting to exercise some creativity in methodology that students can relate to not merely as a 'prescription', but also as a 'process'. ■