

Diversity & Innovation – Venture Building 2026 Fall

1. Program Overview

- **Joint Program:** NU × NUS (NUS students based in Nagoya).
- **Credits:** Introduction (2 credits) & Advanced (1 credit).
- **Format:**
6 full-day sessions (Saturdays, 7h/day).
Total 40 hours (Intro 27h + Adv 13h).
- **Language:** English.
- **Deliverable:** Mixed NU/NUS teams present solutions to problems at Mid-Term & Final Presentations.



2. Partners Collaboration

- **Station AI & Aichi Prefecture:** Host welcome session, share market & startup ecosystem insights.
- **Nagoya Chamber of Commerce & Industry:** Set problem themes (Innovation & SEA) and host final presentations.



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Nagoya Chamber of Commerce & Industry

3. Program Schedule

Credit	Date	Session	Instructor	Venue
Introduction (2)	1/8 (Fri)	Orientation & Innovation Foundations	Imaizumi	Station AI
	1/15 (Fri)	Opportunity Recognition & Business Foundation	Imaizumi	Chamber of Commerce
	2/19 (Fri)	Finance and Funding (Lecture + Mentorship)	Suzuki	NU Campus
	2/26 (Fri)	Leadership, Organization & Mid-Term Presentation (Lecture + Mentorship)	Oda	NU Campus
Advanced (1)	3/12 (Fri)	Go-to-Market & Presentation Skills (Lecture + Mentorship)	Yoshida	NU Campus
	3/26 (Fri)	Final Presentation	Imaizumi	Chamber of Commerce

* Workshop Design: Sessions on 2/19, 2/26, and 3/12 include venture building mentorship matching the day's topic.

Program Instructors



Hiroshi Imaizumi

LEAD

Presidential Advisor & Professor, Nagoya University. Singapore PR. Former VP APAC @ Software; ex-Microsoft, ex-Adobe, ex-BSA Asia Chair. MBA University of Chicago; LLM Santa Clara University. LLB Keio University. Entrepreneur.



Shoichiro Suzuki

FINANCE AND FUNDING

Senior Partner and General Manager, Rakuten Group Japan Investment; Head of Rakuten Capital Japan Investment. Founding member with 8 years based in Singapore. B.A. Economics, University of Tokyo; MBA (Honors), University of Chicago.



Kazuaki Oda

**LEADERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION
-MID TERM PRESENTATION-**

Co-founder, Slogan Inc
Founder & CEO, K Consulting Co., Ltd.
Visiting Professor at Nagoya University.



Yoshihiro Yoshida

**GO-TO-MARKET
PRESENTATION SKILLS**

Spent over 10 years in Singapore as Managing Director of Hakuhodo Consulting Asia Pacific, supporting brand strategy and marketing across Southeast Asia, China, and India. MBA, University of Chicago. MS/BS Waseda University.