



## Alumni Newsletter

### Leading change through service

Shereen Williams (BAcc, Class of 2005) learned the importance of listening and engaging with diverse perspectives while at SMU. This foundation has shaped her leadership approach, from community work to strengthening democratic systems as Chief Executive of the Democracy and Boundary Commission Cymru and Secretary to the Boundary Commission for Wales.

**Read** more about her journey.



Congratulations to Shawn Chen (MPA, Class of 2019), General Counsel at Deloitte Southeast Asia, who spotlighted by Chambers and Partners as one of the world's leading in-house lawyers. This recognition as a global market leader underscores Shawn's expertise in regulatory engagement, governance advisory and complex risk management.

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Serla Rusli (BAcc & BBM, Class of 2010), Senior Editor at LinkedIn News, was interviewed on The Usual Place where she unpacks what today's cautious hiring climate really means for jobseekers. Serla shares practical advice on standing out in a competitive market - from tapping into existing networks instead of mass-applying, to using LinkedIn as a real-time gauge of hiring sentiment.

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Kenneth Murwanto (BAcc, Class of 2011) began his career in corporate tax in Singapore but took a leap and migrated to the US to restart his career in international tax. 12 years on, he's now a Partner at Grant Thornton US. Kenneth shares insights on his role and the motivations behind settling down in the US.

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When one partner is risk-averse and the other wants to chase growth, how do you find a middle ground? Jeremy Tan (BAcc & BBM, Class of 2010), CEO at Tiger Fund Management, shares practical tips on bridging the risk gap on CNA Money Talks Podcast.

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Michelle Khoo (BAcc & BBM, Class of 2009), Center Leader Center for the Edge at Deloitte, was interviewed on CNA where she spoke about the opportunities and challenges of building Singapore's space economy.

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Roger Yip (BAcc, Class of 2017), serial entrepreneur, was featured in The Straits Times article "Thanks, I made it myself" for building many of the furniture at his F&B establishments himself, including the design features and lighting.

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Kunal Doshi (BAcc, Class of 2024), Research Analyst at Blockworks, discovered his interest in crypto during his second year at SOA. Today, he finds his background in accounting highly relevant to his current role in a crypto firm. In an interview with SMU, Kunal talks about exploring his passions.

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