

Brief Biography: Professor Andrew Simester



Professor Andrew Simester Dean-designate, NUS Faculty of Law, from 1 September 2022

Professor Andrew Simester is currently Amaladass Professor of Criminal Justice and Co-Director of the Centre for Legal Theory at the National University of Singapore's Faculty of Law (NUS Law). He will be Dean-designate of NUS Law from 1 September 2022, and Dean of NUS Law from 1 January 2023.

A world-leading researcher in criminal law and theory, Prof Simester joined NUS in 2006 from the UK, where he taught at the University of Cambridge and the University of Nottingham.

Prof Simester's main interests lie in the fields of legal philosophy, criminal law, and restitution. He has published in these areas in every major common law jurisdiction and his writings in criminal law and theory have been cited by senior appellate courts throughout the world.

In recognition of his research in criminal law and theory, Prof Simester was elected in 2007 to a fellowship at Wolfson College, University of Cambridge; he has also held an honorary professorship at the University of Oxford. In 2019, Prof Simester received an honorary doctorate from Uppsala University in Sweden. Since 2015, he has held the Edmund-Davies Chair in Criminal Law at King's College London, where he has taught on a part-time basis.

Prof Simester graduated from the University of Auckland, New Zealand, with a Bachelor of Commerce (1987) in Accounting, Finance, and Computer Science, and a Bachelor of Laws (1989). He received his PhD in 1994 from the University of Oxford, where he was a Commonwealth Scholar.

Among other previous international appointments, Prof Simester was a Member of the Advisory Board at the Centre for Penal Law and Penal Theory, University of Cambridge (2000–12). He also sits on various editorial boards, notably the *Oxford Journal of Legal Studies* and *Criminal Law and Philosophy*. His latest book, *Fundamentals of Criminal Law*, has been the subject of multiple international conferences, including a forthcoming special issue of *Criminal Law and Philosophy*.

Brief Biography: Professor Tan Kian Lee



Professor Tan Kian Lee Dean-designate, NUS School of Computing, from 1 September 2022

Professor Tan Kian Lee is Tan Sri Runme Shaw Senior Professor of Computer Science at the National University of Singapore School of Computing (NUS Computing) and the Executive Director of the Singapore Data Science Consortium.

Prof Tan will be Dean-designate of NUS Computing from 1 September 2022, and Dean of NUS Computing from 1 January 2023.

His prior leadership appointments include being Head, Department of Computer Science; Vice Dean, School of Computing; and Co-Director of the Institute of Data Science.

A homegrown talent, Prof Tan received his BSc Honours (1st Class) (1989), MSc (1991), and PhD (1994) in computer science from NUS. He began his academic career in NUS as a Teaching Assistant in 1989. After completing his postdoctoral stint at the Australian Government's Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) in 1995, Prof Tan returned to NUS as a Lecturer. He was promoted to full Professorship in 2008.

Prof Tan is an outstanding researcher and data scientist, particularly in the areas of query processing and optimisation, indexing and organisation of data in advanced database systems, big data analytics, information retrieval, database performance, wireless data dissemination, database security, and peer-to-peer computing. He has published over 300 research articles in international journals and conference proceedings, and co-authored several books/monographs.

He received the NUS Outstanding University Researchers Award in 1998 and NUS Graduate School (NGS) Excellent Mentor Award in 2011, and was a co-recipient of Singapore's President Science Award in 2011. Prof Tan was also honoured with the 2013 Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Technical Achievement Award for his technical achievements in advanced query processing in database systems, and awarded the 2020 NUS SoC Outstanding Computing Alumni Award. For his stellar research achievements, he was appointed the Provost's Chair Professor (2010-2013) and subsequently the Tan Sri Runme Shaw Senior Professor (since 2014).

Professionally, Prof Tan is a member of Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) and IEEE (and IEEE CS), and contributes actively to editorial activities, conference organisation and other committees.