

POST- SECONDARY EDUCATION



Ministry of Education
SINGAPORE

Pursuing pathways that fit your
interests, abilities and aspirations



What's After Secondary School?

Are you about to complete your secondary-school education and standing at the crossroads of your educational journey?

Which path should you take? What courses should you pursue next? Which institution will best suit your talents?

You need to make some important decisions.

Take some time to consider your options

carefully, and manage your education and career pathways purposefully throughout your life.

Our education system has many choices for you when pursuing your next phase of learning. Pick a pathway that best suits your interests, abilities and aspirations.

Start by getting to know the different post-secondary educational institutions and see where your interests and strengths fit in.



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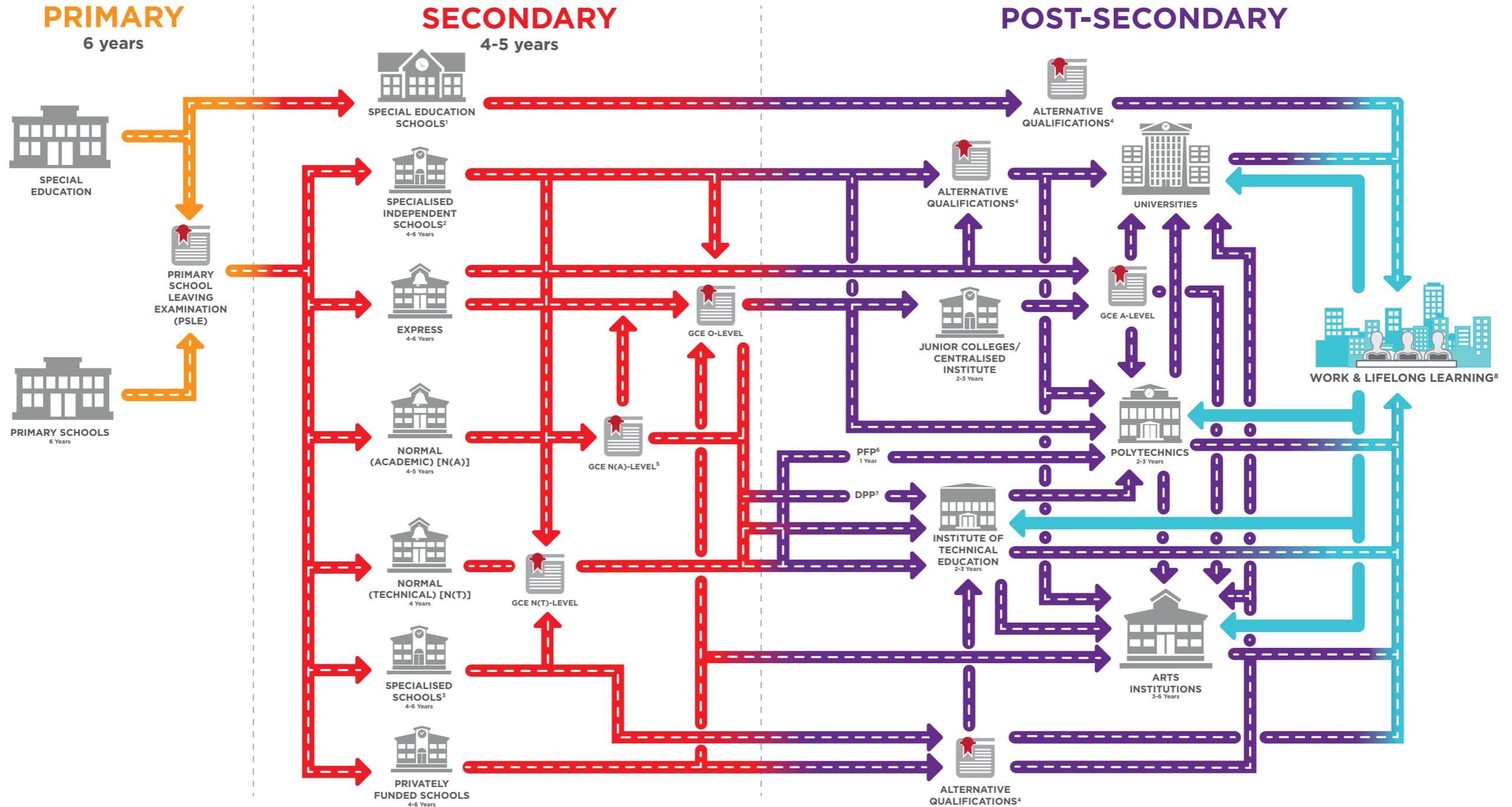
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The Ministry of Education (MOE) formulates and implements policies on education structure, curriculum, pedagogy and assessment. We oversee the development and management of Government-funded schools, the Institute of Technical Education, polytechnics and the Autonomous Universities. We also fund academic research.

Singapore's Education System : An Overview



¹ Students in special education schools which offer the national primary curriculum will sit for PSLE. Some students in Pathlight School who take the national secondary curriculum may also sit for the GCE N- or O-Level examinations. Note: This has not been fully represented in the graphic.

² Specialised Independent Schools offer specialised education catering to students with talents and strong interests in specific fields, such as the arts, sports, mathematics and science, and applied learning. These schools are the School of the Arts, Singapore Sports School, NUS High School of Mathematics and Science, and the School of Science and Technology. Eligible students of the Singapore Sports School can pursue polytechnic diploma programmes offered in collaboration with Republic Polytechnic and Ngee Ann Polytechnic. Eligible students of the School of the Arts can pursue a diploma programme at the Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts and LASALLE College of the Arts via special admissions after their fourth year of study, subject to meeting the entry requirements at the respective institutions.

³ Specialised schools offer customised programmes for students who are inclined towards hands-on and practical learning. Students from Crest Secondary School and Spectra Secondary School graduate with a combination of N(T)-Level and the ITE Skills Subject Certificate (ISSC) qualifications. Students from Northlight School and Assumption Pathway School graduate with an ITE Skills Certificate (ISC) and have the opportunity to attain Workplace Literacy and Numeracy and N(T)-Level English Language qualifications. These can be used for admissions into Nitec courses in ITE.

⁴ Alternative Qualifications refer to qualifications not traditionally offered at mainstream schools in Singapore.

⁵ Secondary 4N(A) students who do well in their GCE N(A)-Level can apply for the Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (NAFA) Foundation Programme (NFP). NFP is a full-time, one-year practice-based programme that prepares students to pursue a diploma in the creative arts at NAFA. Successful applicants will be given a provisional offer of admission to the diploma courses. Upon successful completion of the NFP, students will be offered a place in their chosen diploma course.

⁶ The Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP) is a diploma-specific foundation programme conducted by the polytechnics over two academic semesters for students who have completed Secondary 4N(A). Students who successfully complete the PFP may progress directly into the first year of their respective polytechnic diploma courses.

⁷ The Direct-Entry Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP) is a through-train pathway to polytechnics via ITE, for students who have completed Secondary 4N(A). DPP students who successfully complete a two-year Higher Nitec programme at ITE and attain the required qualifying Grade Point Average (GPA) scores are guaranteed a place in a polytechnic diploma course mapped to their Higher Nitec course.

⁸ Adults and working professionals are encouraged to upskill and reskill through quality learning options in lifelong learning provided by our Institutes of Higher Learning as well as SkillsFuture Singapore-supported training providers.

Note: Students can opt to transfer laterally between Express, N(A) and N(T), if they are assessed to be more suitable for these courses. (This has not been fully represented in the graphic).

Junior Colleges/Millennia Institute

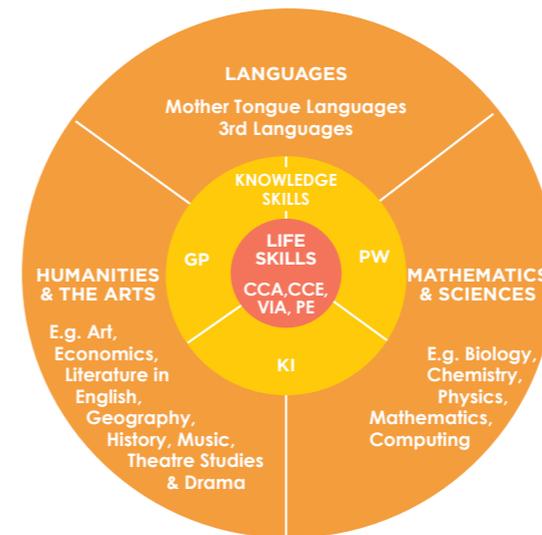
- 18 Junior Colleges (JCs)*
- Millennia Institute (MI)
- A holistic approach
- Over 100 different subjects, electives and Co-curricular Activities (CCA)



*These include 14 Junior Colleges, Dunman High School and River Valley High School which offer the A-Level curriculum, and Anglo-Chinese School (Independent) and St Joseph's Institution which offer the International Baccalaureate (IB).



GCE A-LEVEL CURRICULUM



LEGEND

CCA	Co-Curricular Activities
CCE	Character & Citizenship Education ¹
PE	Physical Education
GP	General Paper
PW	Project Work
KI	Knowledge & Inquiry
VIA	Values in Action

¹ At the Pre-University level, Education and Career Guidance (ECG) and Cyber Wellness are integrated into Character and Citizenship Education.

The JCs and MI equip students with the skills and knowledge required for further education so that graduates can lead, serve and contribute to the community.

Most JCs and MI offer the Singapore-Cambridge A-Level curriculum, which provides students with learning opportunities in three areas: life skills, knowledge skills and subject disciplines.

There is flexibility and diversity in your choice of subject combinations with subjects offered at three levels of study – Higher 1 (H1), Higher 2 (H2) and Higher 3 (H3). These levels of study are structured to cater to your interests and abilities. You will need to offer a contrasting subject – a subject outside your main area of specialisation – to broaden your educational experience.

WIDE-RANGING ELECTIVE PROGRAMMES

Whether you have a passion for art, music, drama, languages or the humanities, JCs and MI offer a wide variety of special elective programmes that cater to your interests.

SPECIAL PROGRAMMES

- Art Elective Programme
- Drama Elective Programme
- Music Elective Programme
- Bicultural Studies Programme
- English Language Elective Programme
- Chinese Language Elective Programme
- Malay Language Elective Programme
- National Elective Tamil Language Programme
- Tamil Language Elective Programme
- Language Elective Programmes (LEP) in French, German, Japanese and Spanish
- Humanities Scholarship and Programme
- Regional Studies Programme



DEVELOPING HOLISTICALLY

Education in the JCs and MI focuses on self-development, critical thinking, intellectual analysis, and communications and interpersonal skills.

The JCs and MI emphasise holistic development through various elective programmes and CCA.

Whether you like kicking a ball on a field, clearing hurdles on a track or swinging a racket in a court, sports-related CCA give you a chance to flex your athletic muscles.

If putting up a play or making music is what you enjoy, check out the visual and performing arts CCA. There is also a whole host of clubs and societies to choose from to meet students' diverse and specialised interests, be they in chess, debating or robotics, just to name a few.

HOW DO I ENROL?

- To gain admission to a JC/MI, you can take part in the Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE)* conducted annually after the release of the GCE O-Level examination results. Admission is based on applicants' GCE O-Level examination results, course choices and vacancies available in the schools.

Visit the MOE's JAE website at <https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/admissions/jae/> for more information.

- Alternatively, you can participate in the Direct School Admission-Junior Colleges (DSA-JC) which allows students to seek admission to a JC on the basis of talents and achievements that may not be demonstrated at the GCE O-Level examination. The DSA-JC enables students to enter suitable academic and non-academic programmes in JCs that can develop the students in these areas.

Visit the MOE DSA-JC website at: <https://go.gov.sg/post-sec-dsa-jc> for more information.

* Students can also apply to the IB programme offered in ACS(I) or SJI via the JAE.

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?

- A L1R5 aggregate of 20 or less for JCs, or a L1R4 aggregate of 20 or less, for MI. You also need to meet the eligibility criteria for admission to JC/MI. For details, please refer to Section 6 of the JAE Information Booklet, which you will receive from your school or visit MOE's JAE website at <https://go.gov.sg/jae-admission-criteria>

WHERE DO I GO AFTER I GRADUATE?

- With your GCE A-Level certificate/ International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma, you can seek admission to a university or a specialised institute of higher learning, locally or abroad.

Need to know more before making a decision? Visit the MOE's website at <https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary>



Polytechnics

- 5 polytechnics
- More than 30 different courses in each polytechnic
- More than 70,000 students



A polytechnic education gives you hands-on experience within a dynamic and progressive learning environment. It also equips you with strong skills and competencies that will prepare you well for the workforce.

There are five polytechnics in Singapore offering industry-driven courses, which lead students to fulfilling careers. They are: Nanyang Polytechnic (NYP), Ngee Ann Polytechnic (NP), Republic Polytechnic (RP), Singapore Polytechnic (SP) and Temasek Polytechnic (TP).



ENGINEERING FOR EXCELLENCE

Discover the world of engineering, where you can unravel the mysteries of electronic devices and design your own electronic marvels.

Enrol in a course at any of the polytechnics, where you will uncover what goes into the latest machines and be part of the workforce in the technology-based sector.

Related courses:
Advanced & Digital Manufacturing (NYP)
Biomedical Engineering (NP)
Engineering Systems & Management (RP)
Electrical & Electronic Engineering (SP)
Mechatronics (TP)

A MIND FOR BUSINESS

Do the intricacies of business administration and finance fascinate you? You can look forward to learning about how to market a product, balance budgets and manage customer relations, which will come in useful should you consider running your own business in future.

Related courses:
Food & Beverage Business (NYP),
International Trade & Business (NP),
Customer Experience Management with Business (RP),
Human Resource Management with Psychology (SP),
and Accountancy and Finance (TP)

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Do you enjoy working with children? Find satisfaction helping individuals and families overcome difficult social challenges and issues? Would you like to make a positive impact in healthcare?

Enrol in a course in Health Sciences or Social Services at any of the polytechnics and improve lives.

Related courses: Early Childhood Development & Education (NP and TP), Health Services Management (RP), Optometry (NP and SP), and Nursing (NYP and NP).

ENTERING THE DIGITAL WORLD

Take your gaming passion to the next level with a game-design course that allows your imagination to run wild. Or pick up creative skills needed to produce an extended reality experience. If you have a knack for sniffing out suspicious activities online, why not consider a course in cybersecurity and digital forensics?

Related courses: Digital Game Art & Design (NYP), Immersive Media (NP), Sonic Arts (RP), Media, Arts & Design (SP), and Cybersecurity & Digital Forensics (TP)

COMMON ENTRY PROGRAMME

- All five polytechnics offer Common Entry Programmes (CEPs). CEPs provide students with the opportunity to be exposed to different specialisations within a discipline, so they can develop a better appreciation of each specialisation before they decide on one. CEPs are offered for: Engineering, Business, and Information & Digital Technologies. CEPs in Science and Sports & Health are also offered at RP.



APPLIED LEARNING

One of the features of polytechnic education is the strong emphasis on applied learning.

Internships are part of the curriculum and can vary in duration from six weeks to six months or longer for selected courses. These attachments will enable you to gain valuable on-the-job experience, deepen your skills and provide you with opportunities to work with industry experts.

HOW DO I ENROL?

For GCE O-Level Students

- If you are keen and passionate to pursue a certain course in polytechnic, you can take part in the Polytechnic Early Admissions Exercise (Poly EAE) conducted in June during your final year in secondary school. Polytechnics will consider students who demonstrate strong aptitude for and interest in specific courses and if assessed to be suitable, students will be given a conditional offer in the course of their choice. If they meet the minimum entry requirements of the course after the release of the GCE O-Level examination results, their conditional offers will be automatically confirmed.

Visit the Poly EAE website at <https://eae.polytechnic.edu.sg/> for more information.

- Alternatively, you can take part in the Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE) conducted annually after the release of the GCE O-Level examination results.

Visit the MOE's JAE website at <https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/admissions/jae> for more information.

For GCE N-Level Students

- Secondary 4 N(A) students who do well in their GCE N(A)-Level examination may be invited to apply for the Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP).

Top Secondary 4 N(A) students will be prepared for enrolment to the relevant diploma courses at the polytechnics through the one-year PFP, subject to meeting minimum entry requirements.

Visit the PFP website at <https://pfp.polytechnic.edu.sg> for more information.

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?

- The minimum entry requirements vary from course to course. Do some research on the courses you have shortlisted before applying for the course of your choice.

Information on minimum entry requirements and the range of aggregate scores of students admitted to courses through the most recent Joint Admissions Exercise is available at:

<https://www.moe.gov.sg/coursefinder>

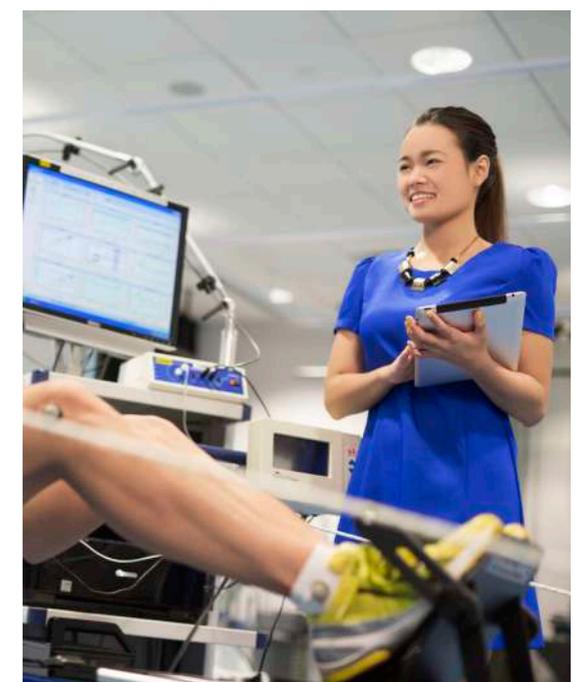
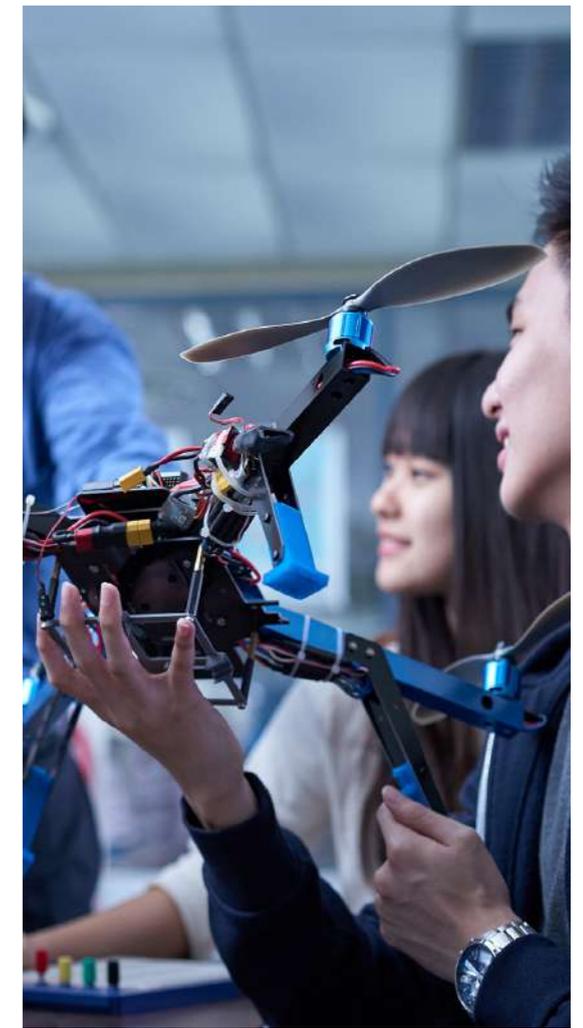
WHERE DO I GO AFTER I GRADUATE?

- A polytechnic education, with its practice-oriented training and industry internships, will facilitate your entry into the workforce.
- Polytechnic graduates may also choose to apply for the SkillsFuture Work-Study Post-Diplomas (WSPostDips) that give fresh graduates a head-start in careers related to their discipline of study and help to build on the skills and knowledge they acquired in school. To provide flexible and accessible opportunities for working adults to upgrade and learn new skills, part-time programmes and modular courses are available at the universities, polytechnics, as well as ITE.
- With your polytechnic diploma, you can further your studies in a university or a specialised institute of higher learning locally or abroad.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

For the unique strengths of each polytechnic, visit their websites:

- Nanyang Polytechnic
www.nyp.edu.sg
- Ngee Ann Polytechnic
www.np.edu.sg
- Republic Polytechnic
www.rp.edu.sg
- Singapore Polytechnic
www.sp.edu.sg
- Temasek Polytechnic
www.tp.edu.sg



Institute of Technical Education

- 3 ITE campuses (College Central, College East, College West)
- More than 90 full-time *Nitec* and *Higher Nitec* courses
- About 28,000 students



The Institute of Technical Education (ITE) aims to equip its students with the technical skills and knowledge to meet the workforce needs of various industry sectors.

Whether you aspire to be a technician, an engineering assistant or even a chef, you will find many interesting courses to choose from at ITE.

You will be able to discover and develop your talents, and acquire new skills through hands-on and interactive learning at the same time.

The three ITE colleges offer National ITE Certificate (*Nitec*) and Higher National ITE Certificate (*Higher Nitec*) programmes.

DESIGNING SOLUTIONS FOR THE REAL WORLD

Do you want to learn about and harness the latest technologies to solve everyday problems? ITE offers engineering courses in various fields such as marine engineering, aerospace technology and smart manufacturing.

Whether it's learning to improve the operational efficiency of a marine vessel or an aeroplane, it's an educational experience that takes you places.

Related courses:
Nitec in Built Environment, Nitec in Mechatronics & Robotics, Higher Nitec in Marine & Offshore Technology

JUST THE RIGHT INGREDIENTS

Have you always been drawn to the kitchen? Do you like to create new dishes, or improvise on local cuisine? Put on your chef's hat and start dicing, slicing, stirring, or perhaps even flambe-ing a dish.

ITE offers courses that will hone your culinary skills and teach you the essentials of managing a food-and-beverage business. Running your own successful restaurant could one day become a reality.

Related courses:
Nitec in Pastry & Baking, Nitec in Western Culinary Arts, Higher Nitec in Hospitality Operations



ON THE FRONTLINE OF HEALTHCARE

Do you have a calling to reach out to those in need? If you possess a pair of healing hands, an eye for the intricacies of opticianry, or a clear-headedness that can help save lives in critical situations, ITE's courses in health sciences may provide some options for you. There are also courses in community and social services.

These options will equip you with the skills to serve Singapore's growing healthcare sector.

Related courses:
Nitec in Nursing, Nitec in Opticianry, Higher Nitec in Paramedic & Emergency Care.



OTHER COURSES OFFERED

- Aerospace Avionics, Automotive Technology, Hair Fashion & Design, Video Production, Space Design (Interior & Exhibition), Early Childhood Education, Engineering with Business, and more.

LEARNING BY DOING

ITE employs the latest technology and teaching methods to ensure that its courses stay up-to-date and relevant to industry demands.

The numerous partnerships that ITE has with key industry players will lend immediate relevance to the skills picked up, priming you for the working world.



HOW DO I ENROL?

- If you are passionate about a certain course in ITE, you can take part in the **ITE Early Admissions Exercise (ITE EAE)** conducted in May in your final year in secondary school, or final year in your *Nitec* course. ITE will consider students who demonstrate strong aptitude for and interest in specific courses. If you are assessed to be suitable, you will be given a conditional offer for the course of your choice. If your GCE O-Level/ GCE N-Level/*Nitec* results meet the minimum entry requirements of the course, your conditional offers will be automatically confirmed.

Visit <https://go.gov.sg/ite-full-time-courses> and <https://go.gov.sg/ite-eae-admission> for more information

- You may also choose to take part in the Joint Intake Exercise (JIE) after the release of the GCE N-Level or GCE O-Level examination results. Since AY2019, ITE has expanded aptitude-based assessment to about half of all *Nitec* courses. These include courses in Business, Hospitality, Engineering and Information & Communications Technology. ITE will consider a student's aptitude as part of the assessment criteria, apart from academic grades, in the selection and admission of students into ITE courses.

For courses offered under JIE and application instructions, visit www.ite.edu.sg. Alternatively, you can approach ITE's customer service centres for assistance.

- To gain admission to *Higher Nitec* courses, you can take part in the **Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE)** conducted annually after the release of the GCE O-Level examination results.

For more information on JAE, visit the MOE website at: <https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/admissions/jae>

- Secondary 4N(A) students who do well in their GCE N-Level examinations can apply for admission to *Higher Nitec* courses under **ITE's Direct-Entry-Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP)**. Under the DPP, you can enrol in a two-year *Higher Nitec* course at ITE, which subsequently guarantees you a place in a mapped polytechnic diploma course if you achieve the qualifying Grade Point Average (GPA) in the *Higher Nitec* course.

Visit <https://www.ite.edu.sg/admissions/full-time-courses/higher-nitec-dpp> for more information

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?

- An aptitude for hands-on learning.
- For *Nitec* courses – GCE N- or O-Level graduates who meet course-specific entry requirements.
- For *Higher Nitec* courses – Selected N(A)-Level graduates under the DPP, and GCE O-Level and *Nitec* graduates who meet course-specific entry requirements.
- Some courses require additional prerequisites like a pre-course interview and medical check-up.
- For entry requirements to each course, visit: <https://go.gov.sg/ite-entry-requirements> and <https://go.gov.sg/higher-nitec-admission>

WHERE DO I GO AFTER I GRADUATE?

- Your participation in industry attachments and projects as well as overseas exchange programmes can give you industry exposure if you wish to enter the job market at this stage.
- ITE graduates may choose to apply for ITE's SkillsFuture Work-Study Diploma (WSDip), formerly known as the Work-Learn Technical Diploma (WLTD). ITE's WSDips are an apprenticeship-based programme delivered in partnership with employers. Students will be employed by companies and receive on-the-job training, as well as attend lessons at ITE.
- Another possibility is to apply for a place in a polytechnic and further your studies.
- Alternatively, you can also consider pursuing other work-study programmes by the polytechnics. The universities, polytechnics and ITE also offer part-time programmes and modular courses for working adults who are interested to upgrade and learn new skills.

Visit www.ite.edu.sg to find out more.

Arts Institutions

- 2 specialised arts schools
- More than 40 diploma and degree courses
- More than 4,000 students

There are two publicly-funded arts institutions in Singapore offering specialised creative arts education. They are LASALLE College of the Arts (LASALLE) and Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (NAFA).

Both LASALLE and NAFA offer a wide range of visual arts, applied arts and performing arts courses to inspire the most creative minds.

At these institutions, you can learn techniques and conceptualisation skills in order to communicate your artistic vision.





THE STAGE IS YOURS

LASALLE and NAFA offer practice-based programmes in the creative arts. Students have the opportunity to learn from practising artists and gain exposure to the industry through activities such as collaborating with companies on design projects, participating in visual arts exhibitions and performing in concerts.

If you want to pursue your passion and a career in the creative arts, apply to either of the two institutions.

HOW DO I APPLY?

You can apply directly to LASALLE and NAFA on their websites:

- LASALLE: www.lasalle.edu.sg/admissions/apply
- NAFA: www.nafa.edu.sg/enrolment/how-to-apply

COURSES OFFERED

LASALLE and NAFA offer a range of courses in the creative arts, spanning the fine arts, design, music, theatre and dance disciplines.

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?

- Interest and aptitude in the arts.
- For Diploma courses: GCE O-Level qualifications, a *Nitec/Higher Nitec* certificate, or equivalent credentials.
- For the NAFA Foundation Programme (NFP): Secondary 4 students who do well in their GCE N(A)-Level examination, and subject to meeting minimum entry requirements. NFP is a 35-week pathway programme that prepares students interested in the arts to enrol in NAFA diploma courses.
- You will also need to pass an audition or entrance test, which may include submitting a portfolio.

WHERE DO I GO AFTER I GRADUATE?

- The practice-oriented curriculum provides opportunities for you to participate in industry-led projects. This will prepare you for careers in the creative industries and beyond.
- For those who wish to pursue training in the creative arts at a higher level, LASALLE and NAFA also offer degree courses in various creative arts disciplines.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

For course information, application processes, entry requirements, or employment opportunities after graduation, visit:

- ☐ www.lasalle.edu.sg
- ☐ www.nafa.edu.sg



Autonomous Universities

- Distinct faculties offering a multitude of Bachelor's and Master's programmes
- More than 65,000 students enrolled



Aiming for a university degree? There are different routes for you to consider.

The six universities in Singapore* – National University of Singapore (NUS), Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore Management University (SMU), Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD), Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT) and Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS) – offer specialised courses across diverse disciplines. In particular, SIT and SUSS have pioneered an applied-degree pathway, where students receive more hands-on experience and industry exposure as part of their university education. NUS, NTU, SIT and SUSS also offer Work-Study Degree Programmes that combine structured on-the-job training with lessons at the universities. The universities and companies co-design and co-deliver curricula that connects theory and practice, and co-assess students' performance at the workplace.

* The six universities are listed from oldest to youngest, based on the year of their founding.

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NUS is a comprehensive and research-intensive university with 17 faculties and schools at three campuses, and the largest student population of the six universities. It offers a diverse spectrum of courses through its multidisciplinary and cross-faculty academic programmes. NUS has recently introduced major curriculum enhancements to offer more opportunities for interdisciplinary learning and more flexibility for students to choose their areas of specialisation. These include the establishment of the College of Humanities and Sciences, the New College and the College of Design and Engineering.

NUS is also known for its strong global programmes, such as the NUS Overseas Colleges (NOC) as well as student-exchange, double-degree and joint-degree programmes with some of the world's top universities. It has also established five residential colleges that blend a multidisciplinary undergraduate curriculum with on-campus living and co-academic activities.

www.nus.edu.sg



NANYANG TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

NTU is a comprehensive and research-intensive university, with a strong focus on engineering, science and technology. Apart from its five Colleges, NTU also has a medical school, established in collaboration with Imperial College London.

NTU has introduced a new interdisciplinary collaborative core requirement in its undergraduate curriculum from its Academic Year 2021 intake, focused on key transferable skills and addressing global challenges.

NTU also offers premier programmes such as its flagship Renaissance Engineering Programme, where students are able to spend the third year of their course at reputable partner universities and do a professional attachment overseas, and the research-oriented CN Yang Scholars Programme, with its overseas final-year project.

www.ntu.edu.sg



SINGAPORE MANAGEMENT UNIVERSITY

SMU is a specialised and research-intensive university, with six Schools offering programmes in accountancy, business management, economics, computing and information systems, law, and social sciences. SMU's pedagogy features an interactive, collaborative and project-based approach to learning.

SMU is unique in having a city campus located in the heart of downtown Singapore, which helps to foster a vibrant student life experience, and strategic linkages with business, government and the wider community. SMU also offers the SMU-X curriculum, where students are able to take modules that allow them to work on real-world industry problems under the guidance of faculty and industry figures.

www.smu.edu.sg



SINGAPORE UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND DESIGN

SUTD is a specialised and research-intensive university, with a multi-disciplinary, human-centric and design-focused curriculum. SUTD offers unique architecture and engineering courses, and more recently, the world's first design and artificial degree programme that equips students with the relevant skills to create products, systems and services to address real-world challenges.

Grounded in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), SUTD's hands-on curriculum broadens students' exposure to the liberal arts, humanities and social sciences with the purpose of training critical thinkers, and incorporates elements of entrepreneurship, management, and design thinking. The first three semesters are taught in a distinctive "cohort-based classroom" format, where students study foundational subjects and learn collaboratively in small group cohorts of about 50 students.

www.sutd.edu.sg

SINGAPORE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

SIT pioneered the applied degree pathway in Singapore, with a focus on science and technology. It has applied degree programmes as well as degree programmes offered in partnership with reputable overseas universities. These programmes strongly emphasise practice-oriented learning and connection with industry.

The Integrated Work Study Programme is a distinctive feature of SIT degree programmes. During the course of their studies, students can undertake 6 to 12 months of relevant work to develop deep specialised skills in their chosen field.

www.singaporetech.edu.sg



SINGAPORE UNIVERSITY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

SUSS was restructured into Singapore's sixth Autonomous University in 2017 and is one of the universities pioneering the applied degree pathway. It provides an applied education that targets both fresh school leavers and adult learners in the domain of the social sciences, as well as in disciplines that have a strong impact on human and community development.

SUSS's diverse student profile allows fresh school leavers to take classes alongside more mature part-time students with work experience, which provides a rich and unique learning experience. Its e-learning facilities and modular programme structure also enables students to balance the pursuit of a university education with other commitments.

www.suss.edu.sg

Fees and Financial Aid

Fees for Singaporean students at the JCs/MI, ITE, polytechnics, autonomous universities and the arts institutions (LASALLE and NAFA) are highly subsidised to ensure that no deserving student is deprived of a post-secondary education.

For students who need additional assistance, various financial assistance schemes and scholarships are also available.



ANNUAL SCHOOL FEES AT JUNIOR COLLEGES AND MILLENNIA INSTITUTE FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2021

	SINGAPORE CITIZENS	SINGAPORE PERMANENT RESIDENTS	INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
School Fees	\$72	\$5,520	\$12,480 (ASEAN) \$21,600 (Non-ASEAN)
Miscellaneous Fees	\$324		
Total Fees (Per Year)	\$396	\$5,844	\$12,804 (ASEAN) \$21,924 (non-ASEAN)

ANNUAL SUBSIDISED TUITION FEES FOR FULL-TIME PROGRAMMES AT ITE, POLYTECHNICS, AUTONOMOUS UNIVERSITIES AND ARTS INSTITUTIONS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2021

		SINGAPORE CITIZENS	SINGAPORE PERMANENT RESIDENTS	INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
ITE	Nitec	\$410	\$5,550	\$15,450
	Higher Nitec	\$590	\$7,760	\$20,360
Polytechnics		\$2,900	\$6,000	\$11,000
Autonomous Universities (Undergraduate)		\$7,500 to \$34,700	\$11,500 to \$49,000	\$17,550 to \$74,900
Arts Institutions (Diploma)		\$4,700 to \$5,650	\$7,030 to \$7,700	\$9,880 to \$10,500
Arts Institutions (Degree)		\$9,730 to \$10,170	\$13,795 to \$14,250	N.A.

Notes:

Malay Singapore Citizen students in JCs/MI and ITE are eligible for fee waivers.

Miscellaneous fees may also apply for the above post-secondary education institutions.

The Autonomous Universities refer to the National University of Singapore (NUS), the Nanyang Technological University (NTU), the Singapore Management University (SMU), the Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD), the Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT), and the Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS).

The Arts institutions refer to the LASALLE College of the Arts (LASALLE) and the Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (NAFA).

Arts Institutions' diploma fees in the table above exclude NAFA's teaching diplomas.

All the above tuition fees are subsidised fees. International students enrolled in NAFA and LASALLE degree programmes pay non-subsidised fees. For updated annual tuition fees at ITE, polytechnics and publicly-funded degree programmes, please refer to the websites of the respective institutions.

International Students' fees at ITE, Polytechnics, Autonomous Universities and Arts Institutions are inclusive of GST.

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEMES (MOE FAS) FOR GENERAL EDUCATION SCHOOLS

MOE provides financial assistance to Singaporean students who study in government schools, government-aided schools and independent schools.

Students who wish to apply for financial assistance can obtain the application form from their schools. They are to submit the application form together with the relevant documents to their schools. The schools will inform them of the outcome of their application.

MOE FAS for Government and Government-Aided Schools

To qualify:

- The family's gross household income (GHI) must not exceed \$2,750 per month; or
- The family's per capita income (PCI)[#] must not exceed \$690 per month.

[#] PCI is gross monthly household income divided by the number of members in the household

The types of assistance given to needy students in government or government-aided junior colleges and Millennia Institute under this financial assistance scheme are shown in the table.

ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY STUDENTS IN GOVERNMENT OR GOVERNMENT-AIDED JUNIOR COLLEGES AND MILLENNIA INSTITUTE UNDER MOE FAS

	SCHOOL FEES	STANDARD MISCELLANEOUS FEES	BURSARY	TRANSPORT
Financial assistance to students	100% subsidy	100% subsidy	\$1,000	\$15 monthly transport subsidy, up to \$180 per annum for students taking public transport

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL BURSARY (ISB)

The income limits and types of assistance given to junior college-level students in Independent Schools under the ISB are shown in the table.

INCOME LIMITS AND TYPES OF ASSISTANCE FOR JUNIOR COLLEGE STUDENTS IN INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS UNDER ISB

INCOME LIMITS ¹ (MEET EITHER GHI OR PCI)		FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PUPILS AT JUNIOR COLLEGE-LEVEL
MONTHLY GROSS HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GHI)	PER CAPITA INCOME (PCI)	
Not exceeding \$2,750	Not exceeding \$690	Students do not have to pay school fees and miscellaneous fees as well as examination fees ² – they are fully subsidised. Student also receive: \$1,000 bursary \$15 monthly transport subsidy, up to \$180 per annum for students taking public transport
\$2,751 - \$4,000	\$691 - \$1,000	Students pay the same fee ³ as those studying in government and government-aided schools (GGAS), after subsidy.
\$4,001 - \$6,900	\$1,001 - \$1,725	Students pay 1.5 times GGAS fee ³ , after subsidy.
\$6,901 - \$9,000	\$1,726 - \$2,250	Students pay 67% of school and miscellaneous fees, after subsidy.

¹ Singapore Sports School and School of the Arts have their own schemes to provide financial assistance to pupils. Refer to their website for details.

² Applicable to students enrolled in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP). Since 2015, examination fees for Singapore Citizens sitting for national examinations in Government-funded schools have been waived.

³ GGAS fee comprise school fee, standard miscellaneous fee and maximum 2nd-tier miscellaneous fee payable by students in a GGAS. In 2021, the yearly GGAS fee for junior college-level is \$396.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEMES FOR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

The publicly-funded post-secondary education institutions offer government and institution-based financial assistance for needy students to pursue post secondary education. The government bursaries for full-time Nitec, Higher Nitec, diploma students and undergraduates have been enhanced from Academic Year 2020. The table below shows the latest provision under the government bursaries and loans. Visit the respective websites of universities, polytechnics and ITE colleges for more information.

SCHEME	APPLICATION ELIGIBILITY	QUANTUM PER YEAR		
		ITE STUDENTS	DIPLOMA STUDENTS	UNDERGRADUATES
Higher Education Community Bursary (renamed from CDC/CCC Bursary)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Singapore Citizens Gross monthly household income (GHI) ≤ \$2,750, or gross monthly household per capita income (PCI) ≤ \$690 	100% tuition fee subsidy and \$1,500 bursary	\$2,750	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$6,200 (for non-medicine/dentistry courses) \$19,300 (for NUS medicine/dentistry courses) \$24,700 (for NTU medicine course)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Singapore Citizens GHI between \$2,751 and \$4,000, or PCI between \$691 and \$1,000 	\$1,250	\$2,400	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$5,000 (for non-medicine/dentistry courses) \$15,300 (for NUS medicine/dentistry courses) \$20,700 (for NTU medicine course)
Higher Education Bursary (renamed from MOE Bursary)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Singapore Citizens GHI between \$4,001 and \$6,900, or PCI between \$1,001 and \$1,725 	\$600	\$1,900	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$3,200 (for non-medicine/dentistry courses) \$11,300 (for NUS medicine/dentistry courses) \$16,700 (for NTU medicine course)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Singapore Citizens GHI between \$6,901 and \$9,000, or PCI between \$1,726 and \$2,250 	\$400	\$850	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1,350 (for non-medicine/dentistry courses) \$5,300 (for NUS medicine/dentistry courses) \$10,700 (for NTU medicine course)
Tuition Fee Loan Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full-time diploma students at polytechnics Full-time undergraduates at the autonomous universities 	N.A	Up to 75% of tuition fee	Up to 90% of tuition fee
Study Loan Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full-time diploma students at polytechnics who are Singapore Citizens or Permanent Residents Full-time undergraduates, regardless of nationality Must have taken up the maximum Tuition Fee Loan first Monthly PCI ≤ \$2,700 for Singapore Citizens and Permanent Residents, or PCI ≤ \$1,200 for international students 	N.A	Up to 25% of tuition fee plus living allowance loan of \$2,000 per annum	Up to 10% of tuition fee plus living allowance loan of \$3,600 per annum

Notes:

Household per capita income is defined as the total gross monthly income of immediate and non-immediate family members divided by the total number of immediate and non-immediate family members.

Diploma and undergraduate students include those engaged in full-time MOE-subsidised diplomas and degrees at LASALLE and NAFA, unless otherwise specified in the eligibility criteria.

Full-time diploma and undergraduate students at publicly-funded institutions who are CPF members or dependants of CPF members can also tap on the CPF Education Scheme, which can cover up to 100% of tuition fees.

Malay Singapore Citizens enrolled full-time at polytechnics and our autonomous universities with gross monthly per capita household income of \$2,000 and below can also tap on the Tertiary Tuition Fee Subsidy Scheme by Yayasan Mendaki. This covers up to 100% of tuition fees, depending on household income.

Please refer to the respective websites of the institutions for more details on the financial assistance schemes.



After Secondary School – What Lies Ahead for Me?

Here are some questions to reflect on, to understand yourself better and help you make informed decisions about your education and career pathways. You can also discuss them with your parents, teachers, or Education and Career Guidance (ECG) Counsellors in your school.

WHO AM I?

THE MORE I KNOW ABOUT MYSELF, THE BETTER MY DECISIONS.

- How would I describe my values, interests, personality and skills?
- What are my goals and aspirations?
- How do I want to contribute to society through my goals and aspirations?
- What are some industries/occupations that are related to my strengths and interests?

WHERE DO I WANT TO GO?

THERE ARE MANY PATHWAYS WITH OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONTINUOUS LEARNING AND RECOGNITION.

Continuing With Studies

- What type(s) of educational institutions is/are suitable for me?
- Have I done enough research to fully understand the requirements, opportunities and possibilities?
- Will the programmes offered develop my strengths, interests and abilities?
- How can I leverage available learning opportunities to bring myself closer to my education and career goals, keeping in mind my aspirations?

Entering the Workforce

- Am I ready to enter the workforce? What are the considerations and trade-offs?
- Which industry do I want to work in?

- What are the skills required to enter and do well in this industry?
- Are there learning and training programmes offered by organisations that can nurture my interests and skills? How can I find opportunities to upgrade my knowledge and skills?

HOW DO I GET THERE?

BE RESILIENT, EXPLORE VARIOUS PATHWAYS AND BE OPEN TO POSSIBILITIES.

Working Towards My Goals

- Have I tapped online and other platforms for education and career talks and visit open houses to explore and deepen my interests?
- Have I accessed the MySkillsFuture Student Portal (<https://go.gov.sg/mysfsec>) to find out more about Singapore's education and industry landscape?
- Have I considered the different possibilities that can lead to my goals and aspirations?
- Beyond the next step that I am taking, how can I continue to develop myself and pursue my goals and aspirations through lifelong learning?

SUPPORT AND CONTACT

For more information on post-secondary education and the various institutions, visit the MOE website at www.moe.gov.sg/education/post-secondary.

Alternatively, visit:

www.ite.edu.sg
www.lasalle.edu.sg
www.nafa.edu.sg
www.np.edu.sg
www.nyp.edu.sg
www.rp.edu.sg
www.sp.edu.sg
www.tp.edu.sg

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