



CREATING TOMORROW

FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

Hey secondary 4 N(A) students, get the info you need to join TP via PFP now!

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Hi there, Sec 4 N(A) students ...

Start planning for your future with our Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)! PFP provides you with the opportunity to join Temasek Polytechnic (TP) after your GCE Normal (Academic) Level (GCE N(A)-Level) Examinations.

As an alternative to Secondary 5, you have the option to pursue this 12-month preparatory programme before progressing to your TP diploma course choice. That's a total of four unforgettable and fun-filled years in TP, with a vibrant, passionate and caring community.

PFP@TP's practice-oriented curriculum and enjoyable learning experience will ease your transition to tertiary education. This foundation year is also where you get to take charge of your future, exploring and deepening your interest in your chosen field.

We can't wait to start Creating Tomorrow with you at TP!

Top 3 advantages of PFP@TP



You'll be the go-to TP expert amongst peers

When you eventually become a Year 1 diploma student, you will already be in TP for an entire year. This means your new diploma course friends can look to you for guidance on where to go for the best eats, the top TP study spots and what you need to do to book any of TP's excellent sports facilities.

You'll get an academic head start

As a PFP student, you will get a good grasp of the basic concepts of your chosen diploma course. This strong foundational knowledge will give you a head-start over your other course peers when you continue to the next phase of your TP journey as one of our newly minted freshies.

You'll already have made a bunch of besties

The lifelong friendships forged here will be a highlight in TP. As a PFP student, you can start making these life-changing connections a full year earlier. And, when you start on your diploma course, you can rely on this network of friends in other TP Schools and courses.





At every TP graduation ceremony, Gold, Silver and Bronze medals are awarded to the top three graduates of each diploma course. Since the first PFP@TP cohort graduated from TP in 2017, the programme is proud to have:



To add, nine (9) of our PFP alumni have received polytechnic-level awards, such as the Lee Kong Chian Award and the Lee Kuan Yew Award. We are also proud to share that a PFP alumnus has secured the prestigious Public Service Commission Scholarship in 2019. Many of our PFP alumni excel and occupy leadership roles in various CCAs.

Hear from our PFP alumni and TP Class of 2023 graduates



Darren Ong Yan En

Diploma in Cybersecurity & Digital Forensics

Awards and honours

- · Graduated with merit
- · Course cohort Gold Medallist and Valedictorian
- · 2023 The Lee Kuan Yew Award recipient
- Future Leaders in Technology by Singapore Computer Society (2023)
- · Worldskills Singapore Gold Medal (ITNSA) (2023)
- IIT Youth Leader and Valedictorian (2022)
- · Gold Award at Cisco Asia-Pacific Japan China Netriders (2022)



My year in the Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP) was a defining chapter in my life, shaping me into who I am now. As the recipient of the PFP Scholarship, I had the opportunity to initiate "Thinking Caps" – a collaborative study group with my fellow scholars. This experience enriched me with invaluable skills, particularly in leadership and effective communication. I also made many friends and was guided by caring lecturers during the PFP year, with whom I still keep in touch today.

What's next for Darren?

He's accepted an offer from the National University of Singapore to pursue a Computer Science degree, after fulfilling his National Service commitments.



Nur Sabrina Bte Kamal Batcha

Diploma in Law & Management

Awards and Honours

- · Graduated with merit
- Course cohort Silver Medallist
- · Two-time Director's List recipient
- Temasek Polytechnic Scholarship recipient (2020 to 2023)

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PFP has been an immensely rewarding journey. Thanks to the unwavering support of dedicated instructors and supportive peers, PFP turned into a second family! Its curated modules equipped me with crucial skills that have proven invaluable in my university studies. PFP also gave me relevant life skills – such as communication, self-management and critical thinking – which served me well during my internship and group projects throughout my diploma studies. PFP is more than an academic pathway. It has prepared me for future success!

Where's Nur Sabrina now?

She's pursuing a double degree programme at the Singapore Management University – a Bachelor's in Social Science (Politics, Law and Economics) and a Bachelor's in Economics!

How can I prepare for PFP@TP?

Please note that the information in this booklet is applicable to the programme for AY2024 admission year.



What do I need to do?

Doing well in your GCE N(A) Level Exams is the first step to joining the exciting PFP@TP! If your scores qualify you for PFP, you will receive an invitation to apply for diploma courses through the Polytechnic Foundation Programme Admissions Exercise (PFPAE), which takes place in January.

What N-Level scores should I aim for?

To be eligible for PFP@TP, you must have a raw ELMAB3 score of 12 points or better (excluding CCA bonus points) at the GCE N(A) Level exams.

ELMAB3 = English + Mathematics + Best 3 subjects (including one of the relevant subjects based on either Group 1 or Group 2 courses)

GROUP 1 COURSES		GROUP 2 COURSES		
Subject	Minimum Required Grade	Subject	Minimum Required Grade	
English Language Syllabus A	3	English Language Syllabus A	2	
Mathematics (Syllabus A / Additional)	3	Mathematics (Syllabus A / Additional)	3	
One of the following relevant subjects: • Science (Physics, Chemistry) • Science (Physics, Biology) • Science (Chemistry, Biology) • Food and Nutrition/ Nutrition and Food Science • Design and Technology	3	One of the following relevant subjects: Principles of Accounts Literature in English History Humanities (Social Studies, Geography) Humanities (Social Studies, History) Humanities (Social Studies, Literature in English) Geography Art	3	
Any two other subjects, excluding CCA	4	Any two other subjects, excluding CCA	4	

Bonus points will be awarded for good CCA grades. These bonus points will be used in computing the ELMAB3 net aggregate score for selection and posting to the PFP.

What courses can I take in PFP@TP?

GROUP 1 CO	DURSES	GROUP 2 C	OURSES
School of Applied Science	Common Science Programme Chemical Engineering Food, Nutrition Culinary Science Medical Biotechnology Pharmaceutical Science Veterinary Technology	School of Business	Common Business Programme Accountancy & Finance Business Communications & Media Management Culinary & Catering Management Hospitality & Tourism Management International Trade & Logistics Law & Management Marketing
School of Design	Common Design Programme Apparel Design Merchandising Communication Design Digital Film & Television Interior Architecture & Design Product Experience & Design	School of Humanities & Social Sciences	Early Childhood Development & Education* Psychology Studies Social Sciences in Gerontology
School of Engineering	Common Engineering Programme Aerospace Electronics Aerospace Engineering Architectural Technology Building Services Aviation Management Biomedical Engineering Business Process Systems Engineering Computer Engineering Electronics Integrated Facility Management Mechatronics		
School of Informatics & IT	Common ICT Programme Applied Artificial Intelligence Big Data & Analytics Cybersecurity Digital Forensics Immersive Media & Game Development Information Technology		

*Conducted by the National Institute of Early Childhood Development (NIEC), in collaboration with TP at the NIEC (TP) campus. For more information on NIEC, visit www.niec.edu.sg

What will I study in PFP@TP?

You will take five common subjects and two domain subjects each semester. These subjects are meant to prepare you for your diploma years.

SEMESTER 1

Language & Communication 1 Common Subjects Research & Reasoning 1

> Mathematics & Logical Thinking 1 Personal Development & Effectiveness 1

Fitness & Wellness 1

Schools	Applied Science	Business	Design	Engineering	Humanities & Social Sciences	Informatics & IT
Domain Cluster Subjects	Living Chemistry 1	Understanding Customers	Understanding Design	Engineering Science 1	Basic Principles & Applications in Psychology	Introduction to Computer Science
	Living Biology 1	Financial Aspects of Business	Understanding Form	Prototyping	Sociological Perspectives	Professional IT Skills

SEMESTER 2

Language & Communication 2 Common Subjects Research & Reasoning 2

Mathematics & Logical Thinking 2 Personal Development & Effectiveness 2

Fitness & Wellness 2

Schools	Applied Science	Business	Design	Engineering	Humanities & Social Sciences	Informatics & IT
Domain Cluster Subjects	Living Chemistry 2	Business Management with Technology	Visual Storytelling	Engineering Science 2	Fundamentals of Lifespan Development	Logic & Algorithm
	Living Biology 2	Understanding Business Environment	Colour Appreciation	Computing & Programming	Introduction to Group Facilitation	Social Media & IT Trends

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