

* With subject specific requirements
\# Grades of O-Level results can be converted for DPP and PFP application
^ ITE Traineeship Programme is offered in some Nitec or Higher Nitec courses
(1) https://www.moe.gov.sg/admissions/direct-admissions/ite-eae/overview
(2) https://www.ite.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions-docs/full-time/publications/admission-booklet/gce-n-admission-booklet-2020.pdf
(3) www.ite.edu.sq/wps/portal/definitely-des/
(4) https://pfp.polytechnic.edu.sg/PFP/pfp introduction.html
(5) https://beta.moe.gov.sg/uploads/2021-JAE-Information-Booklet.pdf


## About the Institute of Technical Education (ITE)

ITE courses suit students with an aptitude for hands-on learning in three mega-campuses. Upon completion of ITE courses, students will receive work ready qualifications. Nitec stands for 'National Institute of Technical Education Certificate'. Higher Nitec qualifications command stronger recognition by the industry than Nitec qualifications. The Grade Point Average (GPA) scores, which represent students' performance in the programme of study, are considered for students' progression to Higher Nitec. Different Nitec courses allow progression to different Higher Nitec and Diploma courses.

Under the ITE Traineeship Programme, students are offered real-life work experience and a traineeship certification. This programme, which runs between one and two years, bridges theory and practice by allowing students to work full-time and attend classes. At the end of the programme, the student earns a Nitec Traineeship/ Higher Nitec Traineeship. For details relevant to the programme, refer to https://www.ite.edu.sg/courses/traineeship-courses.

| Pathway | Duration | Target Group | Eligibility \& other details |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ITE - EAE <br> ITE Early <br> Admission <br> Exercise | 2-year Nitec course | Sec 4N students are admitted to ITE based on aptitudes and interests before the release of N -Level results. <br> Selection focuses on course-specific aptitudes and interests. Non-coursespecific achievements, e.g. talents in sports/ performing arts, leadership, also considered. <br> There are various modes of assessment, e.g. interviews, aptitude tests, portfolios. | Sec 4N students are required to meet minimum entry requirements. <br> Conditional offers will be automatically confirmed if the criteria are met. If the conditional offer is revoked, student can take part in other admissions exercises. <br> Students who have accepted their ITE EAE offer are eligible for DPP and PFP. Students who receive a DPP offer will be required to decide between the DPP or ITE EAE offer. The DPP offer will be automatically confirmed and ITE EAE offer released if the student does not decide by a stipulated deadline. <br> As applications to the PFP open in January, students with confirmed ITE EAE or DPP offers may progress to ITE first before applying for PFP when applications open. They may then subsequently withdraw from ITE if they receive a PFP offer. |
| IIE - ITE <br> Joint Intake Exercise-ITE | 2-year Nitec course | Students, who show the inclination towards hands-on and skills-based training, are admitted to ITE using their N -Level results. | Sec 4 N students are required to have 3 N Level passes. <br> Sec 4 N students admitted to the courses based on best 4 GCE ' $N$ ' subjects including pre-requisites and bonus points. |
| DPP <br> Direct Entry Scheme to Polytechnic Programme | 2-year <br> Higher <br> Nitec <br> course <br> at ITE | DPP provides a route for Sec 4NA students to selected diploma courses, in polytechnics, via a 2-year Higher Nitec course at the ITE. <br> DPP provides students with handson and skills-based training before they progress to the mapped diplomas. <br> DPP students who successfully complete their Higher Nitec course and attain the required minimum qualifying Higher Nitec GPA scores are guaranteed a place in one of the Polytechnic diploma courses that are mapped to their Higher Nitec course. | Students are offered DPP courses based on their NA-Level results: ELMAB3 $\leq 19$ with subject specific requirements. (see details below) <br> Eligible Secondary 4NA students submit their application for DPP using their N Level results and school-based O-Level preliminary examination results, if applicable. <br> Students must indicate acceptance of DPP offer by end December in the same year, failing which the offer will lapse and the place will be offered to another student. |

## To be eligible for DPP

(i) Obtained an ELMAB3 aggregate of 19 points or better (excluding CCA bonus points); and
(ii) Met the following course-specific requirements:

| Applied Sciences, Engineering and Info- <br> Communications Technology courses | Business \& Services Courses |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| EL | B4 or better | EL | B3 or better |
| Math / A Math | B4 or better | Math / A Math | B4 or better |
| Any three other subjects <br> excluding CCA | C5 or better | Any three other subjects <br> excluding CCA | C5 or better |

Computation of ITE Aggregate for admission to Higher Nitec with ' $O$ ' level subjects in DPP

| GCE 'O' Level Grade | ITE Aggregate Points |
| :---: | :---: |
| $1-3$ | 1 |
| $4-6$ | 2 |
| $7-8$ | 3 |

## Bonus Points in DPP

CCA Bonus Points will be considered for posting based on merit subject to eligibility for courses.

| CCA Grades | No of Bonus Points |
| :---: | :---: |
| $1-2$ | 2 points |
| $3-6$ | 1 Point |

Computation of ITE Aggregate Points for admission to Nitec with NA Subjects in IIE - ITE

| Normal (Academic) Grade | ITE Aggregate Points |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1,2 | 1 |
| 3 | 2 |
| 4 | 3 |
| 5 | 4 |
| $U$ | 5 |

CCA and Pre-requisite Subjects Bonus Points in IIE - ITE

| Types of Bonus Points | No of Bonus Points awarded |
| :---: | :---: |
| CCA Grade of 1-2 | 2 points |
| CCA Grade of 3-6 | 1 point |
| Grades of 1 to 5 for pre-requisite NA subjects <br> (eg, Maths, English Language and Science) for <br> the courses applied for. | 2 points for each pre-requisite NA subject, up to <br> a maximum of 4 points for the course applied. |

[^0]
## Progression from Nitec to Higher Nitec and Diploma Courses



Upon completion of Nitec course and meeting the GPA requirement of 2-3, students may progress to 1 to 2 -year Higher Nitec course. Upon completion of Higher Nitec course and meeting the GPA requirement of 2.5-3.5, students may progress to 2 to 3 -year Diploma courses in ITE or Polytechnic under the Joint Polytechnic Admissions Exercise (JPAE) exercise. NITEC holders with strong GPAs may progress directly to Polytechnic courses. Students are strongly encouraged to refer to www.ite.edu.sg for mapped and unmapped ITE Higher Nitec Courses.

| Details on | Website |
| :--- | :--- |
| JPAE | $\underline{\text { https://ipae.polytechnic.edu.sg/App/StaticPage/FAQ2.html }}$ |
| Polytechnic Course Entry Requirements <br> for Higher Nitec (Non-DPP) Graduates | https://ipae.polytechnic.edu.sg/App/StaticPage/Higher\%20Nitec.html |
| Polytechnic Course Entry Requirements <br> for Nitec Graduates | $\underline{\text { https://ipae.polytechnic.edu.sg/App/StaticPage/Nitec.html }}$ |

## About the Polytechnics

There are five polytechnics in Singapore, namely, Nanyang Polytechnic (NYP), Ngee Ann Polytechnic (NP), Republic Polytechnic (RP), Singapore Polytechnic (SP) and Temasek Polytechnic (TP). They offer a variety of courses in different fields which lead students to fulfilling careers, as well as preparing them for further studies. One of the features of polytechnic education is the strong emphasis on practice-based learning. Work attachments with industry partners are part of the curriculum and can vary in duration from six weeks to six months or longer for selected courses.

| Pathway | Duration | Target Group | Eligibility \& other <br> details |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| PFP | 1-year | PFP, generally extended to the top 10 percent <br> of the Sec 4NA cohort, offers students <br> Foundation <br> Programme <br> course at <br> the polytechnics. <br> Polytechnic | Students are offered PFP <br> courses based on their |
| Students are prepared for entry into the |  |  |  |
| relevant Polytechnic Diploma courses. They are |  |  |  |
| required to pass all modules in the 1-year |  |  |  |
| polytechnic foundation course before |  |  |  |
| proceeding to the 3-yr polytechnic diploma |  |  |  |
| programme. |  |  |  |$\quad$| NA-Level results: |
| :--- |
| ELMAB3subject requirements. (see <br> details below) |

## To be eligible for PFP

(i) Obtained an ELMAB3 aggregate of 12 points or better (excluding CCA bonus points); and
(ii) Met the following course-specific requirements:

| Group 1 Courses |  | Group 2 Courses |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| EL | B3 or better | EL | A2 or better |
| Math / A Math | B3 or better | Math / A Math | B3 or better |
| One of the following | B3 or better | One of the following | B3 or better |


| - Design and Technology <br> - Food and Nutrition <br> - Science (Chem, Bio) <br> - Science (Chem, Phy) <br> - Science (Phy, Chem) |  | - Art <br> - Combined Humanities <br> - Geography <br> - History <br> - Literature in English <br> - Principles of Accounts |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Any two other subjects excluding CCA | B3 or better | Any two other subjects excluding CCA | B3 or bett |


| Details on | Website |
| :--- | :--- |
| Introduction of the PFP | https://pfp.polytechnic.edu.sg/PFP/pfp introduction.html |
| Eligibility for the PFP | https://pfp.polytechnic.edu.sg/PFP/pfp eligibility.htmI |
| Polytechnic diploma courses offered under the PFP | https://pfp.polytechnic.edu.sg/PFP/pfp courses.html |

## Computation of Aggregate for PFP with ' $O$ ' level subjects

Sec 4NA students are allowed to combine their ' N '- and ' O '-Level examination results to compute their eligibility. If a student takes the same subject at both ' N ' and ' O ' Levels, only the better grade will be computed into his or her aggregate. The following GCE ' $O$ '-Level Grade conversion matrix will be adopted during the computation of aggregates.

| 'O'-Level Grade | Aggregate Point for PFP |
| :---: | :---: |
| $1-3$ | 1 |
| $4-6$ | 2 |
| 7 | 3 |

## About taking the O-Level in Sec 5

| Pathway | Duration | Target Group | Eligibility \& other details |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| O-Level | 1 -year <br> In Sec 5 <br> course at <br> SMSS | Students who enjoy the academic <br> rigour and wish to use their O-Level <br> results to apply for Junior College (JC), <br> Millennia Institute (MI), polytechnic <br> and ITE courses. | Students can be promoted to Sec 5 <br> based on their NA-Level results: <br> ELMAB3 |
| English and Maithemath wath pass, excluding <br> CCA Bonus Point. |  |  |  |

Students who proceed to Sec 5 will take the O-Level examination in St. Margaret's Secondary School the year after their N -Level. Progression to institutes of higher learning is dependent on students' O -Level performance. As the O -Level is academically more rigorous than the N -Level and admission to JC/MI and polytechnic can be competitive, students need to be committed to the school programme to gain a competitive edge in their next course of study.

For more details on previous year's Cut-Off-Points to JCs/MI and Polytechnic, refer to the links below. https://beta.moe.qov.sq/uploads/2021-JAE-Information-Booklet.pdf
https://beta.moe.gov.sg/coursefinder/

## Other Post-Secondary Educational Institutions or Private Schools

MOE registers private schools, the courses they offer, the teachers conducting the registered courses. Registration by MOE does not in any way represent an endorsement or accreditation of the quality of the courses offered. Prospective students of private schools are advised to find out more about the private school, the quality of the courses and the background of the local organisation that facilitates the delivery of the courses before making a decision to enrol in the course of study. Refer to http://www.cpe.gov.sg/ for details.

Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (NAFA) is an art institution in Singapore offering specialist creative arts education to develop students' artistic potential. The diploma courses offered by this institution include visual arts and performing arts. NAFA Foundation Programme (NFP) is a bridging course that prepares students for a successful enrolment and completion of a diploma course at NAFA. Students may use their N-Level Preliminary Examination results to apply for NFP. Sec 4NA students who attained an ELMAB3 aggregate score of 15 points or better, excluding CCA Bonus Points, will be eligible to apply for the course. In addition to meeting the education qualification requirements, applicants must pass an admission test or audition, depending on their selected course of study. Successful applicants will be given a conditional offer of admission to the diploma courses. Upon successful completion of the NFP, students will be offered a place in their chosen diploma course in August in the year after the N -Level Examination. Applicants may be asked to attend an interview. Refer to www.nafa.edu.sg for details.

## Exploring Education and Career Options

Students are encouraged to explore their education and career options using MySkillsFuture Portal (https://www.myskillsfuture.sg/content/student/en/secondary.html). They may also speak to their teachers and the School ECG Counsellor for advice.

## Possible Scenarios With Different 4NA Results

## Case 1

$\mathrm{EL}=4, \mathrm{EM}=1, \mathrm{SC}=2, \mathrm{SS} / \mathrm{G}=2, \mathrm{MT}=2$
EMB3 Aggregate (raw) N-Level subjects = 12
> Not qualified for PFP as EL>3
$>$ Possible Pathways: DPP, Nitec, Sec 5

```
Case 2
\(E L=1, E M=5, S C=2, S S / H=2, M T=1\)
EMB3 Aggregate (raw) N -Level subjects \(=12\)
```

$>\quad$ Not qualified for PFP once $\mathrm{EM}>4$
$>\quad$ Not qualified for DPP once EM>4
$>$ Possible Pathways: Nitec, Sec 5

## Case 3

$\mathrm{EL}=4, \mathrm{EM}=4, \mathrm{SC}=4, \mathrm{SS} / \mathrm{G}=4, \mathrm{MT}=2, \mathrm{CCA}=7$
EMB3 Aggregate (raw) N-Level subjects only = 18
$>\quad$ Not qualified for PFP once EMB3 $>12$
$>$ Not qualified for DPP-Biz Course once EL>3
$>$ Possible Pathways: DPP- Science Courses, Sec 5, Nitec

To consider if Nitec course can eventually map to desired courses in Polytechnic. Admission to desired courses at ITE will be with reference to last JIE Cut-Off Points.

| Best 4 NA Grade | ITE Aggregate Points |
| :---: | :---: |
| EL: 4 | 3 |
| EM: 4 | 3 |
| SC: 4 | 3 |
| MT: 2 | 1 |
| 10 points |  |

Less 4 pts (Pre-requisite subjects bonus points)
Overall JIE ITE Aggregate points $=\mathbf{6}$ points

## Case 4

$\mathrm{EL}=\mathrm{U}, \mathrm{EM}=3, \mathrm{SC}=3, \mathrm{SS} / \mathrm{H}=4, \mathrm{MT}=2, \mathrm{CCA}=2$
EMB3 Aggregate (raw) N -Level subjects $=19$
> Not qualified for DPP once EL>4.
$>$ Not qualified for 5NA once $E L=U$
> Possible Pathways: Nitec in Engineering or Design courses but not Business Courses.

To consider if Nitec course can eventually map to desired courses in Polytechnic. Admission to desired courses at ITE will be with reference to last JIE Cut-Off Points.

| Best 4 NA Grade | ITE Aggregate Points |
| :---: | :---: |
| EM: 3 | 2 |
| SC: 3 | 2 |
| SS/H: 4 | 3 |
| MT: 2 | 1 |
| 8 points |  |

Less 2 pts (CCA bonus points)
Overall JIE ITE Aggregate points = 6 points

## Case 5

$\mathrm{EL}=3, \mathrm{EM}=\mathrm{U}, \mathrm{SC}=3, \mathrm{SS} / \mathrm{G}=4, \mathrm{MT}=2, \mathrm{CCA}=1$


EMB3 Aggregate (raw) N-Level subjects only = 19
> Not qualified for DPP once EM>4.
> Not qualified for 5NA once $\mathrm{EM}=\mathrm{U}$
> Possible Pathways: Nitec in Business courses but not Engineering Related Courses.

To consider if Nitec course can eventually map to desired courses in Polytechnic. Admission to desired courses at ITE will be with reference to last JIE Cut-Off Points.

| Best 4 NA Grade | ITE Aggregate Points |
| :---: | :---: |
| EL: 3 | 2 |
| SC: 3 | 2 |
| SS/H: 4 | 3 |
| MT: 2 | 1 |
| 8 points |  |

Less 2 pts (CCA bonus points)
Overall JIE ITE Aggregate points $=6$ points

## Case 6

$\mathrm{EL}=5, \mathrm{EM}=5, \mathrm{SC}=5, \mathrm{SS} / \mathrm{H}=6, \mathrm{MT}=5, \mathrm{CCA}=3$
EMB3 Aggregate (raw) N-Level subjects only $=20$
$>\quad$ Not qualified for DPP \& Sec 5 once EMB3 $\geq 19$
> Possible Pathways: Nitec

To consider if Nitec course can eventually map to desired courses in Polytechnic. Admission to desired courses at ITE will be with reference to last JIE Cut-Off Points.

| Best 4 NA Grade | ITE Aggregate Points |
| :---: | :---: |
| EL: 5 | 4 |
| EM: 5 | 4 |
| SC: 5 | 4 |
| MT: 5 | 4 |
| 16 points |  |

Less 1 pt (CCA bonus point)
Overall JIE ITE Aggregate points = 15 points


[^0]:    A total of up to 6 points including CCA and Pre-requisite Subjects Bonus can be awarded.

