POST SECONDARY EDUCATION PATHWAYS

for Full SBB students

Sec 3 Focus: Aspire (Choices)

Students build confidence in their skills to make informed choices through authentic experiences

Education & Career Guidance

Changing Education Landscape

Moving beyond the first 15 years to the next 50 years

Individuals must look to new benchmarks of success, such as having a spirit of inquiry and a desire to create new knowledge and value, said Mr Chan.

Diploma in Computing with Law
Diploma in Biomedical Science with Analytics
Common Business & Technology Programme

Budget 2024: ITE graduates to get S$10,000 in CPF if they obtain a diploma

They will also receive S$5,000 in their post-secondary education accounts for enrolling in a diploma programme.

S'pore's education system to be less exam-focused, more geared to lifelong learning: Lawrence Wong

Singapore's first arts university, formed by NAFA and LASALLE alliance, to welcome students from 2024

The University of the Arts Singapore will award degrees offered by both institutions.

Learn, serve and earn a diploma: ITE graduates can join the Police Force with full salary while attending poly

Recruits start work as Police Sergeants while pursuing a Temasek Polytechnic diploma over two and a half years – with zero course fees and full pay throughout

January 12, 2026

Singapore Polytechnic Unveils Tech-Driven Learning Experiences

New polytechnic pathway lets students explore business, IT and engineering before specialising

All Ngee Ann Poly students to learn generative AI from 2026

A Life of Possibilities

Building a place and a path for every Singaporean

MOE Committee of Supply 2024

To prepare our next generation to learn for life, we must re-envision education as…

a. **A continuing journey**, where we learn not just in the first 15 years of school, but throughout the next 50 years of our lives;

b. **A celebration of strengths**, where we appreciate a diversity of talent in society; and

c. **A collective effort**, where students learn in schools, classrooms and beyond – from the physical community and society to the virtual world.

Post Secondary Education Landscape

Post-secondary Possibilities

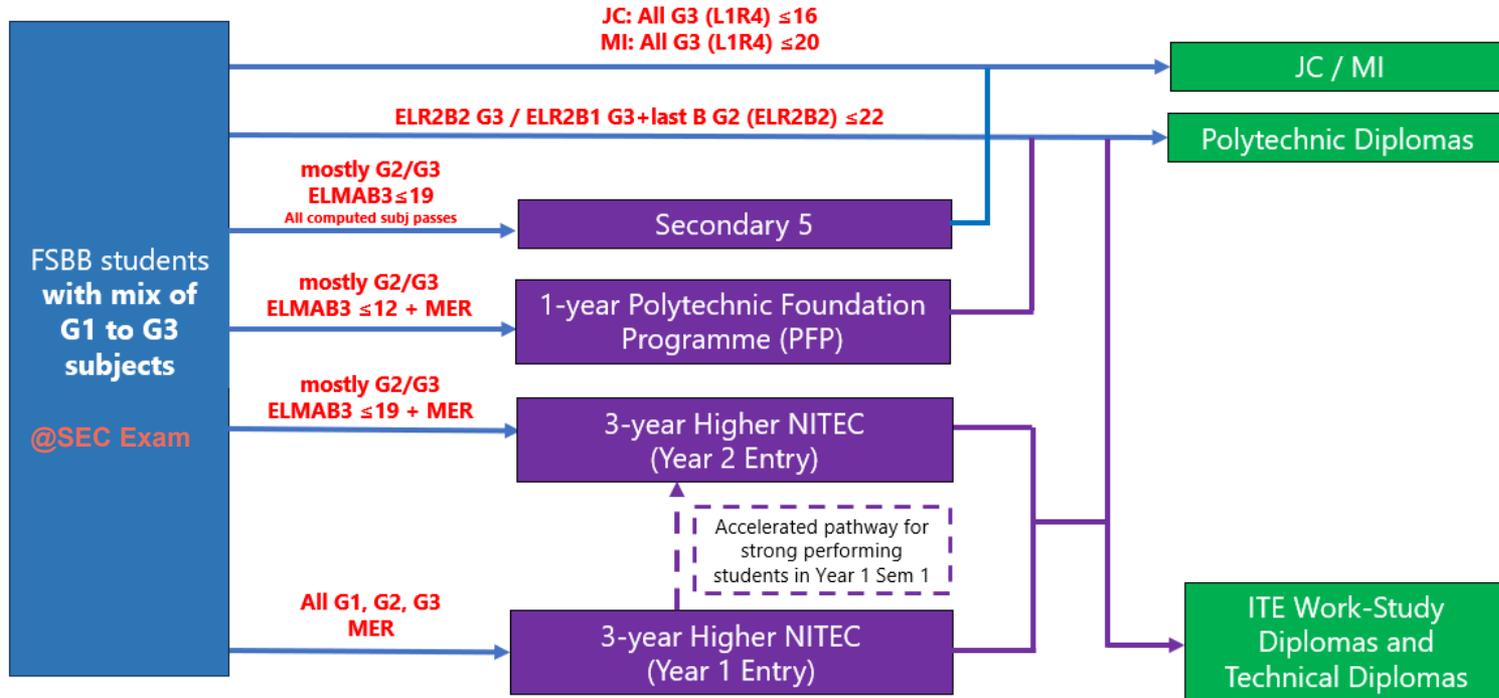## From 2028, more post-secondary options will be available.

Students taking at least	POST-SEC PATHWAYS							
	3-Year Higher Nitec	2-Year Higher Nitec	NAFA Foundation Programme (NFP)	Arts Institutions	Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)	Polytechnic Year 1	Millennia Institute	Junior College
5 G3 subjects	✓	✓	NEW ✓	✓	NEW ✓	✓	✓	NEW ✓
4 G3 + 1 G2 subjects subject	✓	✓	NEW ✓	NEW ✓	NEW ✓	NEW ✓		
5 G2 subjects	✓	✓	✓		✓			
4 G1 subjects	✓	NEW* ✓						

*Students who offer 4 G1 subjects will join Year 1 of Higher Nitec, and may be offered the accelerated pathway if they meet academic requirements during their Year 1 Semester 1 examinations. This pathway will allow them to attain a Higher Nitec in a shorter duration of about two years.

Overview: Post-secondary progression (Full SBB)

For 2026
Sec 1 to 3 students

JC: All G3 (L1R4) ≤16
MI: All G3 (L1R4) ≤20

→ **JC / MI**

ELR2B2 G3 / ELR2B1 G3+last B G2 (ELR2B2) ≤22

→ **Polytechnic Diplomas**

FSBB students with mix of G1 to G3 subjects

@SEC Exam

mostly G2/G3
ELMAB3 ≤19
All computed subj passes
→ **Secondary 5**

mostly G2/G3
ELMAB3 ≤12 + MER
→ **1-year Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)**

mostly G2/G3
ELMAB3 ≤19 + MER
→ **3-year Higher NITEC (Year 2 Entry)**

Accelerated pathway for strong performing students in Year 1 Sem 1

All G1, G2, G3
MER
→ **3-year Higher NITEC (Year 1 Entry)**

→ **ITE Work-Study Diplomas and Technical Diplomas**

*MER – Minimum entry requirements

*Not included – Art institutions (NAFA/LASALLE) & Non-academic admissions (i.e. Poly-EAE/ITE-EAE)

Merit Based

Junior College (JC)

- L1R4 gross aggregate score must not exceed 16

Millennia Institute (MI)

- L1R4 gross aggregate score must not exceed 20

Polytechnic

- ELR2B2 net aggregate score must not exceed 22
- Meet the minimum entry requirements (MER) of the course that you are applying for

Merit Based

Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)

- ELR2B2 12 points or less, excluding bonus points

- There will also be subject-specific requirements based on your preferred courses

Year 2 Entry to ITE

- ELR2B2 19 points or less, excluding bonus points

- There will also be subject-specific requirements based on your preferred courses

Junior Colleges | Millenia Institute
A-Level Curriculum

Academic-based learning
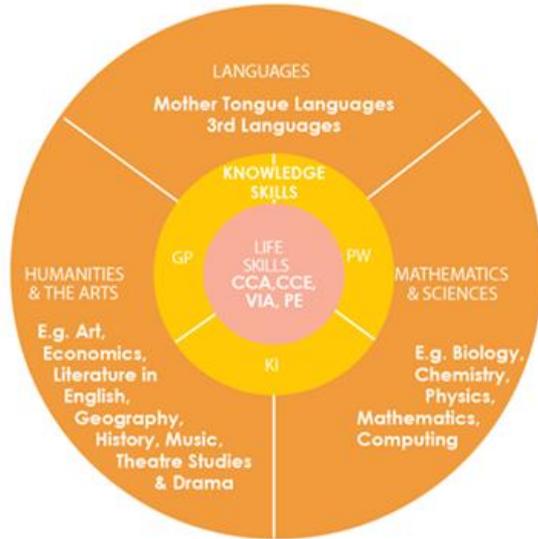
and more!

Admission into JC/MI
A-Level Curriculum

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All subjects G3
JC: L1R4 ≤ 16
MI: L1R4 ≤ 20

Component	Subjects	2028 JAE L1R4
L1	English or Higher Mother Tongue	✓
R1	Any 1 best-scoring subject from Humanities	✓
R2	Any 1 best-scoring subject from Mathematics or Science	✓
R3	Any 1 best-scoring subject from Humanities, Mathematics or Science	✓
R4	Any 1 best-scoring subject	✓

Admission into JC/MI
A-Level Curriculum

1 **All subjects G3
JC: L1R4 ≤ 16
MI: L1R4 ≤ 20**

2 **Meet the grade requirements for specific subjects**

Subject	Grade
G3 English Language	A1 to C6
Any 1 Mathematics • G3 Additional Mathematics • G3 Mathematics	A1 to D7
Any 1 Mother Tongue Language (MTL) • **G1, G2, G3 MTL:** Chinese, Malay, Tamil • **G1, G2 or G3 MTL approved by MOE in lieu of an official MTL (MTL-in-lieu):** Arabic, Bengali, Burmese, French, German, Gujarati, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Thai, Urdu	**MTL and MTL-in-lieu:** • G3: A1 to D7 • G2: 1 to 5 • G1: A to D **HMTL:** • G3: A1 to E8

Applied Learning Institutes

About Polytechnics
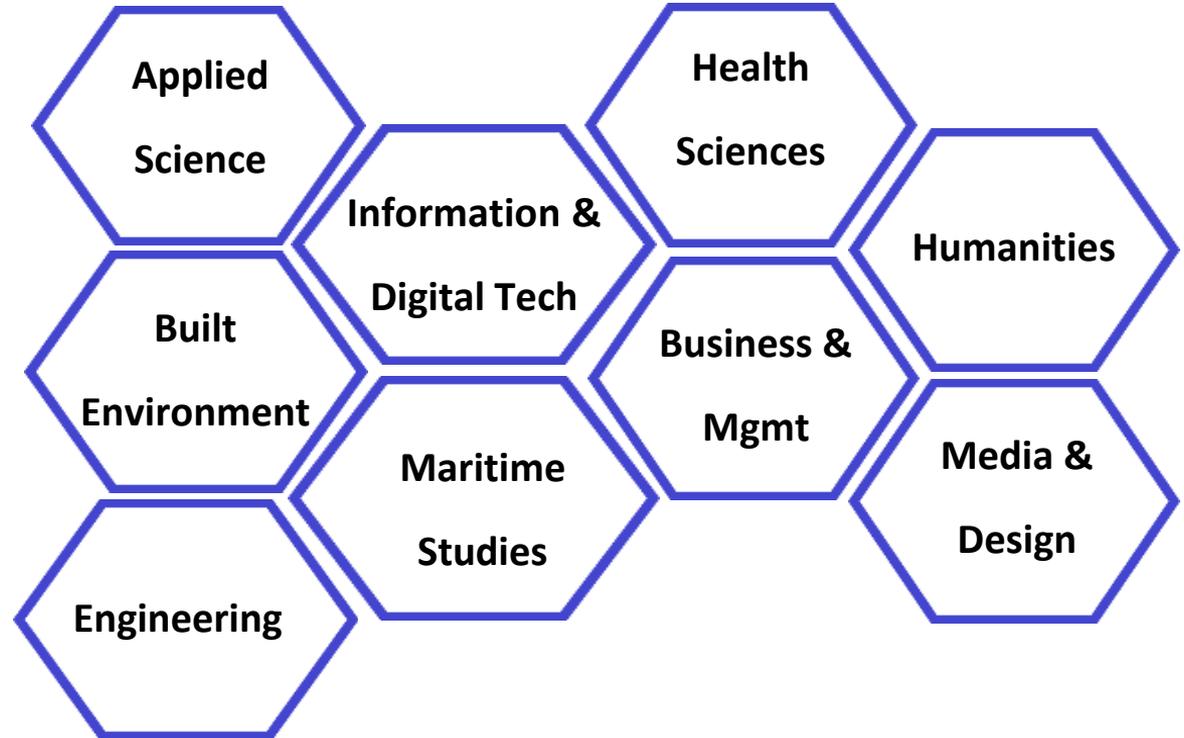
Admission Criteria - Polytechnic

Year 1 Polytechnic

ELR2B2 ≤ 22
5 G3 subjects
4 G3 + 1 G2 best subject

2 'Relevant' G3 subjects

ELR2B2

English Language G3

1 'Best' G3 subject + 1 'Best' G2 or G3 subject

1 G2 subject can be counted as 1 [B] subject. If you take a G3 subject, it will be mapped to G2.

G3 Grade MAPPED TO G2 Grade	
A1, A2, B3	1
B4, C5, C6	2
D7	3
E8	4
9	5
-	6

Admission Criteria - Polytechnic

Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)

ELMAB3 ≤ 12 (Based on G2 grades)

Sciences

Humanities, Art, Media & Business (HAMB)

Design, Engineering & Technology (DET)

- Cluster-based programme
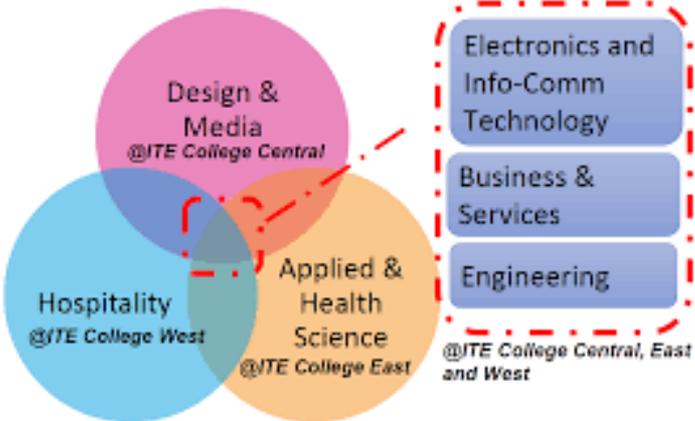- On completion of PFP, students will enrol into Polytechnic Year 1

About ITE
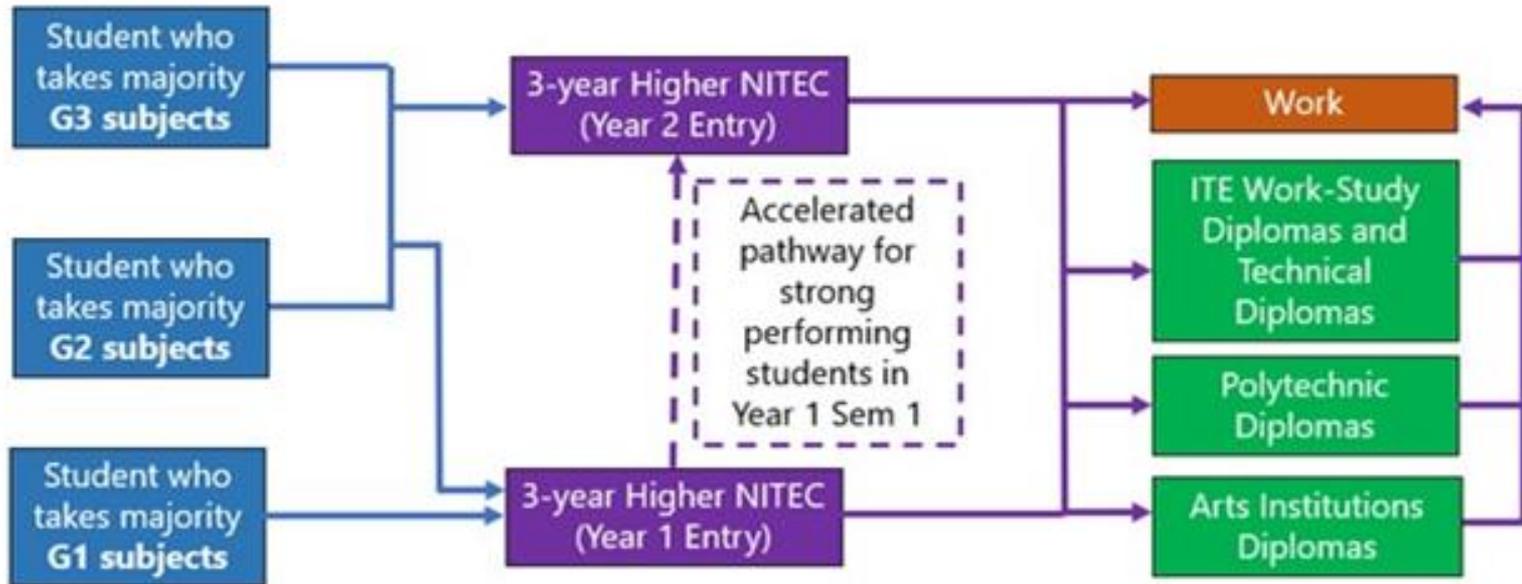

Institute of Technical Education

Course Clusters in ITE
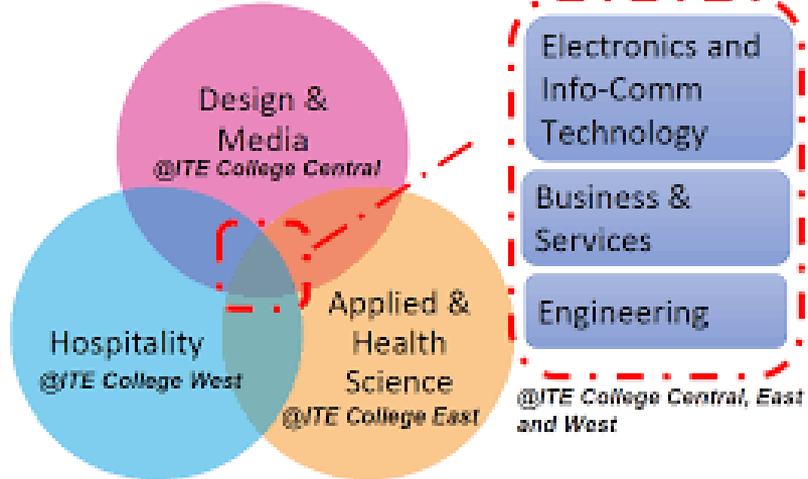
- Design & Media @ITE College Central
- Hospitality @ITE College West
- Applied & Health Science @ITE College East

- Electronics and Info-Comm Technology
- Business & Services
- Engineering

@ITE College Central, East and West

About ITE

Admission Criteria - ITE

Course Clusters in ITE

Design & Media
@ITE College Central

Hospitality
@ITE College West

Applied & Health Science
@ITE College East

Electronics and Info-Comm Technology

Business & Services

Engineering

@ITE College Central, East and West

Entry into Year 2 Higher NITEC Course

ELMAB3 ≤ 19
Based on G2 grades

Entry into Year 1 Higher NITEC Course

Applicable for all subject levels
Minimum requirement is 4 G1 subjects

Admission Criteria - Arts Institutions

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UAS University of the Arts Singapore | **LASALLE** COLLEGE OF THE ARTS **NAFA** Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts
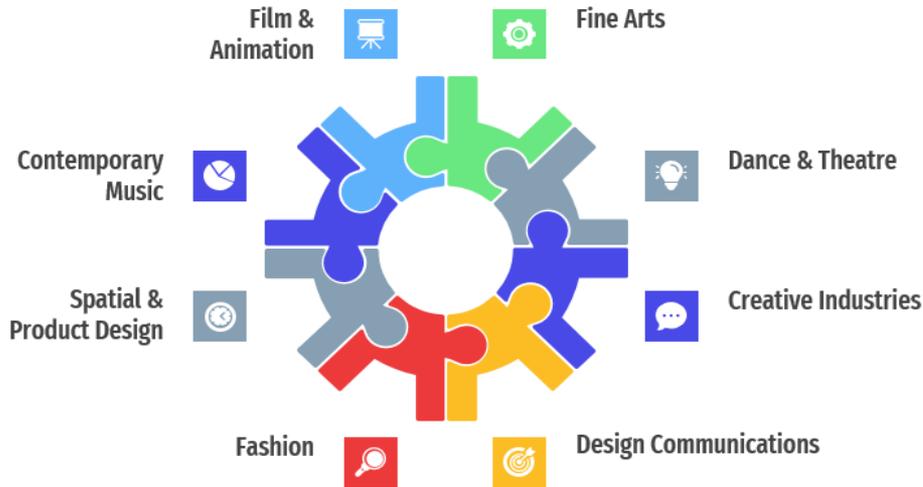
NAFA Foundation Programme (NFP)

#1: ELMAB3 ≤ 15
Based on G2 subjects

#2: Portfolio, aptitude tests, auditions

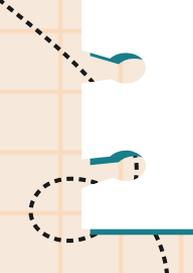## Diploma Programmes

#1: Aggregate score ≤ 21
For 4 subjects
Based on 4 G3 subjects or 4 G3 + 1 G2

#2: Subject requirements
EL: C6 or better

#3: Portfolio, aptitude tests, auditions

Why "aptitude-based admissions"?

To identify aptitudes and interests that are not demonstrated through exams!

Great for students who…

knows what you are **good** at

knows what you are **interested** in

have **strong aspirations**

and you want to **secure a spot** into the course that can lead you to reach them!

DSA-JC

5 G3 subjects – including EL, Maths, Science, Humanities

Based on talent in academic or non-academic areas

Sports

Leadership

**Non-academics
(CCAs, interests, etc)**

**Academics
(Sciences, Maths, Humanities, etc)**

Performing Arts

Clubs & Societies

Poly-EAE Year 1 Entry

5 G3 / 4 G3 + 1 G2 subjects
EL, relevant subjects & 1 best subject at G3
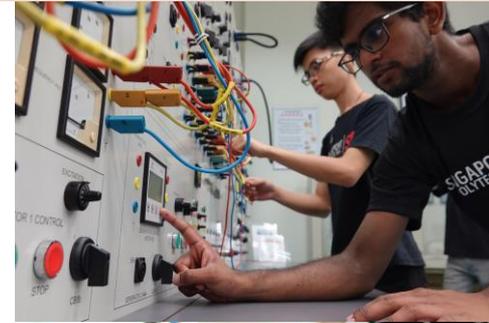
Applicable for all courses at Polytechnics

Applicable for all 3-year Higher Nitec Courses!

Yes, your child can still proceed to PFP / 2-year Higher Nitec if eligible
(more info will be shared next year on processes)

Aptitude Based

Direct School Admissions (JC)
- Talent in sports, CCAs and specific academic areas
- Application starts from May onwards
- Apply to individual JC directly

Early Admissions Exercise (ITE & Polytechnic)
- ITE (Central application in May)
- Polytechnic (Central application in June)
- Given conditional offers before taking national examinations, subject to meeting the course minimum entry requirement

DSA-JC | POLY-EAE | ITE-EAE
Admissions Exercise Timeline

	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT
ITE-EAE	(End-May) *Application*	(Mid-Jun – End-Jul) *Selection		(End-Aug) *Offer and Acceptance*	(Early-Sep) *Withdrawal*	
POLY-EAE		(End-June) *Application*	(Early-Jul – End-Aug) *Selection		(Early-Sep – Mid-Sep) *Offer and [Acce]ptance*	(Mid-Sep – Mid- Oct) *Withdrawal*
DSA-JC (Phase 1)	(Early-May) *Application*	(End-Jun – Early-[...]) *Selection / Offer		Accept / Withdraw		
DSA-JC (Phase 2)	*DSA-JC – Check directly at the school websites for exact dates/time.*			(Mid-Aug – Early-Sep) *Selection / Offer	(Early-Sep) *Acceptance*	(Early-Oct) Cancel DSA-JC

Prepare early!

Application details – check JC website (JC), EAE Portal (ITE/Poly)
*Selections – Form of auditions / interviews / aptitude tests

What can I do now as a parent?

Be aware of the OPPORTUNITIES around you, don't just go through the day, live the day with your eyes and your mind open.

Success is about taking advantage of opportunity.

Mike Ditka

STAYING RELEVANT
HOW DO I GET THERE?

How Do I Get There?
Staying Relevant

Students will need to prepare

Personal Statement / Write-ups

Portfolio

Encourage child to showcase his/her **strong aptitude and passion** for the areas they are interested in

How can I find out more?

Encourage your child to **research** to stay informed!

Visit the school websites

Speak with older siblings to graduated seniors!

How can I find out more?

MOE CourseFinder: Recommended website for a start!

CourseFinder

Explore courses based on aggregate type, score, type of institute and area of interest.

Select the institutions you want to explore:

INSTITUTE OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION

JUNIOR COLLEGES AND MILLENNIA INSTITUTE

POLYTECHNICS

UNIVERSITIES

AI & Data Engineering

Course code: **C31**

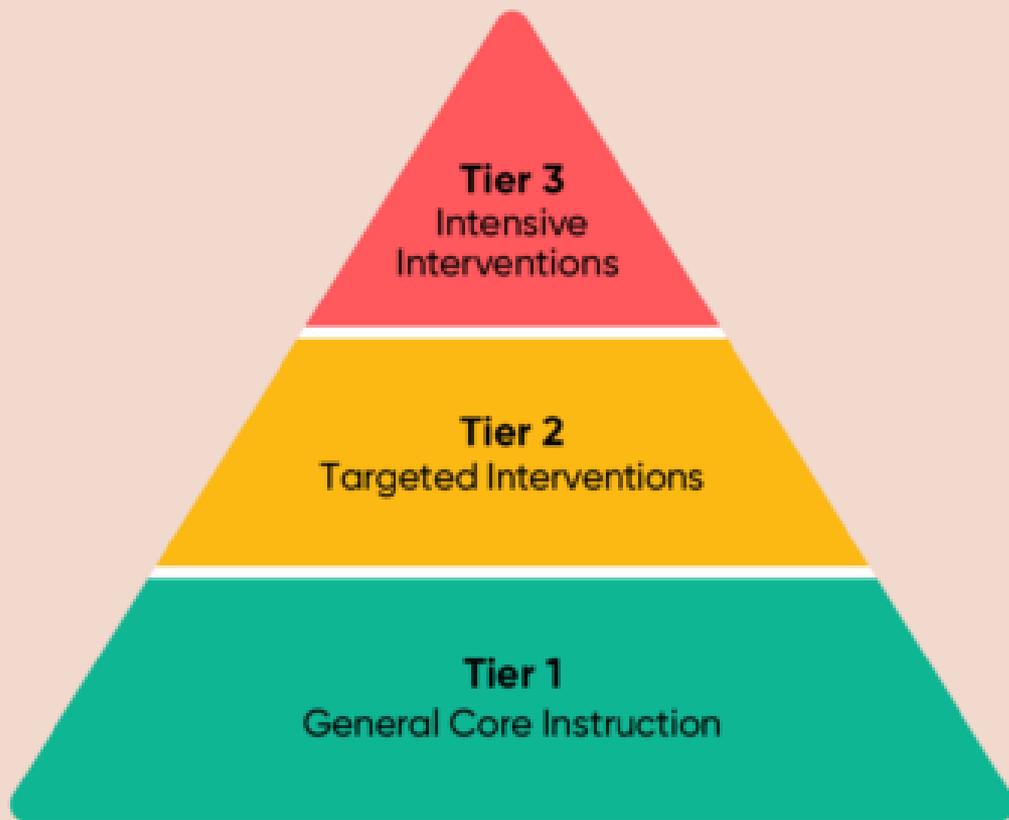☑ Admission Type: **JAE, DAE, JPAE, Poly EAE, PFP**

🏫 **Nanyang Polytechnic**

☑ 2024 JAE ELR2B2-C aggregate : **6 - 10**

- Course details
- Minimum entry requirements
- Modules
- Internship
- Career prospects
- How to register

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

ECG Efforts @ Damai Secondary

Tier 3
Intensive Interventions

Tier 2
Targeted Interventions

Tier 1
General Core Instruction

- Targeted ECG counselling
- EAE Writing/Interview Coaching
- Rise Up Programme
- Pathfinder Plus Programme

- Access Compass Workshop
- Job Attachment Programme

Whole School Experiences
- ECG Lessons in CCE
- Target Setting & Pathway Plan
- Cohort ECG Talk by ECGC
- Careers Day – Talks & Workshops
- Applied Learning Modules (ApLM)

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ECG Efforts @ Damai Secondary

Applied Learning Modules at Poly
Introduction to Digital Game Development (TP)
The Amazing Wonders of Chemistry (RP)

Applied Learning Modues at ITE
Introduction to Barista Craft
Fun with Animation
Unveil the Secret of Rail System
Video Production
Grow Your Own Greens
Basic First Aid & Emergency Care

Pathway Plan

1) My TARGET grades for End of Year exams:

Subject	English	E Math	Humanities	Science	MTL	*	*	L1R5 (JC)	ELR2B2 (Poly)	ELB4 (ITE)
Grade										

Input your target grades by next lesson

(*add your elective subject(s) – Art/ D&T/ NFS/ POA)

2) My ACTUAL grades for End of Year exams:

Subject	English	E Math	Humanities	Science	MTL	*	*	L1R5 (JC)	ELR2B2 (Poly)	ELB4 (ITE)
Grade										

Input your actual grades immediately when you receive your End of Year exam results

(*add your elective subject(s) – Art/ D&T/ NFS/ POA)

Click on the relevant Post Secondary Pathway that you've selected to fill up the sections

A	Joint-Admission-Exercise (JAE) to JC/ MI/ Polytechnic/ ITE	Yes/No
B	Direct School Admission for JC (DSA-JC)	Yes/No
C	Polytechnic Early Admission Exercise (Poly EAE)	Yes/No
D	Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (NAFA)	Yes/No

ECG Efforts @ Damai Secondary

Job Attachment Programme (November School Holiday)

Careers Day (27 March)

Discovering Purpose

Support them as they discover their Purpose	**Encourage Reflection on Experiences**	**Connect Experiences**
What is important to you? What motivates you? What are the issues you feel strongly about? What do you enjoy doing? How would you describe yourself? How do others describe you? What are your strengths? What have people praised you for?	What do you do in…? What do you like / dislike about…? How do you feel when…? What did you learn about…? What did you discover about yourself through…?	What have you learned in <Subject> that will be useful for <Jobs you like>? Is this an ability / skill / interest you want to develop further? Would you like to do something like that in your future job? Why?

Education & Career Guidance

Exploring Opportunities

Start exploring Areas of Interests	**Prompt them to Think Beyond**	**Let your Child be the Expert**
Which would be your top 3 aspirations? Why did you choose these? Are there others you have in mind? What are the skills / knowledge you wish to develop / gain? Would you prefer something more academic or hands-on and work-oriented?	What do you want from this career? What are the things important to you in a job? What would be some other jobs related to this role / industry? How can you find more information?	That's a job I don't know much about, Could you tell me more what it does? How's the job prospect like? Could you find out? What does this course offer? What will you be learning?

Staying Relevant

Get your child to be responsible for their own plan	Discuss with your child like they are adults
Which courses / qualifications do you think will lead you to this job?	What 'game plan'/plan do you have in mind to work towards this course/career?
Are there any prerequisites / minimum entry requirements to apply to these courses?	Are there ways you can experience what the job is like?
What steps can you take to work towards your goal?	Are there practical constraints you may face? Eg. colour appreciation deficiency?
How can you better prepare yourself for this course / job? (Emphasis on transferrable skillset)	
What are the possible ways/admissions to get to your course?	

Simplified Application Exercise in 2028

All pathways and courses will be **available for selection on a single platform.**

Students will **use one common platform** to **submit up to 12 choices** as part of the new Post-Secondary Admission Exercise (PSE).

They will be able to **select and rank their choices** based on their preferences.

There will be ongoing updates and additional guidance that will be published as the implementation progresses. Please **check back in mid-2027** to find out information about the 2028 admission.

Single admissions process to replace JC, poly and ITE postings from 2028

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