

COMMUNITY, IN PRACTICE

At the SIT Punggol Campus, learning extends beyond the classroom into the community. By working closely with industry and community partners, we create opportunities for students to apply their knowledge, develop as socially responsible professionals, and make a positive difference in Punggol.

Community Engagement: Inspiring Young Minds, Strengthening Ties

SIT expanded its youth and community outreach through strategic partnerships and flagship platforms at the Punggol Campus. Eight STEM outreach programmes engaged more than 2,000 youths across 18 schools, while seventeen community programmes reached over 2,000 residents from Punggol and beyond.

Key initiatives included the National Youth Tech Championship 2025, organised in partnership with IMDA and Google, and the SIT Community Challenge 2025, delivered with SBS Transit and STMicroelectronics. These collaborations strengthened SIT's position as the University for Industry and reinforced applied learning and community impact.

School partnerships grew from four to more than 18 schools nationwide, increasing opportunities for SIT students to lead STEM outreach initiatives in the community.

Social Innovation Project Module

The Social Innovation Project (SIP) module gives SIT undergraduates hands-on experience applying design thinking and human-centred design to complex, real-world problems in and beyond Singapore.

Since the module was implemented in AY2023, the number of overseas immersion trips has doubled. Students spend five to seven days working with counterparts in Indonesia (Bandung, Medan, and Surabaya), Vietnam (Ho Chi Minh), and Hong Kong.

Closer to home, two student teams worked with Allkin staff and dietitians from National Healthcare Group (NHG) to help 14 seniors adapt beloved recipes into healthier versions, preserving cultural authenticity and culinary heritage, while promoting better nutrition.

These projects offer opportunities to observe on-ground practices, build empathy, and co-create solutions tailored to local contexts, reinforcing SIT's commitment to applied learning.



► The group of SITizens involved in the Allkin project with one of the seniors.



► Allkin Recipe Book.

CLASIC Project Grant

Since CLASIC first awarded its CLASIC Project Grant to SIT academic staff leading community-engaged projects in AY2021, 16 projects have been supported under this grant.

Ten projects have been completed. Approximately \$206,000 has been disbursed as CLASIC Project Grants.

One such project is the RemindMe app, created by a multidisciplinary SIT team led by Associate Professors Elaine Siow and Desmond Chong. Working with Mr Vincent Chan, SIT students, and Singapore General Hospital (SGH), the team built the app to equip caregivers with the knowledge, confidence, and practical support needed to manage pressure injuries at home.

The project includes key features to support caregivers, such as scheduled patient repositioning reminders, educational resources on pressure injury management, care management tools for daily tasks, and pictorial guides highlighting high-risk pressure areas.

