

NURTURING  
**SITIZENS**  
FOR OUR  
FUTURE



# SIT: A UNIQUE STORY OF TALENT, INDUSTRY, AND COMMUNITY

As Singapore's university of applied learning, the Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT) holds a unique position in the nation's educational landscape.

SIT aims to be a leader in innovative learning by integrating learning, industry and community. The industry relevance of SIT's degree programmes (offered under five Academic Clusters of Engineering; Chemical Engineering and Food Technology; Infocomm Technology; Health and Social Sciences; Design and Specialised Businesses) is ensured through the Integrated Work Study Programme (IWSP).

SIT's mission is to nurture and develop individuals who build on their interests and talents to impact society in meaningful ways.

At the heart of SIT's unique story is the singular responsibility it has been entrusted with – to transform a growing number of promising polytechnic diploma holders into degreed professionals who will make a difference with their university education.



*SIT is set up to be a place where hearts and minds meet to help shape Singapore's future. The aspiration of our young university is to nurture graduates who will spark transformations in the industry as well as the community, and we are constantly working to achieve this aspiration.*

- Prof Tan Thiam Soon, President, SIT

# WHO ARE SITIZENS?

The majority of SIT students, known as “SITizens”, are Singaporeans. Many are the first in their families to go to university – and their hope is to help create a better future for themselves and their families by getting a university degree.

Ninety-two percent of SIT students have come up through the polytechnic route, where they learnt to be hands-on in applying their knowledge to solve real workplace problems. They are not afraid to roll up their sleeves to get the work done.

To help these promising young talents realise their full potential to become professionals with deep specialist skills, SIT’s pedagogy and curriculum are designed to inculcate in them a set of traits – known as the SIT-DNA – that will nurture “thinking tinkerers” who are able to “learn, unlearn, and relearn”, and be “catalysts for transformation” who are “grounded in the community”.



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*Being able to attend a local university like SIT, and being the first in my family to do so makes me feel privileged and positive. Coming from an average family, this opportunity means that I can set an example for my younger siblings. It has given me hope that I will be successful as long as I continue to work hard.*

*- Mr Tan Kah Wei, Year 2 Student, BEng (Hons) in Information and Communications Technology (Information Security) and Ho Bee Scholarship recipient*

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## **SIT DNA: Thinking Tinkerers**

An education at SIT guides its students into becoming professionals who are as skilled with their hands as they are keen to seek knowledge in the classroom. Passionate about hands-on experimentation, they are also able to think and apply the knowledge picked up during the process. SITizens delight in imagining new possibilities and working on improvements; they are constantly looking to solve practical problems with innovative solutions.



## **SIT DNA: Able to Learn, Unlearn and Relearn**

SITizens embrace change; they treat learning as a foundation on which to acquire new knowledge. Relentless in ensuring that their expertise remains relevant, they constantly pursue new skills to keep abreast with a rapidly progressing world where systems, technology and ways of doing things are changing at an unprecedented pace.

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*With education being one of the key pillars of Mapletree's CSR framework, we want to empower individuals by supporting educational initiatives. By partnering with SIT through The Mapletree Challenge, we want to provide a platform for entrepreneurial SIT students to test ideas as well as showcase innovative and sustainable solutions that will make a difference in today's world.*

*- Mr Wan Kwong Weng, Group Chief Corporate Officer, Mapletree Investments on why Mapletree has supported the Mapletree Bursary and The Mapletree Challenge at SIT*

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*All of the Kewalram Chanrai Group scholars at SIT are young women – pursuing and studying courses which, in the past, might have been deemed to be suitable for young men only – and so this is a Scholarship to help women scholars push through the gender barrier.*

*- Mr Narain Girdhar Chanrai, CEO, Kewalram Chanrai Group  
on his motivation to make possible the  
Kewalram Chanrai Group Scholarship at SIT*

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## SIT DNA: Catalysts for Transformation

SITizens are enthusiastic about bringing in new ideas and creating new products and services to increase efficiency and generate new growth pathways. They are ever ready to spark change and make a positive impact, whether in the industry or the larger community.



## SIT DNA: Grounded in the Community

SIT students are passionate about using their skills and knowledge to serve and strengthen the community. Having deep roots in the community, these students are highly attuned to the needs of others; they are keen to work together across academic disciplines to help bring about social, economic or environmental improvements in the larger community.





# NURTURING SITIZENS TO TRANSFORM OUR FUTURE

There are many ways to nurture SITizens in their holistic learning journey and your generous giving will make a difference in any of the following causes:

## STUDENT EXCELLENCE

- Scholarships
- Excellence Awards
  - Book Prizes
  - Gold Medals
  - Outstanding Student Awards

Inspire academic excellence and nurture service leadership in our students by supporting a range of performance awards such as bond-free Scholarships, Book Prizes, Gold Medals and Outstanding Student Awards. At SIT, an endowed fund to support full Sscholarships can be established with an endowed gift of \$335,000 or a partial term Scholarship with a gift of \$30,000.

The range of Excellence Awards can be supported by annual term gifts ranging from \$1,500 to \$5,000 over a duration of four consecutive years.

## STUDENT FINANCIAL AID

- Bursaries & Study Grants
- Emergency Funds

To help deserving students in financial need, support bond-free Bursaries, Study Grants and Emergency Funds. At SIT, a bond-free Bursary to support disadvantaged students in perpetuity can be established with an endowed gift of \$112,000 while a term Bursary can be made possible with a gift of \$20,000.

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*I believe that bursaries and scholarships will help to level the playing field for undergraduates at SIT, and give these young talents a reasonable opportunity to move up through education and hard work. I hope these students will strive for success and give back to the community in future when they are able to.*

- Mr Soo Ye Wah, Executive Chairman of  
Dou Yee International which made the  
Dou Yee Enterprises Bursary possible

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## **PROFESSORSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

Your generous giving to support a Professorship will allow SIT to appoint eminent individuals who are thought leaders in their respective fields.

Supporting a named Fellowship will allow SIT to fund a range of applied research opportunities for SIT students.

Professors and Fellows can set the direction for interdisciplinary programmes and drive applied research initiatives.

## **LECTURE SERIES**

Enhance the undergraduate experience at SIT by supporting a lecture series, which will give SIT students the opportunity to hear from invited experts from both academia and industry, as well as participate in discussions to explore different perspectives, the latest approaches and innovations, and best practices.

## **PROGRAMMES**

Learning programmes give students the opportunity to develop skills in areas such as leadership, entrepreneurship and innovation.

*Please contact us at [Advancement@SingaporeTech.edu.sg](mailto:Advancement@SingaporeTech.edu.sg) so that we can present these opportunities to you in greater detail.*

# DONOR BENEFITS

- *Tax benefit – Revenue contributors in Singapore will receive a 2.5 times tax deduction for gifts made in calendar years 2019-21.*
- *Naming opportunity – In recognition of your generous philanthropic support.*
- *Donor recognition – The gift will be acknowledged in relevant SIT media.*

## **WHAT IS A TERM GIFT?**

A term gift is entirely spent, either immediately or over a period of time, to support the donor-specified gift purpose.

## **WHAT IS AN ENDOWED GIFT?**

An endowed gift is not spent but is invested to generate an annual income to support the donor-specified gift purpose. It will support the gift purpose in perpetuity, since the principal sum is left intact.\*

*\*In accordance with the Ministry of Education's (MOE) current guidelines, endowed gifts to SIT are eligible for the enhanced 1.5:1 Government Matching Grant. Of this Enhanced Government Matching, 33% (or about 0.5 of your gift amount) can be designated towards the endowed gift purpose.*

# SIT'S PUNGGOL CAMPUS OF THE FUTURE

SIT will be the first autonomous university to have its campus right in the heart of the upcoming Punggol Digital District (PDD).

**SIT's future campus in Punggol** will be co-located with JTC's business park buildings in PDD. This will enable students, faculty and industry professionals to come together and collaborate on projects that can benefit the community. Students can find real-world learning opportunities in industry spaces located within this campus of the future, fostering collaboration and the exchange of ideas with industry professionals.

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***‘We have Punggol 21 Plus. With SIT, it will be Punggol 21 A-Plus.’***

– PRIME MINISTER LEE HSIEN LOONG AT THE 2015 NATIONAL DAY RALLY

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