

SIT Celebrates the Graduation of its Largest Cohort To-date

A record number of over 2,200 graduates for Class of 2022, including the pioneer cohort of Air Transport Management graduates and SIT's first Honorary Graduate.

09 December 2022



More than 2,200 graduates received their degree scrolls this year.

The Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT) celebrated the achievements of the Class of 2022 with its Graduation Ceremonies from 12 to 14 October 2022. Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance, Mr Lawrence Wong, graced the main graduation session held at The Theatre at MediaCorp on 13 October, 2022.

This year, over 2,200 graduates from 47 undergraduate and postgraduate programmes were conferred their degree scrolls. The Class of 2022 is made up of 960 graduates from SIT-conferred programmes, 958 graduates from SIT-overseas university (OU) joint programmes, and 323 graduates from degrees conferred by SIT OU partners.



Mr Lawrence Wong, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance, graced the event as Guest-of-Honour.

Pioneer Cohort of Air Transport Management Graduates

The occasion marked the graduation of the inaugural cohort of 52 students from the Air Transport Management (ATM) degree programme. The first of its kind by an autonomous university in Singapore, the three-year Bachelor's Degree with Honours programme is developed in collaboration with the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) and other key members of the aviation industry.

The ATM programme aims to produce future-ready professionals for the Singapore air transport sector. Under SIT's flagship Integrated Work Study Programme (IWSP), ATM students undergo an eight-month work attachment at airlines, airports, ground handlers, freight agencies and travel technology firms, where they gain practical knowledge and skills in the analytical, business, management, operations and strategic aspects of the air transport industry.

The pioneer cohort of ATM graduates will further strengthen the pipeline of skilled aviation professionals and address manpower needs within the industry, especially with the upcoming Changi Airport's Terminal 5 project. According to the University's preliminary employment survey, 63% of ATM graduates secured employment within one month of completing their studies in companies including SATS, Changi Airport Group, Singapore Airlines and Jetstar Asia Airways. 90% of them received an advance offer from SIT's industry partners following their IWSP.

Pioneer Graduates from MSc Civil Engineering and SIT-UofG Joint Degree Programmes SIT also celebrated its first batch of 17 graduates from the Master of Science in Civil Engineering programme conferred by SIT, as well as

226 graduates from the SIT-University of Glasgow (UofG) joint degree programmes in Aerospace Engineering, Mechanical Engineering and Computing Science.

Customised to suit working professionals' needs, the MSc Civil Engineering programme is designed to equip engineers with specialised and advanced technical and practical skills to support the industry in addressing complex civil engineering problems in creative and

sustainable ways. The three SIT-UofG joint programmes, co-developed and co-taught by both universities, focus on emerging technologies that reshape business models and strategies in the Engineering and ICT sectors.



SIT Confers First Honorary Graduate

This year's graduation ceremony also saw the conferment of the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Letters for the first time. The recipient is

consolidated campus that is being built in the Punggol Digital District.

the growth and development of SIT as the first university of applied learning in Singapore. He was a strong proponent of the University's applied learning pedagogy, placing strong emphasis on practice-oriented learning, industry partnerships and the integration of work and study in the curriculum.

Furthermore, Mr. Ng cemented SIT's forward-looking vision by guiding several initiatives. These included the provision of upskilling opportunities for industry practitioners through the University's Continuing Education and Training programmes and advocating for SIT's

Mr. Ng Yat Chung, founding Chairman of SIT's Board of Trustees. During his tenure from September 2009 to March 2022, Mr. Ng steered

to support SIT's development as a pioneer of Singapore's applied learning pathway in university education. At the heart of the holistic education that our students receive is our applied learning pedagogy that pushes them to learn off real-world problems. Through our industry-relevant programmes and the IWSP, we hope to continue nurturing the talent pipeline needed by the various economic sectors in Singapore. It has been encouraging to see employment outcomes surpassing pre-pandemic levels."

SIT President Professor Chua Kee Chaing said, "We thank Mr. Ng for his remarkable contributions and the strong foundations he has laid



Professor Chua Kee Chaing, President, SIT, delivered his welcome address at the graduation ceremony.

Career Prospects of SIT Graduates

According to SIT's preliminary employment survey, two-thirds of its Class of 2022 graduates who responded to the survey have found employment after completing their studies. In particular, graduates from Infocomm Technology, Pharmaceutical Engineering, Sustainable Infrastructure Engineering, and Healthcare programmes (Diagnostic Radiography, Radiation Therapy, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, and Physiotherapy) secured between 90-100% employment.

Relishing Excellence

Recognition of Excellence, one of the most joyous events on SIT's university calendar, returns with a bang in November with over 700 attendees gathering at SIT@Dover.

09 December 2022



For the first time in more than two years, recipients of student performance awards and scholarships at SIT were able to come together in a physical event on 17 November 2022 – with their loved ones, the donors who make possible their scholarships and awards, as well as SIT Faculty and Staff.

The Recognition of Excellence (ROE) had to take a break amid the COVID-19 restrictions, until the previous Academic Year (AY) 2021/22, when it went online. This year, a total of 77 Book Prizes, Outstanding Student Awards and Yearly Performance Awards, as well as 198 Scholarships, were presented. This is not counting the 48 awards and prizes made possible by donors that were presented at SIT's graduation ceremonies in October 2022.



Prof Chua Kee Chaing, President, SIT, at the eighth Recognition of Excellence.

Addressing the donors in the audience, Prof Chua Kee Chaing, President, SIT, remarked that while ROE is a warm get-together to recognise student achievement, the event is just as much as a celebration of SIT's donors. "While our appreciation is unquantifiable, I wish to share some numbers to give you an idea of the impact you have made," he said, noting that the past eight years had seen SIT's donors making possible almost 8,000 bursaries, study grants, emergency grants, scholarships, and student excellence awards.

"These have gone a long way to level the playing field for many of our undergraduate students who come from less privileged backgrounds and are first in their families to attend university. During the last two years, donations into our COVID-19 Student Relief Fund have also helped the most vulnerable of our students tide over financial emergencies brought about by the pandemic," he added, before thanking the philanthropic community for also supporting SIT's experiential learning programmes and applied research that are critical in shaping the university's applied learning pedagogy and in informing its education programmes.

that you will continue to see value in helping us achieve our mission of maximising the potential of our learners."

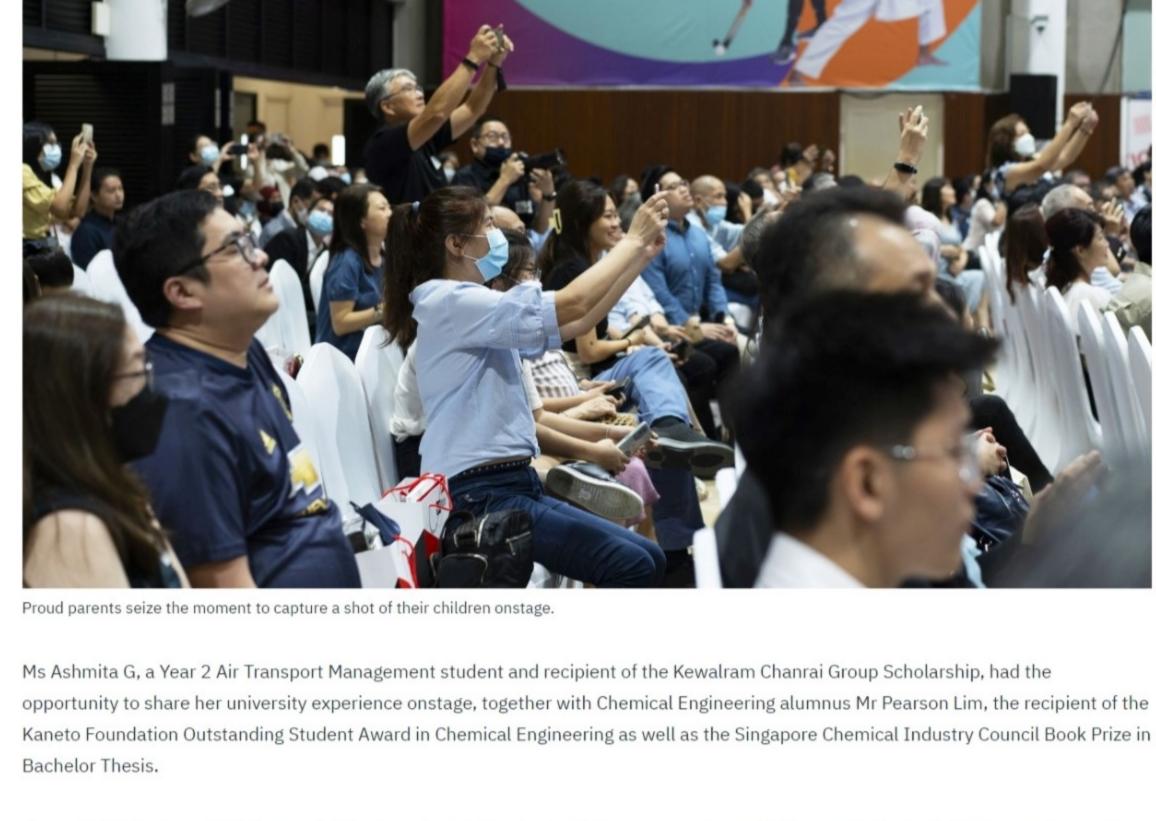
Said Prof Chua: "We sincerely thank you for supporting our students and faculty in the many ways that you have been doing and hope





KKH Scholarship





She said, "Being part of ROE was a thrilling experience. Conducting the banter segment with Pearson in front of a huge crowd as well as celebrating my friend's successes are memories that I will cherish many years down the road. The whole ceremony felt like I was graduating. I am truly grateful to have received such an esteemed scholarship, and it has given me the strength to continue striving forward."



Ms Ashmita G (left) and Mr Pearson Lim. She spoke about how she chose to pursue Air Transport Management at SIT and how thankful she was to receive the

Kewalram Chanrai Group Scholarship.

Strong Employment Outcomes and Starting Salaries for SIT's 2021 Graduates

More than 9 in 10 graduates were employed within six months of graduation, and 86.0% were employed in full-time permanent jobs – surpassing pre-pandemic levels – with improvements seen across sector.

09 December 2022



Class of 2021 graduates from the Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT) continue to be well-received by the industry. These results were unveiled in the annual Joint Autonomous Universities Graduate Employment Survey (JAUGES), conducted by SIT between 1 March and 14 May 2022. Of the 2,006 graduates across 33 degree programmes from SIT and its 10 Overseas University (OU) partners, 84.5%, or 1,695 graduates, took part in the survey.

Significant Employment Improvements for Graduates in COVID-19-hit Sectors

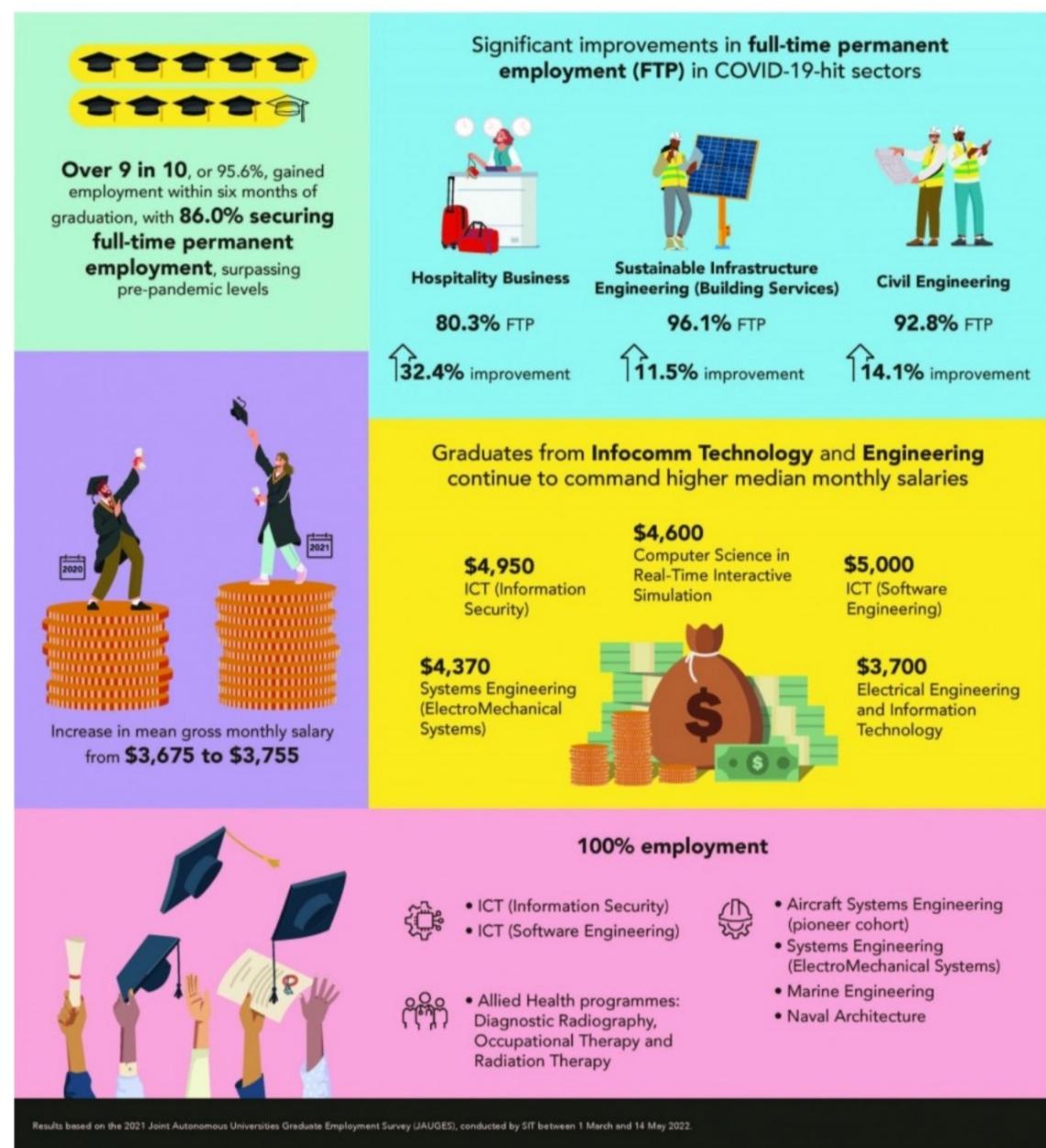
The survey showed that more than 9 in 10, or 95.6% of SIT fresh graduates in the labour force gained employment within six months of graduation. 86.0% secured full-time permanent (FTP) jobs, a 16.2% increase as compared to the previous cohort.

Significant recovery was observed for graduates in the tourism and built environment sectors which were heavily impacted by COVID-19. Hospitality Business, Civil Engineering and Sustainable Infrastructure Engineering (Building Services) graduates achieved FTP employment ranging from 80.3% to 96.1%, an improvement of between 11.5 to 32.4% from the previous cohort.

SIT graduates have remained highly sought after by industries with strong demand for skilled talent. The pioneer cohort of the Aircraft Systems Engineering programme, as well as graduates of the Information and Communications Technology (Information Security), Information and Communications Technology (Software Engineering), Marine Engineering, Naval Architecture and Systems Engineering (ElectroMechanical Systems programmes have achieved 100% employment. Graduates of the three SIT-conferred Allied Health programmes in Diagnostic Radiography, Occupational Therapy, and Radiation Therapy also achieved 100% employment, while those from the SIT-Trinity College Dublin Physiotherapy programme achieved 97.9% overall employment.

CLASS OF 2021 ACHIEVED STRONG EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES AND STARTING SALARIES





Healthy Starting Salaries, Surpassing Pre-Pandemic Levels

The survey also revealed that the starting salaries of SIT graduates exceeded pre-pandemic levels, with both mean and median gross monthly salaries at an all-time high.

The mean gross monthly salary of SIT graduates in FTP employment was \$3,755, an increase over the previous year's salary of \$3,675. The median gross monthly salary of graduates in FTP employment was \$3,550, up from \$3,500 in 2020.

Moulding SIT Students into Work-Ready Professionals at Punggol Digital District

The Punggol Digital District (PDD), home to renowned and upcoming technology players, serves as a seedbed of daring ideas and ground-breaking R&D. SIT's upcoming centralised campus in PDD will feature a vibrant learning environment where academia and indus

☐ 09 December 2022



SIT President Professor Chua Kee Chaing

As the country's first university of applied learning, Singapore Institute of Technology's (SIT) pedagogy is not just the conventional blend of lectures and laboratory-based research. Its industry-relevant degree programmes are anchored on authentic learning and experimentation in real-world environments. In the programmes, students work on problems and create solutions that address pressing industry needs.

JTC's Punggol Digital District (PDD) thus makes an ideal campus location for SIT to fully implement its applied learning pedagogy. Home to renowned and upcoming technology players, the district serves as a seedbed of daring ideas and ground-breaking research and development (R&D). Being nestled in this community of established tech companies and start-ups means that SIT's students and faculty can keep pace with the latest industry happenings, and even be fresh pairs of eyes, providing inputs that could overcome bottlenecks and birth breakthroughs.

The benefits of this co-location go both ways. Whenever company personnel need innovative ideas or wish to reskill or upskill their workers, they can stroll across the walkway and tap into the university's resources through research collaborations or pick the brains of academic staff with deep expertise and experience across various industries and disciplines. Their staff can also participate in many upskilling programmes to support industry workforce transformation.



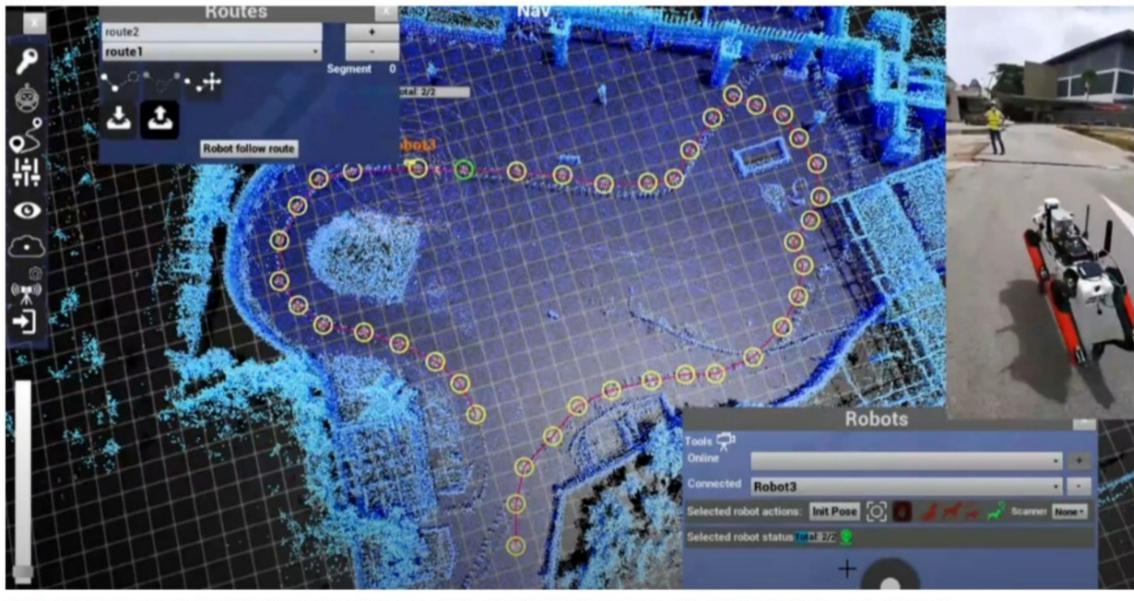
At SIT's upcoming campus @ PDD, businesses can look forward to a collaborative environment that fosters industry-academia partnerships. (Photo: JTC)

Furthermore, PDD is backed by a smart estate management system called the Open Digital Platform (ODP), a key component of which is a digital twin. Streams of district-level data are fed to the cyber-physical replica of PDD, making it a living lab where companies can test-bed their solutions with zero risks. SIT students can partner with these companies to co-engineer applications in emerging sectors such as artificial intelligence, robotics, blockchain, cybersecurity, and smart living.

"Living Labs are a strategic imperative to SIT. It is a way to embody our education and research focus — moving away from lectures and lab-based research and towards authentic learning and experimentation in a real-life environment. Whether within SIT's facilities or in partnership with PDD, living labs provide an opportunity for SIT and industry partners to develop and showcase new business models, jobs, investments, and partnerships," says SIT President Professor Chua Kee Chaing. "At the same time, projects rolled out via the PDD living lab programme will provide new insights for government agencies to develop technical and policy frameworks to support the adoption of innovations."

Learning Beyond the Book

Well ahead of PDD's official opening in 2024, the university is already knee-deep in collaborating with industry players. One of it is dConstruct, a local start-up that prides itself on creating autonomous solutions that make robots smarter and at the same time easier to use. The two entities are looking to create self-driving robotic solutions that improve campus experiences such as last-mile delivery and smart campus management. Technologies being developed include autonomous scanning — where robots scan and construct digital twins of facilities like a campus with minimal intervention.



The d.ASH Autonomous Robot Digital Scanning solution was deployed at SIT@Dover to create a 3D digital scan of the campus grounds.



SIT students will be able to use the Spot robot to develop robotics solutions for PDD.

By working with dConstruct's proprietary software programming tool and and agile mobile robots, SIT students will get to go beyond putting pen to paper, and craft solutions that have real-world impact.

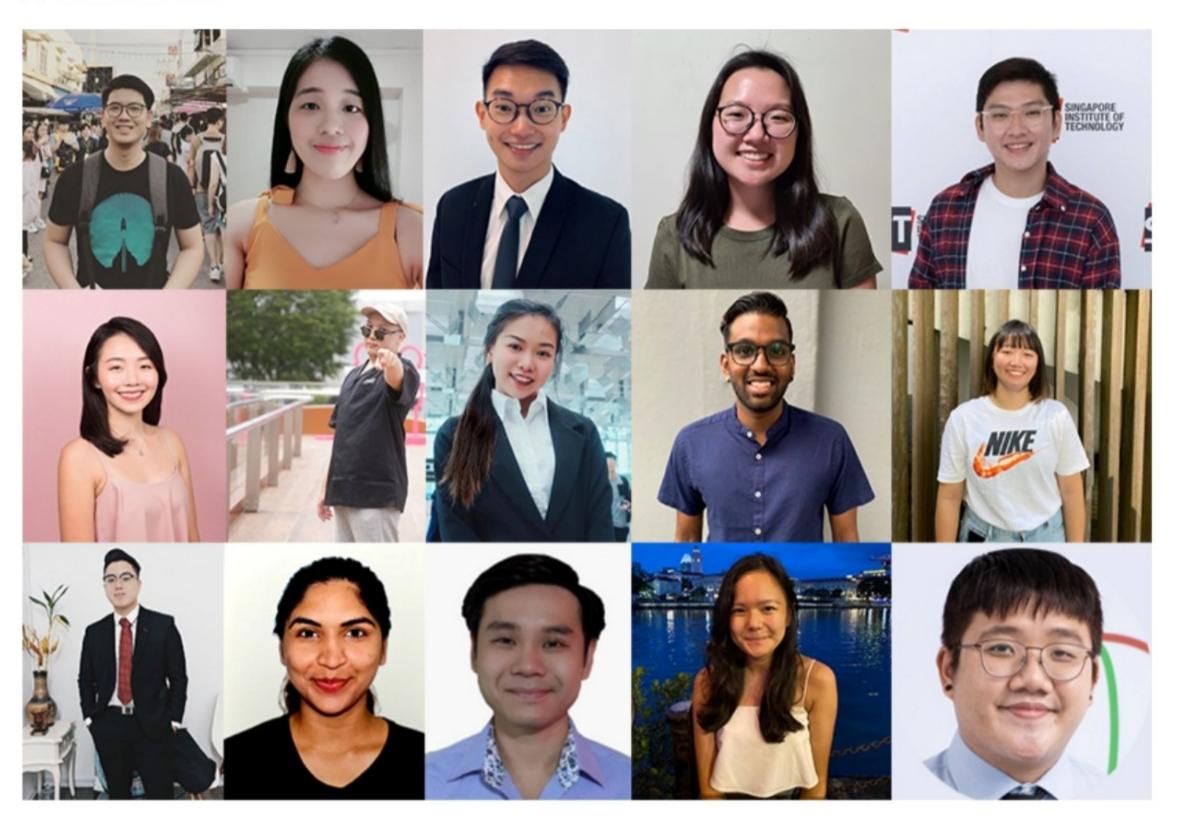
For the full story, please visit <u>SIT's Digital Newsroom</u>.

This article was first published by <u>JTC</u>. JTC is a government agency under Singapore's Ministry of Trade and Industry that champions sustainable industrial development. Paving the way forward for Singapore's industrial landscape, it is developing infrastructure, systems and initiatives that bridge cutting-edge technology and human skill. Keep updated on the latest industry trends here. Images provided courtesy of JTC, unless otherwise stated.

Graduating Cohort Pioneers Annual Class Giving Tradition at SIT

The Class of 2022 have a special place in SIT history for two reasons – being the 10th graduating cohort and the first to launch an annual class giving drive to support their juniors.

09 December 2022



"\$20.22 for 2022!" That call, made by 30 SITizens from this year's graduating class, is to encourage their peers to support Class Giving 2022. The idea is to commemorate their graduation year by making a gift of \$20.22 to support the SIT Bursary for their juniors who are most in need of financial aid. Valued at \$3,000 each, the SIT Bursary will go some way in covering the recipients' living or study expenses.

Thanks to these Class Giving Champions, Class Giving 2022 has raised almost three SIT Bursaries from 221 donors thus far – and the campaign is still ongoing.



At the graduation dinner held on 15 October 2022, Professor Chua Kee Chaing, President, SIT, said that while the SIT Bursary had been supported by SIT faculty and staff, as well as corporate and individual donors since 2014, he was "very proud to see how the Class of 2022 is trailblazing the tradition of Class Giving at SIT".

"Our graduates are young, and their resources are limited, so it is not really how much they give that matters. Rather, what is important is how they are coming forward to help ensure that the educational opportunities they have had at SIT continue to be within reach for their juniors," he said. "I am confident that the Class of 2022 will lead all the graduating cohorts after them to make Class Giving a strong tradition at SIT," he added.

In fact, most of the 30 Class Giving Champions have been scholarship recipients at SIT. Among them is Ms Lim Wan Ting, a graduate from the Bachelor of Science with Honours in Air Transport Management (SIT). She says: "Being aware of my own financial predicament as a student, I am especially thankful and blessed to have SIT as a strong support system that is constantly championing my success through its various forms of financial aids. While everyone is fighting their own tooth and nail to bring themselves to where they are today, a little bit of contribution can help ease the struggles and adversities that our fellow SITizens face. The ability to give is a gift itself."

Wilson Lee Kian Yi, a Class Giving Champion from SIT's Bachelor of Engineering with Honours in Telematics (Intelligent Transportation Systems Engineering) degree programme, says: "During my journey in SIT, I had experienced financial problems and SIT offered me support through the SIT Bursary and The Student Relief Fund at SIT (COVID-19)." He also says: "Remember that the happiest people are not those getting more, but those giving more. So, I hope my contributing back can help provide fellow SITizens with the support they need."

InnoHub: Supporting Companies' Innovation Journeys from Scratch to Hatch

A one-stop centre for innovation at the Singapore Institute of Technology is offering services to drive innovation in the industry, from ideation to co-development of new or improved solutions as well as test-bedding.

© 09 December 2022



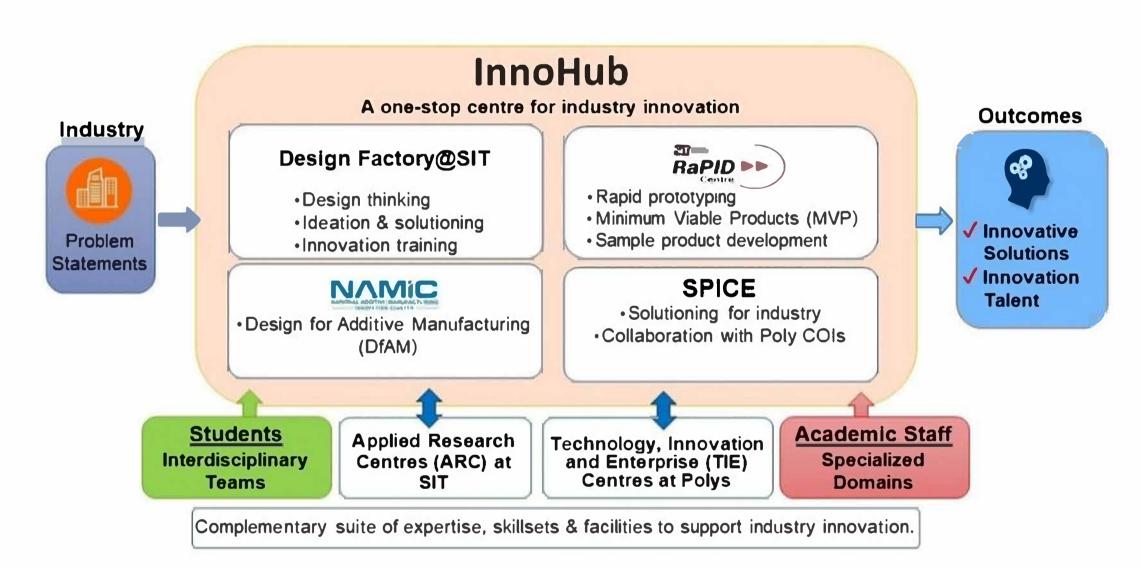
InnoHub, helmed by SIT's A/Prof Ivan Lee (back row, sixth from left), comprises four innovation centres.

Innovation can be achieved with major breakthroughs or more often through improvements that can lead to the introduction of new products, processes, designs, business models or services – and a university in Singapore is taking comprehensive steps to play an integral role in catalysing innovation in the industry.

The Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT) set up the Innovation Hub, also known as InnoHub, early this year to provide an integrated end-to-end innovation infrastructure that helps businesses drive innovation, from ideation to product development and sample production for market testing, prior to scaling up.

"The idea is to provide integrated solutions to multidisciplinary problems and journey with the industry in their innovation pursuits," says Associate Professor Ivan Lee, SIT's Vice President for Innovation, who helms InnoHub as its head.

Encompassing four innovation-focused centres, the InnoHub aims to be a one-stop centre for industry innovation. The innovation centres include the Design Factory@SIT (DF@SIT), the Rapid Product Innovation and Development (RaPID) Centre, the SIT-Poly Innovation Centre of Excellence (SPICE), and the National Additive Manufacturing Innovation Cluster (NAMIC) Hub@SIT.



InnoHub – An integrated innovation infrastructure to support industry innovation.

Driving Innovation in an Open Ecosystem

As a one-stop centre, InnoHub drives innovation by ideating and co-developing innovative and commercially viable solutions with industry, pooling together domain experts who possess deep industry know-how as well as facilities and capabilities across different disciplines to provide an integrated innovation infrastructure.

This is exemplified by the Design Factory@SIT (DF@SIT) which supports businesses in improving their values through human-centric designs that solve real-world problems. Through design innovation and experimentation, DF@SIT co-creates unique value propositions with companies to improve their business models, products, processes, designs and/or services.

Meanwhile, the Rapid Product Innovation and Development (RaPID) Centre offers speedy and flexible prototyping and sample product development capabilities. For example, it recently collaborated with a local company to develop a solution to deter birds from picking food scraps off dustbins. The RaPID centre provided core capabilities in engineering design, systems integration and iterative development to enhance the realisation of the idea. Further refinements to the prototype were made until it was proven workable for scaling up.

Likewise, the National Additive Manufacturing Innovation Cluster (NAMIC) Hub@SIT will co-develop advanced additive manufacturing (such as 3D printing) technologies for industry test-bedding and adoption. NAMIC offers a range of services including AI-driven generative designs, structural topology optimisation and pilot production to enable the industry to innovate with speed and efficiency.

The SIT-Poly Innovation Centre of Excellence (SPICE) provides small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) with access to expertise, facilities and equipment, and a diverse talent pool within SIT and across the various Centres of Innovation at the Polytechnics to help them develop new products and services. Tapping on SIT's and the Polytechnics' existing resources reduces the risks associated with early-stage investments, and allows them to focus on creating the right products for the right problems.

Companies can engage the innovation centres as required. A recent example saw both DF@SIT and RaPID Centre collaborating with a logistics company to design and develop an improved climate-controlled storage unit. Such storage solutions have been invaluable for storing medications and food supplies amid the global supply chain disruption challenges.

Driving innovation in an open ecosystem, InnoHub also extends its network of innovation partners to include SIT's Applied Research Centres and other external collaborators. Leveraging this, InnoHub coordinates the required resources and capabilities to undertake

more extensive and multi-disciplinary projects with industry, traversing across the ecosystem's value chain.

Companies can reach out to the team at innohub@singaporetech.edu.sg to innovate or attend structured innovation programmes.

A Winning Proposition for The Fintech Industry

On 2 November 2022, the Singapore Institute of Technology inked seven Memoranda of Understanding with reputable companies to jointly nurture fintech talents. The partnerships aim to strengthen the workforce through several initiatives.

① 09 December 2022



Key representatives at the MOU signing ceremony on 2 November 2022. Back row, from left: Mr Rupesh Mehta, Delivery Manager, Infosys; Mr Sylvester Lau, Head of Talent Acquisition, AIA Singapore; Mr Eric Ho, Executive Director, Talent Acquisition Group, DBS Bank; Prof John Thong, Deputy President (Academic) & Provost, SIT; Mr Kiren Kumar, Deputy Chief Executive of Development, Infocomm Media Development Authority; Mr Kenneth Gan, Vice President, Group Human Resources, OCBC Bank.

Front row, from left: Mr Bryan Lim, Executive Director, Head of Group Talent and Development, UOB; Ms Neetha Nair, Head of Future-Ready Workforce, Prudential Singapore; Ms Gill Rees, Global Head of HR for Transformation, Technology and Operations, Standard Chartered Bank; Ms Gillian Tan, Assistant Managing Director of the Development and International Group, Monetary Authority of Singapore.

Following the launch of SIT's new programme, Bachelor of Science with Honours in Applied Computing with a specialisation in Fintech (BSc AC (Fintech)), earlier this year, the university has established partnerships with six financial institutions and an IT service provider on 2 November 2022 at the Singapore Fintech Festival. Seven Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) were inked with AIA Singapore, DBS Bank, Infosys, Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation (OCBC), Prudential Singapore, Standard Chartered Bank and United Overseas Bank (UOB).

The partnerships signify their support to jointly develop current and future talents through a number of initiatives that cut across both Pre-Employment Training (PET) and Continuing Education and Training (CET).

Deepening Undergraduates' Learning Opportunities

Launched in partnership with the Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA) and the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS), the three-year BSc AC (Fintech) degree programme trains students in both technical skills and financial domain knowledge to position them for careers in high-growth financial technology areas. As a Work-Study Degree, the programme features an enriching 16-month work attachment over three years under the 'Term-In-Term-Out' (TITO) model. Students will alternate between spending one to two trimesters in university and at the workplace.

Through the MOU, SIT and the seven companies will co-develop the degree programme and enable work attachments and learning opportunities through the Integrated Work Study Programme (IWSP) and industrial projects. There will also be various opportunities for SIT students and faculty to participate in Fintech projects, where they will collaborate with industry partners to deliver integrated solutions that address business challenges.

Lifelong Learning through Workplace Learning Opportunities

In addition to enhancing undergraduates' learning, SIT and the companies will augment in-employment learners' upskilling through workplace learning. The entities will explore programmes that include specialised training for professionals to keep up to date with the latest technologies, trends and practices

The War for Talent – An Insider's Perspective

The MOU signing ceremony was followed by an insightful talk on fintech talent acquisition and retention by Ms Gill Rees, Global Head of HR for Transformation, Technology and Operations, Standard Chartered Bank.in the financial sector.

Hallowe'en Fun for the Class of 2022!

The New Alumni Welcome Party returns with a bang – and best dressed prizes – for this year's graduating class.

09 December 2022



The Class of 2022 gathers for the first New Alumni Welcome Party after three years at Hard Rock Café Orchard!

For the past few years, the New Alumni Welcome Party has been on hiatus since the arrival of the COVID-19 pandemic - until now. With the easing of COVID-19 restrictions, the key event finally made its comeback on Friday, 28 October 2022, celebrating the graduation of the Class of 2022!

Attended by a total of 277 alumni, SIT senior management, OU Partners, faculty and staff, this was the first party held for the current graduating class since the previous event in 2019. With the event being held close to Halloween this year, party-goers were also encouraged to come in their best Halloween costumes and stand a chance to win attractive prizes.

Scroll on to see what happened at the New Alumni Welcome Party 2022!



Celebrating with friends over food and drinks, and getting into the spirit of Halloween with fun costumes and accessories!





Amazing performances throughout the night by the SIT Ballroom Alumni Group (top), SIT Muzeka Alumni Group (bottom left) and veteran performers Jack and Rai (bottom right).



Five lucky winners won big at the party lucky draw, receiving their prizes from Prof Chua, President, SIT (top row, left), and Prof John Thong, Deputy President (Academic) & Provost, SIT (bottom row, left). (clockwise, from top left) 1st prize: Mr Muhammad Amirun, winning an Apple Watch Series 8, 2nd prize: Mr Charnchai Fooyontphanich, winning a DJI Pocket 2 Gimbal Camera, 3rd prize: Ms Stella Yeo, winning a Nintendo Switch OLED, 4th prize: Mr Eric Foo, winning a Sennheiser Momentum True Wireless 3 Earbuds, and 5th prize: Mr Tan Swee Kiat, winning a Bose Bluetooth Speaker.



(clockwise from top left) A ninja, a "One Night Stand", Harry Potter, the Teletubbies and the robbers from Money Heist – just some of the many unique costumes



Party-goers bring back the traditional party train and rock out to the exhilarating live music!

from party-goers for Halloween!

Music to Their Ears

SITizens indulged in whimsical imagination mixed with handicrafts at the Wooden Musical Box Workshop, to create customised wooden music boxes.

☐ 09 December 2022



Participants select their favourite decorative ornaments, then proceed to assemble their masterpiece on a wooden base to create their customised music box.

SIT Alumni gathered at JustCo@The Centrepoint on Thursday, 11 November 2022 to discover the magic of music boxes and how to customise their own piece.

Organised by the SIT Alumni Leisure Network and led by music box specialists Okdodoo, the Wooden Musical Box Workshop gave participants a brief introduction to the history of the instrument and how it is made. They could also get a close-up look at the mechanisms used and its parts.

The participants were spoilt for choice when selecting decorative ornaments to begin assembling their music box. They could choose from a variety of handcrafted pieces with themes such as Family and Friends, Animals, Underwater World, and more. They also chose a simple tune to complete their music box, with choices such as the classic Canon in D or anime themes from *Spirited Away* and *Totoro*.



Participants could also make use of a light box to take high-quality photos of their music box.

Pharmaceutical Engineering Alumnus Ms Kokilavani D/O Elamparidhi was happy with her piece. "The workshop was very good, it allowed me to be creative, play around with the layout and have fun," she said. "I keep my music box on my table and listen to it often."



SITizens show off their uniquely-made musical boxes!

Spin to the Beat: Round 2!

Thanks to overwhelming response for the first round, the SIT Alumni Sports Network brought SITizens back for an adrenaline-pumping second round of Spin Class with two new sessions

09 December 2022



Let's go! Instructor Ms Tiong Jia En gets the participants hyped up with enthusiastic encouragement and guidance throughout the session.

After an exciting first round back in May, SIT Alumni were all ready to rush back into the studio for Round 2 of Spin Class, organised by the SIT Alumni Sports Network. This time, two sessions were held on Friday, 18 November 2022, to accommodate more participants at Absolute You @ Centrepoint.

The participants were guided through an exhilarating 45-minute workout by high energy instructor Ms Tiong Jia En. Besides rhythmic cycling, the workout also incorporated weights to work the upper body.



Don't give up! Participants keep their spirits up through a variety of challenging runs and weight exercises.

This was the first time spinning for Ms Bevlyn Tan, a Food Technology alumnus. "It was a fun workout and great alternative to typical ones. It allowed me to immerse myself in the music and ride to the beat," she said. Hospitality Business alumnus Ms Shirley Hew enjoyed that she could have fun while working out. She said, "I loved the music and atmosphere, and the positive atmosphere kept me going. I will definitely join again with my friends."



We survived! SITizens beaming after a tiring but fun class.