

Start your poly journey right!

Polytechnic Foundation Programme





Top 3 advantages of PFP@TP



1 You'll get an academic head start

As a PFP student, you will get a good grasp of the basic concepts of your chosen diploma course. This strong foundational knowledge will provide you with a head-start over your other course peers when you continue on to the next phase of your TP journey, as one of our newly-minted freshies.

Hi there, Sec 4 N(A) student!

The Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP) provides you with the opportunity to join Temasek Polytechnic (TP) after your GCE Normal (Academic) Level Examinations.

As an alternative to Secondary 5, you have the option to pursue this 12-month preparatory programme, before progressing to your TP diploma course choice for the next three years. That's a total of four unforgettable and fun-filled years, right here in TP!

PFP@TP's practice-oriented curriculum and enjoyable learning experience will ease your transition to tertiary education. This foundational year is also where you get to explore and deepen your interest in your chosen field.

We wish you all the best for your GCE N(A) Level exams, and hope to welcome you soon to our TP Fam!



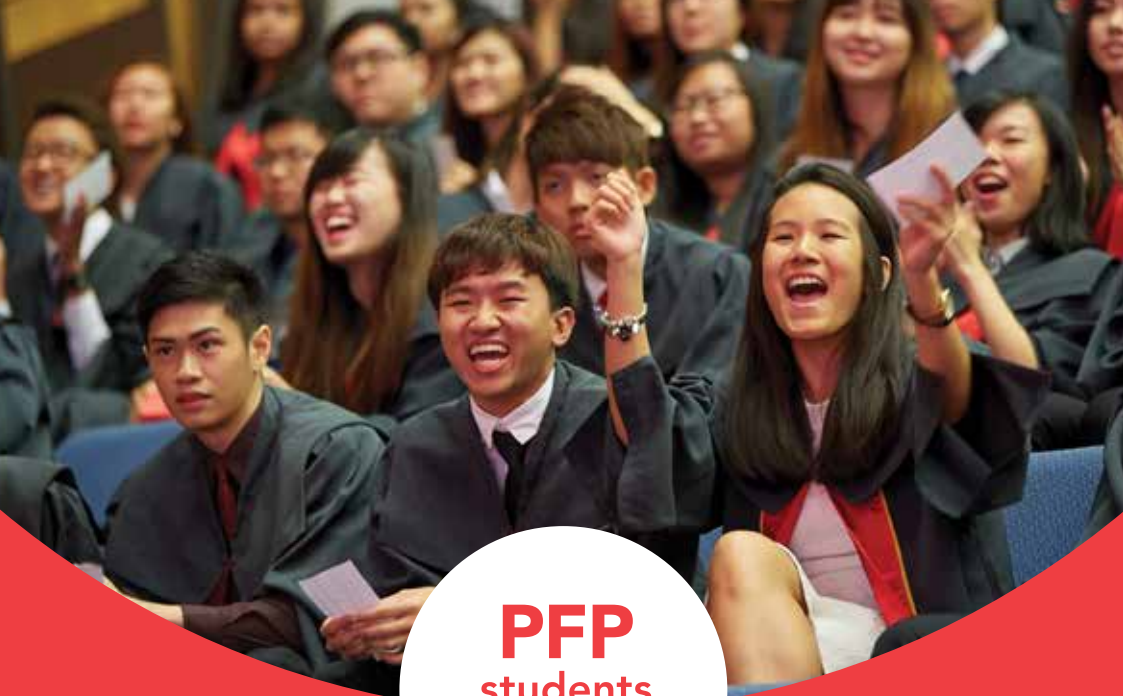
2 You'll be the go-to TP expert amongst peers

When you eventually become a Year 1 diploma student, you would have already been in TP for a full year. This means your new diploma course friends can look to you for guidance on where to go for the best eats, the top TP study spots and what you need to do to book any one of TP's amazing sports facilities.



3 You'll already have made a bunch of besties

The friendships forged here will be a highlight during your time in TP. As a PFP student, you get to start making these life-changing connections a full year earlier. And, when you start on your diploma course, you can rely on this network of friends who are in other TP Schools and courses. How cool is that?



**PFP
students
FTW!**



At every TP graduation ceremony, Gold, Silver and Bronze medals are awarded to the top three graduates of each diploma course. Since the first PFP@TP cohort graduated from TP in 2017, the programme is proud to have:



In 2020, four PFP alumni were among TP's 11 prestigious Polytechnic-Level Awards recipients. Hear from our Lee Kong Chian Award winner and PFP Ambassador, Aileen Ooi.



Aileen Ooi



TP Class of 2020,
Diploma in Product
& Industrial Design



Lee Kong Chian Award



Course Silver Medal



Why PFP, instead of O-Levels?

The moment I entered upper secondary, I knew that PFP would be my golden ticket to get into the course that I wanted to join, one that would allow me to express my creativity using various mediums – TP's Diploma in Product & Industrial Design!

How did PFP@TP help you prepare for your chosen course?

On top of providing me with support, opportunities and guidance, the programme also covered subjects relevant to my course of study. This experience helped me in my transition from a secondary school student into an independent learner in poly.

What was the best part about PFP@TP?

There is an exclusive lounge just for PFP@TP students where everyone would hang out and form lasting friendships! I also loved every moment of my time as a PFP Ambassador. We shared our PFP experiences with our secondary school juniors, as well as planned and organised fun events to bond with our PFP cohort. After four years in TP, my PFP memories are the ones I will always cherish most.

What is your top tip to future PFP@TP applicants?

Stay focused to achieve your goal. I started studying for my 'N'-Levels in February of my exam year as that was how much I wanted to get into PFP@TP. I will always be thankful for my PFP year, and I hope that you will enjoy your time as a PFP student, as much as I did!



What courses can I take in PFP@TP?

GROUP 1 COURSES		GROUP 2 COURSES	
School of Applied Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chemical Engineering Food, Nutrition & Culinary Science Medical Biotechnology Pharmaceutical Science Veterinary Technology 	School of Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Common Business Programme Accountancy & Finance Business Communications & Media Management Culinary & Catering Management Hospitality & Tourism Management Law & Management Logistics & Operations Management Marketing
School of Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apparel Design & Merchandising Communication Design Digital Film & Television Interior Architecture & Design Product & Industrial Design 	School of Humanities & Social Sciences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early Childhood Development & Education Psychology Studies Social Sciences in Gerontology
School of Engineering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Common Engineering Programme Aerospace Electronics Aerospace Engineering Architectural Technology & Building Services ^{NEW} Aviation Management Biomedical Engineering Business Process & Systems Engineering Computer Engineering Electronics Integrated Facility Management Mechatronics 		
School of Informatics & IT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Common ICT Programme Applied Artificial Intelligence ^{NEW} Big Data & Analytics Cybersecurity & Digital Forensics Game Design & Development Information Technology 		



What will I study in PFP@TP?

You will take five common subjects and two domain subjects each semester. These subjects are meant to prepare you for your diploma years.

SEMESTER 1						
Common Subjects	Language & Communication 1 Research & Reasoning 1 Mathematics & Logical Thinking 1 Personal Development & Effectiveness 1 Fitness & Wellness 1					
Schools	Applied Science	Business	Design	Engineering	Humanities & Social Sciences	Informatics & IT
Domain Cluster Subjects	Living Chemistry 1	Understanding Customers	Understanding Design	Engineering Science 1	Basic Principles & Applications in Psychology	Introduction to Computer Science
	Living Biology 1	Understanding Business Environment	Colour Appreciation	Prototyping	Sociological Perspectives	Professional IT Skills

SEMESTER 2						
Common Subjects	Language & Communication 2 Research & Reasoning 2 Mathematics & Logical Thinking 2 Personal Development & Effectiveness 2 Fitness & Wellness 2					
Schools	Applied Science	Business	Design	Engineering	Humanities & Social Sciences	Informatics & IT
Domain Cluster Subjects	Living Chemistry 2	Business Management with Technology	Visual Storytelling	Engineering Science 2	Fundamentals of Lifespan Development	Logic & Algorithm
	Living Biology 2	Financial Aspects of Business	Understanding Form	Computing & Programming	Introduction to Group Facilitation	Social Media & IT Skills

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Scan QR code at left or visit

bit.ly/pfpapply



How can I prepare?

What do I need to do?

You must do well enough in your GCE N(A) Level exams. If your scores qualify you for PFP, you will receive an invitation to apply for diploma courses through the Polytechnic Foundation Programme Admissions Exercise (PFPAE), which occurs in January.

What N-Level scores should I aim for?

To be eligible to apply for PFP@TP, **you must have a raw ELMAB3 score of 12 points or better (excluding CCA bonus points)** at the GCE N(A) Level exams.

ELMAB3 = English + Mathematics + Best 3 subjects (including one of the relevant subjects based on either Group 1 or Group 2 courses)

GROUP 1 COURSES		GROUP 2 COURSES	
Subject	Minimum Required Grade	Subject	Minimum Required Grade
English Language Syllabus A	3	English Language Syllabus A	2
Mathematics (Syllabus A / Additional)	3	Mathematics (Syllabus A / Additional)	3
One of the following relevant subjects: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Science (Physics, Chemistry)• Science (Physics, Biology)• Science (Chemistry, Biology)• Food and Nutrition• Design and Technology	3	One of the following relevant subjects: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Principles of Accounts• Literature in English• History• Combined Humanities• Geography• Art	3
Any two other subjects, excluding CCA	3	Any two other subjects, excluding CCA	3

Bonus points will be awarded for good CCA grades. These bonus points will be used in computing the ELMAB3 net aggregate score for selection and posting to the PFP.