

MEDIA RELEASE

Four new SkillsFuture Work-Study Programmes to be launched in 2023

Singapore, 11 August 2022 – The Institutes of Higher Learning (IHLs), supported by SkillsFuture Singapore (SSG), will launch four more work-study programmes in 2023.

2. The SkillsFuture Work-Study Programme enables polytechnic and ITE graduates to enhance their job readiness and further gain industry-recognised qualifications, through a combination of on-the-job training and classroom learning. Since its commencement in 2015, the SkillsFuture Work-Study Programme has grown steadily, and has benefitted about 9,000 participants with over 190 work-study courses. It continues to attract strong interest from the industry, with more than 1,900 companies on board the programme. This was announced by Second Minister for Education, Dr Mohamad Maliki Bin Osman, at the annual SkillsFuture Work-Study Fair today.

3. Industry support and participation are key to the success of the Work-Study Programmes. 12 employers were honoured today for their strong support of the programme. These employers include both Multinational Corporations and Small and Medium-sized Enterprises such as Accenture, Chevron Oronite and ST Logistics, among others. The list of 12 employers is in **Annex A**.

Expansion of SkillsFuture Work-Study Programmes

4. To ensure that the work-study pathway remains accessible and caters to the varying needs of graduates, SSG has been working with the IHLs to roll out new programmes.

5. In 2023, Singapore Polytechnic will launch a new Work-Study Certificate leading to a part-time Diploma in Engineering (Aerospace). The Institute of Technical Education will also launch three new Work-Study Diplomas in Customer Experience Management,

Agriculture and Aquaculture Technology, as well as Facilities Management.

6. Singapore Polytechnic will also review the curriculum for its Work-Study Certificate leading to a part-time Diploma in Engineering (Advanced Manufacturing) in October 2022, to ensure that the participants will be equipped with the skills required by the industry. More information on the work-study programmes can be found in **Annex B**.

Annual SkillsFuture Work-Study Fair well-received by students, parents and employers

7. More than 2,200 attendees – including industry partners, graduates and students of the IHLs – attended the fair, which also featured a fireside chat where employers and graduates shared their experiences in the work-study programme. Students also joined in 18 webinars on work-study opportunities and careers conducted by various industry partners across sectors such as trade and connectivity, healthcare, manufacturing, media and others.

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About SkillsFuture Singapore

SkillsFuture Singapore (SSG) drives and coordinates the implementation of the national SkillsFuture movement, promotes a culture of lifelong learning and strengthens the ecosystem of training and adult education in Singapore. Through a holistic suite of national SkillsFuture initiatives, SSG enables Singaporeans to take charge of their learning journey in their pursuit of skills mastery. SSG also works with key stakeholders to ensure that students and adults have access to high quality and industry-relevant training that meet the demands of different sectors of the economy for an innovative and productive workforce. For more information, visit www.ssg.gov.sg

ANNEX A

APPRECIATION AWARDS FOR COMPANIES

S/N	Company Name	Sector
1	Accenture	Infocomm Services
2	Becton Dickinson Medical (S) Pte Ltd	Manufacturing
3	Chevron Oronite Pte Ltd	Chemical
4	Fuji SBME Pte Ltd	Engineering
5	Ingredion Singapore Pte Ltd	Food Manufacturing
6	Katoen Natie Singapore (Jurong) Pte Ltd	Engineering
7	LF Logistics Services Pte Ltd	Logistics
8	Nebulas Tree Pte Ltd	Infocomm and Media
9	Nordic Group Ltd	Business
10	Singapore Aero Engine Services Pte Ltd	Aerospace
11	ST Logistics Pte Ltd	Logistics
12	VES Hospital Pte Ltd	Veterinary

ANNEX B

SKILLSFUTURE WORK-STUDY PROGRAMMES

New SkillsFuture Work-Study Programmes offered by ITE

1) Work-Study Diploma in Customer Experience Management

This diploma aims to develop and deepen the customer experience management skills set, specialising in passenger experience management in aviation sectors, and customer experience management in lifestyle and consumer sectors.

2) Work-Study Diploma in Agriculture and Aquaculture Technology

To prepare the next generation of local technologists for the agri-food industry, this diploma will equip trainees with the skills and knowledge in automating and managing urban agriculture and aquaculture systems with the deployment of sensors and control systems, robotics, Internet-of-Things (IoT) and data analytics to achieve a highly productive, innovative and sustainable agri-food industry.

3) Work-Study Diploma in Facilities Management

This diploma aims to equip trainees with the skills and knowledge in maintaining and repairing key building services systems and their associated sub-systems, using appropriate methods and procedures to ensure safe and efficient management of facilities.

New and enhanced SkillsFuture Work-Study Programmes by Singapore Polytechnic

- 1) Singapore Polytechnic will commence new Work-Study Certificates leading to the part-time Diploma in Engineering (Aerospace) in April 2023. It will be available for candidates at the Republic of Singapore Air Force, company employees and graduates. Participants could also be admitted into the Bachelor of Engineering Aerospace Systems at Singapore University of Social Sciences.
- 2) Singapore Polytechnic has reviewed the curriculum for the Work-Study Certificates leading to the part-time Diploma in Engineering (Advanced Manufacturing). In response to industry demands, the curriculum will include more up-to-date industry-relevant information such as Industrial Internet of Things (IoT), Big Data and data analytics, Additive Manufacturing, advanced robotics and automation, as well as Augmented Reality. The next intake is in October 2022.