

GOING GLOBAL

The Singapore experience

Offering a diverse and distinctive mix of educational services in a cosmopolitan and comfortable environment, is a country less than a flying time of six hours away from us in India, says RAI UMRAOPATI RAY

Singapore's cosmopolitan ethos, bilingual basic education system, global connectivity, international education options, pedagogical approach, industry-relevant education and a safe and friendly environment has made the country a compelling destination for international students to live, learn and play. Located in the heart of South-East Asia, the Lion City's vast range of educational options provides world-class education at affordable costs. So, if you are interested in pursuing an education abroad, why not head to Singapore? Here is a thumbnail sketch of some of the country's educational institutions

National University of Singapore -MIT Alliance

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) (USA) has collaborated with NUS and Nanyang Technological University (NTU) to form the Singapore-MIT Alliance (SMA). SMA has set a new standard for global engineering education and research and boosted techno-



NUS and NTU include Advanced Materials for Micro- and Nano-Systems, Chemical and Pharmaceutical Engineering, Computational Engineering, Computation and Systems Biology, and Manufacturing Systems and Technology. web.mit.edu/sma/

Singapore Polytechnic

Singapore Polytechnic, the nation's first educational institution of its kind, was set up in 1954 to train technologists and professionals to support the industrialisation and economic development of Singapore. Since then, its development has paralleled the progress of modern

preneurship in Singapore. SMA conducts graduate research and educational programmes in advanced engineering. Existing programmes with

facturing Engineering, and the Singapore Maritime Academy. www.sp.edu.sg

PSB Academy



PSB Academy (a member of TÜV SÜD Group) has been leading and educating Singapore's workforce for the past 43 years. The Academy is one of Singapore's largest education and training institutions, with over 30,000 individuals attending its courses annually. PSB Academy partners some of the finest universities from Australia, UK and the US to offer internationally recognised qualifications. The range of corporate executive programmes has also been the choice from many MNCs, government agencies and companies, both in Singapore and the region. PSB Academy was one of the first few providers to earn the Singapore Quality Class (SQC) award for Private Education Organisations (PEOs). It is also CaseTrust accredited and ISO9001:2000 certified. www.psb-academy.edu.sg

S. P. Jain Centre of Management

S. P. Jain Institute of Management, a leading business school from India, has set up its third campus in Singapore. The B-school offers a full time MBA, a part-time Executive MBA and several other executive training programmes from this campus. The Singapore campus complements its first two campuses in India and Dubai to provide participants with a unique learning experience through the pooling of learning from all three campuses. www.spjain.org

TMIS

The Tourism Management Institute of Singapore (TMIS) was officially launched on November 16, 2000. It was previously the Centre for Tourism-Related Studies (CTRS), estab-

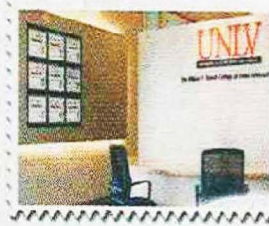
Raffles Design Institute



The Raffles Design Institute was established in 1990 as an educational institution dedicated to the professional design disciplines of Fashion, Interior, Digital Media, Product and Jewellery Design and Visual Communication (Graphic Design). The curriculum is designed to be an incubation hub to develop creative professionals and entrepreneurs. State-of-the-art technology applications and exposure to work with industry professionals align students with current industry practices. www.raffles-design-institute.edu.sg

University of Nevada, Las Vegas' William F. Harrah College of Hotel Administration (USA)

UNLV has set up its first international campus in Singapore. The William F. Harrah College of Hotel Administration at UNLV has consistently been one of the top ranked hospitality programmes in the United States. UNLV Singapore offers Bachelors and Executive Masters courses in Hospitality Management, as well as professional and certificate courses tailored to meet the needs of industry. The school also offers students a variety of overseas internship programs, including Las Vegas based internships. www.unlv.edu.sg



Tisch School of the Arts (Tisch) (USA)

Tisch from New York University established its first-ever branch campus in Singapore in 2007. The Tisch School of the Arts Asia campus offers an intensive three-year Masters in Fine Arts in film production. This is the first time NYU is offering a degree independently outside New York, and it is envisaged that the campus will enrol some 250 students in Singapore. The courses will be taught by Tisch's faculty at New York in residence on the Singapore cam-



Found in Singapore. Founded in 1964 as a membership society, SIM Group now comprises four core service providers. SIM University (UniSIM) is Singapore's first private university dedicated to providing upping opportunities for adult learners and has a current enrolment of about 6,500 students. Global Education offers high quality academic programmes through its partnerships with established international universities and institutions from the US, UK, Australia and Switzerland. SIM Membership provides an effective nexus for members to network and exchange insights and ideas through workshops, talks and company visits. sim.edu.sg/sim/pub/gen/sim_pub_gen_home

Temasek Polytechnic

Established in April 1990, Temasek Polytechnic (TP) is a significant contributor to the field of para-professional education in Singapore. Situated in the east of the island, TP currently offers 45 full-time three-year diploma courses in the area of applied sciences, business, design, engineering, humanities and social sciences, and information and IT to around 15,000 students. It also offers over 40 part-time courses, up to the Advanced Diploma level. TP has also collaborated with Sentosa Leisure Group to establish the Tourism Academy @ Sentosa. www.tp.edu.sg/



Tourism Academy @ Sentosa

Located on the resort island of Sentosa, the Tourism Academy provides the right setting for learning and training — classrooms where conventional teaching is conducted, and business outlets in Sentosa which become practical training grounds for students to apply what they have learned. www.tourismacademy.edu.sg

