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TUITION FEES FOR ITE COURSES FOR AY2010

Fees for Singapore Citizens

For the new academic year (AY) 2010 starting from Apr 2010, ITE will increase its tuition fees for *Nitec* and *Higher Nitec* courses by \$10 per year for Singapore Citizen (SC) students. ITE will also increase the tuition fees for its Technical Engineer Diploma courses by \$50 per year in AY2010, from \$2,100 to \$2,150. The new tuition fees will be applied to new and existing ITE students.

Further Fee Differentiation for Permanent Residents and International Students

2 Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong, in a speech delivered at the Nanyang Technological University (NTU) Students' Union Ministerial Forum on 15 Sep 2009, said that the Government will, over time, sharpen the differentiation between SCs, Permanent Residents (PRs) and foreigners to reflect the responsibilities and privileges of citizenship.

3 To achieve a sharper differentiation by citizenship, ITE will further increase the fees for PRs and International Students (IS) admitted to its *Nitec* and *Higher Nitec* courses from Apr 2010. The revised fee differentiation will also apply to PRs and IS pursuing new modules under the subsidised part-time ITE courses from Apr 2010 onwards.

4 Fees for new PR students will increase by between \$600 and \$1,130 per year, and those for new IS will increase by between \$1,450 and \$3,180 per year. Existing PRs and IS admitted prior to AY2010 will also pay higher fees, but computed based on the existing fee framework. Details of the new fees for SC, PR and IS are at **Annex A**.

5 ITE will have adequate financial assistance schemes in place to ensure that no student will be denied the opportunity of an ITE education due to financial difficulties. A list of financial assistance schemes available to students is at **Annex B**.

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The **Institute of Technical Education (ITE)**, Singapore, was established as a post-secondary education institution in 1992 under the Ministry of Education. ITE is a principal provider of career and technical education and key developer of national occupational skills certification and standards to enhance Singapore's workforce competitiveness. Under its "**One ITE System, Three Colleges**" Model of Education and Governance, ITE has three Colleges, comprising **ITE College Central, ITE College East and ITE College West**. For more information, visit: www.ite.edu.sg

AY2010 TUITION FEES FOR SINGAPORE CITIZEN, PERMANENT RESIDENT AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT ITE

Level	Nationality	AY2009	AY2010 Existing Students	AY2010 New Students
		\$	\$	\$
<i>Nitec</i>	SC	260	270	270
	PR	286	300	900
	IS	1,202	1,250	2,700
<i>Higher Nitec</i>	SC	496	506	506
	PR	546	560	1,690
	IS	1,838	1,880	5,060
Technical Diploma*	SC	2,100	2,150	2,150
	PR	2,310	2,370	N.A.
	IS	3,150	3,230	N.A.

* Starting from AY2010, the Technical Engineer Diploma course is open to SC students only.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEMES FOR ITE STUDENTS

Scheme	Application Eligibility	Quantum per award per year [for <i>Nitec/Higher Nitec</i> students]	Quantum per award per year [for Technical Diploma students]
Tuition Fee Loan (TFL) Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All full-time diploma students 	N.A.	Up to 75% tuition fee
Study Loan (SL) Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All full-time diploma students who have applied for loans offered by an organisation registered with a government agency or maximum TFL or mixture of both, provided the total loan is at least 75% of tuition fee Gross monthly household per capita income \leq \$2,400 	N.A.	Up to 25% of tuition fee plus living allowance of \$2,000 per annum
CPF Education Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All full-time diploma students 	N.A.	Up to 100% tuition fee
Mendaki Tertiary Tuition Fee Subsidy (TTFS) Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Malay Singaporean studying approved diploma courses at ITE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gross monthly household per capita income between \$2,000 and \$3,000 Gross monthly household per capita income $<$ \$2,000 	N.A.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 70% tuition fee Up to 100% tuition fee
CDC-CCC/ITE Bursary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Singapore Citizens Gross monthly household per capita income \leq \$500 	\$600 or \$800	\$1,200

Scheme	Application Eligibility	Quantum per award per year [for <i>Nitec/Higher Nitec</i> students]	Quantum per award per year [for Technical Diploma students]
MOE Bursary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Singapore Citizens • Gross monthly household per capita income \leq \$1,200 	N.A.	\$800
Edusave Merit Bursary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Singapore Citizens • Gross monthly household per capita income $<$\$4,000 • Good academic results 	\$500	Not available
ITE Special Student Assistance Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Singapore Citizens • Gross monthly household per capita income \leq \$500 	Waiver of tuition fee and/or cash award (depending on need)	Waiver of tuition fee and/or cash award (depending on need)
MOE Short-term Study Assistance Scheme (MOE SSAS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Singapore Citizens • Gross monthly household per capita income \leq \$1,700 	Up to \$2,060	Up to \$1,440

Students who wish to find out more about the financial assistance schemes available can visit the following web page:

http://www.ite.edu.sg/admission/ft/awards_bursaries.htm#other