School of Humanities

- Business & Social Enterprise (N79)
- Chinese Studies (N70)
- Early Childhood Education (N66)
- Psychology & Community Services (N77)
The first and only polytechnic to offer programmes in Psychology & Community Services, Early Childhood Education, Chinese Studies, and Business & Social Enterprise

Programmes in collaboration with key industry leaders and government bodies

Digital language labs and purpose-built training rooms

Overseas university tie-ups with Wheelock College, Boston, Central China Normal University, China, and Zhejiang University City College
Some say technology drives the economy. We like to think otherwise. For who else is responsible for technology, but people? Enrich your life, and others, when you educate and inspire future generations or help the community.

Ngee Ann’s School of Humanities (HMS) is the first and only such school in a polytechnic to offer diplomas in Psychology & Community Services, Early Childhood Education, Chinese Studies and Business & Social Enterprise. You will become a professional with a good mix of specialised and transferable skills in the education, media, social and community sectors.

Our diplomas are strongly endorsed by key industry players and government bodies like the Ministry of Community Development, Youth and Sports, Ministry of Education, National Institute of Education, Singapore Press Holdings, MediaCorp, the National Council of Social Services, Lien Foundation and the Schwab Foundation. You will have opportunities to interact and work with industry experts to gain first-hand exposure to the real working world.

Our curriculum strives to ensure that you are passionate about learning, able to think critically, appreciate diversity, work collaboratively, and most importantly, to transform lives.

Specialised facilities

All HMS students enjoy modern facilities that support teaching and learning with customised training rooms for art, music, dance and drama, digital language labs, and a purpose-built child development study centre.

Unique Student Experience

Student life at HMS is fun and exciting. As a HMS student, you get to participate in a myriad of activities, such as HMS Day, HMS Leadership Camp, concerts as well as festival celebrations. You also get to enjoy many enrichment modules specially designed to complement the diplomas offered by the school.

For more information, log on to http://www.np.edu.sg/hms
Diploma in Business & Social Enterprise

- The first and only such diploma course offered by a polytechnic in Singapore
- Graduates will become business and social enterprise managers with cross-disciplinary skills
- Empower the needy and disadvantaged to set up businesses
- Be mentored by a Schwab Foundation Social Entrepreneur and work on social and environmental projects
- Work with overseas communities on social and environmental projects
About the Diploma

Is our society becoming less compassionate as it becomes more globalised?

Read the newspaper and you will notice how marginalised groups have less than equal opportunities.

You can be that professional to make the difference. Join this unique diploma and gain a right mix of skills to achieve business and social objectives. The diploma will train you to empower the disadvantaged and the marginalised to set up businesses and be less dependent on hand-outs.

Obtain a foundation in business fundamentals, crisis management, legal framework for social enterprise, corporate governance and marketing and communication skills, among others. Our course focuses on learning through experience with communities, case studies and forums. You will learn to execute projects and promote Corporate Social Responsibility in companies.

Start or manage social enterprise projects in a six-month practicum or industrial attachment with a local or overseas organisation during your final year. You will work with international non-profit organisations and non-governmental organisations, such as Schwab Foundation, Habitat International and World Vision.
What business entrepreneurs are to the economy, social entrepreneurs are to social change. They are the driven, creative individuals who question the status quo, exploit new opportunities, refuse to give up, and remake the world for the better.

– David Bornstein
a leading thinker and writer on social entrepreneurship

What will you learn in the course?

Year 1
- Introduction to Social Enterprise
- Economics
- Business Management
- Written Communication
- IT Applications
- Introduction to Social & Environmental Studies
- Principles of Accounting
- Introduction to Statistics & Research Methods
- Social Psychology
△ Creativity and Applied Thinking Skills
△ Life Management Skills
△ Sports & Wellness
△ Exploring Contemporary Issues

Year 2
- Non-Profit Organisations and Development
- Human Resource Management
- Legal Framework for Social Enterprise
- Financial Management
- Principles of Marketing
- Business Communication
- Enterprise Creation & Development
- Public Relations and Events Management
△ Cross Cultural Communication and Practices
△ Innovation and Enterprise in Action
△ IS general modules

Year 3
- Overview of International Systems
- Crisis Management and Conflict Resolution
- Project Management for Social Enterprise
- Managing Community Services
- Corporate Governance
- Industrial Attachment Programme or Research Project
△ World Issues: A Singapore Perspective
△ Any 1 IS general module
What can you achieve in your career?

Our diploma will pave the way for your future career as a business and social enterprise manager.

Social enterprise is a growing industry. In Singapore, there are over 600 non-profit organisations, and thus there is a huge potential for social enterprises within the community and services sector. With increasing awareness of corporate and social responsibility, professionals are needed to help businesses attain environmental and social objectives.

Upon graduation, you can work as a manager, community development officer, marketing or corporate communication officer, or human resource executive in a wide range of non-profit and business organisations.

Further Studies

Graduates can choose to further their studies and specialise in Business or Humanities at local universities and foreign universities.

• National University of Singapore - Bachelor of Business Administration, Bachelor of Arts
• Nanyang Technological University - Bachelor of Business, Bachelor of Arts
• Singapore Management University - Bachelor of Business Management, Bachelor of Social Science

Excellent educational opportunities await you at overseas universities!

Entry Requirements

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Diploma in Chinese Studies

- The first and only such diploma course offered by a polytechnic in Singapore
- A diploma that caters to the education and media industries
- MOE teaching bursary available for those interested to be Chinese language teachers
- Over 80 per cent of the course is conducted in Chinese by experienced industry practitioners and academics
- China Immersion Programme – A rigorous one-semester academic programme in a Chinese university, inclusive of Chinese heritage study tours
About the Diploma

Chinese calligraphy, literature and opera are all rooted in ancient tradition and history. Knowledge of Chinese culture is also important when doing business with China, an economic powerhouse. If you think that you have what it takes to be a bilingual and bicultural professional, then our Diploma in Chinese Studies (CHS) is the course for you!

The first and only such course offered in a local polytechnic, the diploma was launched to meet the growing demand for professionals who are fluent in Chinese and have a good understanding of Chinese culture. Jointly designed and taught by faculty from Ngee Ann Polytechnic (NP), Zhejiang University City College (ZUCC), Central China Normal University (CCNU) and the National Institute of Education (NIE), the programme prepares you for careers in education, media, business as well as translation and interpretation.

Getting the Best of Chinese Culture

Over 80 per cent of our course is conducted in Chinese. The curriculum covers subjects in Chinese language, literature, culture, translation and interpretation skills, media studies, psychology and education studies.

You will be taught the Chinese culture and language through applied learning modules such as speech and drama, newswriting, radio and video production.

An important highlight of the CHS programme is the China Immersion Programme. In your final year, you will spend one semester attending classes in China in a rigorous academic programme. You will also experience life in China through heritage trips to key cities.

A Unique Two-Track Diploma

Our diploma provides you with two tracks: teaching and media.

Apply for an MOE teaching bursary if your interest lies in teaching. In your final semester, you will be trained by NIE. Upon graduation, you can complete a two-year Diploma in Education (Chinese Specialisation) in one year.

If you think that the media is your calling, choose between an industry-based project and an industry attachment programme with a media company. With your command of the Chinese language, you can spend a semester interning in Zaobao, iWeekly, MediaCorp (TV), Fanpac Education, Shooting Gallery Motion Pictures or Toy Factory Productions. Hone your skills and knowledge as a reporter, journalist, producer or editor.
For all ‘O’ Level graduates who aspire to be Chinese teachers or media practitioners in the near future, the Chinese Studies course offered by Ngee Ann Polytechnic is definitely ‘THE CHOICE’. The course places its emphasis mainly on arguments and real life experiences and will undoubtedly prove to be a great boost to the teaching of Chinese language in schools.

— Bernard Choo Chee Wee
Associate Editor (Lianhe Zaobao), Singapore Press Holdings

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**What will you learn in the course?**

**Student are to select 2 electives per semester from:**

- New Media Applications
- Principles of Marketing Communications
- Radio Production
- Video Production
- Asian Cinema
- Advanced Translation

**Teaching Track with NIE**

- Teaching of Civics & Moral Education
- Use of Chinese in Teaching (Hanyu Pinyin)
- Techniques in the Teaching of Chinese Language

**OR**

**Media Track**

- Industrial Attachment OR Industry/Research Project

- Modern Chinese Grammar
- Chinese Etymology and Modern Chinese Script
What can you achieve in your career?

Enjoy your competitive advantage over others when you do business in China. Opportunities abound. Be a Chinese language teacher, a newspaper or magazine reporter, a radio/TV journalist, a producer, a translator/interpreter, or a marketing communications executive.

Wow the world with your mastery of the Chinese language and culture!

Further Studies

You may enjoy up to two years’ exemption at the following institutions:

- Zhejiang University, China – Bachelor of Chinese Studies
- Central China Normal University, China – Bachelor of Chinese Studies
- University of Queensland, Australia – Bachelor of Arts
- Shanghai University, China – Bachelor of Chinese Studies

You can also receive up to one semester’s exemption at the following institutions:

- National University of Singapore
- Nanyang Technological University

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Candidates interested in teaching as a career should apply directly to MOE (www.moe.gov.sg/teach/Olevels.htm) for a teaching bursary that includes full tuition fees and personal allowances. Short-listed candidates will be required to attend an interview conducted by MOE. SPM/STPM/Unified Examination Certificate (UEC) qualification holders are also eligible for the MOE teaching bursary.
Diploma in Early Childhood Education

- The first and only such full-time diploma course offered by a polytechnic in Singapore
- Full accreditation by MCYS and MOE – only such diploma having both teaching and leadership components
- Field practicum through weekly attachments with childcare centres and kindergartens right from the first year
- NCSS Study Award available for final year students
- Degree tie-up with Wheelock College, Boston, for further studies, and enjoy subsidised tuition fees and scholarships
About the Diploma

“Free the child’s potential, and you will transform him into the world.”
- Maria Montessori, founder of the Montessori Method of education

Think you have what it takes to shape and guide the future generation? Then our Diploma in Early Childhood Education (ECH) is the course for you. Ngee Ann Polytechnic (NP) is the only local tertiary institution with a full-time diploma in ECH.

Learn about child development, curriculum design and assessment, and child health and nutrition. You will also gain an awareness of the development and education of children with special needs. Along with teaching skills, the course equips you with the necessary management and leadership skills to run and manage an early childhood education programme.

Learn Hands-on From Day One

The diploma is jointly developed and delivered with the Regional Training and Resource Centre in Early Childhood Care and Education for Asia (RTRC Asia), the training and consultancy arm of NTUC Childcare Cooperative. The programme is fully accredited by the Ministry of Community Development, Youth and Sports (MCYS), and the Ministry of Education (MOE).

The ECH curriculum consists of both teaching and leadership components. This one diploma will allow you to qualify for the post of centre supervisor or principal, without having to take another diploma in leadership to qualify for these management positions.

Right from Year One, you will be placed on weekly attachments to childcare centres and kindergartens to work with young children alongside experienced teachers. (Field practicums are academically assessed and will not be remunerated.)

In the final year, you can look forward to the challenge of completing an Independent Education Project to develop a programme or product, such as a Math headstart programme for children or a language game set.
The Diploma in Early Childhood Education programme opens doors for school leavers, and provides them a career opportunity to channel their energies into making a difference for young children.”

– Dr Christine Chen
President, Association of Early Childhood Educators of Singapore (AECES)

What will you learn in the course?

Year 1
• Introduction to Child Development
• Principles & Practices of Classroom Management
• Play and Motor Skills Development for Young Children
• Field Practicum 1
• IT & Applications 1
• Sports & Wellness
• Functional English
• Child Development: Theory to Practice
• Creative Arts for Young Children
• Language Arts in the Early Childhood Years
• Global Issues: Singapore Perspective
• Speech Training (Basic)
• Child Development: Theory to Practice

Year 2
• Academic Writing
• Infant and Toddler Behaviour and Development
• Designing Learning Environments
• Field Practicum 2
• Financial Management
• Mathematics for Young Children
• Advanced Speech Training
• Psychology of Exceptional Children
• Developing Parent Involvement Programmes
• Effective Communication
• IT & Applications 2
• Environmental Awareness
• Singapore Families : Policies & Practices
• Child Health & Nutrition

Year 3
• Developmentally Appropriate Curriculum
• Field Practicum 3
• Current Issues and Trends in Preschool Education
• Adult Supervision & Leadership in Early Childhood Settings
• English for Occupational Purposes
• Independent Education Project
• Assessment for Young Children
• Organisational Behaviour / Human Resource Management
• Administration & Management of Programmes for Young Children
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Successful candidates are required to pass a medical examination before confirmation of acceptance to the course. Please log on to www.np.edu.sg/hms/hms_ech.html for details on the medical/physical requirements.

**Further Studies**

You will start your career as an early childhood educator and proceed to become a leader or manager of an early childhood centre. You can also work as a trained professional in various agencies that offer services for children and families.

Further your studies at NP in the Wheelock College Center for International Education, Leadership, and Innovation, Singapore. In collaboration with NP and RTRC Asia, Wheelock College offers the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Educational Studies and Leadership.

Customised for our ECH graduates, the degree allows you a two-year advanced standing. You will complete the degree with two years of full-time studies. You will also enjoy a five-week immersion programme in Boston. The degree is internationally accredited by the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

You can receive up to one semester’s exemption at the following institutions:
- National University of Singapore
- Nanyang Technological University

You may also enjoy up to two years’ exemption at the following institutions:
- James Cook University, Australia – Bachelor of Education / Bachelor of Psychology
- Queensland University of Technology, Australia – Bachelor of Early Childhood
- Macquarie University, Australia – Bachelor of Early Childhood
- University of South Australia, Australia – Bachelor in Early Childhood Education
- Flinders University, Australia – Bachelor of Education (Special Education)
Diploma in Psychology & Community Services

- Strong emphasis on different aspects of psychology supplemented with taught skills in counselling and community services
- Innovative, experiential and integrated projects
- Advancement to a degree and careers as psychologists, counsellors and social workers
- One semester of local or overseas industrial attachment to work with psychologists, or on a range of community services
About the Diploma

Be armed with a strong foundation in Psychology and make a difference in someone’s life. Help a child going through trauma, counsel distressed youths and secure support for the elderly and disabled.

Launched in response to the need to be a more caring society, our Diploma in Psychology & Community Services (PCS) could just be the course for you. PCS offers a strong emphasis on psychological theories and developments. You will be grounded in the fundamental and different aspects of psychology – lifespan psychology, social psychology, health psychology and biopsychology.

You will also build up your skills in other areas like communication and counseling, social research and IT applications. Learn about personality and individual differences, crisis intervention, and working with individuals and the community. Enrichment modules will introduce you to new aspects of psychology and therapeutic methods.

Our rigorous and well-balanced curriculum will allow you to learn through experience with field trips and hands-on practicum. In the final-year, you can go on a six-month local or overseas industrial attachment to work with psychologists, or on a range of community services. Alternatively, you can embark on an innovative research project.
“Humans are complex beings. To understand human behaviour is a lifelong journey and the Psychology and Community Services diploma provides that start to the journey. The course helps them to understand themselves and others and it can provide a springboard for their future endeavours, be it study or work.”

- BH Lim
Psychologist

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Interdisciplinary Studies (IS) modules
What can you achieve in your career?

There are more than 600 social service organisations with expanding programmes to provide community and social services. Immediately upon graduation, you can be a welfare and rehabilitation officer, an assistant in psychometric testing centres or a voluntary welfare organisation programme and community development executive.

Further Studies

Our PCS diploma opens the door to higher-level professional studies in varied fields such as psychology, social work, therapy, special education and counselling.

PCS graduates may enjoy one to two years’ exemption at the following institutions:

- James Cook University, Australia – Bachelor of Psychology
- University of Monash, Australia – Bachelor of Social Work
- Flinders University, Australia – Bachelor of Education (Special Education)
- The Australian National University – Bachelor of Psychology

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If you took the 2007 GCE 'O' Level examinations as a school candidate, you may apply on-line through the Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE). Details will be available in the JAE information booklet which you will receive when collecting your results.

Applicants who are not eligible to apply under the JAE and holders of other qualifications may refer to our website at http://www.np.edu.sg/aa/info.html for application details.

Fees
S$2,100 per academic year (for local students)