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More than nine in 10 from NTU Singapore's Class of 2022 found a job within six months of graduation; cohort earns higher salaries

Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU Singapore Singapore) graduates continue to be in demand by employers, with more than nine in 10 graduates from the Class of 2022 in the labour force employed within six months after completing their final examinations.

4,641 NTU Singapore graduates responded to the 2022 Joint Autonomous Universities Graduate Employment Survey (JAUGES) jointly conducted by NTU Singapore and the other Autonomous Universities. This also includes 22 Biomedical graduates and 83 Medicine graduates from the Class of 2021 who took part in a follow-up survey.

NTU's Class of 2022 earned higher salaries, with a mean gross monthly salary of \$4,443 for fresh graduates in full-time permanent employment¹, an increase from \$4,000 in 2021. Their median gross monthly salary was also higher at \$4,200, an increase from \$3,750 in 2021.

Professor Tan Ooi Kiang, NTU's Deputy Provost (Education) said: "Despite the uncertainty as a result of the rapidly evolving nature of work, NTU graduates continue to be a top choice among employers, as demonstrated by results from the latest graduate employment survey. NTU's strong focus on interdisciplinary education, along with mandatory internships and various overseas opportunities, equips students with key transferable skills to help them stay resilient, adaptable, and agile – essential traits that have helped them to stand out from the crowd, and will continue to guide them to excel in a complex and unpredictable world."

Graduates from National Institute of Education (NIE), Medicine, Double Degree in Business and Computer Engineering/Computing, Double Degree in Engineering and Economics, Sport Science and Management, and Biomedical Sciences and Chinese

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¹ Full-time permanent employment refers to the number of graduates working on a full-time permanent basis, as a proportion of graduates in the labour force (i.e. those who were working, or not working but actively looking and available for a job).

Medicine achieved 100 per cent employment². Other courses with the highest overall employment include Accountancy (98.3%), Accountancy and Business (98.0%), and Public Policy and Global Affairs (97.9%).

Helping graduates thrive in a complex world

To thrive in the workplace of the future, students not only have to master content knowledge, but also be proficient in critical thinking, communication, teamwork, creativity, and take an interdisciplinary approach to solving real-world challenges.

NTU's strong emphasis on an interdisciplinary approach to learning, along with experiential and collaborative opportunities that closely mirror the future of work, helps to prepare students to adapt to an unpredictable and fast-changing world.

One graduate who has benefitted from this education approach is **Ms Emily Lua**, who graduated from NTU with a **Double Degree in Business and Computer Science**. Ms Lua, who is now a Marketing Specialist at Amazon, said: "My double degree programme allowed me to pick up technical skills such as programming and data analytics, as well as business knowledge and presentation skills. This combination of skills gave me an edge in a data-centric company like Amazon, where I could apply my data skills in my current marketing role to develop data-driven campaigns and optimise performance."

Another graduate **Ms Yong Yanminn** said her **Double Degree in Economics and Public Policy & Global Affairs (PPGA)** helped her to ease into her role of Market Specialist at Meta, in which she analyses local, global, and language-based trends to create a safe environment for both users and businesses.

She said: "My PPGA journey at NTU has facilitated my work by enriching my knowledge of countries' socio-political histories, enabling me to offer nuanced market analyses whenever necessary. As this role also heavily relies on data analytics, the skills that I've honed while pursuing data-related modules such as econometrics definitely eased the process of me assimilating into the job," she said.

Such interdisciplinary undergraduate offerings are in line with the vision articulated in the **NTU 2025 strategic plan** to nurture the next generation of thinkers, innovators, leaders, and lifelong learners, and create societal impact through interdisciplinary education and research.

² This refers to the number of graduates working in full-time permanent, part-time, temporary employment or freelancing, as a proportion of graduates in the labour force (i.e. those who are working, and those who are not working but are actively looking and available for work) as at 1 November 2022.

To foster stronger interdisciplinary synergies across academic units in education, research, and innovation, NTU launched the School of Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, and Biotechnology (CCEB), a new interdisciplinary school set up jointly by NTU's Colleges of Engineering and Science. The CCEB welcomed its first intake of students in August 2022.

This follows NTU's introduction of a new **Interdisciplinary Collaborative Core (ICC) curriculum** in the undergraduate curriculum in 2021. As part of the ICC curriculum, all new NTU students, regardless of discipline, are required to attend seven core courses that focus on either key transferable skills or global challenges.

Scheduled over the first two years of study, there will be deliberate mixing of students from different disciplines and team-based projects or assignments in these ICC courses to immerse students early in interdisciplinarity learning.

The JAUGES results for NTU is available at: https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/overview/autonomous-universities/ntu

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About Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

A research-intensive public university, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU Singapore) has 33,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students in the Engineering, Business, Science, Medicine, Humanities, Arts, & Social Sciences, and Graduate colleges.

NTU is also home to world-renowned autonomous institutes – the National Institute of Education, S Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Earth Observatory of Singapore, and Singapore Centre for Environmental Life Sciences Engineering – and various leading research centres such as the Nanyang Environment & Water Research Institute (NEWRI) and Energy Research Institute @ NTU (ERI@N).

Under the NTU Smart Campus vision, the University harnesses the power of digital technology and tech-enabled solutions to support better learning and living

experiences, the discovery of new knowledge, and the sustainability of resources.

Ranked amongst the world's top universities, the University's main campus is also frequently listed among the world's most beautiful. Known for its sustainability, over 95% of its building projects are certified Green Mark Platinum. Apart from its main campus, NTU also has a medical campus in Novena, Singapore's healthcare district.

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