

General

Q1) What is the Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE)?

- A1) The Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE) is conducted annually by the Ministry of Education (MOE) to allow Singapore-Cambridge GCE O-Level certificate holders to apply for admission to courses offered by the Junior Colleges (JCs), Millennia Institute (MI), Polytechnics (Poly) and Institute of Technical Education (ITE).

You can find more information about JAE at <https://www.moe.gov.sg/jae>.

Q2) What are the progression opportunities of *Higher Nitec* graduates?

- A2) *Higher Nitec* graduates with good results may apply for admission to a relevant Diploma course at ITE and the Polytechnics. Those with Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.5 and above may apply for direct admission to the second year of a relevant Diploma in Engineering/IT course at the Polytechnics. *Higher Nitec* graduates may also apply for admission to a relevant Work-Study Diploma course at ITE.

Q3) What is the duration of the *Higher Nitec* courses under JAE?

- A3) The *Higher Nitec* courses offered under JAE are of 2-year duration.

Q4) What is the age requirement for full-time *Higher Nitec* courses?

- A4) Applicants must be at least 16 years old as of 1st January for the intake year (i.e. 2026).

Q5) Will I be granted deferment from National Service (NS) in order to study in ITE?

- A5) NS-liable males will be granted NS deferment for the pursuit of full-time studies at pre-university government-funded institutions including ITE if they attain a place and are pursuing a course for higher academic qualifications from what they have previously attained (e.g. from N/O Levels to *Higher Nitec*, from *Nitec* to *Higher Nitec* or from *Nitec/Higher Nitec* to ITE Work-Study Diploma/Technical Engineer Diploma/Technical Diploma courses) and NS deferment will no longer be subject to cut-off ages. For latest updates on NS deferment eligibility and policy, you can visit <https://for.edu.sg/ns-deferment>. Students who are not eligible for NS deferment will need to withdraw from the course that they are enrolled.

Application & Acceptance

Q6) Which *Higher Nitec* courses are offered under JAE?

- A6) ITE offers a wide range of full-time 2-year *Higher Nitec* courses in Business & Services, Design & Media, Engineering, Electronics & Info-comm Technology, Health Sciences, and Hospitality for the April 2026 intake, as given at <https://www.ite.edu.sg/current-full-time-students/progression/higher-nitec/>.

(Note: The 1-year *Higher Nitec* courses for Culinary Arts, Pastry & Baking, and Precision Engineering take in only *Nitec* progression students)

Q7) How can I apply and what are the application procedures?

A7) The application procedures for JAE are as follows:

- a) **Candidates from a Government School, Government-Aided School or Independent School in Singapore (Singapore Citizens / Singapore Permanent Residents / International Students) or private candidates (Singapore Citizens / Singapore Permanent Residents) with valid 2025 Singapore-Cambridge GCE O-Level Examination results and are eligible to participate in the JAE:**

You will receive Form A via email from MOE on the afternoon of the day of the 2025 Singapore-Cambridge GCE O-Level examination results release. Form A contains the following information:

- Student's examination results and aggregate scores; and
- The course codes for all the courses that the student is eligible to apply for under the JAE

You can apply via MOE JAE website <https://www.moe.gov.sg/jae> during the application period between **Wed 14 Jan 2026 (4pm)** and **Mon 19 Jan 2026 (4.30pm)**. At the application website, you can log in using Singpass via (a) Singpass mobile app to scan the QR code or (b) enter your Singpass ID and password.

- b) **Singapore Citizens / Singapore Permanent Residents with valid Singapore-Cambridge GCE O-Level Examination results before year 2025 and are eligible to participate in the JAE:**

You can apply via MOE JAE website <https://www.moe.gov.sg/jae> during the application period between **Wed 14 Jan 2026 (4pm)** and **Mon 19 Jan 2026 (4.30pm)**. At the application website, you can log in using Singpass via (a) Singpass mobile app to scan the QR code or (b) enter your Singpass ID and password.

If you are unable to apply via MOE JAE-IS (JAE Internet System), you may seek assistance using the JAE Request Form at www.moe.gov.sg/jaerequestform during the application period. After the request submission, ensure that you remain contactable via phone and email. MOE staff will get in touch to follow up on your request by the next working day during the JAE application period. If you are uncontactable, MOE will not be able to process your request and will not consider any replies after the JAE application period ends at 4.30pm on Mon 19 Jan 2026.

- c) **International Students who had sat for the Singapore-Cambridge GCE O-Level Examination as candidates of a Government School, Government-Aided School or Independent School in Singapore before year 2025:**

You can submit your application together with supporting documents [Student Pass, passport, original GCE O-Level certificate(s) / results slip(s) and original CCA Certificate(s)] at any of the ITE Customer & Visitor Centres (CVCs) between **Wed 14 Jan 2026 (4pm)** and **Mon 19 Jan 2026 (4.30pm)** during office hours (Mon to Fri from 8.30am to 5.30pm). Please refer to www.ite.edu.sg for any changes. You will be notified of the outcome by **end-March 2026**.

While all eligible applications will be given due consideration, meeting the minimum entry requirements does not guarantee a place in the course as admission is also subject to available vacancies in open competition.

Q8) How many choices can I submit for full-time *Higher Nitec* courses under JAE?

- A8) Eligible applicants are allowed to submit up to 12 course choices in their application. Each choice comprises a course and college. Same 2-year *Higher Nitec* courses conducted at different ITE Colleges are considered as separate choices e.g. *Higher Nitec* in Electronics Engineering at ITE College East and *Higher Nitec* in Electronics Engineering at ITE College Central are taken as two choices.

Q9) When and how will I know my application results for JAE?

- A9) If you have applied via the MOE JAE website <https://www.moe.gov.sg/jae> between Wed 14 Jan 2026 (4pm) and Mon 19 Jan 2026 (4.30pm), the result of your application will be released on **Tue 3 Feb 2026 (9am) (tentative)** through the following modes:
- JAE-IS, accessible through the JAE website at <https://www.moe.gov.sg/jae>;
 - Short Messaging System (SMS) via applicant's mobile number (if a valid Singapore mobile number was provided in the JAE application).

Q10) How do I accept the course offer under JAE?

- A10) Applicants who are posted to a 2-year *Higher Nitec* course under JAE are required to accept the course offer via ITE website <https://student.ite.edu.sg>, between **Tue 3 Feb 2026 (9am)** and **Fri 6 Feb 2026 (4pm)** (any changes in dates will be updated at ITE website). Otherwise, the training place will be withdrawn and offered to another applicant.

The User ID and password for login to <https://student.ite.edu.sg> for course acceptance will be sent via email to applicants posted to ITE on the day of release of JAE posting results.

You will need to key in a One-Time Password (OTP) to accept the course offer. You can choose to receive the OTP through email or SMS (via the email address / mobile number you have provided in your JAE application).

Please get ready the information in the table below before proceeding to accept the course offer. If you do not provide the information required to complete course acceptance **by Fri 6 Feb 2026 (4pm)**, the training place will be withdrawn and offered to another applicant.

(1)	Parent(s) / guardian particulars (if you are not staying with your parent(s), please provide your guardian's particulars)	Fields required are: 1) Name 2) NRIC / FIN 3) Citizenship 4) Contact No. 5) Email (optional)
(2)	No. of family members in your household (including yourself)	-
(3)	Total gross household monthly income	In Singapore dollars, round-off to nearest hundred
(4)	Details of personal particulars	Birth Country, Marital Status, Religion, House Type

After completing course acceptance, applicants can proceed online to apply for bursary/financial assistance (if eligible), upload photo for application of ITE Student Concession Card and submit Post-Secondary Education Account Standing Order (PSEA SO) form (only for Singapore Citizens using PSEA to pay for ITE full-time courses).

Posted international students who do not have a **valid** immigration pass (e.g. Dependant's Pass / Long-Term Visit Pass) are also required to apply for a Student's Pass via the Immigration & Checkpoints Authority (ICA) SOLAR+ website at <https://eservices.ica.gov.sg/esvclandingpage/solarplus> using the SOLAR+ application number sent to them via email.

Please call or email to any of the ITE Customer & Visitor Centres (CVCs) for assistance within the acceptance period, if you encounter difficulties to complete acceptance of course offer.

Q11) How do I apply for bursary/financial assistance, upload photo and submit PSEA SO form online?

- A11) Upon course acceptance, successful applicants can proceed to apply for bursary/financial assistance (if eligible), upload passport size colour photo for the application of ITE Student Concession Card, and submit PSEA SO form online.

(i) For Online Application of Bursary/Financial Assistance

To apply for bursary/financial assistance, eligible applicants will need to provide the following information of all family members in the same household:

- Name
- Relationship to you
- Age
- Occupation / school
- Marital status
- Gross monthly income of each working adult

You are required to upload one supporting income document (e.g. latest income tax statement or CPF transaction history or latest payslips of not more than 3 months old or letter from employer indicating income) for each working adult subsequently. Alternatively, applicants may exit the browser at any time and apply for bursary/financial assistance later at <https://student.ite.edu.sg> (click 'Student Admissions' tab then click 'FAS/Photo/PSEA') 2 working days after course acceptance.

(ii) For Online Uploading of Photo

Applicants are required to get ready a softcopy of passport size photo before uploading. The guidelines for the photo are:

- Be in colour, taken against white background without shadow
- Be taken within the last 3 months
- Show full face without headgear
- Show your hair neatly combed or tied up, and must be of natural colour
- (For female students) Only one pair of simple earrings may be worn, one on each ear lobe. No earrings allowed for male students.

The photo image requirements are:

- Format: JPEG/JPG
- Named as: NRIC.jpg (e.g. T1234567A.jpg)
- Dimensions: 240 × 320 pixels
- File size: About 150 kilobytes

You resize your photo at: <https://for.edu.sg/ite-student-card>.

Alternatively, applicants may exit the browser at any time and upload their photo online later at <https://student.ite.edu.sg> (click 'Student Admissions' tab then click 'FAS/Photo/PSEA') 2 working days after course acceptance.

(iii) Submit PSEA SO Form

Singapore Citizens can submit PSEA SO form at <https://for.edu.sg/psea-iteso>. **If you are below 21 years of age, your parent/legal guardian will need to submit the PSEA SO form on your behalf using his/her Singpass.** If you are at least 21 years of age, you can use your Singpass to submit the PSEA SO form. You or your parent/legal guardian can register for Singpass at <https://www.singpass.gov.sg>. An acknowledgement email (from: donotreply@mail.form.gov.sg) will be sent to the email address provided in the PSEA SO form upon successful submission. Applicants can call the 24-hour automated PSEA hotline number (6260 0777) to check if they have an active account and their account balance.

Q12) Why does MOE offer me a course which I did not apply for?

A12) Applicants who are not successful in getting a place in any of their registered choices of course, will be counter-offered an alternative course with vacancies to give them a chance to progress to ITE, subject to the applicant meeting the course's minimum entry requirements.

Applicants who have medical conditions or learning needs and view the counter-offered course unsuitable are strongly encouraged to seek prior course advising from their posted College for other courses. More information is available at <https://for.edu.sg/LAO>.

Q13) Why am I not offered a course even though my results meet the Minimum Entry Requirements for the courses?

A13) Admission to a course is based on merit, considering the choices and vacancies for the course. Applicants who are not offered a place can submit an appeal (see FAQ item under section 'Appeal Process' > 'If I missed the MOE application period or I am not offered a course during the main application phase, can I still appeal for full-time *Higher Nitec* courses?').

Q14) Will I be issued an Enrolment Letter once I am successful in getting a full-time course?

A14) For applicants who are posted to a full-time course, you can view the Enrolment Letter after acceptance of the course offer. You will also receive the Enrolment Letter via email.

Q15) Can applicants with existing physical/medical conditions or special needs seek course advising before applying for a suitable course?

A15) Applicants with existing physical/medical conditions or special needs are strongly encouraged to seek prior academic course advising from the respective ITE College(s) before applying and selecting their course choices. For further assistance on course advising, applicants may contact one of the Learning Accessibility Office (<https://for.edu.sg/LAO>) located at each ITE College.

Q16) Can an ex-ITE graduate apply for ITE full-time courses under JAE?

A16) If you have graduated from a full-time *Higher Nitec* course at ITE, you may apply for admission to another course one year after graduation. For April 2026 intake, you may submit your admission application if you have graduated before 1 May 2025.

Appeal Process

Q17) If I missed the MOE application period or I am not offered a course during the main application phase, can I still appeal for full-time *Higher Nitec* courses?

A17) If you are not offered a course during the main application phase, you can submit your appeal for 2-year *Higher Nitec* courses:

- Via the combined Polytechnic and ITE *Higher Nitec* JAE appeal portal <https://jaeappeal.edu.sg> **between Tue 3 Feb 2026 (9am) and Fri 6 Feb 2026 (4pm)**; or
- Via ITE website www.ite.edu.sg **between Mon 23 Feb 2026 (9am) and Thu 9 Apr 2026** or **between Mon 13 Apr 2026 and Fri 24 Apr 2026.**

If you did not participate in the JAE conducted by MOE **between Wed 14 Jan 2026 (4pm) and Mon 19 Jan 2026 (4.30pm)**, you can submit your appeal for a 2-year *Higher Nitec* course via www.ite.edu.sg **between Mon 23 Feb 2026 (9am) and Thu 9 Apr 2026** or **between Mon 13 Apr 2026 and Fri 24 Apr 2026.**

Dates for the submission of appeal and release of appeal result are given below:

Submission of Appeal	Release of Appeal Result	Note
Tue 3 Feb 2026 (9am) to Fri 6 Feb 2026 (4pm)	Mon 23 Feb 2026 (9am)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit appeal via combined JAE appeal portal https://jaeappeal.edu.sg. Appellants can submit up to 6 course choices in their appeal. Successful appellants are required to accept the course offer via ITE website www.ite.edu.sg by Wed 25 Feb 2026. Otherwise, the training place will be forfeited. Unsuccessful appellants can appeal via www.ite.edu.sg between Mon 23 Feb 2026 (9am) and Thu 9 Apr 2026 or between Mon 13 Apr 2026 and Fri 24 Apr 2026.
Fri 21 Feb 2025 (9am) to Thu 10 Apr 2025	By Mon 14 Apr 2025	Submit appeal via ITE website www.ite.edu.sg . Appellants can submit only 1 course choice in their appeal.
Mon 14 Apr 2025 to Fri 25 Apr 2025	By Wed 30 Apr 2025	

Note: Any changes in dates will be updated at ITE website.

For Appeal via Combined Poly-ITE JAE Appeal Portal
[Tue 3 Feb 2026 (9am) to Fri 6 Feb 2026 (4pm)]

To **appeal**, follow the steps below:

- Go to combined JAE appeal portal <https://jaeappeal.edu.sg>
- Click on the 'APPLICATION' tab
- Click on the link 'CREATE JAE APPEAL ACCOUNT' and follow the instructions to create a JAE appeal account
- Click on 'SIGN-IN' to sign-in to your JAE appeal account and follow the instructions to submit your appeal

To **check your appeal result**, follow the steps below:

- Go to combined JAE appeal portal <https://jaeappeal.edu.sg>
- Click on the 'APPLICATION' tab
- Click on 'SIGN-IN' to sign-in to your JAE appeal account

For Appeal via ITE Website

[Mon 23 Feb 2026 (9am) to Thu 9 Apr 2026 or Mon 13 Apr 2026 (9am) to Fri 24 Apr 2026]

To **appeal**, follow the steps below.

- Go to www.ite.edu.sg
- Click on the "Apply for ITE Courses" link
- Click on the "Apply Now" icon under JAE
- Log on using your **Singpass**

To **check your appeal result**, login to <https://student.ite.edu.sg> with the User ID and Password provided in the Verification Slip after submission of appeal.

PCs or laptops with web access are also available at the ITE Customer & Visitor Centres (CVCs) throughout the appeal period during operating hours (Mon to Fri from 8.30am to 5.30pm, eve of public holidays from 8.30am to 12 noon). Please refer to www.ite.edu.sg for any changes.

While all eligible appeals for admission will be given due consideration, meeting the minimum entry requirements does not guarantee a place in the course as admission is also subject to available vacancies in open competition.

Q18) Can I appeal for transfer to another course or ITE College? What are the transfer procedures?

A18) Applicants who wish to appeal for transfer to another course or ITE College are advised to accept their original course offer first by the course acceptance deadline, before submitting their appeal:

Date of original course offer	Procedures to appeal for transfer
Tue 3 Feb 2026 (9am)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accept original course offer via https://student.ite.edu.sg between Tue 3 Feb 2026 (9am) and Fri 6 Feb 2026 (4pm). Otherwise, your training place will be forfeited. Submit appeal via combined Poly-ITE JAE appeal portal https://jaeappeal.edu.sg between Tue 3 Feb 2026 (9am) and Fri 6 Feb 2026 (4pm). Outcome of appeal will be released via the combined JAE appeal portal on Fri 21 Feb 2025 (9am).
Mon 23 Feb 2026 (9am)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accept original course offer via https://student.ite.edu.sg between Mon 23 Feb 2026 (9am) and Wed 25 Feb 2026. Otherwise, your training place will be forfeited. Submit appeal via ITE website www.ite.edu.sg between Mon 23 Feb 2026 (9am) and Thu 9 Apr 2026. Outcome of appeal will be released via ITE website https://student.ite.edu.sg by Mon 13 Apr 2026.

Note: Any changes in dates will be updated at ITE website.

While all eligible appeals for transfer will be given due consideration, meeting the minimum entry requirements does not guarantee a place in the course as admission is also subject to available vacancies in open competition. For appellants who have accepted the original posted course but are not successful in their transfer appeal, they will remain in the course and ITE College which they have accepted.

Q19) How do I accept the course offer under JAE Appeal?

A19) If you have completed acceptance of your original 2-year *Higher Nitec* course offer between Tue 3 Feb 2026 (9am) and Fri 6 Feb 2026 (4pm), you may check the status of your appeal for transfer to another ITE course / College via <https://student.ite.edu.sg>. If your appeal for transfer (under JAE Appeal) is successful, there is no need to do course acceptance again, as your place in the new course / ITE College will be confirmed automatically.

Applicants who have not accepted 2-year *Higher Nitec* course offer between Tue 3 Feb 2026 (9am) and Fri 6 Feb 2026 (4pm), and are posted to a 2-year *Higher Nitec* course under JAE appeal, have to accept the course offer via ITE website <https://student.ite.edu.sg> between **Mon 23 Feb 2026 (9am)** and **Wed 25 Feb 2026** (any changes in dates will be updated at ITE website). Otherwise, the training place will be withdrawn and offered to another applicant.

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(1)	Parent(s) / guardian particulars (if you are not staying with your parent(s), please provide your guardian's particulars)	Fields required are: 1) Name 2) NRIC / FIN 3) Citizenship
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		4) Contact No. 5) Email (optional)
(2)	No. of family members in your household (including yourself)	-
(3)	Total gross household monthly income	In Singapore dollars, round-off to nearest hundred
(4)	Details of personal particulars	Birth Country, Marital Status, Religion, House Type

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Please call or email to any of the ITE Customer & Visitor Centres (CVCs) for assistance within the acceptance period, if you encounter difficulties to complete acceptance of course offer.

Q20) Why am I offered a course which I did not appeal for?

A20) At the end of the combined appeals period, all students who had not received any Polytechnic or ITE 2-year *Higher Nitec* posting may be offered a place in a Polytechnic or ITE course with remaining vacancies. Offers will be given based on students meeting the minimum entry requirements and aggregate score of the lowest ranked students who were admitted to these courses. This offer is intended to provide students an additional option for post-secondary education.

Applicants who have medical conditions or learning needs and view the counter-offered course unsuitable are strongly encouraged to seek prior course advising from their posted College for other courses. More information is available at <https://for.edu.sg/LAO>.

Q21) Will I be issued an Enrolment Letter once I am successful in my appeal for a full-time course?

A21) (See answer to FAQ item 14)

Q22) How do I apply for bursary/financial assistance, upload photo and submit PSEA SO form online?

A22) (See answer to FAQ item 11)

Fees

Q23) How much are the fees for full-time 2-year *Higher Nitec* courses?

A23) For information on full-time course fees, please visit <https://for.edu.sg/ite-fees>.

Q24) When do I need to pay fees for my *Higher Nitec* course under April 2026 intake?

A24) Upon acceptance of offer, all ITE students under April 2026 intake are required to pay their course fees in full by **Thu 26 Mar 2026** to secure the training place, otherwise the training place will be withdrawn.

For more information on fee payment instructions, please visit <https://for.edu.sg/ite-fees>.

Q25) How do I pay fees for my enrolled *Higher Nitec* course?

A25) For more information on fee payment instructions, please visit <https://for.edu.sg/ite-fees>.

Q26) Is there any refund of fees if I decide to withdraw from the *Higher Nitec* course?

A26) Refund of fees is not an automatic process. You will need to apply for fee refund before ITE can process the requests. The total fees paid may be refundable under the following conditions:

Date of Application for Refund	Amount of Refund*
2 weeks or more before start of course / term	100% refund
Less than 2 weeks before start of course / term	50% refund
After start of course / term	No refund

* All requests for refund are not guaranteed and are subjected to approval by ITE.