

School of

Humanities & Social Sciences

STUDENT HANDBOOK AY2023/24



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ACADEMIC CALENDAR

AY2023/24

Apr Semester	Period	Oct Semester	Period
Term 1	17 Apr – 11 Jun 2023	Term 3	16 Oct – 17 Dec 2023
Term Break	12 Jun – 25 Jun 2023	Term Break	18 Dec 2023 – 1 Jan 2024*
Term 2	26 Jun – 23 Jul 2023	Term 4	2 Jan – 11 Feb 2024
Special Term Break	24 Jul – 30 Jul 2023 [#]	Study Week	12 Feb – 18 Feb 2024
Term 2	31 Jul – 20 Aug 2023	Semestral Examinations	19 Feb – 1 Mar 2024
Study Week	21 Aug – 27 Aug 2023	Vacation	2 Mar – 14 Apr 2024
Semestral Examinations	28 Aug – 8 Sep 2023		
Vacation	9 Sep – 15 Oct 2023		

Mid-Semester Tests

Apr Semester: 5 Jun – 9 Jun 2023

Oct Semester: 11 Dec – 15 Dec 2023

13th WorldSkills ASEAN Competition

* New Year's Day, 1 Jan 2024 falls on Monday

<https://www.tp.edu.sg/schools-and-courses/for-current-students/academic-calendar.html>



Education is Not the learning of facts,
but the training of the mind to think.

Albert Einstein



TEMASEK POLYTECHNIC

MISSION

To prepare school-leavers and working adults for a future of dynamic change, with relevant knowledge, life-long skills, character, and a thirst for continuous improvement.

VISION

To be a world-class institution in the global education network, reputed for our programmes, applied research, managerial excellence and innovative corporate culture.

VALUES

- Responsibility for the continued growth and success of Temasek Polytechnic
- Respect for the dignity of the individual
- Integrity of the highest order
- Student-centredness
- Future-orientation



HSS Director says HELLO!

Dear Students

Welcome to HSS. We are excited to be part of this important milestone in your journey. We hope that you will take advantage of all the learning opportunities that come your way while you are with us to grow and expand your skill set. The diplomas you have chosen to pursue in HSS will equip you well to contribute significantly, especially in the social sector. You will pick up pertinent skills to provide holistic and inclusive care.



Nevertheless, it is important to realise that employers are no longer just looking for book smarts and domain competency. Industries are changing, and changes are rampant within companies. Therefore, it is important to equip yourself with 21st-century skills like adaptability, critical thinking, communication, leadership, etc. This is where the TP Fundamental (TPFun) subjects come in. The skills learnt in TPFun subjects are transferable and will help in all stations of your life (personal, social, and professional).

An important activity that HSS is very involved in is research. We strive to help and provide solutions to the social service sector, such as community care organisations, family service centres, and pre-schools – to help them solve real challenges and cross significant operational hurdles. So do join your lecturers in these meaningful endeavours to contribute back to society and take your learning beyond the classroom.

Now that Singapore has stepped down on community measures and borders are reopening, seize this opportunity to participate in extra-curricular projects and competitions, and join student groups and clubs. Take part in Project SMILE, HSS' signature Overseas Community Project in Cambodia. This brings your learning to a whole new level, and many of your seniors have benefited from it.

Lastly, remember that you are a part of the HSS family. You are not alone but surrounded by friends, seniors, and Care Persons. Support each other, provide guidance, and be each other's sounding board.

Wishing you a blessed start to your journey and hope to see you around on campus.

Wallace Lim

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CARE PERSONS

The Care Person (CP) provides pastoral care, guidance and counselling. He or she also handles administrative matters and guides students, where necessary, in problems relating to studies, family relationships as well as personal and financial matters. The CP is the first point of contact between students, parents and TP. Recommendations of students for scholarships and awards are also made by the CP.

Diploma in Early Childhood Development & Education **Year 1 Students**

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HSS STUDENT SUPPORT

HSS extends support to our students who needs academic support with special learning needs, or if you need a listening ear. You may contact the following for advice and for referrals:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Telephone</i>	<i>Email</i>
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PARA-COUNSELLORS

You may also be referred to a **Para-Counsellor** if necessary. HSS Para-Counsellors are:

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SEN SUPPORT

For students who have special learning needs and require academic support in this area, you may also be referred to the following HSS SEN Support Champions:

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STUDENT SERVICES

OVERVIEW

The Student Services caters specifically to the needs of our students and alumni. It offers a wide range of services relating to student academic matters and enquiries. Self-service notebooks are available for students to login to access to TP's various online services, such as retrieval of class timetable and examination results, registration for graduation ceremonies and booking of sports and library facilities.

STUDENT SERVICES DIGITAL

Please refer to the following Website for more information:

<https://studenttpedu.sharepoint.com/sites/StudentServicesDigital>



Student Related Services



Request for Student Status Letter



Replacement of Matriculation Card



Student Info Update System
[Address/Contact numbers]



Personal Particulars Update Form

Course Related Services



Application for Withdrawal from Course (New Students)



Application for Withdrawal from Course (Current Students)



Application for Deferment from Course of Study



Application for Transfer of Course



Appeal for Reinstatement to Course of Study



Application for Exemption from Sports & Wellness

STUDENT SERVICES

Exam Related Services



Appeal for Special
Consideration on Absence fro...



Appeal for Reinstatement from
Removal



Application for Review of
Subject Grade



Request for Statement of Exam
Results (Current Students)



Request for Statement of Exam
Results (PFP Graduates)



Request for Academic and CCA
Transcript (Graduating...

Student Services Centre

Hotline 6780 4191

Email studentservices@tp.edu.sg

Location

Administration Block 9, Level 2, Lift Lobby C

Opening Hours

Mon-Fri: 8:30am to 5:30pm

Closed for lunch break: 12.00 – 1.00pm

Closed on Sat, Sun & Public Holidays

A CARING CAMPUS

TP CARES

At TP, your welfare matters to us. You will find an array of support services and resources to help you through your journey to make the most of your polytechnic education.

Student Care

COUNSELLING

The **Student Care** team comprises of qualified counsellors who are always ready to lend a listening ear to the students' concerns and worries about academic progress, adjustment to life in a polytechnic, relationships or family problems. Students with financial difficulties can approach the counsellors for the various financial assistance schemes available in the polytechnic. Be it emotional, financial or social, we are right behind you in the journey of change and growth.

Making Inquiry and Appointment

Hotline 6780 5959

Email care@tp.edu.sg

Opening Hours Mon-Fri 8:30am to 5:30pm (closed on weekends & public holidays)

Please refer to the following Website for more information:

www.tp.edu.sg/life-at-tp/a-caring-campus.html



Services Available

Consultation/Therapy

Face to face sessions which are carried out on individual, group or family basis. Confidentiality is assured.

Financial Counselling

Counsellors will explore with students regarding the various financial resources available. Click [HERE](#) for more information on financial assistance schemes.

Wellness Programme

Mental Health Awareness Talks, Workshops, Peer Support Programme and Roadshows

Crisis Hotlines

Samaritans of Singapore (SOS)	1-767	24 hours
Care Corner Helpline (Mandarin)	1800-3535 800	10am - 10pm
Family Service Centre (ComCare)	1800-222 0000	7am - 12midnight

If you require emergency services because of a life-threatening situation, please call **999** or **995**. If you require urgent care after office hours and on weekends, please contact the hospital emergency department nearest your home.

SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS (SEN) SUPPORT

The Polytechnic seeks to develop an inclusive community that promotes a culture of openness, understanding and mutual support in order that students with Special Educational Needs (SEN) can have a holistic educational experience and attain independent living skills and be equipped to access meaningful employment upon graduation.

The SEN Support in Student Support and Career Services (SSCS) offers services and support for students with physical disabilities or learning disabilities/special educational needs.

Contact Details

Hotline	6780 5959
Email	care@tp.edu.sg
Location	Student Support & Career Services / SEN Support Care@TP, Blk 26B, Level 1 Unit 49
Opening Hours	Mon-Fri 8:30am to 5:30pm (closed on weekends & public holidays)

Please refer to the following Website for more information:

www.tp.edu.sg/life-at-tp/special-educational-needs-sen-support.html



EDUCATION & CAREER GUIDANCE (ECG)

The Education & Career Guidance Counsellors ECGCs) from the Student Support & Career Services (SSCS) department help students develop their self-concept and equip them with the knowledge, skills and values to make informed decisions for a successful transition from polytechnic to work or further education.

To that end, students and alumni of Temasek Polytechnic can have an individual or group chat with our ECGCs, and participate in career planning and further education workshops/talks/fairs. This will help them discover who they are, navigate their pathways with confidence, make informed decisions and develop a life-long learning and resilient mindset.

Contact Details

Career Services Centre

Location	Admin Blk 9, Level 2, Lift Lobby D (Plaza)
Opening hours	Mon-Fri: 8:30am to 5:30pm (closed on Sat, Sun & Public Holidays)
Email	getahead@tp.edu.sg
Book an appointment	www.tp.edu.sg/life-at-tp/career-services/make-an-appointment.html

Please refer to the following Website for more information: www.tp.edu.sg/cs



ACADEMIC MATTERS

ACADEMIC / COURSE ADVISORS

The Academic/Course Advisors provide institutional support to assist you in developing and implementing meaningful educational plans, so as to realise your academic goals and potential. The advisors also provide school and diploma-specific advising. If you have any questions on academic matters, please approach any of the following advisors:

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Mr Izad Bin Ghalid	PSY	6780 4073	Izad_GHALID@TP.EDU.SG

1. TP Curriculum

The TP curriculum comprises TP Fundamental (TPFun) subjects, Diploma Core subjects and Diploma Electives/Options. Together, these subjects prepare students to be responsible people and skilled professionals.

All course structures have two main categories of subjects:

- **TP FUNDAMENTAL (TPFun) SUBJECTS** - Compulsory subjects for all TP students

TP Fundamental Subject	Grading System
Effective Communication (ECOMM) Professional Communication (PROCOMM)	Graded
Global Studies (GS)	Graded
Sustainability & Climate Action * Students must choose to take either one of this subject or GTP1302 Guided Learning	Graded
Innovation & Entrepreneurship (INNOVA)	Graded
Student Internship Programme (SIP)	Graded
Current Issues & Critical Thinking (CICT) Leadership Fundamentals (LEADFUN) Leadership In Action (LEADACT)	Pass with Commendation, Pass, Fail
Career Readiness (CARE) Career Management (CAMA)	Pass, Fail
Guided Learning (GL)	Pass, Fail
Sports & Wellness	Pass, Fail

- **DIPLOMA SUBJECTS** - Subjects specific to your diploma course to provide the necessary technical training [e.g. Foundation Psychology (PSY), Introduction to Gerontology (GEM), Child Development 1 (ECDE)]

ACADEMIC MATTERS

Each term will have a **Flex Week**, which is catered for students to engage in meaningful developmental activities such as industry visits, learning journeys, overseas trips, community projects, and multi-disciplinary projects.

2. Academic Progression

STUDENT CLASSIFICATION

Students are classified by any of the three levels of study they are in:

- Freshman - All registered students who have completed (passed) less than 40 Credit Units
- Junior - All registered students who have completed (passed) 40 Credit Units but less than 80 Credit Units
- Senior - All registered students who have completed (passed) 80 Credit Units or more

Students admitted into TP diploma courses will be at Freshman level, except for those who are given advanced standing.

RECOMMENDED PROGRESSION PATH AND WORKLOAD

In general, HSS diplomas have recommended progression paths designed for you to complete your course in three years (6 semesters). You must complete your course of study between six and ten semesters. The maximum workload that you are allowed to take in each semester is typically 28 Credit Units (CUs) and the minimum workload is 15 CUs.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR TAKING SUBJECTS OF NEXT HIGHER LEVEL (Applies only to PSY and GEM courses. There is no eligibility criteria for ECDE course.)

- To be eligible to take a Level 2 subject in his/her diploma of study, a student must have completed at least 13 cu of Level 1 subjects.
- To be eligible to take a Level 3 subject in his/her diploma of study, a student must have completed at least 45 cu of Level 2 subjects.
- To be eligible for SIP and Major Project, students must have obtained at least 60 cu.

ACADEMIC STANDING

There are five types of academic standing, which will be reflected in the students' results notification slips.

a. Proceed to next semester

- Students who passed all subjects in the current semester, or
- Students who failed an elective subject or a Global Studies 2 subject.

b. Proceed to next semester (Academic Warning)

- Students who failed a TPFun subject (excluding Global Studies 2 subjects), or a diploma core subject or required diploma option after the examination/assessment, or
- Students who are currently in their 9th semester of study and have still not met the graduation requirements, or
- Students who have two consecutive semesters of cumulative GPA (cGPA) below 1.0.

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c. Removed

- Students who met the removal criteria [refer to section on **REMOVAL**].

d. Extended Probation

- Students who are removed but reinstated for whatever reasons.
- Such students must obtain a cumulative GPA of at least 1.0 by the end of their "Extended Probation" semester or pass the failed subject(s), otherwise, they will be removed from their course of study.

e. Completed course of study

- Students who have met the stipulated course graduation requirements.

The above rules on Academic Warning will also apply to students on Leave of Absence (LOA) for one semester or longer. If students are given Academic Warning prior to their LOA, the warning prior to their leave will count towards possible removal.

CRITERIA FOR REMOVAL

Students will be recommended to the Board of Examiners for removal from their course of study if any of the following criteria is met:

- Did not fulfil the graduation requirements within the stipulated maximum time allowed to complete the course, in accordance with TP Exam Bye Laws.
- Cumulative GPA (cGPA) is less than 1.0 for three consecutive semesters.
- Did not pass a TPFun subject (excluding Sustainability & Climate Action), a diploma core or required diploma option subject in 2 attempts.

3. Grading System and Grade Point Average

Letter Grades	Description	Grade Point	Conversion (% range)
Z	Distinction <i>(up to top 5% of candidates taking the subject may be awarded Z)</i>	4.0	= or > 80
A	Excellent	4.0	= or > 80
B+	Very Good	3.5	75 to < 80
B	Very Good	3.0	70 to < 75
C+	Good	2.5	65 to < 70
C	Good	2.0	60 to < 65
D+	Credit	1.5	55 to < 60
D	Credit	1.0	50 to < 55
P	Non-Graded Pass	1.0	= or > 50
F	Fail	0	< 50
Pass	Pass in a subject with no grade point	N.A.	
Fail	Fail in a subject with no grade point	N.A.	

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Letter Grades	Description	Grade Point	Conversion (% range)
Pass with Commendation	Commendation Pass in a subject with no grade point	N.A.	
Aegrotat Pass	Aegrotat Pass	N.A.	
In Progress	Assessment in progress at the point of grading	N.A.	

The formula for calculating the GPA is:

GPA =	sum (credit units assigned to subject x subject grade point)
	sum (credit units assigned to subject)

An example will be:

Subjects	Credit Units of Subjects	Grades Obtained	Grade Point of Grades	CU x Grade Point
Foundation Psychology	4	A	4	4 x 4 = 16
Social Psychology	4	A	4	4 x 4 = 16
Cognitive Psychology	4	B	3	4 x 3 = 12
Counselling Psychology	4	C	2	4 x 2 = 8
Global Studies	3	D	1	3 x 1 = 3
Total	19			55

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{GPA} &= \text{Total credit points} / \text{Total credit units} \\
 &= 55 / 19 \\
 &= 2.89
 \end{aligned}$$

Semester GPA and Cumulative GPA will be calculated.

All subjects without grade point will not be included in the calculation of GPA.

The calculation of cumulative GPA (cGPA) will include all subjects with grade point. Any failed elective subjects or Global Studies 2 subjects which were not replaced will be included in the computation of cGPA.

A student who repeated a subject (having failed it before) would have his/her new grade replaced his/her old failed grade (zero grade point). His/her new grade point would be used in the calculation of his/her semester GPA and cumulative GPA.

A student's Results Transcript will show all the subjects that he had taken, together with the grades.

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4. Examinations

For important information regarding examinations, please visit the following site:

<https://bit.ly/3bBJ6nD>



5. Award of Diploma

To qualify for the award of a diploma, a student must fulfil the following conditions:

- Obtained the required minimum number of credit units;
- Passed all compulsory subjects (TPFun and diploma core) and required options in the particular field of study;
- Fulfilled the minimum GPA requirement; and
- Completed at least 3 academic years of study.

6. Award of Diploma with Merit (DWM)

The guidelines for the award of Diploma with Merit (DWM) shall be as follows:

- Subjects of different levels will be given equal “weightage”.
- In each diploma, the top 10% of the graduating cohort of students with cGPA of 3.50 and above shall be considered for the award of DWM. The course team could seek the special approval of the Board to award the DWM to the top students who did not meet the cGPA requirement.
- The top 10% will be based on cGPA. The calculation of cGPA will include all subjects taken (even if they are over and above graduation requirements) which are assigned grade point. Subjects without grade point will not be included in the calculation.
- A student will be eligible for DWM if he completes his course within 6 semesters and he did not fail any subject during his course of study. Student who obtained a non-graded pass for any subject will not be eligible for DWM.

7. Course Withdrawal, Deferment and Transfer

Regarding withdrawal and deferment from course and transfer of course, please visit the following sites: <https://studenttpedu.sharepoint.com/sites/StudentServicesDigital>



Should you have further queries, please visit Student Services (Admin Blk 9, Lift Lobby C, Level 2) to seek clarification.

8. Research & Ethics

The Ethics Committee's (EC) main task is to review all proposed research of HSS staff and students, including their research collaborations with any external parties, to protect the welfare and rights of research participants/subjects (both human beings and animals).

It does so by ensuring that HSS researchers and their partners in research are committed to adopt and adhere to appropriate standards of professional behaviour when dealing with their research participants/subjects. For more information, please visit the following site:

<https://bit.ly/38aoGjb>



STUDENT CONDUCT

At Temasek Polytechnic, students form a big part of our family. Besides helping you to succeed academically, we also care for your character development. As you go through your diploma journey in Temasek Polytechnic, you will face new challenges and choices and may find yourself in unexpected circumstances.

This code of conduct shall serve as a guide for your conduct in both academic and non-academic aspects of your Polytechnic life. You are expected to:

- a. treat one another with mutual respect and dignity in interactions and communications;
- b. conduct yourself in ways that promote a safe, respectful and harmonious community in and out of the campus; and
- c. uphold the good reputation of Temasek Polytechnic.

RESPECT YOURSELF:

- Build and uphold personal integrity by being truthful and honest in your own actions.
 - ✓ Seek help from your Care Person or Tutor early if you face any difficulty, instead of being dishonest in submitting course work that is not entirely your work. Give acknowledgement to all original sources of work, where applicable.
 - ✓ Do not attempt to cheat during tests and examinations. The penalty for doing so is heavy.
 - ✓ Do not falsely represent yourself as acting on behalf of the Polytechnic and engage in any activity or conduct with the intent to obtain benefit through that false representation.
- Observe proper decorum.
- Dress appropriately. Remember this is an Institution of Higher Learning.
- Be on time or early for lessons. Punctuality is important in life and in the working world.
- Attend all your classes. You made the choice to pursue a Polytechnic education, so respect your decision and put in the effort to study and work diligently.
- Learn to curb impulsive decisions. If it has happened, admit your mistakes and make amends. Be responsible.
- When in doubt of the right decision, always consult your Care Person or Tutor. They do have more experiences in life and, so, will be better able to advise you accordingly.

RESPECT OTHERS:

- Be considerate to others and respect the diversity of cultures, races and religions. Treat others as you would want to be treated.
- Inspire others to do better, and not incite them to break rules. Showcase your skills through proper leadership channels and brighten your future.
- Refrain from any conduct that demeans, intimidates, threatens, harasses or injures any individual, such as bullying, fighting, making derogatory remarks, sexual misconduct (e.g. sexual assault, outrage of modesty).
- Inform your Care Person, Tutor or Course Chair if you see or encounter any such misconduct. You can also report such misconduct to the campus security at 67805999.

STUDENT CONDUCT

ABIDE BY THE LAW, RULES AND REGULATIONS:

- Do your part to maintain a clean environment and help to keep our campus in good condition for everyone to enjoy the facilities.
- The campus and its surroundings are designated non-smoking areas by law. Contribute to a clean, safe and healthy environment for everyone by refraining from smoking when you are in campus. Please note underage smoking is an offence in Singapore.
- Keep in mind the Social Media Guidelines when you use the online media to communicate. Do what is right and you can make more friends, build your support network and your reputation. Refer to the Social Media Guidelines at the Student Portal -> Useful Information -> Rules & Regulations.
- Make sure you have your matriculation card when you are in campus. It is required for access to facilities and for identification purposes.
- All students are to comply with the Student Disciplinary Policy and Student Code of Conduct (available at the Student Portal -> Useful Information -> Rules & Regulations), failing which, you may face disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Polytechnic.

As a Polytechnic student, you are responsible for your own actions. Remember that there is always a choice and you need to make the right choice. Take a step back, observe the situation and do what is right. For every challenge you face, your choice can change your life.

1. Attendance & Absence

ATTENDANCE

You are expected to attend all your classes and lectures. TP's attendance policy requires students to fulfil at least 85% attendance. Approved leave of absence e.g. medical certificate issued by a registered medical practitioner, compassionate leave (for immediate family) and official leave (e.g. representing TP in games, official events, debates, etc.) will be considered as part of the attendance.

PUNCTUALITY

Punctuality is expected of all students. If you turn up for a tutorial session beyond the stated start time, your attendance will be recorded as 'L' (Late) in the Student Attendance System. Note that 'L' carries the same effect as an 'A' (Absence), i.e. it counts towards non-attendance for non-graded pass penalty.

ABSENCE

Submission of Medical Certificate (MC)

During the semester, all medical certificates must be submitted within two working days from the last day stated on the MC. Only MCs issued by medical practitioners registered with the Singapore Medical Council will be accepted.

Application for Leave of Absence (LOA)

Application for leave of absence (e.g. participation in a school-based performance, official events or competition etc.) must be submitted, with supporting documents, at least one week before the date of absence. You must inform the subject tutors concerned and obtain the Care Person's recommendation and Course Chair's approval.

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Both MCs and LOAs are to be submitted online via the Student Portal (<https://services.tp.edu.sg/my.policy>) or [TP Oei mobile app](#) (Resources – Attendance). 

2. Student Disciplinary Policy

1. INTENT OF POLICY AND SCOPE

At Temasek Polytechnic, students are expected to maintain and uphold the highest standards of integrity and honesty in line with respect of self, respect of others, and abide by the law of the country and the rules and regulations of the Polytechnic as spelt out in the Polytechnic's Student Code of Conduct.

This Student Disciplinary Policy is governed by the Temasek Polytechnic (Students) (Conduct and Discipline) Regulations and it sets out the disciplinary measures the Polytechnic will take when students commit a major or minor disciplinary offence.

This policy applies to students enrolled in TP.

2. STUDENT OFFENCE CATEGORIES

Category 1 (CAT 1)

Type of Offence	Recommended Punitive Actions
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Assault○ Bullying/ Harassment○ Consumption of alcohol○ Creating nuisance/bringing disrepute to TP○ Defamation against staff / students○ Drug-related offence○ Fighting○ Indecent behaviour (not for obtaining sexual gratification)○ Insubordination○ IT-related offences○ Possession, distribution and sale of pornographic materials○ Possession of weapons○ Religious/racist attacks against staff / students○ Rioting○ Sexual misconduct (e.g., sexual assault, outrage of modesty, voyeuristic act)○ Theft○ Unauthorised soliciting of funds and selling of products using the name of the Polytechnic○ Vandalism/ Mischief○ Viewing of pornographic materials○ Non-compliance to regulations and Student Code of Conduct	<p>Punitive actions could include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Warning letter• Corrective Works Order/Community Work• Making restitution• Suspension from course of study for a minimum period of one semester• Dismissal from the Polytechnic

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Type of Offence	Recommended Punitive Actions
Use of forged or tampered MC/document for lesson attendance	<p><u>1st offence</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warning Letter and Fail subject(s) covered in the period of the fraudulent MC/document where attendance is taken <p><u>2nd offence</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warning Letter Fail all subjects in semester that MC/document is forged and Suspension in next semester <p><u>3rd offence</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dismissal from the Polytechnic

Academic-related Offences

Type of Offence	Recommended Punitive Actions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cheating on Semestral Examination (including possession of unauthorised materials as verified by the Examiner as relevant to the examination paper) Cheating on Coursework such as projects, term tests and assessments) Plagiarism (refer to Plagiarism Policy for the definition, examples and ways to avoid plagiarism) 	<p>Punitive actions could include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warning letter Failing the component/subject Suspension from course of study for a minimum period of one semester Dismissal from the Polytechnic

Category 2 (CAT 2)

Type of Offence	Recommended Punitive Actions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dress code violation¹ Gambling Littering Playing poker cards Smoking or vaping² (including using, possessing or buying a prohibited tobacco product, e.g., vaporizer) Trespassing into unauthorised areas Unauthorised use of Active Mobility Devices (AMD) Minor student misconduct 	<p><u>1st offence</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warning Letter (For PET student, copied to the student's parents/guardians) <p><u>Subsequent offence</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warning Letter \$100 fine for subsequent offences of the same nature.

¹ Refer to Section 3 'Attire Guidelines'

² Refer to Section 4 'No-smoking Guidelines'

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3. ATTIRE GUIDELINES

General Occasions

Students must be dressed in a manner that is becoming of a student. This includes neat and tidy hairdo, appropriate clothes and footwear.

Laboratories / Workshops

Students must comply with the stipulated dress code, particularly those for safety and protective reasons.

Headgear

Students must be readily identifiable at all times. Therefore, any forms of headgear that prevents this are not permitted.

4. NO-SMOKING GUIDELINES

Temasek Polytechnic is a smoke-free campus, and the 'No Smoking' boundary extends to the following areas:

- a) All overhead bridges and bus stops along Tampines Avenue 1;
- b) Areas at Bedok Reservoir Park close to TP boundary; and
- c) Other non-smoking areas as designated by TP

In addition, students are required to adhere to the non-smoking areas listed under the Smoking (Prohibition in Certain Places) Act, which is administered by the National Environment Agency (NEA).

Students found in violation of the Singapore's Tobacco (Control of Advertisements and Sale) Act (Chapter 309), which includes using, possessing, buying, importing, distributing, selling or offering for sale of prohibited tobacco products, shall have the products confiscated and their personal particulars submitted to the Health Science Authority (HSA). HSA may interview and take appropriate actions against the students, which may include a fine, imprisonment or both, depending on the severity of the offence.

Importing, distributing, selling or offering for sale of a prohibited tobacco product is an offence under CAT 1: Non-compliance to regulations and Student Code of Conduct.

5. IMPOSITION OF PUNITIVE ACTIONS

- a) In determining the appropriate punitive actions, the Polytechnic will consider the totality of the case including, but not limited to, the following factors:-
 - the nature and seriousness of the offence;
 - prior misconduct by the student, both at the polytechnic or elsewhere;
 - the impact or implications of the misconduct on the campus community;
 - the student's age; and
 - any mitigating, aggravating, or compelling circumstances in order to reach a just and appropriate resolution in each case.
- b) Student on suspension shall not be allowed to attend classes, including online lessons and participation in any form of assessment, assignments and projects. They must fulfil all the required conditions for reinstatement in order to be reinstated, failing which they will be withdrawn from the course of study.

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6. REFERRAL TO POLICE

The Polytechnic has a legal duty to report the offence to the police if it constitutes a mandatory reportable offence under the law.

7. STUDENT WHO IS ALSO AN EMPLOYEE OF POLYTECHNIC

Where a student is referred for action under this Policy and he also an employee of the Polytechnic, any alleged violation of the Student Disciplinary Policy shall be notified to the Director of Human Resources.

8. CONFIDENTIALITY

All disciplinary proceedings or disciplinary actions taken pursuant to these Regulations shall be strictly confidential. Students shall not disclose to third parties any information relating to the disciplinary proceedings or disciplinary actions taken, except with the written consent of the Polytechnic and/or unless disclosure is required by the laws of Singapore.

(Updated 16 October 2023)

3. Plagiarism Policy

TEMASEK POLYTECHNIC'S POLICY ON PLAGIARISM

Academic integrity is expected of all students at Temasek Polytechnic. The Polytechnic requires all students to be assessed for their own work only. All students are required to give proper acknowledgement of all original sources of work used in their assignments, projects or other assessed work.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST STUDENTS WHO PLAGIARISE

Plagiarism is a serious academic offence. Disciplinary action taken for students caught for plagiarism will depend on the severity and includes failing the subject, suspension and removal from course.

DEFINITION OF PLAGIARISM

Plagiarism is the act of taking and using the whole or any part of another person's work and presenting it as your own without proper acknowledgement.

Examples of 'work' include text, writings, computer program, web page, on-line discussions, video, music, sound recording, image, photograph, technical drawing, invention, research findings, diagram, chart, artwork or design.

If you knowingly allow another student to use the whole or part of your work and to present it as his or her own work, you could be liable for abetting plagiarism. The penalty for abetting plagiarism includes failing the subject, suspension and removal from course.

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HOW TO AVOID PLAGIARISM

To avoid plagiarism in your assignment, projects and other assessed work, you should

- submit work for assessment comprising your original ideas, experience, observations and comments
- acknowledge the original source of work(s) that you use on the appropriate referencing format
- not use any part or the whole of the work of another student or graduate who has taken the subject previously
- not ask someone else to do your assignments, projects or other assessed work
- check with your lecturers, when in doubt and seek advice on the appropriate referencing format for the acknowledgement of all original sources of work used in your assignments, projects or other work

Proper citation/acknowledgement AND paraphrasing are BOTH necessary in order to avoid plagiarism. A student who cites/acknowledges an information source MUST still paraphrase that information when including it as part of his/her work.

EXAMPLE

Original Text:

Further acquaintance with the Wong family next door has shown me that they are very warm and pleasant people. The children are courteous and both Mr and Mrs Wong are most helpful.

Unacceptable Paraphrase:

Further acquaintance with the Wong family next door shows me that they are very friendly and nice people. The children are polite and both Mr and Mrs Wong are most willing to offer their help.

(Why is this plagiarism? The writer has largely followed the method of expression and sentence structure used in the original text. He/she has also copied the underlined phrases directly from the source or changed them slightly in form only.)

Acceptable Paraphrase:

After getting to know my neighbours, the Wongs better, I find them very easy to get along with. Mr and Mrs Wong are always ready to lend a helping hand and they have well-mannered children.

(Why is this acceptable? The writer has changed the language and structure of the original text instead of just changing a few words and phrases.)

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4. Copyright Issues

Copyright protects works like novels, computer programmes, plays, sheet music and paintings. Generally, the creator of a copyright work has the right to reproduce, publish, perform, communicate and adapt his/her work.

The following may be protected under copyright law:

- Literary works (e.g. written works, source codes of computer programs)
- Dramatic works (e.g. scripts for films and dramas)
- Musical works (e.g. melodies)
- Artistic works (e.g. paintings, photographs)
- Published editions of the above works
- Sound recordings
- Films
- Television and radio broadcasts
- Cable programmes
- Performances

Students must observe copyright rules. This means they are not to print or photocopy more than:

- 10% or one chapter of a book
- one article per magazine issue
- 10% of the total number of bytes of an electronic work

Violation of copyright is a serious offence. For more information, refer to www.ipos.gov.sg/understanding-innovation-ip/copyright



5. Social Media Guidelines

Temasek Polytechnic supports and encourages students and staff to exercise proper etiquette in your dialogue with the community. These guidelines are intended to provide a practical and helpful framework to guide TP students and staff in their online engagements.

If you are creating or participating in social media activities these guidelines are for you. Social media platforms include, but are not limited to, blogs, discussion forums, micro blogs (Instagram, Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn), photo and video sharing sites, podcasts, RSS feeds, social networks, web chat tools and Wikis.

GUIDELINES

Know Temasek Polytechnic Website's Terms of Use (www.tp.edu.sg/termsofuse).



BE YOURSELF

Display integrity and honesty. As long as you are a student or staff of Temasek Polytechnic, you are the ambassador of the institution and should project a positive online image at all times. You must use your real name and identify your relationship with the polytechnic. Do not use someone else's identity nor contribute to discussions anonymously.

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USE OF DISCLAIMER

If you publish your personal views online that make references to Temasek Polytechnic, it is recommended that you include a disclaimer as follows:

“The opinions and positions expressed on this site are my own and do not necessarily reflect Temasek Polytechnic’s views.”

This would especially be applicable if you have a blog, website and/or social media pages for your CCA, club, diploma or Student Interest Group (IG) that could be linked to TP.

DO NOT PLAGIARISE

When posting content that is not your own, add a reference to its source. The reference should include the date the original content was produced and the source from which it was obtained. By passing off content that belongs to someone else as your own, you can be charged with infringement of copyright laws.

PROTECT CONFIDENTIAL AND PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

Be mindful of what you publish online. Ensure that the necessary citations are documented, hyperlinks are not leading to inappropriate content, videos are captioned and transcripts are available. Likewise, do not discuss or disclose confidential and proprietary information pertaining to Temasek Polytechnic.

RESPECT YOUR AUDIENCE

Do not post materials or content that is defamatory, derogatory, infringing, indecent, misleading or unlawful. Do not engage in objectionable or inflammatory topics, such as race, politics and religion.

Temasek Polytechnic reserves the right to remove comments or block users from its official social media platforms if they are in breach of the Polytechnic’s Code of Conduct for students and staff and to take disciplinary action where necessary.

VALUE ADD

Before posting anything online, take some time to pause and think. What you post should ultimately add value and contribute to a healthy exchange of ideas. Some questions to think about:

- Is it relevant to my audience?
- Will it help someone make a better decision?
- Will it help to foster better community ties?
- Will it help the audience improve their knowledge or skills?

ADOPT A WARM, OPEN AND APPROACHABLE TONE

Be positive, open and warm as opposed to brash and curt in your communications. This can help to establish your own personal “brand”.

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SPELLING, GRAMMAR, PUNCTUATION AND ABBREVIATIONS

You want your posts to reach out to the largest possible audience. Thus it is best to pay attention to spelling, grammar and punctuation. Be mindful of using too many abbreviations if you have a global audience. A good practice will be to define the abbreviation at least once.

RESPOND OBJECTIVELY AND POLITELY TO NEGATIVE COMMENTS AND CRITICISM

Take some time to read through the comments and do not reply hastily. Be clear and concise and back up your response with facts. Getting embroiled in online arguments does not give you credibility. Likewise, putting someone down does not necessarily make you look good. Take private conversations offline. Whatever you post online can be permanent, so be prepared to stand behind anything and everything you post online.

HAVE THE COURAGE TO ADMIT YOU ARE WRONG

Trust has to be earned. If you make a factual error, be honest about it and rectify it immediately. Do document and communicate clearly to your audience that modifications were made, e.g., to an erroneous blog entry. Apologise if necessary and move forward. In order to avoid such situations, ensure that whatever you post online is true and accurate from trusted sources.

Information in this section is taken from the Social Media Guidelines at the Full-time Student Portal -> Useful Information -> Rules & Regulations.

PLAN FOR SUCCESS!

As the saying goes: If you fail to plan, you plan to fail.

Through your diploma journey with HSS, we would like to see you excel, not only in your academic achievements, but also in your personal and professional development. Grab hold of the opportunities that Temasek Polytechnic and the School of Humanities & Social Sciences (HSS) will offer you to *enrich yourself, grow and be the best that you can be.*

Student Development @ HSS

For queries regarding student/leadership development opportunities, scholarships, local & overseas community service, HSS initiatives and curated programmes, you may approach the following Student Development Committee members for guidance and assistance:

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Ms Sheena Kumari Singh	6780 5249	Sheena_Kumari_SINGH@TP.EDU.SG
Ms Caroline LU	6780 4766	Miansi_Caroline_LU@TP.EDU.SG
Ms Bavani Elanggovan	6780 4407	Bavani_ELANGGOVAN@TP.EDU.SG
Mr Emil CHEONG	6780 5011	Emil_CHEONG@TP.EDU.SG
Ms Elsie Hui	6780 6456	Elsie_HUI@TP.EDU.SG
Ms Daphne TAN	6780 6795	Daphne_TAN@niec.edu.sg
Ms Magdelene CHONG	6780 5397	Magdelene_CHONG@niec.edu.sg

Your Mission

Equip yourself for a “future of dynamic change, with relevant knowledge, life-long skills, character, and a thirst for continuous improvement”.

The TP Student Profile

Every TP student will graduate as a lifelong learner, future-oriented creator and values-centred leader through a wide range of opportunities, activities and experiences offered at TP.

LIFELONG LEARNER : *Self-directed > Resilient > Competent*

Our students are self-directed learners who remain competent in the face of challenges and rapid changes.

FUTURE-ORIENTED CREATOR : *Problem Solving > Digital & Information Literate > Innovative & Entrepreneurial*

Our students are future-oriented creators who possess problem-solving skills and an entrepreneurial spirit.

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VALUES-CENTRED LEADER : *Character & Citizenship > Leadership > Communicative & Collaborative*

Our students are leaders with a service mind-set who, through effective communication and collaboration, contribute generously to the global community as responsible citizens.

How should you proceed in this mission?

1. Take Charge

- Take responsibility of your own development as you participate in the various student development programmes.

2. Set Goals and Venture Forth

- Set personal goals for each level of your studies in HSS so as to maximise your potential.
- Participate in and benefit from the activities you have chosen to take part in. **These activities should be chosen based on fun and potential for personal growth.**

3. Reflect, Consolidate and Advance

- Reflect on your learning and development.
- Compile evidence to showcase your achievements and the skills you have developed.
- Advance in your journey of continuous improvement.

1. Temasek LEADership Programme

At Temasek Polytechnic, we believe that talent is there to be nurtured, and every student is given opportunities to achieve their personal best.

The Temasek Leadership Programme (Temasek LEAD) is a talent development programme that aims to groom our high-performing students into leaders with vision, character and heart, beyond academic pursuits.

Our unique approach is crafted to stretch the potential of our high-performing students. In Temasek LEAD, students can expect to embark on an exciting journey of self-discovery and holistic development to attain the following four key areas of leadership:

1. Personal Leadership
2. Team Leadership
3. Community Leadership
4. Global Perspectives

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Temasek LEAD students can look forward to participating in programmes such as:

- Overseas Academic Exchanges
- Local and Overseas Adventure Expeditions
- Learning Journeys, Dialogue Sessions and Symposiums
- Personal Development Workshops
- Local and Overseas Community Service Projects

For more details, visit: www.tp.edu.sg/research-and-industry/centres-of-excellence/centre-for-character-n-leadership-education-ccle.html#temasek-leadership-programme.html



2. Co-curricular Activities

The Student Development & Alumni Affairs Department (SDAA) is committed to providing students with a well-rounded educational experience through a variety of engaging CCAs.

CCAs are an integral part of campus life and play a fundamental role in the holistic development of students. They contribute towards personal enrichment and pride in the institution. In fact, TP is abuzz with exciting CCAs ranging from the sports and arts to leadership training and community involvement. With such a wide array of CCAs, life as a TP student is as exciting and rewarding as you make it to be.



For more details, please visit www.tp.edu.sg/life-at-tp/cca-events.html.

SEAL POINTS for CCA

Participating in Co-Curricular Activities (CCAs) enables you to gain CCA points in the SEAL (Service, Enrichment, Achievement, Leadership) grading system. The SEAL grading system systematically records your participation in CCAs.

Challenge yourself by setting the standards that you want to attain. Each year the total points scored will be recorded in the SEAL system. At the end of three years of CCA involvement, the points will culminate into a final year grade. SEAL grades can be converted to bonus points for admission to local universities. Log on to the universities' websites for details.

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SERVICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local community service: voluntary help to an organisation or community • Overseas community service • Campus Care Network • Organisers, coordinators, chairpersons or sub-committee members and event officials or helpers for the TP, HSS or diploma events
ENRICHMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training or development forums/ seminars/ workshops/ talks (non-compulsory basis) • Exchange programmes • Overseas student internship programmes • Overseas study trips
ACHIEVEMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local and overseas competitions (e.g. Intra-School, Inter-School, Intra-Polytechnic, Inter-Polytechnic, Institute-Varsity-Polytechnic, National or International level) • Awards and honours conferred by external organisations (e.g. NYAA) • Certifications • Expeditions
LEADERSHIP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orientation Leaders training • Student Leadership Programme • Leadership appointments held (e.g. in CCAs, Interest Groups, Care Group) • Leadership Camps

All non-TP CCA related involvements will be recorded under CCA SEAL system provided there are verification mechanisms and the activities must not be religious or political in nature.

Points for CCA performed outside TP will be awarded when:

- representing approved external organisations in projects, performances, events and/or competitions; or
- representing approved external organisations or state in National/International projects, performances, events and/or competitions.

Points will NOT be awarded when participation is solely for social interaction.

Other TP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES

National Education (NE), National Youth Achievement Award (NYAA), Youth Matters, Campus Care Network (CCN), Open House (OH) and other activities organised by TP, HSS and other schools. Participation in these activities will give you SEAL points.

Other DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES Outside TP

Competitions, sports activities, community-based activities or other activities outside TP that contribute to achieving the three core targets. Participation in these activities will also give you SEAL points.

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3. HSS Studies Club

All HSS students are members of the HSS Studies Club (HSSSC).

The objective of the HSSSC is to provide holistic student development extending beyond the classroom. The various activities and programmes organised will help our students to achieve the following mission:



The HSSSC is led by fellow HSS students who are elected annually as members of the HSSSC Executive Committee (HSSSC ExCo). Together with the HSSSC ExCo, our student Project Coordinators (PCOs) also help to lead in the various sub-committees.

For more details, please visit our School website:

<https://www.tp.edu.sg/schools-and-courses/students/schools/hss/about-school-of-humanities-social-sciences/life-at-humanities-social-sciences.html#HSS>



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4. HSS Diploma Interest Groups

Early Childhood Development & Education Interest Group (ECDE_IG)

All students of the Diploma in Early Childhood Development & Education (ECDE) are members of the ECDE_IG.

The aims of the ECDE_IG are to:

1. provide platforms to transform learning into practice in Early Childhood settings and the wider community
2. create opportunities to deepen and hone skills relating to Early Childhood
3. connect with fellow Early Childhood peers from other NIEC campuses and Early Childhood experts

Some of the activities and programmes organized by the ECDE_IG main committee include:

- Industry Talks
- Local Learning Journeys
- ECDE_IG Sharing Sessions

The Advisors of ECDE-IG is:

Name	Telephone	Email
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Social Sciences in Gerontology Interest Group (GEM-IG)

All students of the Diploma in Social Sciences in Gerontology (GEM) are members of the GEM-IG.

The aims of the GEM-IG are to:

1. provide opportunities for all GEM students to learn and apply skills in gerontology beyond the classroom
2. foster a sense of belonging among GEM students
3. cultivate a passion for gerontology
4. develop leadership and interpersonal skills and
5. inculcate a sense of social responsibility.

Some of the activities and programmes organised by the GEM-IG main committee include:

- Sharing Sessions
- Industry Talks
- Local Learning Journeys
- Local Community Projects



The Advisors of GEM-IG are:

Name	Telephone	Email
Ms Bavani ELANGGOVAN	6780 4407	Bavani_ELANGGOVAN@TP.EDU.SG

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Psychology Studies Interest Group (PSIG)

All students of the Diploma in Psychology Studies (PSY) are members of the PSIG.

The aims of PSIG are:

1. to extend and cultivate students' interest and knowledge in the field of psychology
2. to provide psychology students with opportunities to enhance their professional and personal capacities by engaging in relevant and thoughtful activities in the field.

Further, PSIG also serves as a platform for current students to network with alumni and psychology students from other institutions and organisations, and to foster connections with them.

Some of the activities and programmes organised by the PSIG main committee include:

- Local Learning Journeys
- Industry Talks
- Sharing Sessions (on topics in psychology)

The Advisor of PSIG is:

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5. Physical Fitness & Wellness

INDIVIDUAL PHYSICAL PROFICIENCY TEST (IPPT) FOR NS-LIABLE MALE STUDENTS

The IPPT is conducted by the Student Development & Alumni Affairs Department (SDAA) annually. It is compulsory for all final-year polytechnic male students, who are NS-liable. The test will include:

- Push-Up
- Sit-up
- 2.4 km Run/walk

Final year NS-liable male students can refer to the CMPB website for more information about pre-enlistee physical fitness information:

www.cmpb.gov.sg/web/portal/cmpb/home/before-ns/pre-enlistment-process/pre-enlistee-ippt-and-bmi



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HSS RUNNING CLUB

The HSS Running Club was started to provide an opportunity for HSS staff and students to interact and exercise regularly together. We aim to promote healthy living by encouraging each other to meet our fitness goals. This also provides a good social platform for NS-liable male polytechnic students to exercise together, and achieve the needed Gold or Silver award at the IPPT so that you can be granted the 2-month reduction in your full-time National Service.

The HSS Running Club runs around Bedok Reservoir (4.3km) twice a week. As a special incentive, when you complete 10 rounds of the reservoir, you will get a special HSS Running Club T-shirt.

6. National Youth Achievement Award

ABOUT THE AWARD

The National Youth Achievement Award is one of the premier youth development programmes in Singapore. Officially launched on 9 May 1992 by the President of the Republic of Singapore at the Istana, the NYAA Programme aims to encourage young people between the ages of 13 and 30 years to develop personal qualities of self-reliance, perseverance and a sense of responsibility to themselves, to society and to the nation.

LEVELS OF AWARD



Bronze

For those who are 13 and under 30 years old. Minimum period of involvement: 6 months



Silver

For those who are 15 and under 30 years old. Minimum period of involvement: 12 months



Gold

For those who are 16 and under 30 years old. Minimum period of involvement: 18 months

Please visit the following website for more details:

<http://www.nyaa.org/levelsofaward.html>



FEES & FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. Course Fees for Full-Time Diploma Courses

There are 2 semesters in each Academic Year (AY). The billing periods for AY 2023/2024 are:

Semester 1 : from 17 April 2023 - 15 October 2023

Semester 2 : from 16 October 2023 - 14 April 2024

Fees are billed and payable by semester. They are usually payable in **June** for Semester 1 and **December** for Semester 2.

Please refer to the following Website for more information:

www.tp.edu.sg/admissions-and-finance/fees-financial-matters.html



2. Financial Schemes

- CPF Education Loan Scheme
- Post Secondary Education Account (PSEA)
- SkillsFuture Credit (Only for Singapore Citizens aged 25 and above)
- Tertiary Tuition Fee Subsidy (TTFS) for Malays (Mendaki)
- Tuition Fee Loan Scheme (TFL)

How to apply?

Please refer to the following Website for more information and online application:

www.tp.edu.sg/admissions-and-finance/fees-financial-matters.html#fin-schemes



3. Financial Assistance Schemes

- Donor-sponsored Bursaries
- BYOD Financial Assistance Scheme (Financial Aid for IT Devices)
- CCN Financial Assistance Scheme
- CCN emergency Scheme
- ST Telemedia Catalyst Award

How to apply?

Please refer to the following Website for more information and online application:

www.tp.edu.sg/admissions-and-finance/fees-financial-matters.html#FAS



4. Scholarships & Awards

For the list of scholarships offered, please refer to the following Website for more information:

www.tp.edu.sg/admissions-and-finance/fees-financial-matters.html#tpscholar



BYOD SCHEME

All students are required to bring their own personal laptops to school for lessons (Bring Your Own Device, BYOD) in order to stay connected to information and school network. In doing so, you will be able to access e-resources, conduct online research and work on assignments, accessibility to course-specific software whenever feasible and contribute towards a greener environment.

Please refer to the following Website for more information:

<https://for.edu.sg/tpbyod>



BYOD Financial Assistance Schemes

Please refer to the following Website for more information:

<https://for.edu.sg/tpbursary>



ACCEPTANCE USE OF POLICY FOR TP STUDENTS

1. All use of the campus computing and network facilities must be consistent with the collaborative mission, goals and objectives of TP. Students shall not harass or intentionally deny or degrade another person's legitimate access to computing and network facilities.
2. Communication via the Internet and within TP shall not contain materials that are fraudulent, harassing, embarrassing, sexually explicit, obscene, intimidating, defamatory, or which incite religious or racial intolerance or are otherwise deemed inappropriate by TP. This includes the download of such materials from the Internet which is strictly prohibited. Any material that is in violation of Singapore's laws and regulations shall not be transmitted to Internet. This includes, but is not limited to, copyrighted materials, threatening or obscene materials, or materials protected by trade secrets.
3. Students must not engage in malicious electronic activities, including, but not limited to the following:
 - a. unauthorised access to computing resources;
 - b. masquerade as another account-holder;
 - c. circumvent security systems;
 - d. exploit or probe for security holes in the TP, Government or other organisations' networks;
 - e. attack or degrade the system and network performance, such as Denial of Service of TP, the Government, or that of any other organisation;
 - f. cause damage to TP, the Government's network and/or that of any other organisation;
 - g. gain passwords, access files and network services, install programs such as Trojans or rootkits into other user's PCs;
 - h. use peer-to-peer file sharing software, e.g. KaZaA, eDonkey and Bittorrent;
 - i. intentionally introduce computer viruses, worms, Trojan horses or the likes into any computer or network;
 - j. connect to or introduce any multicast source (e.g. video streaming servers) that is malicious or contains unauthorised content;
 - k. read, forge, alter or delete any messages (e.g. emails), files or network communication without authorisation;
 - l. run sniffing tools to eavesdrops on passwords, messages or network communications;
 - m. tamper, damage or destroy TP's IT equipment and communication devices, e.g. network points, cables and computers;
 - n. connect to other external networks in addition to being connected to TP's network.

ACCEPTANCE USE OF POLICY FOR TP STUDENTS

4. Students shall take adequate measures to ensure that their mobile computing devices that are connected to TP's systems and networks are adequately protected in order to prevent unauthorised users from using their devices to access TP, the Government or other organisation's systems and networks illegally. These measures include, but are not limited to the following:
 - a. using strong passwords/passcodes and changing them regularly;
 - b. installing security programs such as antivirus and firewall;
 - c. patching device operating systems and application software regularly;
 - d. setting an auto-lock timeout;
 - e. only installing applications from trusted sources.

5. The above-mentioned terms and conditions provide the main guidelines under which personal devices can be used in TP. They are not exhaustive but are meant to ensure that the computing environment remains safe for all users and is not abused by any person. Any ill intent or abusive activity on TP's systems and network would be subject to disciplinary action. Such access to TP's systems and network may be immediately and temporarily suspended, pending further investigations by TP in the event that students or their mobile computing devices are suspected to have violated the above-mentioned terms and conditions.

GENERAL INFORMATION

STUDENT EMAIL ACCOUNT

Every student is given an office 365 student email and calendar system, provided by Temasek Polytechnic, in partnership with Microsoft. This email account serves as an **important channel of communication** between the students and their lecturers. Students should check their e-mail regularly for important messages and announcements from the School.

How to access email accounts?

Please refer to the following Website for more information and guide:

www.tp.edu.sg/life-at-tp/tp-students-digital-access-it-matters/students-it-needs.html#studemail



TP OEI MOBILE APP

TP Oei is a campus-wide one-stop mobile app for all full-time students.

All full-time students **must download** the **TP Oei** mobile app as it connects you to the TP community and keeps you updated with the campus happenings. Students can access campus information, useful resources, download their timetable, manage their CCA group events, view and subscribe to orientation guides etc. It is also one of the key channel platforms for important announcements to reach students.

Download the app from the Apple App Store, Google Play Store or HUAWEI AppGallery by scanning the QR codes below or search for "TP Oei" by Temasek Polytechnic



Please refer to the following Website for more information and guide:

www.tp.edu.sg/life-at-tp/tp-students-digital-access-it-matters/students-it-needs.html#tpoei

GENERAL INFORMATION

CONTACT ITSM

Students may contact **TP's IT Service Management (ITSM) Centre** at **6780 5933** or email at itsm@tp.edu.sg for the following services:

- Microsoft Office 365
- Cloud Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI)
- e-Assessment (e-Assess)
- Wi-Fi Connectivity in TP Campus
- TP Password Reset

Location: East Wing, Block 1A, Level 4, Unit 02

Operating hours:

Mondays to Fridays: 8.00am to 9.30pm

Saturdays: 8.00am to 1.00pm

(except for September vacation period where closing time will be at 6.30pm)

For more information on Student's IT needs, please refer to following Website:

www.tp.edu.sg/life-at-tp/tp-students-digital-access-it-matters/students-it-needs.html



CONTACT INFORMATION & FAQs in TP

Directory of Services Website:

<https://studentservices.tp.edu.sg/contactus/>

Frequently Ask Questions (FAQs) Website: www.tp.edu.sg/about-tp/contact-us.html



SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES (GENERAL OFFICE)

Hotline **6780 6565**

Email hsshottline@tp.edu.sg

Location East Wing Block 1A, Level 3 Unit 111 **(EW1A-03-111)**

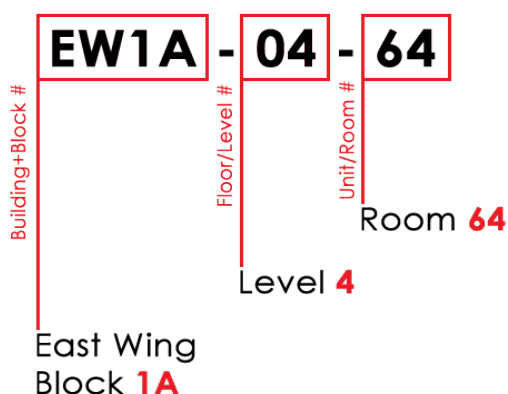
Operating Hours Mon-Fri: 8:30am to 5:30pm (closed on weekends & public holidays)

Please visit the School Website for more information: www.tp.edu.sg/schools-and-courses/students/schools/hss.html



HOW TO DECIPHER VENUE CODES

TP venues are addressed as the example below:



IN AN EMERGENCY

1. Temasek Polytechnic TWSH Policy

Total Workplace Safety & Health (TWSH) Policy

Temasek Polytechnic is committed to providing a safe, healthy and sustainable working environment and practices for its staff, students, partners and the community. It seeks to instil Total Workplace Safety & Health (TWSH) ownership throughout the organisation by:

- Complying with prevailing local Workplace Safety & Health laws and regulations;
- Conducting business in a safe, healthy, responsible and sustainable manner;
- Implementing programmes and a comprehensive TWSH Management System with periodic audits to improve TWSH and to prevent workplace incidents, injuries and illnesses;
- Educating staff on TWSH operating techniques to enable competent execution;
- Continually improving in order to inculcate a world-class TWSH culture in the global education network;
- Communicating the TWSH policy to all staff and students, and making it available to partners and the community.

2. Important Contact Numbers

- Call 6780 5999 for situations where life or property are at imminent risk (e.g. injuries, fire outbreak);
- Call 6780 5955 for non-emergency matters (e.g. toilet flush system is not working)



IN AN EMERGENCY

3. Emergency Evacuation

- Temasek Polytechnic has adopted a 2 alarm system for evacuation.
- Do familiarise yourselves with the various assembly areas in your area of activity.

1. First Alarm

- If there is no immediate danger:
 - a. Prepare to evacuate by turning off the power to your notebook or desktop computers (i.e. “make-safe” your area and devices)
 - b. Wait for instructions.
- If there is immediate danger, evacuate immediately:
 - a. Follow instructions of staff;
 - b. Evacuate in an orderly manner.
 - c. Do not run. Walk briskly.
 - d. Do not take lifts.

2. Second Alarm

- The second alarm could be:
 - a. A continuous alarm, or
 - b. An announcement to evacuate.
- Please:
 - a. Follow instructions of staff;
 - b. Evacuate in an orderly manner.
 - c. Do not run. Walk briskly.
 - d. Do not take lifts.

4. Lithium Battery Safety

Do not charge Lithium batteries and leave them unattended (e.g. notebook computers, mobile devices, mobile power banks).

IN AN EMERGENCY

5. SGSecure

Instructions for Students



WHAT TO DO IN A TERRORIST INCIDENT

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Possible Terrorist Incidents @ TP

1) Bomb Threat, Explosion, Assailant or Vehicle Attack

- Alert Police : Call 999 or SMS 71999 or via [SGSecure App](#)
- Inform TP FCC (Fire Command Centre) @ 6780 5999

2) Suspicious Person & Object (incl Vehicle)

- Move to a safe distance away, at least 100m, preferably with cover & concealment
(do not use mobilephone or walkie talkie in vicinity of suspicious object)
- Alert TP FCC (Fire Command Centre) @ 6780 5999



IN AN EMERGENCY

Other Possible Terrorist Scenarios @ TP

3) Fire, Chemical, Biological & Radiological Attack

- Alert SCDF : Call 995
- Inform FCC (Fire Command Centre) 6780 5999

4) Racial & Religious Disputes involving Students

- Inform your respective Care Persons

5) Radicalisation Cases

- Contact ISD Counter-Terrorism Centre Hotline @ 1800 - 2626 - 473

Threat of Radicalisation

Remain vigilant to signs that someone may be radicalised.

Possible signs of radicalisation include the following:

- frequently surfing radical websites;
- posting/sharing extremist views on social media platforms, such as expressing support/admiration for terrorists/terrorist groups as well as the use of violence;
- sharing their extremist views with friends and relatives;
- making remarks that promote ill-will or hatred towards people of other races or religions;
- expressing intent to participate in acts of violence overseas or in Singapore; and/or
- inciting others to participate in acts of violence.

IN AN EMERGENCY

DOWNLOAD

EMERGENCY CALL

Please tap to make an emergency call or send an emergency message

999

SMS Police

995

REPORT EMERGENCY CALL ALERTS MORE

The SGSecure App Today!

Turn on your phone's Location Services



SGSecure

- **Receive Alerts**
- **Make Emergency Calls**
- **Make Reports**
- **eLearning Module**

REMEMBER: During a Terrorist Incident



RUN HIDE TELL

Ensure your own survival!

If you see *SUSPICIOUS* objects, personnel or vehicles



Call Police
999



TP SONG

*We're Temasek Polytechnic,
Full of confidence and pride
As we go from strength to strength we know,
Success is on our side
There is nothing we can't do, with a team that is the best*

*Temasek's me, Temasek's you, we are a team
Temasek's me, Temasek's you, we are a team*

*We're together in our promise, to achieve the very best
We're the strength of Singapore, and we'll stand up to any test
We're the pride of a nation, that is going very far*

*Temasek's me, Temasek's you, we are a team
Temasek's me, Temasek's you, we are a team*

*For the future of our country, we have excellence to give
We have dreams, hopes and integrity, the truths by which we live
There is no one to surpass us, we're the best that we can be*

*Temasek's me, Temasek's you, we are a team
Temasek's me, Temasek's you, we are a team*

View and listen the song at the YouTube video:
www.youtube.com/watch?v=0oowF6Ecs3A



TP SIGN LANGUAGE SONG

Verse

There I see my poly (**School**)
Fills my **heart** with glee (**joy**)
Window lights that **shine** like **stars**
Bringing joy to us
We can **climb** the **highest peak**
With our strength (**strong**) and feat (**brave**)
Working hard **in harmony**
One big **family**

Repeat Verse

Repeat Chorus x2

End

Chorus

Go, Temasek Go
I believe
I embrace (**hug**) **you**
Go Temasek Go
I rejoice
I adore (**admire**) **you**
Students **work in harmony**
Working for their **dreams and goals**
Wonderful society
Temasek you, **way to go**

Listen to the song here:

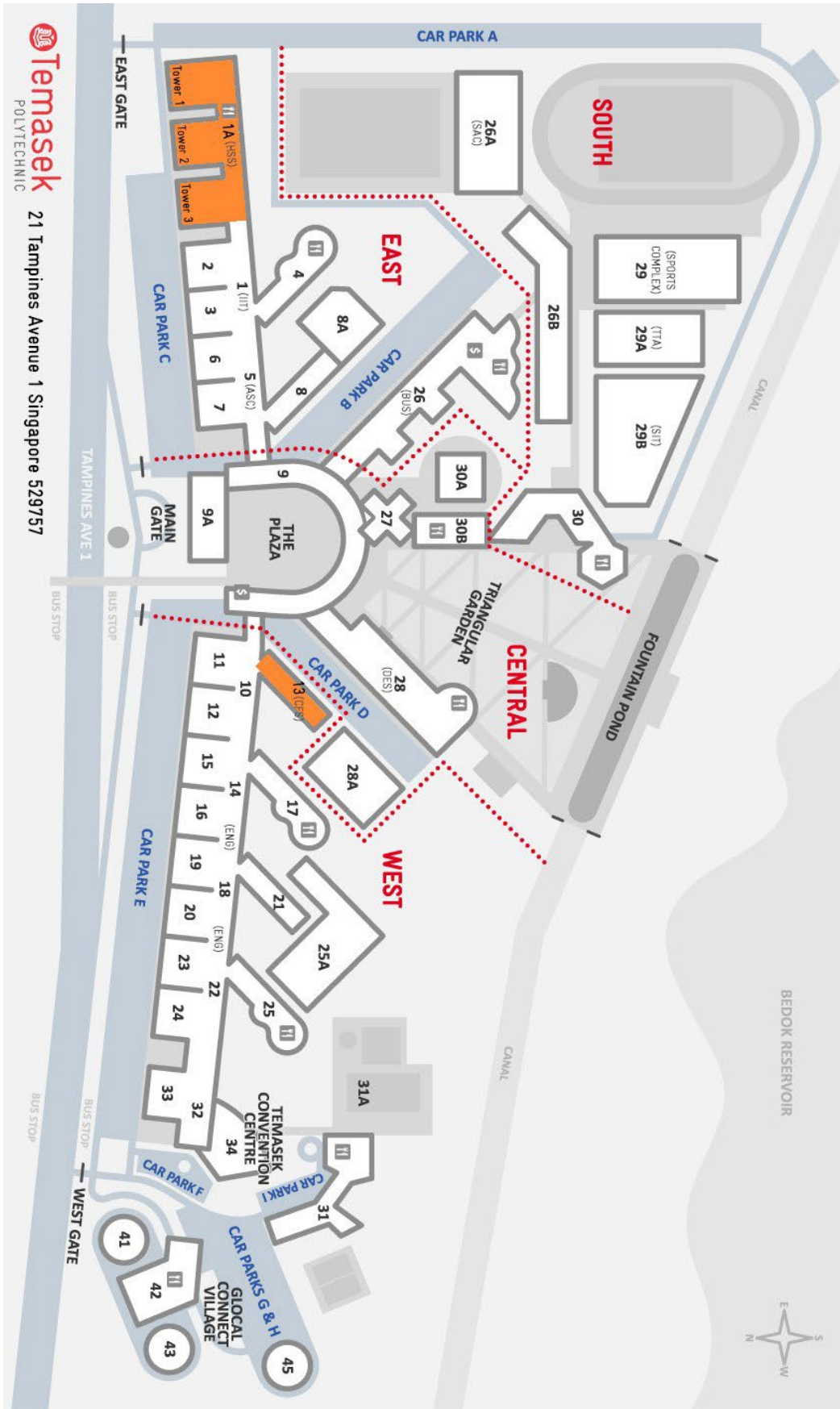
www.youtube.com/watch?v=R2okyzeNmV0



* Sign words in bold

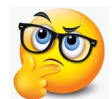
** Do not sing words in brackets

TP CAMPUS MAP



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Website: www.tp.edu.sg/about-tp/our-campus-map-facilities.html



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