

Subject Combination Briefing

Secondary 2 EXPRESS

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SUBJECTS AT UPPER SECONDARY



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Subjects at Upper Sec

- Languages
 - English Language*
 - Mother Tongue* (e.g. Chinese, Malay)
 - Literature
- Humanities
 - Humanities* (Social Studies + elective History / elective Geography)
 - Pure Geography

* Compulsory Subjects



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Subjects at Upper Sec

- Mathematics
 - E. Mathematics*
 - Additional Mathematics
 - Principles of Accounts (POA)
- Sciences (compulsory to take at least one Science*)
 - Pure Chemistry
 - Pure Physics
 - Pure Biology
 - Combined Science (Chem & Physics / Chem & Bio)

* Compulsory Subjects



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Subjects at Upper Sec

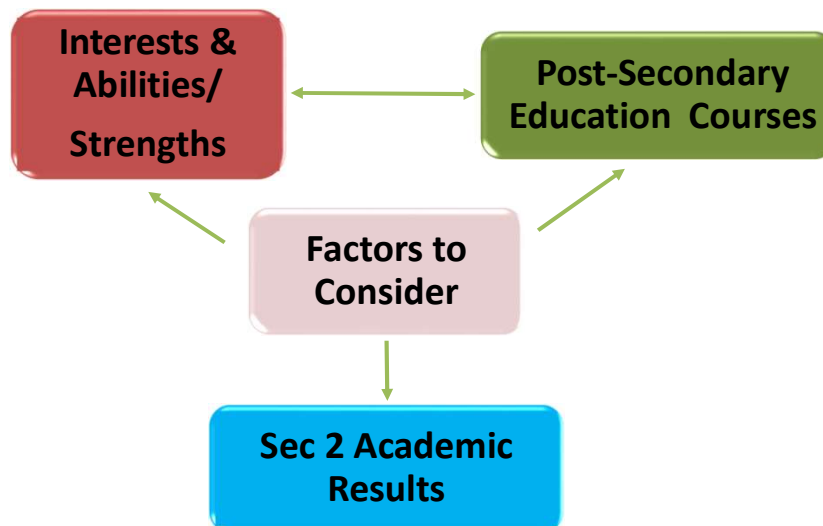
- Craft & Technology
 - Design & Technology (D&T)
 - Food and Nutrition (F&N)
- Others
 - Computing (Only 20 vacancies)



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Choosing Upper Sec Subjects



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INFORMATION ON POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION



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What's Next After O-Levels

Junior Colleges
(JCs) or Millennia
Institute

Polytechnics

NAFA or LASALLE

Institute of
Technical Education
(ITE)



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CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION TO POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION



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O-Level Grades

Marks (x)	Grade
$x \geq 75$	A1
$70 \leq x < 75$	A2
$65 \leq x < 70$	B3
$60 \leq x < 65$	B4
$55 \leq x < 60$	C5
$50 \leq x < 55$	C6
$45 \leq x < 50$	D7
$40 \leq x < 45$	E8
$x < 40$	F9



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Pre-requisite criteria for Admission to Post-Secondary Education

	L1R5	L1R4	EL	MT	MATH
Junior College	20	-	C6	D7	D7
MI	-	20	C6	D7	D7
Poly/ ITE	Requirements vary according to courses				



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L1R5 Aggregate (JC Admission)

L1R5 Aggregate means Total Grade for:

L1	EL or Higher Mother Tongue
R1	Humanities
R2	Mathematics / Science
R3	Mathematics / Science/ Humanities
R4	Two other subjects (excluding CCA)
R5	



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ELR2B2 Aggregate (Poly Admission)

e.g. For Technology Courses, ELR2B2 Aggregate means:

L1	EL or Higher Mother Tongue
R1	E. Maths or A. Maths
R2	Science / D&T / F&N
B2	Two other subjects (excluding CCA)



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Bonus Points

- 2 bonus points for passing HMT & EL (C6)
- CCA: 2 points for A grade, 1 point for B or C
- Maximum is 4 bonus pts
- Not used for **eligibility** to JC/Poly/ITE
- Used for choice of course



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Polytechnic Admissions Criteria (ELR2B2)

- Most poly courses require $ELR2B2 \leq 20$
- **Popular poly courses require $ELR2B2 \leq 13$**
 - e.g. Mass Communications, Media and Design, Business, Finance & Law, Life Sciences

Refer to Polytechnic Website: www.polytechnic.edu.sg for polytechnic Cut Off Points

For example, at Temasek Polytechnic:

– Applied Science	9 – 14 pts
– Humanities	9 – 15 pts
– Info & Digital Technologies	11 – 17 pts
– Business & Management	11 – 22 pts
– Engineering	12 – 23 pts
– Media & Design	13 – 17 pts



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ITE Admissions Criteria for Higher *NITEC* courses

GENERAL CRITERIA :

- English Language, grade 1 – 8
- Mathematics, grade 1-7
- Approved subject, grade 1 - 8

Refer to ITE Website:

www.ite.edu.sg/wps/portal/fts.ft.courses/



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2020 Subject Combinations



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Allocation Process

Based on the Overall Average of ALL Subjects



Allocation will be based on choice, merit, and subject-specific requirements



8-Subject Combinations

Critical Factors for Success

- Excellent time-management and stress-management skills
- High levels of self-motivation and perseverance
- Strong support from family



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*8-Subject Combination 1

Combination	Compulsory	Choice 1 (Choose one from this category)
1	1. English Language 2. Mother Tongue 3. Elementary Mathematics 4. Additional Mathematics 5. Pure Chemistry 6. Pure Physics 7. Pure Biology	8. Humanities (Social Studies + <i>Elective Geography</i>) OR 8. Humanities (Social Studies + <i>Elective History</i>)

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* 8-Subject Combination 2

Combination	Compulsory	Choice 1 (Choose one from this category)	Choice 2 (Choose one from this category)
2	1. English Language 2. Mother Tongue 3. Elementary Mathematics 4. Additional Mathematics 5. Pure Chemistry 6. Pure Physics	7. Humanities (Social Studies + <i>Elective Geography</i>) OR 7. Humanities (Social Studies + <i>Elective History</i>)	8. Computing OR 8. Geography OR 8. History OR 8. Literature

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* 7-Subject Combination 1

Combi	Compulsory	Choice 1 (Choose one from this category)	Choice 2 (Choose one from this category)	Choice 3 (Choose one from this category)	Choice 4 (Choose one from this category)
1	1. English Language 2. Mother Tongue 3. Elementary Mathematics	4. Science (Chemistry + Physics) OR 4. Science (Biology + Chemistry)	5. Humanities (Social Studies + <i>Elective Geography</i>) OR 5. Humanities (Social Studies + <i>Elective History</i>)	6. Additional Maths OR 6. Principle of Accounts	7. Design & Technology OR 7. Food & Nutrition

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* 7-Subject Combination 2

Combi	Compulsory	Choice 1 (Choose one from this category)	Choice 2 (Choose one from this category)	Choice 3 (Choose one from this category)	Choice 4 (Choose one from this category)
2	1. English Language 2. Mother Tongue 3. Elementary Mathematics	4. Science (Chemistry + <i>Physics</i>) OR 4. Science (Chemistry + <i>Biology</i>)	5. Humanities (Social Studies + <i>Elective Geography</i>) OR 5. Humanities (Social Studies + <i>Elective History</i>)	6. Additional Maths OR 6. Principle of Accounts	7. Computing OR 7. Geography OR 7. History OR 7. Literature

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* 6-Subject Combination

Combi	Compulsory	Choice 1 (Choose one from this category)	Choice 2 (Choose one from this category)	Choice 3 (Choose one from this category)
1	1. English Language 2. Mother Tongue 3. Elementary Mathematics	4. Science (Chemistry + <i>Physics</i>) OR 4. Science (Biology + <i>Chemistry</i>)	5. Humanities (Social Studies + <i>Elective Geography</i>) OR 5. Humanities (Social Studies + <i>Elective History</i>)	6. Design & Technology OR 6. Food & Nutrition OR 6. Additional Maths OR 6. Principle of Accounts

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Key Dates and Events (Semester 1)

Date	Events
8 – 14 March	Term Assessment
15 March	E-learning Day
27 March	Term 1 Progress Report
Term 2, week 8	Mid-Year (SA1) Examinations
31 May	Meet Form Teacher Day



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Tentative Time-line for 2019 Sec 3 Class Allocation

Date	Events
8 March	Subject Combination Briefing for Sec 2 parents and students
21 October	Sec 2 students receive Option Forms
23 October	Sec 2 students submit Option Forms via online
1 November	Release of Sec 3 class postings



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