NEW DIRECT PATHWAYS FOR ITE GRADUATES TO NAFA FACULTY OF ART AND DESIGN (AUG 2027 Intake)

UP TO S$3,000	UP TO 1.5 YEARS	S$5,000 + S$10,000*
Study Award per year	Credit exemption	ITE Progression Award

**ITE Progression Award: S$5,000 to PSEA after commencing Diploma studies and S$10,000 to CPF upon graduation from the Diploma. Singaporeans only.*

ITE School of Design & Media x NAFA Faculty of Art and Design

Pathway	Final ITE CGPA	NAFA Aspire Award (ITE)	Key Benefits[1]
Design-related 3-year full-time Higher Nitec[6] ↓ Cognate NAFA Diploma[2]	3.5+	Tier 1 S$3,000/ year	• Portfolio Waiver • Direct Entry to Year 2 of Diploma • Up to 1.5 years' credit exemption[3] • Through-train entry to NAFA Degree programmes[4]
	2.7 – 3.49	Tier 2 S$2,000/ year	• Portfolio Waiver • Entry to Year 2 of Diploma[5] • Through-train entry to NAFA Degree programmes[4]
3-year full-time Higher Nitec ↓ Non-Cognate NAFA Diploma[2]	3.0+	Tier 3 S$1,000/ year	• Portfolio Waiver • Interview required[7] • Through-train entry to NAFA Degree programmes[4]

[1] Exemptions and study awards are provisional at application and confirmed only when final CGPA meet the required threshold
[2] Offered by NAFA Faculty of Art and Design.
[3] Year 3 Semester 2 may be exempted with NAFA Diploma CGPA of 4.5+ at the end of Year 2 Semester 2
[4] With NAFA Diploma CGPA of 4.5+ at the end of Year 2 Semester 2
[5] With the completion of a 28-hour bridging programme during ITE. More details on the bridging programme will be released from November 2026
[6] Design-related Higher Nitec: Architectural Technology / Communication Design / Film & Video Production / Interior & Product Design / Landscape Management & Design / Visual Merchandising / Technical Theatre & Production
[7] Applicants who prefer to opt-out of the interview may apply through standard admission processes by submitting a portfolio

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APPLICANTS FROM COGNATE ITE COURSES

School of Design and Media						
Admission to NAFA Diploma Programme	**3-year Cognate ITE Course**	**ITE Final CGPA**	**Need Portfolio Submission?**	**Max. Years/ Credits Exempted**	**Entry into Diploma Year/Semester**	**NAFA Diploma Modules and Credits Exempted**
Diploma in Design Communication and Strategy	Higher Nitec in Communication Design	3.50 and above	No	**Up to** 1.5 years (180 credits)	Year 2 Semester 1	**Exemption of 120cr** Year 1 Semester 1 (60cr): • NDAC1101 Introduction to Southeast Asian Arts (10cr) • NDAD1101 Art and Design Fundamentals (30cr) NDAD1102 Creative Territories (10cr) • NDDC1101 Transformation Design (10cr) Year 1 Semester 2 (50cr): • NDAD1201 Professional Development Plan 1 (10cr) • NDDC1201 Communication Studio 1: Copy-led and Visual Branding (30cr) • NDDC1202 Design+ 1: Typography / NDDC1203 Design+ 1: Visualgraphy (10cr) Year 2 Semester 1 or 2 (10cr): • Creative Career (10cr) **Conditional:** **One-semester exemption of 60cr in Diploma Year 3 Semester 2^** ***^With Diploma CGPA of 4.5 and above, based on Year 2 result*** Year 3 Semester 2 (60cr): • NDDC3201 Final Year Project (60cr)

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Diploma in Digital Illustration and Narrative	Higher Nitec in Communication Design	3.50 and above	No	**Up to** 1.5 years (180 credits)	Year 2 Semester 1	**Exemption of 120cr** Year 1 Semester 1 (60cr): • NDAC1101 Introduction to Southeast Asian Arts (10cr) • NDAD1101 Art and Design Fundamentals (30cr) NDAD1102 Creative Territories (10cr) • NDDI 1101 Transformation Design (10cr) Year 1 Semester 2 (50cr): • NDAD1201 Professional Development Plan 1 (10cr) • NDDI1201 Illustration Studio 1: Storytelling + Exploratory Design (30cr) • NDDI1202 Narrative+ 1: Character Design / NDDI1203 Narrative+ 1: Webtoon Design (10cr) Year 2 Semester 1 or 2 (10cr): • Creative Career (10cr) **Conditional:** **One-semester exemption of 60cr in Diploma Year 3 Semester 2^** *^With Diploma CGPA of 4.5 and above, based on Year 2 result* Year 3 Semester 2 (60cr): • NDDI3201 Final Year Project (60cr)

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Diploma in Media Experience and Innovation	Higher Nitec in Film & Video Production Higher Nitec in Technical Theatre & Production Higher Nitec in Communication Design	3.50 and above	No	**Up to** 1.5 years (180 credits)	Year 2 Semester 1	**Exemption of 120cr** Year 1 Semester 1 (60cr): • NDAC1101 Introduction to Southeast Asian Arts (10cr) • NDAD1101 Art and Design Fundamentals (30cr) NDAD1102 Creative Territories (10cr) • NDME1101 Transformation Design (10cr) Year 1 Semester 2 (50cr): • NDAD1201 Professional Development Plan 1 (10cr) • NDME1201 Experience Studio 1: Scene Remake and Camera Shots (30cr) • NDME1202 Media+ 1: Moving Graphics / NDME1203 Media+ 1: User Experience Design (10cr) Year 2 Semester 1 or 2 (10cr): • Creative Career (10cr) **Conditional:** **One-semester exemption of 60cr in Diploma Year 3 Semester 2^** ***^With Diploma CGPA of 4.5 and above, based on Year 2 result*** Year 3 Semester 2 (60cr): • NDME3201 Final Year Project (60cr)

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APPLICANTS FROM ALL ITE COURSES

Admission to NAFA Diploma Programme	3-year Non-Cognate ITE Course	ITE Final CGPA	Need Portfolio Submission?	Need Interview?	Max. Years/ Credits Exempted	Entry into Diploma Year/Semester	NAFA Diploma Modules and Credits Exempted
All FOAD Diploma Programmes Diploma in Design (Furniture and 3D Crafts) Diploma in Design (Interior and Spatial) Diploma in Design (Landscape and Architecture) Diploma in Design Communication and Strategy Diploma in Digital Illustration and Narrative Diploma in Media Experience and Innovation Diploma in Fashion Diploma in Fine Art Diploma in Art Teaching	All HNITEC Courses	3.00 and above	No	Yes	N.A	Year 1 Semester 1	N.A