

Important Information for International Students

1. Stay-Home-Notice (SHN)

From 20 March 2020, 2359 hours, all Singaporeans, Permanent Residents, Long Term Pass holders and short term visitors entering Singapore will be issued with a 14-day Stay-Home Notice (SHN). This is to reduce the risk of further transmission of Covid-19 into the country, leading to possible spread within the community.

A person under SHN will have to remain in their place of residence at <u>all times</u> during the 14-day period, starting from the day of their return. A non-compliance with the SHN may result in disciplinary actions taken against them by NAFA, including the possibility of suspension or dismissal. Failure to comply with the SHN may also be used as evidence against them in a prosecution under S21A of the Infectious Diseases Act. It may also lead to the cancellation or shortening of their Student's Pass or Dependant's Pass.

 All Student's Pass In-Principle Approval (STP IPA) holders <u>currently</u> overseas must <u>NOT</u> make travel plans to Singapore until approval has been given by the Singapore Ministry of Education (MOE).

If you arrive in Singapore without the approval letter of entry from MOE, ICA will require you to return to your last port of embarkation within 48 hours, at your own cost. If you fail to comply, ICA will cancel your pass or rescind your IPA. You will be unable to bring anyone along with you to Singapore, including parents and guardians, as they will be turned away.

3. Testing and Stay Home Notice (SHN) requirements for incoming travellers

Starting 17 June, 2359 hours, all travellers entering SG will undergo testing. The test will be scheduled upon arrival and before the end of the SHN period, at a designated community testing facility. The cost is up to S\$200.

With the testing regime in place, SHN requirements have also been updated.

 All travellers entering Singapore from 17 June 2020, 2359 hours, and who had remained in Australia, Brunei Darussalam, Hong Kong, Japan, Macao, Mainland China, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, Taiwan and **Vietnam** in the last consecutive 14 days prior to their entry, will no longer have to serve their SHN at the SHN dedicated facilities (SDF).

Accommodation options:

1. At a place of residence that they or their family member own or are sole tenants of (private ensuite room)

2. Non-SDF hotel

3. Appeal to serve SHN at a place of residence wholly rented by STP holders. Documentation must be provided (e.g. pictures of ensuite bathroom.)

b. All other travellers will continue to serve their SHN at dedicated SHN facilities.

We are very pleased to inform you that the Singapore Ministry of Education (MOE) will provide **broad-based support to all STP holders** at publicly-funded institutions for accommodation costs if they choose to serve their SHN at dedicated SHN facilities (SDF) or an MOE-managed hostel.

	Accommodation costs (for 14 days)		Testing costs
	Accommodation options	Student pays	
		(After MOE support)	Student pays
STP holders who have only been in Australia, Brunei Darussalam, Hong Kong, Japan, Macao, Mainland China, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, Taiwan and Vietnam for the past 14 days	(1) At a place of residence that they or their family members own or are sole tenants of	Own cost	Up to \$200
	(2) Non-SDF hotel	Own cost	Up to \$200
	(3) MOE hostels (with possibility of room sharing)	\$490, including GST	Up to \$200
	(4) At a place of residence wholly rented by STP holders (to submit an appeal)	Own cost	Up to \$200
STP holders who have been in any other countries for the past 14 days	Centralised SDF hotel (normally \$2,000)	\$840, including GST	Up to \$200

NAFA students will pay the MOE subsidised rate as follows:

Remarks:

(3) If STP holders are not able to source for a place as described in (1) and (2), you can request for an assigned MOE-managed hostel space, which will be subject to availability. While MOE will take every effort to assign an STP holder to a single room/ toilet, you may be

required to share a room/ toilet with another person on SHN from the same list of countries/ regions. You must agree to abide by all precautionary measures put in place.

If your requests for entry are shortlisted for approval, you will receive a FormSG link from MOE, for you to declare the location where you will be serving your SHN, and that this location meets the SHN requirements. You will need to reply by the stipulated deadline. No late returns will be entertained.

Alternatively, you may appeal to serve your SHN at a place of residence wholly rented by STP holders. You will need to provide documentation to demonstrate that it is SHN-compliant (e.g. pictures of en-suite bathroom, tenancy agreement showing that the place of residence is wholly rented by STP holders).

As part of the approval process, you will be required to provide documentation (e.g. pictures of en-suite bathroom, tenancy agreement showing that the place of residence is wholly rented by STP holders). Your accommodation will then be assessed for suitability for SHN.

Pre-Travel

- Please complete the Pre-Arrival Form at <u>www.nafa.edu.sg/pre-arrival-form</u> within 2 days upon obtaining your STP IPA. Please update the form again should there be any changes in your response(s). NAFA will apply for the approval letter of entry for you upon receiving the completed Pre-Arrival Form 2 weeks before your intended departure date. However, please note that <u>not</u> all applications for the entry approval will be approved by MOE.
- 2. If permission is granted, we will send you the MOE Provisional Entry Approval (PEA) letter which will require you to make payment on your SDF stay and or swab test. Upon making the necessary payments, the MOE will issue the Entry Approval letter which is <u>valid for two weeks</u>. You must produce the approval letter of entry to the airline staff upon check-in, and to the immigration officer at the checkpoints upon arrival in Singapore.
- 3. Upon receiving the entry approval by the MOE,
 - a. Please arrive in Singapore by <u>**3 Jul.</u>** After serving the SHN, please do your medical check-up at <u>any registered clinic</u> using the <u>medical report form</u>.</u>
 - b. Attend the Immigration and Checkpoint Authority (ICA) Offsite Student's Pass Enrolment at the NAFA Campus 3 on <u>23 Jul.</u>
 - c. Alternatively, if you are unable to join the ICA Offsite Student's Pass Enrolment on 23 Jul, you may make an e-appointment with the ICA for the formalities at the ICA building. You are required to submit a copy of your Student's Pass to NAFA after you have collected your Student's Pass.
- 4. Please purchase a thermometer in your home country as you will be required to report your temperature thrice a day during your SHN.
- 5. Upon your arrival in Singapore, you will be required to install the '**HOMER'** mobile application, which will be used to report your health status and location to the Government with <u>a Singapore registered number</u>. The 'HOMER' application is available on both iOS and Android operating systems. For more information, please go to <u>www.HOMER.gov.sg</u>.

If you have friends or relatives in Singapore, it is best to seek assistance from them to purchase a Singapore SIM card before your arrival in Singapore. Alternatively, you may also purchase aSingapore SIM card online once you have confirmed your arrival date and a Singapore address.

For your reference: https://www.singtel.com/personal/products-services/mobile https://www.m1.com.sg/Mobile https://www.starhub.com/personal/mobile.html

6. However, if you do not have a mobile phone with a Singapore registered number, please note that a staff from NAFA will be contacting you via video call twice daily. All students must be contactable via the video call at all times. To facilitate the video call, please install the 'Microsoft Teams' app on your mobile phone before your arrival in Singapore. Do refer to the attached guide on how to use MS Teams for Chat and Video Conferencing.

You may refer to the following to download the link: Click <u>here</u> for iOS users Click <u>here</u> for Android users

Your login ID and password for the Microsoft Teams are as follows:

- Login ID: 5-digit of your application number@student.nafa.edu.sg
- Password: 5-digit of your application number

If you do not remember your 5-digit application number, please let contact NAFA at admissions2020@nafa.edu.sg

Important:

Please select 'Allow' or 'OK' when prompted the following questions during the installation process.

"Teams" would like to send you notifications

"Teams" would like to access the microphone

Post-Travel

Upon your arrival in Singapore, you need to adhere to the following :

• Contact NAFA within 24 hours of your arrival via email at <u>admissions2020@nafa.edu.sg</u> or phone at 6512 4276 (9 am to 6 pm every day), to inform NAFA of your arrival in Singapore. You will need to furnish the following information: :

- a. Full name
- b. Course
- c. FIN (Singapore Foreign Identification Number as stated on your In-Principle Approval Letter)
- d. Address in Singapore
- e. Singapore Contact number
- f. Date of arrival in Singapore
- g. Have successfully installed HOMER application.

Course Delivery

We empathise and understand the concerns and anxieties as a result of of the current COVID-19 situation. Hence, the Academy has panned out the course delivery for this Academic Year 2020 intake and we are pleased to announce the following options for our international diploma and degree students who are residing overseas:

Programme	Option 1	Option 2	Remarks
School of Art &	Diploma and Degree	Diploma and Degree	Students are
Design			advised to attend

 3D Design Design and Media Fashion Studies Fine Art 	Face-to-face delivery with some online learning component.	Online learning for the entire semester.	face-to-face classes as soon as they are able to come to Singapore.
Arts Management	Diploma and Degree Face-to-face delivery with some online learning component.	Diploma and Degree Online learning for the entire semester.	Students are advised to attend face-to-face classes as soon as they are able to come to Singapore.
Dance	Face-to-face delivery with some online learning component. Online learning may be planned in the first 2 weeks of the course. International students must join classes no later than 17 August (2 weeks after the course has commenced).	Online learning for a few modules in the first semester; technique/practice will be deferred to the following semester in January.	Course completion for Option 2 will be 3.5 years .
Theatre	Diploma Face-to-face delivery. Online learning may be planned in the first 2 weeks of the course. International students must arrive in Singapore to join classes no later than 17 August (2 weeks after the course has commenced). Degree Face-to-face delivery. Online learning may be planned in the first 6 weeks of the course. International students arrive in Singapore to join classes no later than 14 September (6 weeks after the course has commenced).	Diploma Defer study for one year. Degree No deferment allowed.	

Music Diploma and Degree Face-to-face delivery with some online learning component.	Diploma and Degree Online learning for the entire semester.	Students are advised to attend face-to-face classes as soon as they are able to come to Singapore.
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While your lecturers will be arranging live virtual learning sessions with you, we would still like to encourage you to come to Singapore as early as possible, as online learning can never fully replicate the effectiveness of face-to-face learning in the classroom.