SUTD-SMU Dual Degree Programme in Technology and Management
Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

(1) About the SUTD-SMU Dual Degree Programme

Q. Why are the two universities (SUTD and SMU) launching this dual programme?
A. SMU and SUTD have on 17 Oct 2011 signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to provide a framework of co-operation in areas of mutual interest, including course development, collaborative teaching and research and student exchange.

Under the MOU, five elective courses will be developed by SMU and delivered at SUTD for SUTD students. In addition, high-achieving SUTD students will be eligible for advanced placement in SMU’s Master of Science in Management and Master of Science in Innovation Programmes.

The new SUTD SMU Dual Degree Programme (SUTD-SMU DDP) is an extension of efforts to further build on the collaboration. Under this SUTD-SMU DDP, students will graduate with a Bachelor of Engineering degree from SUTD and a Bachelor of Business Management degree from SMU in 4 years.

Q. Who can apply for this programme?
A. SUTD currently offers degree programmes in 4 pillars:
   - Architecture and Sustainable Design (ASD)
   - Engineering Product Development (EPD)
   - Engineering Systems and Design (ESD)
   - Information Systems Technology and Design (ISTD)

For the first intake, we are inviting students who have strong interest in EPD, ESD and ISTD to enroll into this programme.

Please visit SUTD website for more details on the 4 pillars: www.sutd.edu.sg

Q. Why is the programme not open to ASD students this year?
A. We envision that most ASD students would want to pursue a Master of Architecture degree. Hence, for the first batch of SUTD-SMU DDP students, we are inviting students with strong interest in EDP, ESD and ISTD to apply.

(2) Intake

Q. When will the first intake commence?
A. The first intake of students will commence in May 2014.

Q. How many students will be enrolled in this programme?
A. Up to 45 students will be enrolled.

(3) Duration of Programme

Q. What is the duration of the dual programme?
A. The duration is 4 years spread over 11 terms (May 2014 – May 2018 for May 2014 intake)
(4) Curriculum

Q. Where can I find details of the dual degree curriculum?
A. Please refer to the SUTD website ugadmissions.sutd.edu.sg/study/ddp/ for details.

Q. What is total number of subjects in the dual degree programme?
A. The courses in the dual degree programme will consist of SUTD courses, SMU courses, courses common to SUTD and SMU, and co-taught (SUTD/SMU) specialised courses.

The total number is between 50 to 53 courses, depending on the pillar that students enroll in.

Engineerin Product Development (EPD) - 53 courses
Engineering Systems and Design (ESD) - 50 courses
Information Systems Technology and Design (ISTD) - 53 courses

For more details, please refer to SUTD’s website.

(5) Admissions Requirements

Q. What are the admissions requirements of the dual degree programme?
A. The dual degree programme is open to top Singaporean achievers who desire a unique and rewarding programme. Applicants must have a genuine interest in technology and management. They should have outstanding academic results, and possess both strong communication skills and leadership potential.

Q. Is SAT compulsory for Singaporeans with international qualifications?
A. For this dual degree programme, SAT is compulsory with international qualifications. SAT is not compulsory for those with Singapore-Cambridge GCE A-Levels, Polytechnic Diplomas, NUS High School Diploma and IB Diploma.

(6) Applications

Q. How can I apply for this dual degree programme?
A. Applications are to be submitted to SUTD. Please refer to their website at ugadmissions.sutd.edu.sg/ for the application details and closing date.

Q. I would like to make changes to the application that I have submitted. Who should I write to?
A. Please write to SUTD. All applications are centrally managed by SUTD.

(7) Interviews

Q. Will all applicants get an interview?
A. Only shortlisted applicants will be interviewed.

Q. Who will conduct the interviews?
A. The interviews will be conducted jointly by faculty from SUTD and SMU.

Q. Where will the interviews be conducted?
A. The interviews will be conducted at SUTD.
Q. Who will be contacting me if I am shortlisted?
A. SUTD Admissions will contact you if you are shortlisted.

(8) Outcome of Application and Appeals

Q. How do I check my application outcome? How do I make an appeal?
A. As all applications are centrally managed by SUTD, please check with SUTD Admissions.

Q. Who will inform applicants of the outcome?
A. SUTD will inform applicants of the outcome of applications and appeals.

(9) National Service

Q. I am currently serving National Service and have a place in SUTD. Can I apply for the dual degree programme?
A. Please contact SUTD on this.

Q. I am currently serving National Service and have a place in SMU. Can I apply for the dual degree programme?
A. To be considered for this programme, applications have to be submitted directly to SUTD by the application closing date. Please refer to their website at ugadmissions.sutd.edu.sg/ for the application details.

Q. Can males serving Singapore National Service apply? Will places be reserved for NSMen for 2015 and 2016 admission?
A. Yes. They can apply and places will be reserved if their applications are successful and they accept the offers of admission.

(10) Scholarships

Q. Are scholarships available for this programme?
A. Qualified Singaporean students will be supported by scholarships covering tuition fees and the following allowances:

- Overseas internship
- Overseas opportunities (community service/competition/study trip)
- Laptop
- Books
- Stipend

Q. I have been accepted into the dual degree programme. But I do not wish to take up the scholarship. Can I still enroll in this programme?
A. You can still enroll in this programme. Please inform SUTD of your intention not to take up the scholarship.
Q. I have been accepted into the dual degree programme, and received a scholarship from an external organization. Can I still enroll in this programme?
A. You can still enroll in this programme. However, you will not be allowed to hold more than one scholarship. As such, you will have to decide which scholarship to accept. Please inform SUTD of your final decision.

(11) Tuition Fees

Q. I intend to self-finance my studies if I am accepted into the dual degree programme. What will be the tuition fees?
A. The annual tuition fees will be pegged to the fees charged by SUTD. The tuition fees for Academic Year 2014-15 will be announced in due course. Please refer to SUTD website for regular updates.

(12) Internship and Community Service

Q. I understand that internship and community service are compulsory in SMU? As a dual degree student, do I have to do both?
A. Dual degree students will undertake an internship over a minimum period of 16 weeks. All students will also have to fulfill at least 80 hours of community service.

(13) Transfer Matters

Q. I was accepted into the dual programme. I have a change of mind and would like to transfer to SMU?
A. Please contact SMU Admissions Office and inform SUTD.

Q. My appeal for transfer to SMU is successful. Can I still keep the scholarship that has been awarded to me under the dual programme? If the answer is No, will I get a scholarship from SMU?
A. The scholarship is not transferable. Whether or not you will get a SMU scholarship will depend on competition with SMU scholarship applicants and availability of the scholarships.

Q. I have been accepted by SMU. I am interested in the dual programme but have not applied? Can I still apply?
A. You can still apply before SUTD’s closing date (1 Apr 2014). Applications are to be submitted to SUTD.

(14) Other Matters

Q. Where do I attend classes?
A. Dual degree students will attend classes at SUTD and SMU. They will be full students of both universities.

Q. Do I get a SMU student card?
A. Dual degree programme students will matriculate as both SUTD and SMU students. In addition to SUTD student card, they will also be issued with an SMU student card.
Q. Will students enjoy access to student facilities and participate in co-curricular activities (CCAs) in SUTD and SMU?
A. Yes. All dual degree programme students will have full access to all the facilities in and participate in student life activities in SUTD and SMU, like any other students from the two universities.

Q. Do I receive a joint degree or separate degrees from SUTD/SMU?
A. Dual degree students will receive separate degree scrolls each from SUTD and SMU.

Q. Do I get a joint result transcript or separate transcripts from SUTD/SMU?
A. Dual degree students will get separate transcripts from SUTD and SMU.

Q. Is the dual degree programme open to those who are interested in taking the second degree in Accountancy, Economics, Social Science, Law and Information Systems Management offered at SMU?
A. There are currently no plans to include Accountancy, Economics, Social Science and Information Systems Management. SMU law can only be taken as a first degree. Applicants aspiring to do a double degree at SMU School of Law must first be offered admission into the law programme. Selection for a place in the double degree programme at the School of Law is highly competitive as the number of places is limited.

Q. I would like to make further enquiries? How do I go about this?
A. For further enquiries, please contact SUTD.

Q. Are there any public information sessions on the dual programme?
A. Public information sessions will be held during the Open Houses at SMU and SUTD.

**SMU Open House**
Date: 1-2 March 2014 (Sat/Sun)
Time: 10.00am-6.00pm
Venue: SMU Underground Concourse (Bras Basah MRT)
Information Sessions: 12.00nn on both days at Mochtar Riady Auditorium, Level 5, Administration Building, SMU

**SUTD Open House**
Date: 8-9 March 2014 (Sat/Sun)
Time: 9.30am-6.30pm
Venue: SUTD, 20 Dover Drive
Information Sessions: 12.00nn on both days at SUTD, LT1