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DREAM, DARE, DO.

SUSS is a powerhouse of change, unleashing the potential within individuals and propelling them to be impactful change-makers.

Fueled by a deep sense of purpose, their transformations transcend personal growth, enriching not only their lives but also the lives of those around them.

Their unwavering commitment empowers them to conquer challenges, embodying the unstoppable '**Dream, Dare, Do**' spirit of SUSS.

United in action, we dream big, dare greatly, and do what it takes to leave an indelible mark on our learners, industry, and community.



Welcome to the School of Humanities & Behavioural Sciences (SHBS)! At SHBS, you'll find a range of programmes that will equip you with new knowledge and skills, stretch your intellectual ability, and enhance your career prospects. We provide a supportive and encouraging learning environment to help you succeed in your studies and develop your hidden strengths. We look forward to welcoming you on campus!"

Associate Professor
LUDWIG TAN
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School of Humanities and Behavioural Sciences



The School of Humanities and Behavioural Sciences provides an exciting and well-rounded education in languages, literature, and behavioural sciences. Our programmes develop dynamic individuals with the practical skills and specialised knowledge needed to excel in their chosen careers. Graduates can expect to find employment in the public and civil services as well as the corporate sector.

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HIGH ACADEMIC
STANDARDS



LIFELONG EDUCATIONAL
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LEARNING RESOURCES



GOVERNMENT TUITION
GRANT OR SUBSIDY FOR
ELIGIBLE STUDENTS



EXPERIENCED FACULTY
MEMBERS AND
INDUSTRY EXPERTS



FOCUS ON REAL-
WORLD LEARNING



INDUSTRY-RELEVANT
CURRICULA



PRACTICE-ORIENTED
APPROACH

BA ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE



Find out more

The BA English Language and Literature programme combines the disciplines of language studies and literary studies. The language courses will give you an understanding of the language system and broaden your perspective on language use and discourse in society, while the literature courses will introduce you to a range of literary genres, periods, and styles, and teach you to critically analyse and produce texts using key concepts and theories. You may opt for a Minor in any discipline, such as Business, Film Studies, Psychology, Sociology, or Translation.

This degree programme will be useful for people working in a variety of fields, particularly those who intend to use English professionally. Our graduates work in a wide variety of careers, such as teaching, publishing, journalism, public relations, advertising, and marketing.

You may pursue English Language and Literature as a single major or in combination with a Minor.

A BA in English will give you a strong foundation in English language and literature, and will expand your career options by equipping you with a better working knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of English. You will sharpen your analytical, writing, and communication skills, which can be advantageous in many fields.

A degree in English language and literature will help enhance the careers of professionals who work primarily in English or write extensively in English. Our graduates work in a wide variety of careers such as education, publishing, journalism, public relations, marketing, administration, and the arts.

Those wishing to further their studies after obtaining the BA degree may consider postgraduate studies locally or overseas. Graduates of the English programme have gone on to pursue the Graduate Diploma and Master of Arts in Applied Linguistics (TESOL) programme offered at SUSS. They have also been accepted into postgraduate programmes in other leading universities, including the National University of Singapore, the University of Oxford, and Columbia University.



Programme Overview



Whom is this for?

Language is an indispensable part of how we live, work, and play. The English language, in particular, is not only Singapore's working language, but also an important global language. This degree programme will benefit anyone interested in language, but will be particularly suitable for those who use English professionally, such as English teachers, public relations professionals, journalists, writers, and editors. It will also suit professionals working in a whole host of other areas such as business, marketing, administration, and the arts.



Programme Structure

To graduate with a basic degree, students are to complete a **total of 130 credit units (cu) of courses**, comprising 20 cu of SUSS Core courses, 80 cu of major courses, and 30 cu of a Minor or Free Electives (course pre-requisites apply).



Curriculum Highlights

- Language and Society
- Understanding Poetry
- English in Singapore
- Singapore Literature
- Literary Stylistics
- Global Englishes
- Analysing Discourse
- Language and Education



Career Prospects

BA CHINESE STUDIES

中文学士学位



Find out more



课程简介

中文学士学位课程旨在为对中华语言文学有兴趣的就业人士提供自我进修的机会，进一步提高学员们教育水平与华文水准，同时培养学员们的华文文学鉴赏能力。此课程也为本地非大学毕业华文教育工作者提供一个自我提升的机会。

本课程属部分时间学习制。采用开放式学习的概念及业余学习的方式。学员可以灵活安排学习时间、地点和进度，并且根据自身情况决定修读科目的数量。所有教材的设计也都是以此为基础，精心设计，以满足成人学员的要求。

学员可以选择主修中文学士学位，并在其基础上，选修中华语言与文化或中华文学副修课程，或者其他领域里的任何一个副修课程。有关副修课程的细节，请参见大学网页的信息。

修读中文学士学位课程之后，可以到政府学校以及私立学校从事华文教育（教师与补习教师）、华文媒体（记者与编辑）、广告公司（文案写作与设计）、行政管理（文书、秘书、执行人员）等工作。如果想继续修读更高学历的教育，可以进入硕士课程修读。



职业前景



“教育能够改变一个人的生活轨迹，把人从一个世界带到另一个不同的世界。拥有自主学习、终身学习的能力会让我们的生活更加充实。与文学的相遇是我一生的财富，它可以帮我养一颗洁净的心，做一个最真的人。通过在新加坡社科大学三年半的系统学习，我不仅提升了文化知识和文学修养，也遇见了一群古往今来的有趣的灵魂，得到了一批志同道合的朋友。这真是一段非常棒的人生体验！”

Pan Jinna 潘金娜
Alumna

此项课程适合那些对中华语言、文学与文化有兴趣的、任何行业的公众申请。

凡是新加坡公民、新加坡永久居民和居住在新加坡的其他居民都可以报读。



招生对象



科目设置 与学分

学员需要**修满130个学分**（包括大学通选课+主修必修课+副修/自由选修课）以获得普通学位。

本课程也提供荣誉课程的选项。学员在普通学位的累积平均绩点（CGPA）必须达到3.5或以上，才有机会获邀参加**荣誉课程**。学生必须满足大学对普通学位的所有要求，并完成额外40个学分的荣誉课程，达到**170总学分**，才能获颁荣誉学位。



课程亮点

- 基础学术写作
- 中国古代史概论
- 现代汉语
- 古代汉语
- 20世纪中国文学史 (1)
- 20世纪中国文学史 (2)
- 中国古典文学 (1)
- 中国古典文学 (2)
- Fundamentals of Academic Writing
- Ancient Chinese History
- Modern Chinese
- Classical Chinese
- 20th Century Chinese Literature (1)
- 20th Century Chinese Literature (2)
- Classical Chinese Literature (1)
- Classical Chinese Literature (2)

BA MALAY LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE



Find out more

The programme curriculum is suitable for Malay language and literature teachers, and individuals who are interested in pursuing a degree in the field for personal and professional development. This programme has a strong workplace perspective, and has been specially crafted to provide students with a good grasp of the linguistics of the Malay language within the social context of Singapore and the region. It aims to produce graduates who are well versed in applied linguistics and able to teach Malay language and literature or work as language professionals.



Programme Overview

This programme exposes students to a range of courses on Malay linguistics, culture, literature, grammar, and translation. These courses will provide students with an in-depth understanding of the Malay world and enable them to apply this knowledge to the teaching profession or other fields of applied linguistics such as editing and translating.

You may pursue Malay Language and Literature as a single major or in combination with a Minor.

Graduates of the Malay Language and Literature programme will find themselves suited for careers in teaching, print and audio media, and translating and interpreting.



Career Prospects



Whom is this for?

This programme is open to all Singapore citizens, permanent residents, and residents in Singapore who are interested in and committed to pursuing a degree in Malay language and literature.



Programme Structure

To graduate with a basic degree, students are to complete a **total of 130 credit units (cu) of courses**, comprising 20 cu of SUSS Core courses, 80 cu of major courses, and 30 cu of a Minor or Free Electives (course pre-requisites apply).



Curriculum Highlights

- Introduction to Malay Linguistics
- Introduction to Translation
- Structure of the Malay Language
- Malay Prose and Poetry
- Malay Films
- Islam and the Malays
- Contemporary Singapore Malay Theatre



Minat saya untuk menceburi bidang ilmiah tercungkil semasa saya belajar di SUSS. BAML merupakan program yang terdiri daripada modul-modul pelbagai aspek di dalam pengajian bahasa dan kesasterawanan Melayu. Oleh kerana sifat pembelajaran di SUSS yang mandiri, ia memperkasakan saya untuk menimba ilmu dari pelbagai sudut melangkaui apa yang diajar di dalam kelas. Pengemudi-pengemudi program ini bukan calang-calang orangnya, dan ini memberikan saya keyakinan bahawa apa yang saya pelajari akan memanfaatkan saya untuk menyumbangkan kembali kepada masyarakat.”

Rashikin Rajah
Alumna

BA TAMIL LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE



Find out more

இளங்கலைப் பட்டக்கல்வியானது, தமிழாசிரியர்கள் மற்றும் தமிழ் ஆர்வலர்கள் தமிழ்மொழி மற்றும் இலக்கியத்தில் தம் அறிவை வளர்த்துக்கொள்ளும் வகையில் உருவாக்கப்பட்டுள்ளது. பாடத்திட்டம், சிங்கப்பூர் சமூக அறிவியல் பல்கலைக்கழகம் மற்றும் தமிழ்நாட்டுக் கல்வியாளர்களின் கூட்டு முயற்சியால் தயாரிக்கப்பட்டுள்ளது. இது தமிழ்நாட்டில் கற்பிக்கப்படும் பாடத்திட்டத்திற்கு நிகரானது. அதே வேளையில்

சிங்கப்பூர் மாணவர்களின் தேவையைப் பூர்த்தி செய்யும் வகையில் உள்ளூர், மலேசிய, இலங்கைத் தமிழ் இலக்கியங்களும் இணைக்கப்பட்டுள்ளன. மொழி பாடத்திட்டமானது, மாணவர்களின் மொழித்திறன்களையும் மொழியறிவையும் வளர்க்க ஏற்புடையதாயுள்ளது. இலக்கியப் பாடத்திட்டமானது பல்வேறு காலகட்டத்தில் எழுந்த இலக்கிய வகைகளைப் படித்து இன்புற ஆவன செய்கிறது.



Programme Overview

This programme provides Tamil language teachers and Tamil studies enthusiasts with an opportunity to pursue a degree. The programme curriculum is jointly developed by the Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS) and scholars from Tamil Nadu. This programme is similar to that offered in Tamil Nadu, while integrating local content to make it more relevant to students in Singapore.

You may pursue Tamil Language and Literature as a single major or in combination with a Minor.



Career Prospects

Our graduates will be able to engage in Tamil language and literature teaching at the pre-primary, primary, secondary, and junior college levels. They can also advance their careers in broadcasting or in the courts and Parliament as interpreters.



Whom is this for?

This programme is meant for anyone with a passion for the Tamil language. It is suitable for those who work in Tamil-related areas such as Tamil language teachers, court interpreters, and broadcasters, who wish to upgrade their academic qualifications.



Programme Structure

To graduate with a basic degree, students are to complete a **total of 130 credit units (cu) of courses**, comprising 20 cu of SUSS Core courses, 80 cu of major courses, and 30 cu of a Minor or Free Electives (course pre-requisites apply).



Curriculum Highlights

- இக்காலத் தமிழ்க் கவிதை
- இக்காலத் தமிழ் உரைநடை
- தமிழ் எழுத்தியல்
- தமிழ்ப் புணரியல்
- காப்பிய இலக்கியம்
- அற இலக்கியம்
- பக்தி இலக்கியம்
- சிறுநூல்களின் இலக்கியம்
- Modern Tamil Poetry
- Modern Tamil Prose
- Tamil Phonology
- Tamil Morphophonemics
- Epic Literature
- Didactical Literature
- Devotional Literature
- Minor Literature



It was a wonderful and enriching experience to study the BA Tamil Language and Literature programme at SUSS. The course is specifically designed for the benefit of individuals from diverse backgrounds which made it engaging and insightful. The programme vastly improved my language skills and made me engage with Tamil literature, culture, and history. Moreover, it played a pivotal role in kickstarting my teaching career, thereby changing my life forever. I am happy to share that in these three and a half years, I gained a wealth of knowledge and experience which will stay with me for the rest of my life."

Bairavanathan Deepa
Alumna



BA TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETATION

翻译及传译学士学位



Find out more



Programme Overview

Launched in 2007 as Singapore's first degree programme in translation and interpretation, this programme gives students a unique advantage of gaining access to the best of both Chinese- and English-speaking worlds. Combining tertiary education with professional training, the programme enables students to achieve a mastery of Chinese and English languages and an in-depth understanding of socio-cultural differences. Students will also develop expertise in translation and interpretation through practice-oriented coursework in translation principles and strategies, cross-linguistic and cross-cultural analysis, computer-aided technologies, and domain-specific knowledge (e.g., business, finance, law, media, technology, international affairs, and literature).

Placing a special emphasis on the role of technology in various aspects of translation and interpretation, this programme has state-of-the-art interpretation laboratories and the latest translation software. The bilingual, interdisciplinary, and professional nature of the programme inculcates in its graduates adaptability, open-mindedness, and critical thinking, preparing them for the rapidly changing world.

You may pursue Translation and Interpretation as a single major or in combination with a Minor.



Career Prospects

Graduates majoring in translation have a broad set of transferable skills including advanced bilingual literacy and cross-cultural communication, along with their expertise in translation and interpretation. Recent graduates have proceeded to careers in management consultancy, advertising and marketing, teaching, the media and entertainment, public and social services, international organisations, law firms, banking and finance.



Whom is this for?

This degree programme is suitable for those who wish to facilitate the sharing of ideas across different regions and traditions and thus enhance global communication for a peaceful world. It is also useful for those who wish to strengthen their bilingual competence in Chinese and English and develop intercultural intelligence through professional training in translation and interpretation.

To graduate with a basic degree, students are to complete a **total of 130 credit units (cu) of courses**, comprising 20 cu of SUSS Core courses, 80 cu of major courses, and 30 cu of a Minor or Free Electives (course pre-requisites apply).



Programme Structure

Curriculum Highlights

- 英汉语言对比
- 翻译与社会文化差异
- 英汉翻译基础
- 口译入门
- 媒体与多媒体翻译
- 字幕翻译和游戏本地化
- 汉英同声传译
- 人工智能专业翻译
- Contrastive Language Studies: English and Chinese
- Translation and Socio-Cultural Differences
- Fundamentals of English-Chinese Translation
- Introduction to Interpretation
- Media/Multimedia Translation
- Subtitling and Game Localisation
- Chinese-English Simultaneous Interpretation
- AI Translation in Specialised Fields



Translation studies not only provides the skills and knowledge we need to be effective translators and interpreters, it also helps us build the often overlooked soft skills that have an equally, if not more, important impact on our professional and social development. Taking different perspectives, we can gain greater insights into the values translation studies offers and how we can use these values for better human-technology collaboration and self-improvement."

Cindy Wong
Alumna



BACHELOR OF COMMUNICATION



Find out more



Programme Overview

Communication is a burgeoning industry in Singapore and the region. The need for well qualified professionals in the field cannot be over-emphasised. With its strong emphasis on the textual, visual and audio elements of communication, the Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS) Bachelor of Communication programme prepares students to perform competently in a variety of sub-fields in the communication industry.

This programme is ideal for those who are already carrying out communication-related job functions in media or other related fields but do not have the necessary tertiary qualifications to be considered for promotions or salary increases. It will also meet the needs of those who are currently employed in other kinds of work but would like to change career tracks and move into the vibrant communication or media-related fields.

The programme covers subjects ranging from media writing to media management, media production, social media, and strategic communication. It provides students with the critical advantage necessary to achieve their ambitions, whether they are interested in journalism, media management, TV, radio, strategic communication, public relations, corporate communication, advertising, social media, or media production.

You may pursue Communication as a single major or in combination with a Minor.



Career Prospects

A communication degree provides diverse opportunities in many fields. The courses in the Bachelor of Communication programme will appeal to those interested in careers in public relations, corporate communication, strategic communication, TV and print journalism, social media, media management, and even hospitality and tourism. The skills developed here will also make graduates well-suited to careers in advertising, publishing, and teaching.

This programme is suitable for working adults who are already employed in related fields but who are looking to add value to their existing knowledge and skills by formalising their expertise which would, in turn, create career advancement opportunities for them. It is also meant for those in general administrative positions who are looking to acquire new and more specific knowledge and skills, and those who wish to work in the communication and media industries.



Whom is this for?



Programme Structure

To graduate with a basic degree, students are to complete a **total of 130 credit units (cu) of courses**, comprising 20 cu of SUSS Core courses, 80 cu of major courses, and 30 cu of a Minor or Free Electives (course pre-requisites apply).



Curriculum Highlights

- Media Relations
- Writing for Strategic Communication
- Writing for Online News
- Creative Advertising and Copywriting
- Public Relations
- Corporate Communication
- Media Management
- Analysis of Issues and Trends in the Communication Industry



I am immensely thankful for the exciting opportunities afforded to me, such as representing SUSS to participate in the Temasek-NTU Youth Regional Affairs Dialogues and subsequently representing Singapore to attend the UN Social Forum at the Palais des Nations in Geneva in 2023. These opportunities enriched my journey and gave me the university experience I yearned for."

Teo Jia Yi
Alumna

BACHELOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY



Find out more



Programme Overview

Safety and security is a concern for all. From terror attacks to industrial espionage and politically motivated cyber-attacks, the world is experiencing multiple security threats that are complex and hard to detect and defend. Recognising these challenges, governments and businesses agree they need highly-trained professionals to deliver effective security outcomes. This programme aims to meet this demand and professionalise the emerging field of public safety and security.

This part-time programme provides not only theoretical knowledge but also training in intervention strategies in the area of policing, emergency management, investigation, rehabilitation, crime reduction, and terrorism. The courses are designed with a balance of theory and practice, and with emphasis on the development of management, communication, and critical thinking skills.



Career Prospects

Jobs in the fields of public safety and security are diverse and go far beyond front-line, uniform-wearing, operational positions. They include exciting and engaging jobs in fields such as intelligence analysis, policy development, science and technology. Upon successful completion of this programme, graduates can look forward to a wide range of meaningful careers in the government, business, and social service sectors.



Whom is this for?

This programme is for those who are interested in a career that focuses on the management of public safety and security. For those who are already working in related fields, the programme adopts a multidisciplinary approach that integrate theories with practical knowledge, and it creates an opportunity for career advancements.



Programme Structure

To graduate with a basic degree, students are to complete a **total of 130 credit units (cu) of courses**, comprising 20 cu of SUSS Core courses, 80 cu of major courses, and 30 cu of a Minor in (1) Criminology; (2) Crisis Management; (3) Psychosocial Intervention; (4) Cyber Safety and Information Security; (5) Food Security and Sustainability; or (6) Military Studies.



Curriculum Highlights

- Introduction to the Singapore Legal System
- Crime, Justice, and Punishment
- Media Literacy in the Age of Fake News
- Crisis Communication
- Psychological Perspective to Public Safety
- Urban Security and Resilience
- Transnational Crime and Globalisation



The SUSS Bachelor of Public Safety and Security programme has been a cornerstone in both my academic and professional development, equipping me with important knowledge and skills in navigating the complexities of public safety. Through rigorous coursework and practical experiences gained from my work attachments with Marina Bay Sands Singapore and KPMG Singapore, I've gained a deeper understanding of risk assessment, crisis management, and strategic security planning, which were instrumental in securing a full-time job upon graduation. The programme's emphasis on multidisciplinary approaches has broadened my perspective, enabling me to effectively collaborate with diverse stakeholders and address emerging challenges in the field.



The mentorship from highly experienced and knowledgeable faculty members has shaped me into a more confident and competent professional. Overall, the programme has not only enhanced my knowledge but also deeply instilled in me a strong commitment to safeguarding and serving communities, contributing to a safer and more resilient future in public safety and security."

Laurene Chung
Alumna

BSc PSYCHOLOGY



Find out more



Programme Overview

The BSc Psychology programme covers a broad range of theoretical, conceptual, analytical, and functional skills. Students will receive a comprehensive education in psychology, and may choose specialisation tracks in (1) organisational psychology; (2) health, performance and well-being; or (3) forensic psychology.

This programme is for those who are interested to find out more about the science of human behaviour. Especially enriching for those who are in jobs that involve working with people or anyone who is interested in understanding human behaviour better, this programme provides you with the skills to understand people as people.

You may pursue Psychology as a single major or in combination with a Minor.



Career Prospects

A Psychology bachelor's degree is a general social sciences degree. Graduates can basically work in any field. However, to pursue a career as a psychologist (e.g., as a clinical, organisational health, or sport psychologist), a higher degree in Psychology is required (e.g., master's or PhD). Some of our alumni, after having obtained an honours degree in Psychology at the Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS), have pursued a master's/ PhD degree at SUSS and in other local and international universities.



Whom is this for?

- Anyone who is curious to learn more about human behaviour.
- Those who are interested in pursuing psychology as a career.
- Anyone who wants to acquire skills to understand people as people.



Programme Structure

To graduate with a basic degree, students are to complete a **total of 130 credit units (cu) of courses**, comprising 20 cu of SUSS Core courses, 80 cu of major courses, and 30 cu of a Minor or Free Electives (course pre-requisites apply).

This programme has an honours option. To graduate with an **honours degree**, students will have to satisfy all university requirements and complete an additional 40 cu of courses to achieve **170 cu in total**. Students who achieve a cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 3.5 and above upon completion of their basic degree may be invited to enrol in the honours programme, which will be offered only if the requisite number of students is met. Graduating students who meet the eligibility criteria for an honours classification will be awarded an honours degree based on aggregate academic performance measured by the CGPA assessed throughout the degree programme.



Curriculum Highlights

- Mental Health and Well-being in Singapore
- Positive Psychology
- Psychology of Nonverbal Behaviours
- Psychology of Trauma
- Performance Psychology
- Forensic Psychology in Singapore
- Health and Well-being
- Counselling Psychology in Singapore



The SUSS BSc Psychology programme not only shaped my journey from an Associate Psychologist to a graduate student but also equipped me with the skills needed to thrive in my future roles."

**Chloe Tay
Alumna**



BA SOCIOLOGY



Find out more



Programme Overview

The BA Sociology programme covers a wide range of contemporary social issues to provide an analysis of human behaviour and society in a globalised world. It appeals to anyone interested in understanding their social, political, and cultural environment and provide a strong foundation in analytical, theoretical, and methodological skills. These skills are applied to

contemporary issues relating to globalisation and social change, health and healthcare, social stratification including race, class and ethnicity, popular culture, family, ageing, gender, education, urban sociology, and science and technology. These topics are studied in light of developments in Singapore society, regionally, and within a global context.

Such core skills and knowledge are also essential in today's workplace. In a fast-changing world, working adults need competitive skills that provide a strong grounding in disciplinary knowledge, the ability to evaluate empirical research and the capacity to apply these skills to analyse current social trends and problems, and to propose solutions in their areas of work. Sociology, with its attention to social trends and impact of policy in both the private and public sectors, equips our adult learners with these skills and prepares them for related careers.

You may pursue Sociology as a single major or in combination with a Minor.



Career Prospects

Graduates with a general degree in Sociology, who have strong analytical and research skills, are proficient in handling data, and well versed in social trends and contemporary social issues, can be found working in the civil service and public administration, the private and commercial sector, the social service sector, and community and non-profit organisations. Sociology provides training for those involved in education,

community and social development services, media and creative industries, public relations and human resources, research and marketing, policy and planning, among other fields.

Today's graduates are required to be adaptable and proficient in a number of critical skills. As societal concerns become increasingly complex and evident in the considerations of policymakers, Sociology-trained graduates, with their breadth and depth of societal knowledge and research skills, are well placed to contribute within their professions and to society.



Whom is this for?

This programme is suitable for those already working in, or wish to pursue careers in industries and organisations such as the civil service and public administration, in social service sectors involving health, community and social development, in education, in the arts, media and creative industries, or in the private sector including market research companies.

Those who are looking to upgrade their qualifications to enhance their skills within these professions, and who wish to develop knowledge and competencies in social and cultural research, education, community and social development, market research, journalism or media are welcome to join us. Our courses also suit students who deal with social deviance and law and order, social work, and counselling in their work.



Programme Structure

To graduate with a basic degree, students are to complete a **total of 130 credit units (cu) of courses**, comprising 20 cu of SUSS Core courses, 80 cu of major courses, and 30 cu of a Minor or Free Electives (course pre-requisites apply).



Curriculum Highlights

- Science, Technology and Society
- Sociology of Education
- Sociology of Family
- Sociology of Health and Healthcare
- Ageing and Society
- Urban Sociology
- Popular Culture
- Southeast Asian Societies



SUSS has many dedicated lecturers who are caring, encouraging, and knowledgeable. Hence, I was always motivated to learn and think more critically — essential skills to have in this VUCA world. Beyond academics, SUSS has many interesting social and overseas programs. I participated in a virtual 1-month summer school with Asia University, Taiwan in 2022. Hence, I had the opportunities to broaden my perspectives and forge new friendships with peers from countries like Indonesia and Turkey.”

Chua Chee Yong Sean
Alumnus



FEATURED EVENTS



1. Study Trip to Supreme Court for Students of SUSS Translation and Interpretation Programmes

On 20 September 2023, students of BA Translation and Interpretation programme joined a study trip to the Supreme Court Singapore. Students first attended a criminal court to observe an open trial. The accused did not speak any English, hence an interpreter had to be present to provide a simultaneous interpretation. The students later observed a trial in a civil court.

The highlight of the visit was the interaction between students and court interpreters which gave students greater insights into court interpreters' role in the administration of justice. A mock court session was then conducted with students playing the roles of prosecutor, defendant and interpreter, and court interpreters giving students feedback.



2. 'Language in Singapore' Forum 2023

The "Language in Singapore" forum, a biennial event organised by the School of Humanities and Behavioural Sciences (SHBS), was held on 8 September 2023. The theme, "Talking AI, Rethinking Humanity" was a timely topic, given the evolving advancement of artificial intelligence.

Mr Felix Cheong, Mr Bashir Basalamah, Ms Lin Rongchan and Mr Raja Mohamad, each representing their respective language communities, discussed issues such as ethics, basic human values, and equality in their experience of and engagement with AI. The forum concluded with a lively panel discussion, moderated by Ms Khoo Sim Eng, during which speakers fielded questions from the audience to generate further insights into current and future trends shaping AI and the language landscape.

MINORS

The SUSS School of Humanities and Behavioural Sciences offers the following Minors:

- Chinese Language and Culture
- Chinese Literature
- Communication
- Criminal Investigation (only for Home Team officers; conducted at the Home Team Academy)
- Criminology
- Crisis Management
- Cyber Safety and Information Security
- English Language
- English Literature
- Film Studies
- Food Security and Sustainability
- Malay Language
- Military Studies (only for SAF regulars)
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Psychosocial Intervention
- Sociology
- Tamil Language
- Translation

An SUSS student reading any programme with a Minor option can choose to take any Minor offered by the University, subject to meeting specific requirements of his/her programme and the Minor.



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ADMISSION CRITERIA

1. Singapore Citizens, Singapore Permanent Residents or residents in Singapore
2. • GCE 'A' Level with two passes (prior to 2006) or two H2 passes (from 2006), or
 - Local Polytechnic Diploma, or
 - International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma, or
 - NUS High School Diploma, or equivalent¹
3. Two years of full-time work experience, or currently employed on a full-time basis²
4. At least 21 years old

¹ Acceptable qualifications: Diploma from LASALLE College of the Arts; Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (NAFA); National Institute of Education; and ITE Work-Study Diploma. Other Diploma qualifications (e.g., Advanced Diploma, Specialist Diploma, Conversion Diploma) plus an acceptable SAT or ACT (with Writing) score may be considered for admission on a case-by-case basis.

² Applicants who have fully completed National Service will be deemed to have fulfilled the work experience criterion.

Some programmes may have additional requirements. Please refer to the individual programme page on the SUSS website for details.

Shortlisted applicants may be required to undergo one or more interviews and/or take written admission or other evaluation tests as may be prescribed by SUSS from time to time.

All applications are considered individually on merit, and the offer of admission is dependent on the number of places available in individual programmes. Admission is solely at the discretion of SUSS and the decision is final and binding. SUSS reserves the right to refuse admission and is not obliged to offer an explanation for the non-admission of unsuccessful candidates.



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TUITION FEES

The amount of course fees you pay in each semester depends on the number of courses you take in that semester. The course fees cover all study materials, classes, tutor supervision, assignments and examinations. They do not include fees for textbooks and other additional items specified by SUSS from time to time.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID



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SUSS offers scholarships to outstanding students pursuing their undergraduate studies with the University in recognition of their excellent academic achievements, leadership qualities, special talents and contributions.

There are also various types of financial aid available to students who need financial assistance during the course of their study.

Please visit suss.edu.sg for more details on the admission criteria, tuition fees and other information.

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES



SCREENING OF FILM PRODUCED BY SHBS ALUMNA

On 16 December 2023, the Film Studies Minor held a special screening of the Singapore film *Dreaming & Dying* (directed by Nelson Yeo) at Golden Village x The Projector at Cineleisure.

The film is produced by Tan Si En and Sophia Sim, who is an alumna of SHBS. After the screening, Sophia shared how she produced the film and took it to the prestigious Locarno Film Festival, where it won two coveted awards.



AN ESCAPE TO MANDAI ZOOLOGICAL GARDEN

A group of enthusiastic students from the MLL303 Materials Designing for the Malay Language Classroom course set out on an educational trip to the Mandai Zoological Garden for a day of discovery, learning, and bonding on 7 October 2023.

The students were provided with an insightful overview of how teachers can use the resources and the wildlife for teaching and learning of Malay Language, followed by engaging discussions that shed light on the critical role the zoo plays in conservation, research, education, and public awareness.

Through engaging visuals and stories, students gained a deeper understanding of wildlife and how it can be incorporated into lessons in the classrooms. This outing not only enriched their academic pursuits but also inspired a collective sense of awareness about the significance of our nature in teaching and learning of Malay Language.



FIELDWORK IN THE CITY - THE SOCIOLOGY PROGRAMME PRESENTS FIELD TRIP #1

The American sociologist, Robert Park, was famous for telling his students to “go get the seat of your pants dirty in real research” and to obtain first-hand observation of their city. Indeed, fieldwork observation can be a useful tool for making sense of the changes and continuities in the city.

While Waterloo Street is familiar to many of us for its multiple sites of worship and arts spaces, what are the sights, smells and sounds that constitute its way of life? Are certain groups of people or activities more invisible than others? Does this historical urban space hold surprises that challenge our assumptions about our city?



SUSS PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY INTEREST GROUP HOSTS THEIR ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL BASH 2024

On 10 January 2024, the Public Safety and Security (PSS) community kickstarted the semester with a lively and energetic “Back to School Bash” event, attended by 40 PSS students and five exchange students from Rabdan Academy.

The bash welcomed participants with an engaging mix of icebreaker activities and brain teasers, followed by a campus-wide scavenger hunt. Divided into teams, participants raced across the campus, following cryptic riddles and tackling station games. From push-up challenges to puzzles, each stop tested individual skills, teamwork, and communication.

The PSS Interest Group’s Back to School Bash proved to be a resounding success, reminding us that learning, and connection can be equally rewarding when infused with a healthy dose of fun and competition.

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