越来越多大学生选择
双学位和双主修课程

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SMU undergraduate Lim Yan has chosen to pursue a double degree programme with second majors in Psychology, Organisational Behaviour & Human Resources, and Corporate Communications. She plans to complete her degrees and graduate in four years. She does not find pursuing three majors hefty workload, putting optimism down to her enthusiasm for learning. Lim plans to pursue a masters overseas after she graduates and work in research or human resource consulting.

With more undergraduates pursuing double degree and second major programmes, and local universities encouraging inter-disciplinary learning, there are more choices available for students to combine their courses of study. SMU has 16% of its total cohort registered for its double degree programmes. NUS has about 2% of its students in each intake pursuing a double degree or 245 double degree students. NTU does not have a figure, but noted that applications exceed available double degree places by 4 times.

While universities recognised the importance of giving students the opportunity to pursue inter-disciplinary studies, SMU also feels that today, an integrated approach drawing from various knowledge bases and perspectives is required to solve complex problems. The most popular double-degree combination in general are business and engineering, and business and accountancy.

Double degrees programmes are typically offered to the top 25% students at SMU, while NUS offers it to the top 10%. Second major programmes, which are open to all students, have been well-received by students. SMU has over half its total cohort (56%) enrolled with a second major. In SMU, Finance, Marketing, Corporate Communications, Organisational Behaviour & Human Resources, and Logistics are the top five most popular choices for a second major. Undergraduates at its School of Social Sciences prefer Psychology, Political Science and Sociology as their choice of a second major.

NUS launched its second major programme last year.