



# DISTED College – the pride of Penang

**Non-profit institution has come a long way since its establishment**

**D**ISTED College is a well-established, highly regarded college in Penang. Set up in 1987, the non-profit college is owned by the Wawasan Education Foundation. Here, students enjoy a wide variety of activities that contribute to a well-rounded learning experience.

DISTED has Industry Advisory Panels to keep in touch with industry players.

The college offers a wide range of high quality courses.

## Pre-university – A-Level and SAM

DISTED pioneered the offering of the South Australian Matriculation (SAM) and Cambridge A-Level programmes in Penang.

The college has been conducting the Cambridge A-Level programme for the past 15 years. DISTED conducts the A-Level in two modes. The unique one is the 11-month intensive fast-track programme. Alternatively, students may opt for the 18-month programme. The choice of subjects is wide and varied.

DISTED has a track record of 22 years conducting the SAM programme. Students explore and learn in groups, research and present their ideas, much like in university.

Cambridge A-Level Science, Arts and SAM students can complete their studies in 11 months, making it the most cost-effective centre for pre-university qualifications. Also, DISTED ranks among the best institutions that nurture pre-university world-class achievers.

## Business programmes

SPM students can take up a diploma programme and then articulate into the second year of the business degree or a pre-university programme for direct admission into degree programmes.

There are four high quality and well-recognised 3+0 Britain's Staffordshire University business degrees at DISTED – BA(Hons) Accounting and Finance, BA(Hons) Business Management, BA(Hons) International Business Management and BA(Hons) Marketing Management.

Students can complete their studies in Penang or transfer to Staffordshire for

their final year. Delivery encompasses course work, examinations, projects and assignments.

Its accounting and finance specialisation is also accredited by the ACCA (UK) and the CPA Australia. All diploma courses in DISTED have articulation pathways into relevant courses in universities worldwide. They normally receive quite a high level of advanced standing, allowing students to gain a large number of credit exemption.

The DISTED Diploma in Business Studies is also readily accepted by many private colleges and universities in Malaysia, including open universities such as the Wawasan Open University.

In accounting, the college offers the world-renowned UK Certified Accounting Technician (CAT) and ACCA programmes – the best cost and time saving route offering credentials recognised worldwide.

## Hospitality and hotel operations

DISTED conducts the Certificate in Hotel Operations and Diploma in Hospitality Business Management.

The courses open doors to exciting and rewarding careers and allow students to continue to study for degree qualifications.

Students are required to have hands-on practical classes, in addition to industrial training in first-class hotels and hospitality establishments.

## Psychology

The Bachelor of Psychology (Hons) programme is conducted in cooperation with HELP University College. Graduates from the HELP psychology programme are highly regarded and have gained acceptance in a large variety of employment fields. Big companies have found these graduates fit well into their business.

## Computer science and engineering

The two Diplomas in Computer Science and Business Information Technology address both the hard technical aspects and softer application aspects of IT.

Progression is typical for approved diploma graduates under the Malaysia qualification framework. They may even be able to articulate into business degrees in many institutions.



Holders of the computer science and IT diplomas can also choose to work while working for their degree studies with the Wawasan Open University, a sister tertiary institution of DISTED.

Plans are afoot to secure more 3+0 hybrid IT in business degree programmes later next year.

The Diploma in Electronics Engineering is open to both SPM science and arts students who wish to gain broad-based and practical-oriented engineering knowledge and skills.

Holders of the engineering diploma can transfer with advanced standing to complete an engineering degree at local or overseas universities.

DISTED takes pride in its scholarship schemes, which are open to bright and deserving students.

Selection is based on entry qualifications, social economic background, extra-curricular contributions and personal character.

The scholarships are sponsored by the Wawasan Education Foundation, Yeap Chor Ee Charitable Trust and the college's internal funding.

The DISTED honour scholarship scheme recognises diploma and degree students who excel in semester examinations and are active in student activities. Students can win the honour scholarships consecutively throughout their studies.

Those who excel in sports before or while at DISTED can be rewarded with the sports excellence scholarships.

DISTED is also a long-time contributor to The Star Education Fund.

The intake for pre-university studies, accountancy, business, hospitality, computer science and IT courses is on Jan 4, the psychology programme on Jan 11 and Feb 1 for engineering courses.

Forecast SPM or STPM examination results are accepted for provisional admission.

Those who enroll by Dec 21 will be given a RM300 tuition fee waiver.

DISTED is holding an Open Day on Dec 19 and 20 from 10am to 5pm.

For details on DISTED's courses and scholarships, call 04-229 6579 or visit [www.disted.edu.my](http://www.disted.edu.my).



**Successful alumnus:** The Royal Bank of Scotland vice-president and DISTED alumnus Yong Swee Beng (left) sharing his insights with DISTED students.