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Undergraduate Programmes



SCHOOL OF



HUMANITIES AND

BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCES

**BACHELOR OF
PUBLIC SAFETY AND
SECURITY
WITH MINOR**

(PART-TIME PROGRAMME)



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. The Bachelor of Public Safety and Security with Minor (PSS-MAJ) 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. Students will also get to specialise in one of three minor courses in Criminology, Crisis Management, or Psychosocial Intervention.

Whom is this for?

This programme is for all 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.

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.



Programme Structure

Students are required to complete a total of 130 credit units (cu) to graduate with a basic degree, inclusive of 10 cu of SUSS Core courses and 40 cu of minor courses in Criminology, Crisis Management or Psychosocial Intervention. All courses are 5 cu unless stated otherwise.

The breakdown of the cu to be completed for Bachelor of Public Safety and Security with Minor is:

- 10 cu of SUSS Core courses
- 80 cu of Public Safety and Security core compulsory courses
- 40 cu of minor courses

Contemporary Science Compulsory Courses (Total 15 cu)

Level 1

- Understanding Contemporary Society: The Social and Behavioural Sciences
- Government and Politics of Singapore

Level 2

- Religion in Contemporary Societies

Communication and Management Compulsory Courses (Total 10 cu)

Level 1

- Organisational Behaviour in the Technology Era

Level 3

- Crisis Communication

Public Safety Compulsory Courses (Total 30 cu)

Level 2

- Cybersecurity and Digital Transformation
- Media Literacy in the Age of Fake News
- Introduction to Disaster Risk and Resilience

Level 3

- Countering Violent Extremism in Southeast Asia
- Transnational Crime and Globalisation
- Cybercrime

Criminal Justice Compulsory Courses (Total 15 cu)

Level 1

- Introduction to the Singapore Legal System
- Crime, Justice and Punishment

Level 3

- Governance and Corruption

Psychology Compulsory Courses (Total 10 cu)

Level 1

- Introduction to Psychology 1
- Introduction to Psychology 2

Minor Courses (Total 40 cu) - Choose a minor in Criminology, Crisis Management or Psychosocial Intervention

Criminology

Compulsory Courses (Total 30 cu)

Level 2

- Criminal Law in Practice: An Overview

Level 3

- Criminological Theories and Intervention
- Desistance from Crime
- Restorative Justice Principles and Practices
- Policing Crime and Society
- Criminal Psychology

Elective Courses (Choose 10 cu)

- Choose 2 courses from the other 2 minors

Crisis Management

Compulsory Courses (Total 30 cu)

Level 2

- Emergency Preparedness and Response Planning
- Security Management
- Urban Security and Resilience

Level 3

- Cognitive Systems Engineering
- Peacebuilding and Security
- Risk Assessment and Management

Elective Courses (Choose 10 cu)

- Choose 2 courses from the other 2 minors

Psychosocial Intervention

Compulsory Courses (Total 30 cu)

Level 2

- Abnormal Psychology

Level 3

- Counselling Psychology in Singapore
- Families and their Issues
- Introduction to and Assessment Framework for Youth Issues
- Psychology of Nonverbal Behaviours
- Rehabilitation and Criminal Justice Systems

Elective Courses (Choose 10 cu)

- Choose 2 courses from the other 2 minors

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Admission Criteria

You must be a Singapore citizen, permanent resident or a resident in Singapore. In addition, you will need to meet these minimum requirements:

- 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. Applicants with a Diploma from ITE, or other Diploma qualifications plus an acceptable SAT or ACT (with Writing) score may be considered for admission on a case-by-case basis;
- Two years of full-time work experience, or currently employed on a full-time basis; and
- At least 21 years old.

There will be additional admission criteria to better target students who are aligned to the educational philosophy of this part-time programme.

Shortlisted applicants may be required to undergo one or more interview(s) 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.

How to Apply

Applications are to be made online via suss.edu.sg. You must submit all the required documents together with your admission application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Tuition Fees and Government Subsidy

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.

The Tuition Fee Subsidy (TFS) from the Singapore Government comes in the form of a tuition grant administered by the Ministry of Education (MOE) and is offered to all eligible admitted students studying for part-time undergraduate programmes at SUSS. Singapore Citizens aged 40 and above who are pursuing MOE-subsidised undergraduate programmes with SUSS and who are eligible for the SkillsFuture Mid-Career Enhanced Subsidy will enjoy a higher subsidy.

All Singaporeans aged 25 and above can use their \$500 SkillsFuture Credit from the government to pay for a wide range of approved skills-related courses. Visit the SkillsFuture Credit website (www.skillsfuture.sg/credit) to choose from the courses available on the SkillsFuture Credit course directory.

Please visit suss.edu.sg for current tuition fees and eligibility criteria for the government subsidy and SkillsFuture Mid-Career Enhanced Subsidy.

Internet Access

All SUSS students must have access to a computer/ laptop and the Internet in order to use the electronic and website facilities which allow access to course, academic and administrative information.

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