

Information Sheet on Art Elective Programme at Pre-University Level

Introduction

The Art Elective Programme (AEP) was established in 1984 as a MOE Special Art Programme for students with artistic potential, abilities and passion to access an in-depth study of art. The AEP is a 2-year programme at pre-university level.

Curriculum

The AEP curriculum aims to develop students as practitioners, scholars, advocates and leaders in art, and the arts. AEP students can expect:

- An extended and balanced curriculum comprising both studio practice and art criticism components.
- To explore and engage a range of materials, media and creative processes, including art forms such as animation, design, digital media, drawing, illustration, painting, photography, printing, sculpture and video.
- Access to specialised studio facilities, equipment and resources.
- To learn with like-minded peers from across the AEP schools.
- Milestone learning experiences such as workshops, exhibition showcase and community projects.
- Opportunities to learn from arts industry professionals and higher education students and staff.

The AEP curriculum is not just about honing technical skills. The programme builds strong fundamental understanding, breadth and versatility in knowledge, new ways of seeing and making, and confidence to pursue artistic pathways.

Syllabuses & National Examinations

Pre-university AEP students offer GCE A-Level H2 and H3 Art.

AEP Schools

The AEP at pre-university level is offered at the following 3 junior colleges to their own students:

1. Hwa Chong Institution
2. Nanyang Junior College
3. National Junior College

There is no AEP Centre offering centre-based AEP at the pre-university level.

Eligibility & Selection

Students must pass the AEP selection exercise to qualify for the programme. The selection exercise involves short art tasks, a review of portfolio, and will take both students' current aptitude and potential into consideration.

Interested students must first gain admission into one of the 3 AEP junior colleges. Upon admission, they can attend the selection exercise administered by schools at the beginning of JC 1.

Fees & Subsidy

AEP students do not pay any additional school fees.

Students who are enrolled in the AEP at Independent Schools are eligible for a fee subsidy up to \$2,400 per student per year. This is applicable for all AEP students regardless of nationality. However, AEP students who also qualify for other Singapore-MOE awards, such as the Edusave Scholarship for Independent Schools (ESIS), are entitled to only one award.

Art Elective Scholarship

Singapore Citizens who successfully enrol in pre-university AEP may be eligible for the Art Elective Scholarship (AES). The award covers an allowance of \$1,000 and school fees (based on Singapore Citizen's rates less any subsidies), subject to an annual cap of \$2,400 per year. Full details on eligibility criteria and application process can be found [here](#).

Future Pathways

AEP graduates are well equipped to further their art and design-related education at both local and international universities, polytechnics and arts institutions. Their creative and critical thinking capacities are highly valued within both art-related and other pathways. Over the years, AEP alumni have gained prominence not just in the arts and culture sector, but also in many other fields such as media, urban planning and education.