INDUSTRY-BASED CAPSTONE PROJECT

At Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD), we believe that the power of design roots from the understanding of human experiences and needs, to create for innovation that enhances and transforms the way we live. This is why we nurture technically grounded leaders and design innovators of tomorrow through an interdisciplinary curriculum delivered via a hands-on, collaborative learning pedagogy and environment that concludes in an industry-based Capstone project.

The Capstone project is a collaboration between companies and senior year students. Students of different majors come together to work in teams and contribute their technology and design expertise to solve real-world challenges faced by companies. The Capstone project will culminate with a design showcase, unveiling the interdisciplinary innovations from the graduating cohort.

“The Capstone project crystallises various learnings of a student and gives them a cumulative mastery of all their experiences at SUTD.”

How to Participate as a Capstone Partner

1) Sign the standard Capstone agreement letter*
2) Provide details of your proposed Capstone project(s) with the ‘Project Form’ by 31st August* (Please request for an editable softcopy from the Capstone Office)
3) Attend project scoping discussions with SUTD professors to ensure that the project scope:
   - Involves students from at least two different majors
   - Can be conducted over two terms (from January to August)
   - Has enough scope for a team of five to seven students
   - Fulfils university learning objectives
4) Provide at least one company mentor who will work closely with students and faculty instructors
5) Contribute a participation cost of S$6,000** per project. SUTD will provide the team usage of its facilities and labs for the development of the prototype. Allowable items that will be purchased will be discussed before finalising the project acceptance

*All intellectual property generated during the Capstone project belong to the Capstone Partner. Non-disclosure clauses are enforced to safeguard confidential information.

**Depending on the complexity of the project, the amount of funding will be confirmed at the scoping sessions with the professors.

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VALUE TO CAPSTONE PARTNER
SUTD invites you to join us as a Capstone Partner. Capstone Partners can look forward to:

- Access to design and technology oriented students
- Own intellectual properties, prototypes and reports generated during the Capstone project
- Access to a wide range of faculty technical expertise
- Have first-hand opportunity to gauge and recruit talent

SUTD offers five majors and three special programmes:

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Our Collaborations

HUMMINGBIRD – NDR MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY PTE LTD

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Pavithren S/o V S Pakianathan
ISTD Alumnus
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NDR Medical has been seeking new ways to improve biopsies — to minimise collateral damage to the surrounding blood vessels, healthy tissues and organs while increasing success rates of locating tumours. This collaboration saw SUTD students develop an AI-powered trajectory planning software with a robotic system. It provides surgeons with greater assistance to deliver the safest and least invasive procedures to locate the tumour.

“It was a great pleasure to work with Team HummingBird on SUTD’s Capstone project. They are exceptionally innovative and self-driven students. They gave us totally new perspectives and ideas in improving our ANT-C robotics system. The project provides NDR the opportunities to redefine our technology ideas.”

Dr Jason Ng
Co-founder & CTO
NDR Medical

NEO-PERSONAL AIR COMMUTER (VTOL DRONE/PLANE) – NEO AERONAUTICS

NEO Aeronautics envisioned the future of travel — ultra-short haul air transport with drone technology. They collaborated with a team of SUTD students to develop a proof-of-concept for a Personal Air Commuter (PAC) Transport Network that could easily integrate into existing infrastructure and demographics. This Capstone project was a great success which contributed to the remarkable progress of NEO Aeronautics. NEO Aeronautics is now targeting to enter the U.S. market with its latest version, Crimson S8.

Overall System Architecture

Jurong Port generates enormous amounts of digital event logs, which provide for vast insights into port IT operations and security. SUTD students leveraged on this to develop an algorithmically-driven machine learning analytics platform that classifies the log information into anomalous and non-anomalous events, presents them into graphs and sends mobile alerts to the users. This threat detection system now monitors Jurong Port’s log data, enabling them to identify and rectify potential problems swiftly.

“The capstone project has showcased the strength and resourcefulness of the students in conducting thorough literature review, market analysis on current solutions along with evaluation and implementation of a cost effective solution. It was both a fun and learning journey for both parties.”

Mr Ho Kong Meng
Senior Manager Information Technology JurongPort

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MACHINE LEARNING DRIVEN ANOMALY DETECTION SYSTEM – JURONG PORT PTE LTD

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Legend

External System
Data Flow
Internal System
Logical Boundary

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