

DESIGNING WITH AI TO
SERVE HUMAN NEEDS.

AI—A TOOL,
PARTNER AND NEITHER.

The World's First Design·AI University

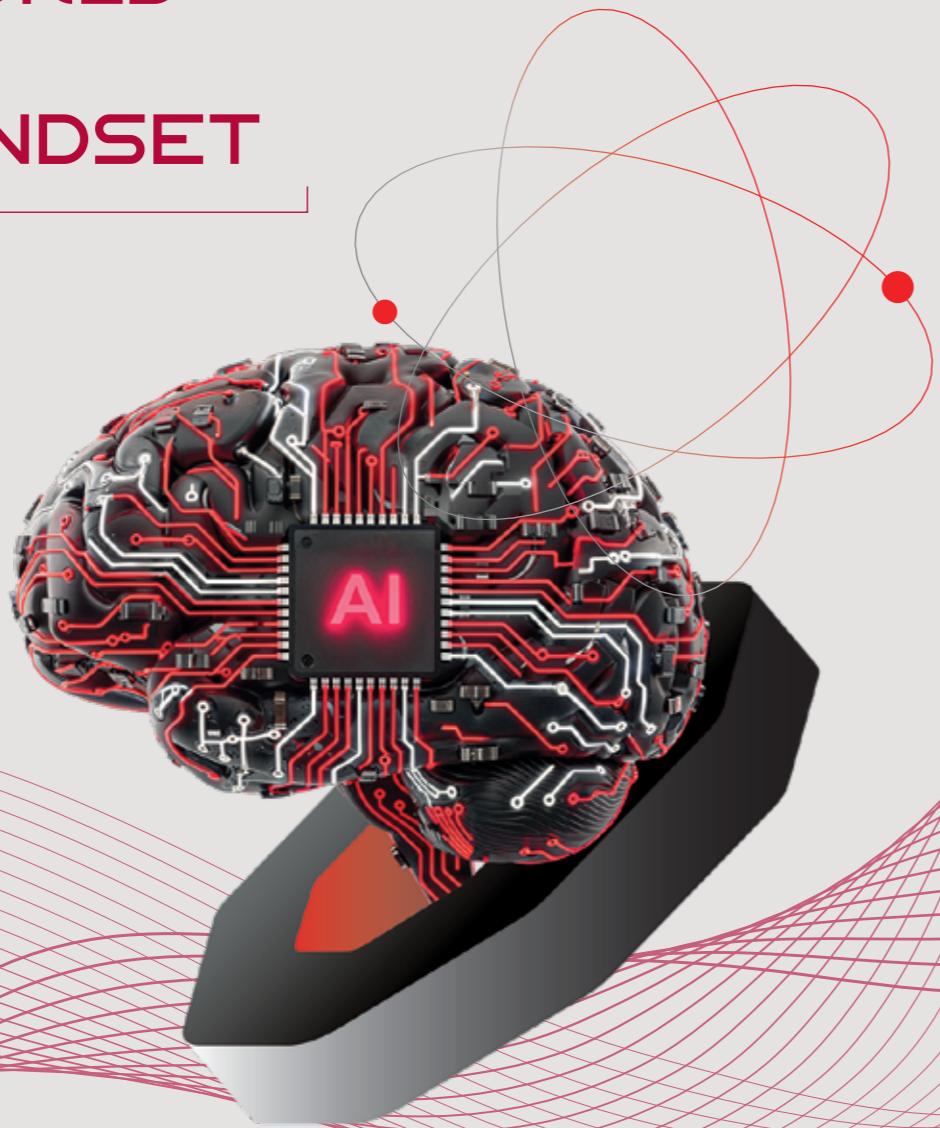
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WE TEACH IT AS A MINDSET.



AI—A CREATIVE
COLLABORATOR AND
INNOVATION CATALYST.

TRAILBLAZING A
BETTER WORLD BY DESIGN.

A NEW WORLD
DEMANDS
A NEW MINDSET



A NEW MINDSET
DEFINES HOW
SUTD STUDENTS
LEARN, THINK
AND CREATE

THE FIRST Design·AI UNIVERSITY FOR THE NEW WORLD

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The AI future that once seemed like science fiction is here—and it's now.

We've entered a new world where humans, AI and machines co-exist, collaborate, and co-create. AI is no longer just a tool—as technology has traditionally been considered—but has become our partner, collaborator, and co-designer, catalysing innovation like never before.

Set against this backdrop is the world's first Design·AI university, SUTD—re-engineered for this new world with a bold mindset that redefines education, research, innovation, and enterprise. Here, AI isn't just a skillset—it's a mindset.

At SUTD, students learn when to harness AI, when to refine it, and when to rethink it—guided by human-centred design. Because real innovation isn't just about smarter technology, but about designing human-centred, meaningful, and impactful solutions for a better world.



Design·AI **IS IN ALL
SUTD PROGRAMMES
—SPANNING EDUCATION,
RESEARCH, AND
ENTERPRISE.**



Design·AI AT SUTD

AI alone is just deep tech. Design·AI at SUTD goes further—a **bold integration of AI with a holistic view of design**, embracing creativity, ethics, empathy, critical thinking, purposeful action, and a commitment to solve human and societal challenges.

Here, AI is both a **creative partner** that fuels imagination and an **innovation partner** that simplifies complexity and drives breakthroughs.

By combining AI's analytical power with human insight, empathy and ethical judgement, we create outcomes neither could achieve alone—resulting in human-centred solutions that are elevated several-fold.

At SUTD, Design·AI spans education, research, and enterprise through three interconnected dimensions:

- **AI for Design**—boosting creativity and innovation with AI techniques like machine learning, optimisation, and generative design.
- **Design for AI**—building transparent, inclusive, accountable and socially beneficial AI systems guided by human-centred and ethical design principles.
- **Integrated Design·AI Approach**—uniting the above two into an educational and research model, where creativity is guided by ethics, innovation is balanced with reflection, and technology advances societal impact.

Ultimately, Design·AI at SUTD sets a new standard for how humans and AI can work together—designing a future not just with intelligence, but with intention—empowering everyone to innovate beyond imagination.



DIVE DEEPER
INTO SUTD'S
Design·AI

The world's first cohort of Design and Artificial Intelligence (DAI) students graduated in May 2024 and have secured roles in a broad spectrum of industries including e-commerce, telecommunications, aviation, consulting, semiconductors, and defence technology.

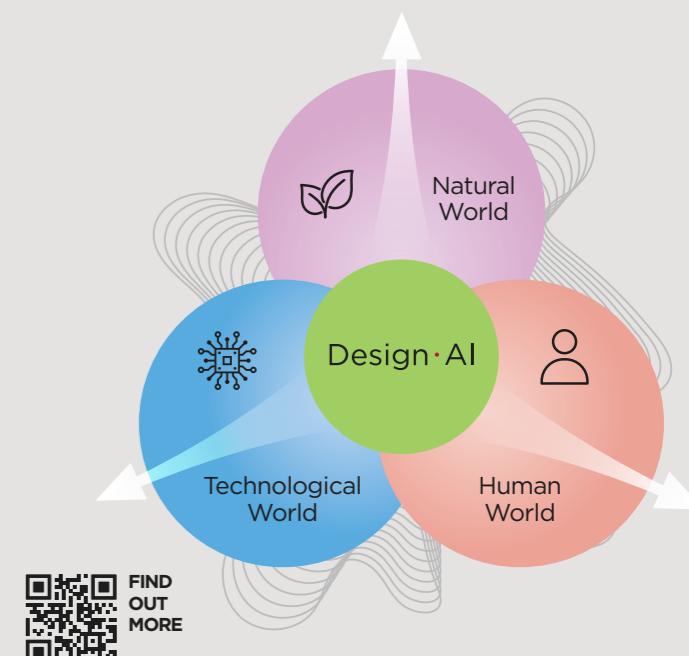
The Design·AI skills they have garnered over the course of their time in SUTD have enabled them to take on roles as diverse as Solutions Architecture, Product Management and Quality Engineering Management.

YOUR FIRST STEP INTO Design·AI

Freshmore—your first three terms—marks the start of every SUTD journey. Our reimaged Freshmore curriculum equips you with the strong foundations and skills to thrive at the world's first Design·AI university.

Courses integrate Design with AI from day one, building both technical depth and human-centred skills to broaden your readiness and strengthen the capabilities you'll need for an excellent career.

**YOU'LL DEEPEN YOUR
UNDERSTANDING OF THE HUMAN,
NATURAL, AND TECHNOLOGICAL
WORLDS, WHILE BUILDING
TRANSDISCIPLINARY FLUENCY IN
Design·AI TO TACKLE COMPLEX
REAL-WORLD CHALLENGES.**



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Across three terms, you will:

- Gain strong foundations in **Science, Mathematics and Technology (SMT)** and **Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences (HASS)**.
- Experience Design·AI **courses** in every term to hone your **Design·AI skills and competencies**.
- **Bring your learning to life with hands-on projects** in every course, where theory turns into action.
- **Choose either the (E) or (S) options of key courses:** the (E) option offers a stronger focus on engineering applications, while the (S) option emphasises social sciences applications —**giving you the flexibility to match your interests**.
- Empower yourself with **interdisciplinary 2D projects each term**, bringing together what you learn from each term's disciplines to tackle real-world challenges.

Our new Freshmore curriculum prepares you not only for your chosen major, but also for life well beyond graduation —shaping you into a human-centred design innovator, ready to connect knowledge across disciplines and design a better future with Design·AI.

SECOND MAJOR IN DESIGN AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (DAI)

SUTD now offers a **Second Major in Design and Artificial Intelligence (DAI)**—giving students the chance to combine their primary discipline with AI and human-centred design. This means you'll not only build strong technical skills but also learn how to use AI responsibly and creatively to solve real-world problems.

Note: Open to students from CSD, EPD and ESD.

With a Second Major in DAI, you will:

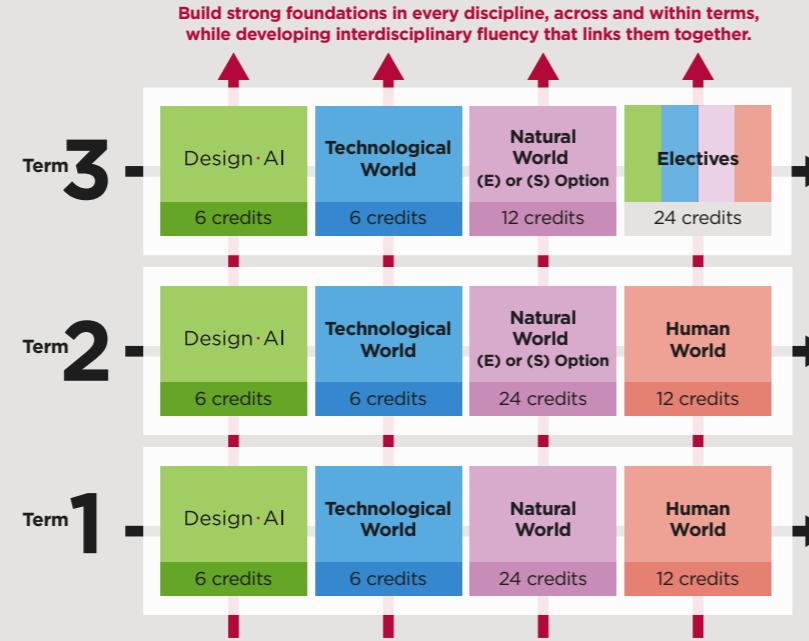
- **Integrate AI and design thinking with your major (CSD, EPD or ESD)** to solve complex, real-world problems.
- **Gain hands-on experience with AI tools and methods** to build smarter systems, streamline processes, and open new possibilities in your field.
- **Develop the mindset to design ethically, think critically, and innovate responsibly** in an AI-driven world.
- **Apply AI and human-centred, design-led approaches to create impactful, efficient AI solutions** that meet user needs and align with ethical standards.

BECOME A THOUGHTFUL INNOVATOR

Unlike standalone AI or computing programmes, the Second Major in DAI is **DOMAIN ADAPTIVE**, enabling students to apply AI and human-centred design in context to amplify the relevance and impact of their primary discipline.



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5 UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

ASD

Architecture and Sustainable Design
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE



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CSD

Computer Science and Design
BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING

DAI

Design and Artificial Intelligence
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

SUPERCHARGED

EPD

Engineering Product Development
BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING

ESD

Engineering Systems and Design
BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING

SCHOLARSHIPS

Outstanding students can be considered for attractive, bond-free scholarships either by SUTD or supported by donors. These scholarships for undergraduates provide opportunities for overseas exposure as well as for the development of leadership skills as a University Ambassador.



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GRADUATE PROGRAMMES**

MASTER'S PROGRAMMES

Master of Engineering

- Master of Engineering (Interdisciplinary)
- SUTD-CGU Dual Masters Programme in Nano-Electronics Engineering and Design

Master of Architecture

Master of Science (Coursework)

- Master of Science in Design and AI for Enterprise
- Master of Science in Security by Design
- Master of Science in Urban Science, Policy and Planning

Master of Science in Technology and Design (Coursework), offered in the following tracks:

- Advanced IC Design and Technology
- AI and Technology in Education (Bilingual Programme: English & Chinese)
- Architectural Design Computation
- Cybersecurity
- Data Science
- HealthTech Innovation
- Human-Centred Design
- IC Design, Failure Analysis and Reliability
- Robotics & Automation
- Sustainable Product Design
- Sustainable Urban Design

PHD PROGRAMMES

- SUTD PhD Programme
- SUTD-NUS Joint PhD Programme
- SUTD Engineering Doctorate (EngD) Programme



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** Programmes offered are subject to change from year to year. Please scan QR code for latest updates.

SUTD ACADEMY (CONTINUING EDUCATION AND TRAINING)

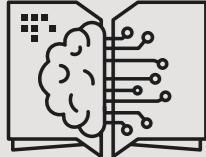
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- Customised Corporate Training Programme
- Executive Programme
- ModularMaster Programme
- Professional Certificate Programme
- Short Courses
- SkillsFuture Career Transition Programme (SCTP)
- Stackable Programme



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WHY SUTD?



The only Design·AI university in the world to offer a truly unconventional, interdisciplinary education.



Redefining innovation with transformative solutions:

 Our drone-derived technologies have been applied in various instances, including viaduct and tree inspection, building and Supertree cleaning, weather-data collection, and even egg-retrieval operations.

THE SUTD DIFFERENCE



SUTD's Design·AI
As the pioneer of design education in Singapore, SUTD has built the strongest foundation in design—and now takes it further with Design·AI. Dive into the full spectrum, from ideation to implementation, where design is seamlessly integrated with AI. This unique, all-encompassing training fuels creativity, sharpens critical thinking, and nurtures innovation to create human-centric solutions in an AI-driven world.



ENGAGE WITH COMPANIES TO SOLVE REAL-WORLD CHALLENGES

Throughout their time with SUTD, undergraduates will have worked on over 20 different design projects spanning diverse, emerging real-world challenges. Our strong industry ties also ensure that all students can look forward to experiences such as consulting with Dyson engineer mentors in the Dyson-SUTD Innovation Studios.



GLOBAL EXPOSURE FOR ALL UNDERGRADUATES

Travel the world through field trips, exchange programmes and internships.



THEORIES BROUGHT TO LIFE

Learn through interactive, hands-on classroom experiences—from simulations and live demos to designettes and more. Bring your ideas to life at the SUTD Fabrication Lab and the new DAI Fab Lab, a dedicated facility for students and faculty to explore, experiment and shape the future of innovation.



Mustango:
First-of-its-kind AI model that generates music from text prompts.



11:1 STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO

Enjoy small classroom sizes for more effective, collaborative learning.



DIVERSE PERSPECTIVES

Embrace diversity with a cohort that is approximately 40% female.

AN INTERDISCIPLINARY EDUCATION FOR A NEW AI FUTURE

SUTD is the only university in the world where Design·AI is seamlessly woven into every discipline and every stage of learning. Whether in architecture, engineering, computing, or product innovation, Design and AI are never taught in isolation—they are integrated with humanities, arts, and social sciences to provide both technical mastery and human-centred perspective.

In our classrooms, labs, and industry partnerships, Design·AI comes alive in team-based settings—not one-human-one-AI, but many humans and many AIs collaborating on real-world challenges. Students, researchers, and partners work side by side to discover problems, design and prototype solutions, test with users, and refine through feedback until they are robust, ethical, and impactful.

This hands-on pedagogy turns theory into practice and equips our community with the creativity, systems thinking, and ethical awareness to harness AI wisely and innovate responsibly. The outcome is a new generation of human-centric design innovators who are adaptable, entrepreneurial, and ready to co-create a future that is sustainable, ethical and transformative.

DIVE—WHAT CLASSROOMS CAN'T TEACH

DESIGN INNOVATION & VENTURE EXPLORATION (DIVE)

Some of the most important traits can't be taught in classrooms. There's no exam on how to take risks, lead a team, or act on your values.

At SUTD, DIVE takes you into the real world:

- **Global Immersion**—broaden your worldview, connect with global changemakers, and spark bold ideas that push boundaries.
- **Special Grants and Mentorship**—access initiatives such as the Baby Shark Fund and other innovation grants that provide mentorship, resources, and support to help you turn bold ideas and prototypes into real-world ventures, no matter how small.
- **Overseas Innovation Internships**—build a venture mindset by taking risks and navigating uncertainty.

With **DIVE**, you don't just study innovation — you live it. You graduate with the mindset, values, and a portfolio of proof that you can deliver what matters.

DO YOU KNOW THAT SUTD STUDENTS OF DIFFERENT MAJORS WORK TOGETHER ON THEIR CAPSTONE PROJECTS TO DESIGN INTERDISCIPLINARY SOLUTIONS FOR OUR INDUSTRY PARTNERS?

CHECK OUT SOME OF OUR CAPSTONE PROJECTS:



Seaforms:
A sea city built out of modular, self-sustainable floating platforms to tackle land scarcity and rising sea levels.



Ulimage:
An AI-powered website builder that enables anyone to create a fully functional site in minutes—just describe it in plain English, no coding needed.



EmpathIQ:
An AI-powered, web-based communication coach that trains medical students through a virtual patient simulator, providing real-time, personalised feedback on tone, expressions, and conversational skills.

PREPARE TO TAKE ON THE WORLD

KICK-START YOUR CAREER JOURNEY

AT SUTD, you'll complete at least one internship with our extensive network of over 1,400 industry partners. We achieved strong graduate employment results despite uncertainties in the global economy.

\$4,900

Median gross monthly salary.
Highest starting salary across surveyed local public universities.

1 in 3

received job offers from their internships.

>1 in 3

received two or more job offers.



Discover our latest Graduate Employment Results.

NURTURING "DESIGN INNOVATORS" WITH UNIQUE SKILLS

What our students are trained to be:



Human-Centred Design Innovators



Global & Systems Thinkers



Makers (of anything)

THE SUTD ENTREPRENEURIAL DNA

Fuelled by the power of innovation and Design·AI, SUTD has nurtured a vibrant entrepreneurial culture, with more than 80 start-ups founded by our students and alumni. Discover some of them here.



BIFROST

The data platform for robotics.



ROLO ROBOTICS

Reimagining kitchens, powered by robotics and AI.



AIDX TECH

Delivering a fully automated platform for AI safety, reliability & compliance testing.



STICK'EM

Bringing quality STEAM education to every child.

- Global Champion of the 2025 Hult Prize
- Adam Huh Dam (Co-Founder), 2025 Forbes 30 Under 30 Asia



Learn about our SUTD faculty, alumni and students featured in Forbes 30 under 30 Asia Class of 2023.

CORNERSTONES OF THE SUTD EXPERIENCE

LEVERAGING THE WORLD AS YOUR CLASSROOM

Build a global perspective with opportunities to travel the world through exchange programmes, overseas innovation trips, summer and winter programmes, research programmes, internships and more.

ALL STUDENTS++

will have opportunities for global exposure and immersion.

78

partner universities

in 25 countries.

> 360

student exchange opportunities

in 25 countries.

> 30

summer and winter programmes.

DIVE GLOBAL IMMERSION

Overseas Innovation Trips

** Includes trips, internships and collaborations with international companies.



WORLD-CLASS FACULTY TOP 2%

One in four of SUTD's faculty are ranked among the top 2% of the world's best scientists*, so you'll be learning and working alongside some of the best in the world!

**Source: Database released by Stanford University and Elsevier BV that identifies the world's top scientists across 22 scientific fields and 174 sub-fields.

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

Besides working on industry projects during class, you'll also have the chance to be part of groundbreaking research.



All undergraduates get to do research right from Day One, with ready access to funding and faculty mentors.



90 tenure-track faculty, 387 researchers, and 587 PhD and Masters students.



Over \$717 million external research funding secured since 2010.



544 technology disclosures, 307 patents filed, and 51 patents granted.



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