



Temasek Polytechnic is one of Singapore's leading institutes of higher learning. Established in 1990, the institute has more than 15,000 students and offers 46 full-time diploma courses, ranging from business to engineering and applied sciences.

As part of its diploma in Accounting & Finance, Temasek Polytechnic trains its students to use the Sage 300 enterprise management solution, which helps teach them the practical skills they'll need once they join the workforce.

## Making learning simple with an easy to use solution

So why does Temasek Polytechnic use Sage 300 to educate its students? Joanna Tan, Senior Lecturer at Temasek Polytechnic, says one of the main reasons is because Sage 300 is easy to use.

"Most of our students come in fresh from secondary school, so using software like Sage 300 is brand new for them. Sage 300 provides an easy learning interface because it's user friendly and a simple way of doing things," says Joanna.

"Sage 300 is so straightforward that our students can use it by themselves. We provide a manual for them to follow so they can, for instance, generate journal entries, an income statement or a balance sheet," she says.

"If we used one of the other software solutions there would be so many different things we'd have to teach them before they even got started. But with Sage 300, they just dive right in," says Joanna.

Company

**Temasek Polytechnic** 

Location

Singapore

Industry

**Education** 

System Sage 300

Partner

**Stone Forest IT** 

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#### **About Sage**

Sage (FTSE: SGE) is the global market leader for technology that helps businesses of all sizes manage everything from money to people – whether they're a start-up, scale-up or enterprise. We do this through Sage Business Cloud - the one and only business management solution that customers will ever need, comprising Accounting, Financials, Enterprise Management, People & Payroll and Payments & Banking.

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### Preparing students for the workforce with Sage 300

Temasek Polytechnic endeavours to give its students the technical skills to work in the accounting field, and much more.

"We teach our students how Sage 300 is set up, how to key in entries, how reports are done, and by doing this they get a flavour of what it's like to work in an accounting environment. It's not just about teaching students the technical skills, it's also life skills we want to equip them with," says Joanna.

"We know we're not only raising a generation of able workers, but also ethical workers. And it's people with integrity that will make a very big difference in the future," she says.

So what do Temasek Polytechnic students think about using Sage 300?

"I can tell you that many students come back after they've done their internships and tell us 'we're thankful you made us work with Sage 300, because now we know exactly what we need to do at work.' We're really thankful we have support from Sage and that there's a system that's simple to use and meets our needs for teaching," says Joanna.

And of the technical support provided by Sage partner StoneForest IT, Joanna says:

"Anytime we're stuck with something we contact them. They've been wonderful partners in this whole learning journey because they've always supported us regardless of whatever questions we might have," says Joanna.

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