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SINGAPORE – The Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT) has sealed its first partnership with an overseas institution, following the announcement last month that it is set to become a local university offering publicly funded degree programmes.

As part of its drive to help Singapore become a global city for creative excellence, it is working with the Glasgow School of Art to offer two new Bachelor of Arts degrees in communication design and interior design.

Applicants must have background or experience in design. This applies mainly to applicants who have completed their studies in polytechnics or have worked in the industry.

Unlike their counterparts in Glasgow who have to start in Year 1, students will start from the third year and graduate with honours after two years.

Mr Frazer Hay, who is the Programme Director of the Glasgow School of Art Singapore, said the partnership will help Singapore become a global city for creative excellence. "It's just as important for Glasgow as it is for Singapore for the cross-fertilisation of ideas for design creativity," he said.

Undergraduates will also spend time in Glasgow to exchange ideas and concepts.

Currently, about 100 undergraduates are pursuing the new degrees. The SIT hopes to double this number by 2015. **GERARD LIM**



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