

INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE GUIDE FOR STUDENTS

NAIHE Singapore

What is the Industrial Experience (IE) requirement for NAIHE Engineering & Construction Management students?

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Students can complete one single IE or several IE, totaling the required number of weeks.

Please see below requirements for the IE component of the degree programs at NAIHE. Please refer to the compulsory program requirements as outlined in the program handbooks.

Degree - NAIHE Singapore	
Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering (Hons) (Singapore)	12 weeks (60 days)
Bachelor of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (Hons) (Singapore)	12 weeks (60 days)
Bachelor of Civil Engineering (Hons) (Singapore)	16 weeks (80 days)
Bachelor of Construction Management (Building) (Hons) (Singapore)	16 weeks (80 days)

For accreditation purposes, Engineering (Honours) students must complete a minimum of 6 weeks (as part of the total 12 week requirement) working in an organisation conducting professional engineering work, under supervision of a qualified, practising professional.

IE can be paid or unpaid. If unpaid, students cannot work more than 12 weeks (60 days) – Mechanical & Electrical Engineering and 16 weeks (80 days) Civil Engineering & Construction Management.

Can prior work experience count toward the IE requirement?

Yes, if the work experience:

- Is recent (generally within 18 months).
- Is relevant to the IE requirements (and supervised by a practising professional).

Approval of prior Industrial Experience is at the discretion of the relevant IE Coordinator. Please contact CESE-PEU@newcastle.edu.au for further information.

If approved to count prior IE, you must still submit an IE Report to finalise your IE.

This will also include a “Confirmation of Industrial Experience” form from your supervisor.

What can count towards IE

Students must source their own IE. The University [Careers Service](#) can assist with resume and interview preparation.

Students can complete:

Industry placement/employment – submit NAIHE *IE Application* and *Confirmation of Industrial Experience* forms in SONIA (refer SONIA Guide below)

Overseas Industrial Experience – If you would like to complete IE outside of Singapore, you MUST contact CESE-PEU@newcastle.edu.au **PRIOR** to organising overseas IE.

Engineers Australia (EA) Virtual Work Experience Modules. Students can receive **1 day of IE** for completion of the virtual work experience relevant to their discipline (an EA certificate will be issued upon completion)

Practera online Industrial Experience programs – can count towards 1 week (5 days) non-engineering Industrial Experience (a Certificate of Completion will be provided by Practera upon completion of the program and must be uploaded to your IE Report).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Non-Singaporean International Students

BCA Non-Singaporean International Students

B. Civil Engineering (Hons.) / B. Construction Management (Hons.)

For non-Singaporean international students holding a student's pass under the BCE/BCM programs above, they require a Letter of Consent (LOC) from the Ministry of Manpower (MOM) to do I.E. Starting I.E. without the LOC is considered illegal.

BCA Academy needs to clear students' job scopes, and students need to send the necessary details to BCA Academy before any LOC is applied. More information will be given during the I.E. briefing conducted by BCA Academy.

PSB Non-Singaporean International Students

B. Electrical & Electronic Engineering (Hons.) / B. Mechanical Engineering (Hons.)

For non-Singaporean international students, a Training.Employment.Pass.(TEP) is required to work in Singapore. Students are NOT allowed to work if they hold a Student Pass. If a student wishes to do and complete IE in Singapore, the company must apply for a TEP for the student. The TEP approval process will usually take about 3-4 weeks. Your student pass will be cancelled once you get your TEP.

Please note – there is no 100% guarantee that your TEP application will be successful even if you have satisfied all the eligibility criteria.

If you are an international student in Singapore, please take note of the following:

The **sample** list of **acceptable** institutions is found in [MOM public domain website](#) :

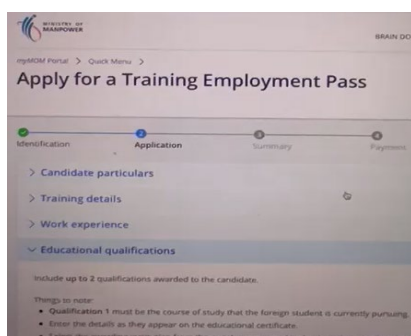
Please inform your company HR department that our institution, University of Newcastle, Australia, is NOT found in the sample list of acceptable institutions.

But, *that does not mean that you are not eligible to apply for Training Employment Pass (TEP).*

The **full** list of **approved** institutions can be found in MOM TEP online application form under the awarding institution in the educational qualifications section.

Please inform your company HR to follow the steps below to apply TEP for you.

1. Go to the [MOM portal](#)
2. Your Company HR department will need to login with their corporate pass.
3. Complete the different sections starting with Candidate particulars, Training details, Work Experience and Educational qualifications as shown below.
- 4.

The image is a screenshot of the MOM portal's 'Apply for a Training Employment Pass' form. At the top, there's a header with the MOM logo and 'BRAND NEW' text. Below the header, the title 'Apply for a Training Employment Pass' is displayed. A progress bar shows four steps: Identification, Application (current step), Summary, and Payment. Under the 'Application' step, there are four expandable sections: 'Candidate particulars', 'Training details', 'Work experience', and 'Educational qualifications'. The 'Educational qualifications' section is expanded, showing instructions to include up to 2 qualifications awarded to the candidate. Below this, there are 'Things to note' bullet points: 'Qualification 1 must be the course of study that the foreign student is currently pursuing', 'Enter the details as they appear on the educational certificate', and 'Select the awarding institution from the matches suggested in the drop-down list whenever possible'.

5. In the Educational qualifications section, under Qualification 1 → Awarding institution, type in “The University of Newcastle” in the arrowhead shown below and our institution, The University of Newcastle, Australia will show up in the taskbar and click on it.

Include up to 2 qualifications awarded to the candidate.

Things to note:

- Qualification 1 must be the course of study that the foreign student is currently pursuing.
- Enter the details as they appear on the educational certificate.
- Select the awarding institution from the matches suggested in the drop-down list whenever possible. Otherwise, you must upload verification proof to confirm that the qualification is genuine and was awarded by an accredited institution.
- For non-English documents, please upload the original document with an English translated copy. The translation can be done by a translation service provider.
- This application will be rejected if any of the qualifications are doubtful or from an institution that is unaccredited or not recognised by its country's education authorities.
- To avoid a longer processing time or rejection of the application, ensure that information and documents submitted are accurate and complete.

Qualification 1

Awarding institution ⓘ

Start typing to search...

⬆ Add another qualification

Continue

6. Complete the remaining fields in that section:

Qualification → Bachelor's Degree

Faculty → Engineering

Did the candidate attend classes on campus? → Yes

Is the campus in Australia? → No

Mode of study → Full time

The completed section is shown below.

Qualification 1

Awarding institution ⓘ

The University Of Newcastle

Country/Region of awarding institution

Australia

Qualification ⓘ

Bachelor's Degree

Faculty

Engineering

Did the candidate attend classes on campus?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Is the campus in Australia?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Mode of study

☒ Full-time ☐ Part-time

7. Complete the other sections in the TEP application which is self-explanatory.

Processes in SONIA

How is Industrial Experience documented?

IE is managed in the SONIA placement system, which includes digital forms for students, organisations, and IE Coordinators.

Steps:

1. Industrial Experience Application form

- Student submits a NAIHE *IE Application Form* in SONIA **PRIOR to commencement** of IE. This is particularly important for unpaid IE for insurance purposes. If you are using prior experience for your IE, you do not need to submit an IE Application Form – please complete steps 2 & 3.
- The application is assessed for suitability and sent to the organisation for confirmation then to the IE Coordinator for final approval before the student commences.

2. Confirmation of Industrial Experience form

- The student will submit this digital form in SONIA after completing their IE. The organisation supervisor will also complete this form, verify and approve that the student has completed the stated IE hours. Students must save a PDF of the form after completion by the organisation supervisor and upload it to their IE Report. This form is used in place of employer letters of confirmation.
- For multiple placements, the student will submit individual forms for each placement.

3. Industrial Experience Report

- The student will submit one IE Report detailing all completed IE (60/80 days total as applicable). The student uploads PDFs of their completion forms to their report.
- If the organisation no longer exists or the supervisor is unavailable, the student should contact CESE-PEU@newcastle.edu.au

All students must submit an IE Report in SONIA for review and approval by the IE Coordinator to finalise their IE. This includes students who are approved to count prior IE towards the IE requirement.

CONTACT FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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