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> A hybrid degree in Business Computing & Information Technology from a prestigious university in the UK

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28 Sep 2005, Singapore - Informatics, a provider of quality lifelong learning services has been offering IT- Plus degree programme for more than ten years. IT-plus is the hybrid courses that will equip graduates to move smoothly into their chosen fields.

'Many employers prefer to recruit those who are specifically trained for their industry. For example, OCBC Bank, which has 400 IT professionals on its staff, is keen to have people with technical IT skills as well as knowledge of the financial industry, said group corporate communications chief Koh Ching Ching. All things being equal, employers would prefer the worker who comes with extra knowledge.'

[Source: Article on 'IT –Plus' courses a hit with students from Straits Times]

"The Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Business Computing & Information Technology validated by a prestigious university in the UK – University of Wales is an IT-Plus programme. This programme combines both business and technical knowledge that is required for graduates to handle any jobs that are IT related." Said Mr. Lawrence Wee – Vice President of Global Higher Education and PurpleTrain.com, Informatics Holdings Ltd.

This programme is validated by the University of Wales which leads to the award of a degree issued by the University of Wales. This degree shall be governed by the regulations for the award of a higher degree from the University of Wales.

The University of Wales derives its rights and privileges from Royal Charter by the Act of Parliament. It is also a member of Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU). Membership of the ACU is the recognition criteria accepted worldwide.

"I'm proud to be a student from one of the top universities in the UK... " Said one of our graduate from the University of Wales, Chang Thai Choon.

"... I am proud to be associated with a reputable university." Added Christina Lee Sooi Kuan, a graduate from the University of Wales.

Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Business Computing & Information Technology

This degree programme provides students with a firm theoretical and practical background in computers for optimum proficiency in both information systems and information technology.



"I started out in the working world without much confidence but after been through this programme - Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Business Computing & Information Technology, which earns me a higher qualification, it provides me with wider knowledge, to prepare myself better for future endeavor in my career. This programme has equipped me with the management as well as technical skill sets, which are very much required in my current profession as an IT support." *Ho See Ping, Andy - Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Business Computing & Information Technology awarded by the University of Wales.*

In this programme, students are expected to complete 3 modules [possible exemptions will be subject to approval] in Stage 1 before proceeding to Stage 2 where they are expected to complete 6 examinable modules and a project.

Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Business Computing & Information Technology validated by the University of Wales (UK)

Specialised Subjects (Stage 2)
 IT366 Network & Communication
 IT322 Software Engineering and Management
 IT323 Knowledge Base Systems (On Campus)
 IT319 Information Systems Management
 IT368 Advanced Database
 IT367 Electronic Commerce
 PJ330 Project

Common Subjects (Stage 1)
 BS307 Business Information Systems
 BS308 Business Research Methodology
 IT309 System Development & Implementation

Entry Requirements

The following qualifications will be allowed entry into the University of Wales BSc (Hons) Business Computing and Information Technology.

Advanced Diploma in Info-Comm Technology (ADICT)
Advanced Diploma in Computer Studies (ADCS)
Higher International Diploma from National Computing Centre (NCC), UK*
British Computer Society Part 1 by examinations*
BTEC Higher National Diploma (HND) in Computer Studies*
Advanced Diploma in E-Commerce from NCC (ADEC)
Advanced Diploma in Computing (ADIC)
Advanced Diploma in Information Technology (ADIT)
Tertiary qualification in non-IT fields

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About University of Wales

Established in 1893, the University of Wales is a federal University comprising the following Constituent Institutions and University Colleges, whose academic activities exist to support and for which it is the degree awarding authority:

- University of Wales, Aberystwyth
- University of Wales, Bangor
- University of Wales, Swansea
- University of Wales, Lampeter
- University of Wales Institute, Cardiff
- University of Wales College, Newport
- North-East Wales Institute
- Swansea Institute of Higher Education
- Trinity College Carmarthen
- Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama

The University also enjoys close links with other higher education institutions in Wales and with a number of institutions overseas. The University has nearly 80,000 students registered on courses within Wales and overseas.

The University is a major national institution, committed not only to the educational and economic needs of Wales, but also to its international role and to enhancing its standing across the UK and overseas.

Please visit the official site at www.wales.ac.uk

About PurpleTrain.com

PurpleTrain.com, the global e-Learning provider, started out as Asia's first e-Learning provider in 1999. It is the largest e-Learning provider outside the United States, with over 72,000 e-users, and offers Business, IT education and Health Sciences programmes, corporate training courses and education-related services.

PurpleTrain.com firmly supports continuous lifelong learning and provides students from all over the world with access to internationally renowned courses anytime, anywhere with minimal disruptions to their work and other obligations, and without having to leave home.

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About Informatics Group

The Informatics Group, listed on the mainboard of the Stock Exchange of Singapore, was established in 1983, and is a multinational corporation providing lifelong learning services in information technology and



business management. Informatics presently has a global network spanning more than 50 countries, offering programmes from O/A Levels (for international students) to undergraduate and postgraduate degree completions. The Company has won many awards including the Singapore Brand Awards 2002 and 2003, the Singapore Quality Class for Private Education Organisations (SQC for PEO) as well as the People Developer Standards Award. For more information, please visit <http://www.informaticsgroup.com>.

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