Ms Cherry Goh learns a lot from course mates and faculty at NAA

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MS CHERRY Goh’s (right) dream to start her own business propelled her to complete a diploma in business studies.

The 20-year-old took one more step to fulfilling her dream by enrolling in a degree programme that will give her greater exposure and knowledge in this field.

Ms Goh is pursuing a full-time Bachelor of Commerce with a specialisation in International Business programme at the Ngee Ann-Adeleia Education Centre (NAA) last year, and expects to graduate next year.

NAA is a joint venture partnership between the Ngee Ann Kongsi and the University of Adelaide, offering a slew of undergraduate and postgraduate degrees.

She says: “In Singapore, especially, I feel that a degree is essential as it will help open doors to better job opportunities. With added knowledge attained from a degree, I can apply them to my work and improve many aspects of my career or job scope.”

The lecturers on her programme include faculty who fly in from the University of Adelaide, which is part of the reputable Group of Eight that is made up of Australia’s top research-intensive universities.

“The lecturers bring with them in-depth experience in the topics covered, and they are fun, interactive, engaging and knowledgeable,” she says.

Many of her classmates have done business programmes at the local polytechnics, which gives her the opportunity to learn more from them when working on projects.

Ms Goh is able to tailor the programme to her needs as there is flexibility in the choices of modules. Because of her prior diploma, she gets exemption from certain modules and can complete her degree in a shorter duration.

She says the programme is ideal for those who want a faster track to get a degree. Students can also experience and benefit from the global network such as the summer and winter school programmes at the Adelaide campus or study exchanges in more than 140 globally reputable universities which the University of Adelaide has tie-ups with.

Ms Goh urges those who wish to pursue further studies to do ample research and attend course previews to learn more about the programmes offered and to get a feel of the school environment and facilities.