Math, econs, all in for NTU

MATH whizzes keen to tackle real-life economic problems can now sign up for a new degree in the Nanyang Technological University (NTU).

A four-year direct honours programme, the new Bachelor of Science degree combining mathematics and economics — two usually separate disciplines — is modelled after courses offered by London School of Economics and will commence in August.

With business and policy decisions increasingly based on mathematical models, NTU said this course will enable graduates to apply their economic knowledge and mathematical skills to economic models and financial phenomena for forecasting and decision-making.

NTU plans to offer an initial 25 places, open only to students who have applied to NTU for admission in the 2006/2007 academic year. Returning NSmen who have been offered a place in NTU are also eligible. Applications are open until May 21.

On May 13, there will be a special admissions seminar at 10.30am at NTU.

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