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Trading Technologies International, Inc. (TT) and the Singapore Management University today announced that TT's X\_TRADER® software is now being used in the university's Master of Science in quantitative finance program within the market micro-structure course curriculum.

The Singapore Management University joined TT's University Program in 2011 and has progressively incorporated TT's software within its coursework. X\_TRADER is already being used in the Quantitative Trading Strategies class, which is a requirement for students pursuing a Bachelor of Business Management degree in quantitative finance.

"Our faculty is delighted to have Trading Technologies software available to incorporate into our curriculum. Students are even more excited about the possibilities for developing and testing trading algorithms on this platform," stated Professor Christopher Ting, academic director for the Master of Science degree in quantitative finance at the Singapore Management University.

X\_TRADER was donated through TT's University Program. The University Program equips schools with software, and universities in turn apply it to their curriculum as they see fit. Universities benefit from TT's innovation while TT benefits from their feedback and application. The program currently includes more than 55 universities in 10 countries throughout North America, Europe, the Middle East and Asia.

"It's very exciting to have Singapore Management University, which has a strong reputation for excellence in research and teaching, utilizing our software in their curriculum. Our collaboration creates tremendous learning opportunities and helps prepare the next generation of financial professionals for the marketplace. We are glad to be further strengthening our relationship with SMU," said Leo Murphy, TT's University Program manager.

Through its University Program, TT works with undergraduate and graduate educators in business, financial engineering, math and computer science programs to prepare students for careers in finance and the futures markets. Universities incorporate X\_TRADER and its components in coursework and on-campus trading labs, allowing students to learn about and experience trading in a simulated environment using the same tools and market data as the industry's leading professionals. TT staff also guest lecture at partner schools and occasionally host classes at TT's offices.