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BESIDES Dubai and Singapore, students of two international campuses of SP Jain Centres of Management will now get an opportunity to visit Toronto, Canada.

SP Jain has recently tied up with Schulich School of Business, one of the top business schools of Canada. Students will get to spend 10 weeks in the Toronto-based business school, which is a part of York University.

This will be part of SP Jain's one-year residential Global MBA programme conducted jointly between Dubai and Sin-

gapore campuses of the institution.

In each of the three cities, students learn local business practices, regulations and culture. The programme also boasts of an international faculty team.

Last year SP Jain Dubai and Singapore had 381 faculty members from around 18 countries, informed Professor Christopher Abraham, senior vice president, business development, SP Jain.

For the Toronto visit, 60 students will be chosen out of 250 from the Global MBA programme. According to Professor Christopher Abraham, the tie up would enable students to do an industry project in Toronto.

Nitish Jain, president, SP Jain

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said, "What sets SP Jain apart from other reputed business schools in the country is that while the traditional universities operate multiple programmes from a single campus, SP Jain conducts the MBA programme from its different campuses. A lot of students opt for SP Jain over other elite business schools because we offer a unique kind

of global orientation to them."

Commenting on the success of the Schulich Business School, Dezso Horvath, dean, Schulich School of Business said that business schools need to have a diverse student population and an ability to see where the world would head in the future.

The fees for the Toronto programme would be not more than US \$3000, informed Jain. On the effect of the US financial crisis on B-school placements Jain opined that the recent US financial meltdown would not have much impact on B-school placements. Unlike other top B-schools, SP Jain did not have Lehman Brothers as one of the recruiters on its campus. How-

ever, Jain said that many of SP Jain alumni were working in Lehman Brothers. "It is too early to comment on what impact it would have on the upcoming placement sessions. There will be uncertainty but after the initial knee jerk reaction, life will go on." Horvath felt that even as the markets collapsed in the US, financial institutions in Canada did 'very well.' He said, "It would certainly have an adverse impact on the salaries. We have provided placements for around 1000 students every year. It will be tough in such a scenario. However, other options (apart from investment banking) exist. But we haven't seen the end (of this crisis) yet."