The Singapore Institute of Management (SIM) wants its students to work and also play hard.

While the first phase of expansion has added lecture theatres and computer labs, the next phase will yield facilities such as a performing arts theatre, multi-purpose sports hall and rooftop tennis courts.

The goodies in the second phase — slated for completion in 2014 — were announced yesterday by Mr Gerard Ee, chairman of the SIM governing council, at the official opening of an annex building.

The latter marks the end of the first phase of expansion which started in 2008. Both phases, which cost $300 million in all, will double the campus size, with an additional 63,000 sq m.

President Tony Tan Keng Yam, patron of the privately run SIM, graced the event yesterday.

He said the growth "bear[s] testimony to the institution's success in meeting Singapore's growing demand for professionals, managers and executives".

President Tan said the expansion plan, first announced in 2009, was hatched mainly to meet rising enrolment.

The Clementi campus, which is SIM's headquarters, had an enrolment of more than 14,000 in 2001 when it moved in. The number has since grown to more than 31,500.

SIM has two other facilities, in Namly Avenue and Ulu Pandan.

The expanded campus will cater to the growing needs of SIM which has three educational brands — SIM University, SIM Global Education and SIM Professional Development.

SIM University alone has an enrolment of more than 12,000, a number which is expected to grow to 14,000 by 2015.

Apart from more lecture theatres, seminar rooms and computer labs, the new annex building has a student hub for social, sporting and artistic activities, student lounges and study areas.

Mr Ee said the upcoming facilities, such as the performing arts theatre which can seat 500 people, will pave the way for a more holistic education.

"By providing them with a place to perform and participate in sports, we are acknowledging the talents that they have and we hope that they will become more well-rounded," he added.

He noted that the arts play a big part in a person's development as they help him to express himself better.

SIM has more than 70 student clubs and councils which will benefit from the new facilities.

Mr Ee said people with greater social skills will have an advantage in the workplace, and with more facilities being added to encourage interaction, students can hone these attributes.

"The full university experience is not just about studying and passing examinations. Those who are able to articulate and express themselves will advance faster in the workplace," he said.