FOUNDATION IN SCIENCE

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ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

The International Medical University (IMU) is Malaysia’s first and most established private medical and health sciences university with over 26 years of dedicated focus in healthcare education. The University is the first university in Malaysia that offers conventional and complementary medicine, all under one roof.

Established in 1992, the University enjoys an international reputation, and provides a high standard of education at pre-university, undergraduate, postgraduate and continuing professional development level. Its undergraduate programmes consist of both local tracks (IMU degree), as well as international partner tracks (partner university degree).

IMU pioneered the world’s first Partner Medical School programme, allowing a student to start their education in Malaysia while completing and earning a degree at an international university. Over the last 26 years, IMU has grown from a medical college with 5 partner universities in 1992, to an internationally recognised higher education institution with more than 30 world class university partners in Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Ireland, China and UK. Through this collaboration, IMU has provided the opportunity for more than 3,500 students to complete their degrees at these prestigious universities.

The main campus of IMU is located in Bukit Jalil, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Since 1999, IMU has established clinical campuses in Seremban and Kuala Pilah (Negeri Sembilan, Malaysia) as well as Batu Pahat and Kluang (Johor, Malaysia). Currently, the University has over 3,800 students across its various programmes, with about 3,410 students based at Bukit Jalil, while another 390 at the Clinical campuses. IMU also plays host to over 430 international students representing 43 countries worldwide.

IMU’s Learning Model is grounded on its core values, which fosters students’ development into knowledgeable and competent healthcare professionals who are critical thinkers, reflective and yet proactive. The aim is to create healthcare graduates that are committed to lifelong learning and imbued with a sense of good citizenship, leadership and ethical behaviour. In its continual quest for academic excellence, moving into research was a natural progression with medical and healthcare-related research, as well as medical education being areas of key focus.

Today IMU is an integrated medical and healthcare institution, offering education, healthcare and research in partnership with some of the world’s most respected individuals and universities in the field of medicine and healthcare.
The IMU Foundation in Science gives students a proper grounding for a science-related degree, especially in the areas of medicine and health sciences.

The curriculum is designed to stimulate critical thinking and build a life-long love for science via interactive workshops, seminars, experiments or lectures by visiting professors from IMU’s renowned partner universities.

Students will not only learn the fundamental scientific principles and skill sets, but they will also be motivated to explore their interests in a particular field of science to help them choose the pathway leading to their career choice.
A warm welcome to IMU.

The IMU Foundation in Science programme is a 1-year, broad based, A-level equivalent pre-university course that provides students with the most direct academic pathway to their intended undergraduate programme. The University has a rather diverse student community, with international students coming from more than 26 countries worldwide.

Malaysian Culture and Cost of Living
Speaking personally as one of many international faculty in IMU, I came to Malaysia over seven years ago from my home country, Ireland, with relatively little knowledge of the country. The multicultural people of Malaysia are very welcoming, helpful and enjoy a great social life centred around their excellent and inexpensive food. Prospective students will be extensively briefed in this regard and have “buddies” from the existing IMU International students from their country with whom they can liaise in advance and meet informally on arrival for relevant advice.

IMU’s Global Reputation
One of the primary reasons students chose IMU is its excellent academic quality that is endorsed by more than 25 prestigious partner universities in the UK, Ireland, Canada, New Zealand, Australia and China. This global reputation gives graduating IMU alumni an advantage when seeking employment both locally and internationally. Furthermore, the FIS programme provides students with key educational metrics that prepare them well for success in the undergraduate programmes. FIS students have also applied for direct entry into certain undergraduate programmes in Indonesia, Australia, UK, USA and Ireland. There is also a formal agreement with our partner university NUI-Galway, in Ireland, to accept FIS students directly onto selected undergraduate in their Science faculty.

Quality Teaching
The FIS lecturers are selected to teach and mentor in a style that can quickly convert students thinking from school based teaching to university oriented self-directed life-long learning. The lecturers are approachable and provide academic and moral support to all students.

English as the Teaching Medium
In addition to the O-level English, IELTS, TOEFL or other relevant English language requirement for enrolling into the University, the FIS curriculum contains a broad range of core non-science modules that teach students the importance of all aspects of professional communication.

MESSAGE FROM
HEAD OF CENTRE FOR PRE-UNIVERSITY STUDIES

Dr Edward James Walsh
Head of Centre for Pre-University Studies

Student Experience that is Beyond Expectation
IMU – FIS is equipped with an extensive academic and personal mentoring system, provided by the FIS staff, and supported by the universities counselling and clinical facilities and FIS “buddies”, some of whom may already have completed FIS and are progressing through one of our undergraduate programmes.

Diverse Social Environment at IMU
The social environment in IMU and Malaysia is best encapsulated in the testimonies of your potential peers and we encourage all students engage in a broad based work-life balance while respecting the multicultural population of IMU students and staff and the country as a whole.

We hope to see you soon in culturally diverse IMU!
A PARTNER OF THE WORLD’S PRESTIGIOUS UNIVERSITIES

AUSTRALIA

CANADA

CHINA

IRELAND

NEW ZEALAND

UNITED KINGDOM

International students from 22 countries
Melek Sidi Ben Ali  Algeria
I must say that nothing comes easy when you move from your hometown to a new country. At first, everything seems hard, missing family more than ever. But wait till you start the first week in IMU, it will be a week of meeting lecturers and classmates as well as establishing new friendships. That is not all, IMU has a great mentor-mentee system, where you are assigned a mentor that will guide you in your pre-university journey. Aside from that, students can reach out to the counsellors from the Self Development and Counselling Unit for support.

Layan Abdulilah Alrazihi  Saudi Arabia
So why choose IMU when we have plenty of Medical universities and colleges in Saudi? I chose IMU because the University take in students with strong academic results into its FIS programme and subsequently these students went on to transfer to prestigious partner universities worldwide. On top of that, IMU provides assistance to international students and makes them feel welcome while they are in Malaysia!

Dania Babikir  Sudan
I know how intimidating it can be to be ‘the odd one out’. Fear not, you aren’t alone! IMU has what we call a "mentor-mentee" system, which helps you tackle your issues upon moving. The environment is very inclusive and friendly, as IMU celebrates multiple cultures and has clubs for international students too! You'll fit right in.

Mohamed Azeem  Singapore
IMU is an academic institution with heavy emphasis on student welfare. With understanding lecturers and friendly students, settling into the IMU community is a breeze. And of course, if you want to surprise your parents over the weekend, you could always take a bus back to Singapore.

Ann Vanessa  Brunei
As an international student myself, it was quite difficult for me to adjust to Malaysia's lifestyle but with all the help and support I received from my peers, I have come to adapt into this new environment and I have become fond of it. It can be very overwhelming to leave your hometown and move in somewhere else but that's where we come in to help. IMU is one of the many universities which provide a mentor-mentee system that is very trustworthy. This system can also help you adapt into the new environment more quickly.
STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

Alya Ali Maldives
The resources and services at IMU makes your everyday life extremely convenient. The wide range of choices for food at the cafeteria, the library, the E-labs and the convenient store located at IMU have made the lives of students very easy going. There are many options for accommodation within walking distance to IMU. Above all that the environment here is very safe.

Inarah Audi Singapore
IMU is one of the universities that genuinely cares for the well-being of their students and I can assure you that they will try their best to make you feel comfortable. The environment in IMU is amazing, with its mentor-mentee system, the kindest lecturers and some of the friendliest students you will ever meet.

Zaw Eain Poe Myanmar
I found IMU is an excellent medical university for me after visiting some other universities here, both academically and socially. The students are well trained not only for academic life but also for professionalism starting from dress code. IMU is the only private university in Malaysia that is accredited by IBMS (starting from 2016 batches). I have also significantly improved English language skills since IMU is an English-speaking campus where all religions and cultures are respected there, which is very important to me.

Gaurangkumar Patel Kenya
Leaving your hometown and moving to a new country might be difficult to many. As an international student, I realise the hardships that we face during our first year away from home can be overwhelming. Worry not, as IMU has a strong and systematic mentor-mentee system where the students will be assigned a mentor who will make their transition in IMU as smooth as possible and feel like home in no time.
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for the provision of tertiary education in medicine,
pharmacy and health sciences.

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