

Delving into psychology

BACHELOR of Science (Hons) Psychology student Shamir Das K.N. Kavidas recently obtained his psychology degree from the International Medical University (IMU) and is now sharpening his skills as a master of ceremonies, volunteering at organisations that provide mental health services and pursuing his master's degree in clinical psychology.

"Winning, talking and challenging – those were the three things I had in mind when searching for an ideal career.

"I found that many people rarely have a shoulder to lean on. Countless times, those around me would confide in someone only to be ridiculed and left feeling alone.

"As exploration led me to the field of psychology, I realised the variety of dimensions one could apply to the subject with major emphasis on human behaviour.

"Browsing through education fairs and websites, I stumbled across IMU. Its international standards, personalised teaching and emphasis on theoretical and practical learning prompted me to sign up for its Foundation in Science programme, aiming towards a degree in psychology.

"With a full scholarship from IMU, a huge burden was lifted from my family's shoulders. I built a solid theoretical foundation in psychology and applied those lessons in practical settings.

"This journey helped me discover myself and I am going into the real world with a foundation in the theories of psychology and the curiosity to explore."

The three-year Bachelor of Science (Hons) Psychology at IMU, Malaysia's first and most established private medical and



Studying at IMU helped Shamir Das discover himself as a person.

health sciences university with over 26 years of dedicated focus in healthcare education, has a curriculum developed to meet international standards.

Students can complete the entire psychology degree in IMU or study part of the programme in IMU and transfer to University of Newcastle, Australia, or the University of Strathclyde, UK, to complete their degree.

The programme has also been accepted internationally for further specialisation at the graduate level. To become a qualified psychologist, you must first complete your undergraduate degree in psychology, followed by a master's degree in a specialised area of psychological practice.

Intakes for the psychology programme are in February and September each year.

If you have just completed your SPM and do not have pre-university qualification, consider enrolling in the one-year IMU Foundation in Science, the direct route for entry into any of IMU's local degree programmes.

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