

IMU students visit CQU on historic study tour

A group of 15 International Medical University (IMU) Chiropractic Students recently had the privilege of visiting Central Queensland University (CQU) Brisbane. This enriching experience was made possible through a collaboration between IMU and CQU.

The study tour came about as part of a Memorandum of Understanding between CQU and IMU, with work ongoing to develop a formal articulation pathway that will involve IMU students transferring to CQU to complete their undergraduate studies before commencing their post-graduate studies.

IMU students had a comprehensive experience, dividing their time between practical sessions at CQU's renowned chiropractic clinic in Indooroopilly and engaging in skill-enhancing labs at their primary campus on Ann Street.

Dawn Dane, CQU's Head of Course for Chiropractic, shared her thoughts on the visit. "Hosting the students from IMU has been a great pleasure for the staff and students at CQU Chiropractic.

"The students from both institutions have had a fabulous time working together during in-class activities and getting to know each other in more social settings.

"Such cross-cultural interactions are invaluable for upcoming healthcare professionals. We're excited about future student exchanges."

During their stay, IMU students not only delved deep into academic pursuits but also embraced the local culture. They visited iconic places such as the Lone Pine Animal Sanctuary, Brisbane City Hall, and the Museum of Brisbane. They also had the unique opportunity to interact with CQU's chiropractic alumni, participate in a Chiropractic Australia Webinar, and even role-play as patients for CQU's fourth-year students' assessments.



During the visit, IMU students experienced local culture and met CQU staff and students

Furthermore, IMU students undertook CQU's BeDifferent First Nations Cultural Competency course, providing them with insights into cultural sensitivity. They also shared their knowledge about cultural practices in the Malaysian healthcare setting.

IMU Chiropractic Programme Director, Yi Kai Wong reflected on the experience, stating, "The primary goal of this visit was to provide our students with a multicultural learning environment. It's about immersing them in diverse settings and broadening their horizons beyond the regular classroom."