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President’s Message

I am delighted that you are considering studying at the IMU or want to know more about this University.

IMU is Malaysia’s first and most established private medical and health sciences university with over 23 years of dedicated focus in healthcare education. This University enjoys an international reputation, and provides a high standard of education at pre-university, undergraduate, postgraduate and continuing professional development level. Innovative ideas will always have a home at IMU along with the commitment to provide a quality education. The concept of a quality education has been ingrained in the philosophy of IMU since it started as the International Medical College (IMC) in 1992.

For many years we have upheld a proud record of investing and funding for research, and we have established a solid reputation for research achievements in many different fields and across many different disciplines. This reputation has attracted talented teachers and students to the University, further enhancing the quality of our research.

Life in IMU is not only about studies. Our students form their own societies and clubs that include sports clubs, cultural and language clubs, dance and music, photography and so on. In line with our aim to develop caring healthcare professionals, the IMU students have been involved in various community projects including the “Kampung Angkat” project to provide health education, health screening, and free tuition service to the orphanage among others.

As IMU moves into its third decade, the University has a great responsibility in maintaining this rich tradition of excellence and quality education. Above all, IMU will continue to honour its principle commitment - to provide a distinctive education to students that will allow them to use their knowledge and skills to make a positive and lasting impact on the lives that they touch both now and in the future.

YBhg Tan Sri Dato’ Dr Abu Bakar Suleiman
President
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Provost’s Message

Welcome to the International Medical University, an institution that thrives in an environment of quality education, innovation, and service to the community.

The University started in 1992, as the International Medical College (IMC), Malaysia’s first private medical college, offering medical degrees in partnership with five renowned medical schools. From its inception, the IMC had led the way in Malaysia by embracing and putting into practice principles of student-centred, outcomes-based education, using new tools and methods of delivery, assessment and evaluation. It has maintained a great learning environment for its students and demonstrated a powerful commitment to the community. On 4 February 1999, the College was granted university status and became the International Medical University (IMU), the country’s first private medical university.

Over the last two decades, IMU has grown from a university with a single programme to an internationally recognised higher education institution with 20 programmes in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy and health sciences, from pre-university level to postgraduate studies. The University has more than 30 world class university partners in the UK, Australia, US, New Zealand, Canada, Ireland and China.

Today, IMU is an integrated medical and healthcare institution, offering education, research and healthcare in partnership with some of the world’s most respected universities in the field of medicine and healthcare education.

To date, the University has graduated more than 4,000 doctors and about 1,900 pharmacists. Many of them have pursued postgraduate training and are now working in different sectors. Currently, there are about 4,000 students in the IMU and it continues to play a significant role in nation-building.

As you browse through these pages, you will learn more about the uniqueness of the IMU where students have an education that will allow them to utilise not only what they have learnt in the University but to do good and make a lasting impact on the lives that they touch.

Dr Mei Ling Young
Provost
BA, MA (Hons) (Auckland)
PhD (ANU)
Why IMU

1. An Established Private Healthcare University
   IMU is Malaysia’s first and most established private medical and health sciences university with over 23 years of dedicated focus in healthcare education. IMU has a Tier-5 rating in the SETARA 2011 ratings of Malaysian Universities and University-Colleges awarded by Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA).

2. A Specialist University with 100% Focus on Medicine and Health Sciences
   IMU is a university wholly specialising in medicine, health sciences and complementary medicine programmes which means that all resources are devoted to excellence in this area of education. Comprising of five schools in the Faculty of Medicine and Health, the IMU has something to offer everyone interested in pre-university, undergraduate, postgraduate and continuous learning programmes in the field of healthcare.

3. Integrating Education with Research and Healthcare Practice
   IMU is also pioneering the close integration of Research and Healthcare practice together with Education. Students get early exposure to research projects by interacting with the established IMU Institute for Research, Development and Innovation (IRDI) throughout their degree. Over the years IMU has also established partnerships with leading hospitals in the country to allow its staff and students to get continuous and extensive real-life clinical experience. It also operates its own private clinics, IMU Healthcare, in areas such as Dentistry, Medicine, Chiropractic and Chinese Medicine to ensure close integration of real practice with education.

4. Partner to the World’s Prestigious Universities
   IMU pioneered the partner university model. It has established a strong global network of more than 30 partner institutions of higher learning. These collaborations cover most of the undergraduate programmes offered in IMU. This reflects its historic commitment to opening doors to education and training opportunities outside Malaysia via credit transfer programmes, opportunities that would not otherwise be available to Malaysians. IMU’s diverse partner universities include universities from the UK, Australia, US, New Zealand, Canada, Ireland and China.

5. Renowned and Highly Experienced Faculty
   IMU’s lecturers are highly-qualified in their fields of expertise with extensive experience in not only academia (teaching, research and publications) but also in clinical/professional practice. Through exclusive arrangements with our Partner Universities, senior faculty members from those universities participate in yearly quality assurance reviews which ensures that IMU’s benchmarks global standards. Some also come as visiting lecturers to teach specialised subjects on a rotational basis at IMU.

6. IMU Learning Philosophy Produces Competent and Caring Healthcare Professionals
   IMU’s Learning Philosophy is grounded on its core values, which fosters students’ development into knowledgeable, competent and caring healthcare professionals who are critical thinkers, reflective and yet proactive. The IMU Cares programme provides ample opportunities for IMU students and staff to engage and serve the community. Active involvement in the community allow students to translate knowledge gained in classrooms into health education to the public, enhance communication skills and strengthen professional and technical skills in real world environments. All this combines to create graduates who are committed to lifelong learning and imbued with a sense of good citizenship, leadership and ethical behaviour.

7. Employment Ready Graduates with a Professional Network of Peers
   At IMU students will have relevant clinical exposure and / or industrial placements which better prepares them to become a healthcare professional, giving them an advantage in the employment market. In addition students will study alongside a diverse population of students and practitioners from all healthcare fields. This inter-professional learning allows students to appreciate how the different fields in healthcare practice relate and complement each other, which better prepares them for employment. Students will also have the chance to develop strong friendship amongst peers that will be the foundation of an extensive professional network upon graduation which will facilitate your career development.
An Established Private Healthcare University

The International Medical University (IMU) is Malaysia’s first and most established private medical and health sciences university with over 23 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. Over the last 23 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 renowned international partner universities from United Kingdom, Ireland, the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and China.

IMU's main campus is located in Bukit Jalil, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Since 1999, IMU has established clinical schools in Seremban and Kuala Pilah (Negeri Sembilan, Malaysia) as well as Batu Pahat and Kluang (Johor, Malaysia).

IMU is owned by IMU Health Sdn Bhd, one of the key subsidiaries of IHH Healthcare Bhd. IHH Healthcare Bhd is a leading international provider of premium healthcare services in markets where the demand for quality healthcare is growing rapidly – specifically in Asia and Central and Eastern Europe, the Middle East and North Africa ("CEEMENA"). IHH is the world’s second-largest listed healthcare operator by market capitalisation.

IMU’s Learning Model is grounded in its core values, fostering students’ development and becoming 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. The University also had a major breakthrough in 2010 with the start of its Healthcare Centres which allowed its staff and students to receive and treat patients.

Since its inception, the University’s students have been involved in community projects. They share their knowledge about health and conduct health screening and education with local communities.

In 2013, the University’s Kampung Angkat Project (KAP) or Village Adoption Project at Kampung Tekir, Malaysia won First Place in the MacJannet Prize for Global Citizenship, beating 65 other universities from all over the world.

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.
A Specialist University with 100% Focus on Medicine and Health Sciences

IMU is known as a Malaysian private university with an international reputation and provides a high standard of education at pre-university level, a range of undergraduate programmes in medical and health sciences, postgraduate programmes and continuing professional development level.

Most of its programmes have two tracks: local track (IMU degree) as well as international partner track (partner university degree). Each of the five Schools within the Faculty of Medicine and Health conducts its own academic programmes and all resources are devoted to excellence in this area of education.

Pre-University
- Foundation in Science

Undergraduate
- Medicine
- Dentistry
- Pharmacy
- Pharmaceutical Chemistry
- Nursing
- Dietetics with Nutrition
- Nutrition
- Biomedical Science
- Medical Biotechnology
- Psychology
- Chiropractic
- Chinese Medicine
- Nursing Science

Postgraduate
- Public Health (MSc)
- Analytical & Pharmaceutical Chemistry (MSc)
- Molecular Medicine (MSc)
- Pharmacy Practice (Master)
- Environmental Health (MSc)
- Medical and Health Sciences (By Research) (MSc and PhD)
Research is integral to the University’s mission, and is a growing part of its scholarly activity, as indicated by continuing year-on-year growth in numbers of postgraduate students; the value of research grants received, and numbers of publications. The University’s Institute for Research & Development established in 2012, oversees and facilitates research, and ensures that all undergraduate students get early exposure to research.

The Institute’s role includes identifying sources of funding; providing information, advice and support to researchers (such as advising on or vetting grant applications and providing support with intellectual property); working with potential partners for contract research; publicising and commercialising research output. The Institute is exploring opportunities for creating a network of research and technology parks to better facilitate and progress translational research. Four Centres of Excellence define the thrust areas of the University’s healthcare research.

IMU takes two complementary approaches to integrating patient care into education. Partnerships with Malaysian hospitals and other healthcare facilities enable our students to obtain valuable workplace-based, real world clinical experience. These structured placements are built into our degree programmes. The University’s Clinics, under IMU Healthcare, offer medical, dental, chiropractic and Chinese medical treatment and services. The Clinics serve as teaching facilities and are staffed by University teacher-practitioners.
Partner to the World’s Prestigious Universities

The University has established a strong global network of more than 30 partner institutions of higher learning. These collaborations in health professional education cover medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, psychology, dietetics with nutrition, nursing, biomedical science, medical biotechnology, pharmaceutical chemistry, Chinese medicine and chiropractic.

Indeed, the University is unique in fostering and establishing collaborations for the training of practitioners in complementary therapies. This reflects its historic commitment to opening doors to education and training opportunities outside Malaysia via its credit transfer programmes, opportunities that would not otherwise be available to Malaysians. Building and developing these worldwide relationships strengthens the University’s ability to secure global talent, which in turn helps attract the brightest and the best to come and study at the IMU.

Since 1995, IMU’s Partner Schools have graduated more than 3,000 individuals. These international partnerships, the interdisciplinary nature of IMU’s academic programmes, and the diverse backgrounds of its students, faculty, and alumni all contribute to the University’s global character.
Renowned and Highly Experienced Faculty

The IMU has an outstanding full-time faculty dedicated to providing students with a world-class educational experience. Representing a broad interdisciplinary academic expertise, these faculty members are leading academics with a high degree of expertise in their respective fields. Headed by four Vice-Presidents, the faculty comprises well-published, research active practitioners with extensive teaching experience.

Many of these faculty members have national and international reputations with vast experience in teaching, research, publications, working in partnership with the government and industry in Malaysia and internationally. Some of these faculty members are also highly regarded in their fields of profession nationally and internationally. In addition, each programme will also be able to draw on expertise from across the five schools within the Faculty of Medicine and Health.

As a truly international university, a large number of faculty members hail from different countries spanning the globe. IMU has also made arrangements with its Partner Universities for the Universities’ experienced academic staff to teach specialised subjects on a rotational basis.
Prof Victor Lim
Vice President, Education
MBBS (Malaya), MSc (London),
MRCPath, FRCPath, FAMM, FASc

Prof Victor Lim is currently the Vice-President for Education and Professor of Pathology at the Faculty of Medicine and Health, IMU. Prior to this appointment he was the Executive Dean of the Faculty of Medicine and Health from 2004 – 2011. Before joining the IMU he was the Director of the Infectious Diseases Research Centre at the Institute for Medical Research in Kuala Lumpur by virtue of a secondment from Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia where he was the Professor of Microbiology and Deputy Dean (Academic Affairs) at the Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia.

He obtained his MBBS from the University of Malaya in 1974, MSc in Medical Microbiology from the University of London in 1978, and passed the Royal College of Pathologists examinations (MRCPath) in 1981.

He was the President of the Western Pacific Society of Chemotherapy from 2004 - 2008, the Master of the Academy of Medicine of Malaysia from 2008 – 2011 and the President of the Malaysian Society for Infectious Diseases and Chemotherapy from 1999 – 2003. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists, a Fellow of the Academy of Medicine of Malaysia, a Fellow of the Academy of Medicine of Singapore and a Fellow of the Academy of Sciences of Malaysia. He also held the position of Editor-in-Chief of the Malaysian Medical Journal from 1991 – 1998. He is a member of various governmental technical committees including the National Antibiotic and Infection Control Committee and the National Medical Testing Accreditation Committee.

His fields of interest include antimicrobial chemotherapy and infectious diseases and has published and presented over 350 scientific papers.

He is married to Dr Asma Omar, a Professor of Paediatrics at the University of Malaya. His leisure activities include doing mind games, jogging and looking for and partaking of good food.
Prof Peter Pook  
Vice President  
BSc (Hons), PhD (Bristol), CSFC

Prof Peter Pook is currently the Vice-President and Professor of Pharmacology at the Faculty of Medicine and Health, IMU. He joined the IMU as Head of Pharmacy in January 2001 and was later appointed as Director of Pharmacy (2001-03) and as Acting Executive Dean (2001-03) and later as Executive Dean (2012-13) of the Faculty of Medicine. In January 2004, he was appointed as Dean, School of Pharmacy and later as Dean, School of Pharmacy & Health Sciences (2005-2012). Prior to joining IMU, he held positions as Senior Lecturer (1994-95) and as Reader in Neuropharmacology (1995-98) in the School of Health Sciences, University of Sunderland, UK. He returned to Malaysia to take up the appointment as Professor of Pharmacology (1998-2000) in the Faculty of Medicine & Health Sciences, University Putra Malaysia. He was appointed Head of Pharmacology Unit (1999-2000) and Deputy Dean (Medical Sciences & Research, January 2000-December 2000).

He obtained his PhD (1988) for his research on “Ligand binding and electrophysiological studies of Excitatory Amino Acid (EAA) receptors in the rat central nervous system”, from the University of Bristol, UK. This project was funded by the Medical Research Council (MRC) under the guidance of Professor J C Watkins FRS. After obtaining his PhD, he continued his work as a MRC – funded scientist with the EAA Research Group under the leadership of Professor Watkins in the Department of Pharmacology, University of Bristol (1988-93, as Research Associate; February 1993 - December 1993 as Research Fellow).

In 1992, Peter as the only biologist in the EAA Research Group, together with Professor Watkins and his colleagues who are mainly medicinal chemists, developed a new range of phenylglycine (PG) analogues of glutamate which could be used as pharmacological tools to study the EAA Receptors. These novel glutamate analogues lead Peter and his colleagues to first describe a new range of glutamate receptors – the “metabotropic glutamate receptors”. These PG analogues of glutamate have paved the way for the development of other analogues which has led to the better understanding of the role of EAA receptors in a number of normal and abnormal brain functions including learning and memory, epilepsy and cerebral ischaemia. As a result of this work, he was given an award by the University of Bristol for “outstanding and significant contribution to research”.

Peter also has a strong interest in education and has a particular interest in designing outcomes based curriculum. To date, he has led several teams to successfully design over 10 undergraduate and postgraduate programmes for IMU. He has represented IMU as an auditor for the Malaysian Qualification Agency (MQA) and has participated in institutional audit exercises of public and private higher education institutions and acted as Chair of the D-SETARA 11 (Health Sciences), a national rating exercise.
Prof Mak Joon Wah
Vice President, Research

MBBS (Sing), DAP&E, MPH (UM),
MD (Sing), FRCPat, FAMM, FASc

Prof Mak Joon Wah is currently the Vice-President (Research), and Professor of Pathology at the Faculty of Medicine and Health, IMU. His previous appointments were at the Institute for Medical Research (IMR), Malaysia where he served in various capacities, culminating in his appointment as Director of the Institute in 1996. He served as a consultant in filariasis and malaria to the World Health Organization on numerous occasions and was the Director of the WHO Collaborating Centre for Lymphatic Filariasis based at the IMR. He was also the Dean of the SEAMEO-TROPMED Post-graduate School for Applied Parasitology and Entomology from 1991-1996. On his retirement from IMR he was appointed Professor in the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences at Universiti Putra Malaysia, where he served for three years before joining IMU in 2001.

He obtained his MBBS from the University of Singapore in 1967, Masters of Public Health (MPH) from the University of Malaya in 1976, and Doctor of Medicine (MD) from University of Singapore in 1980. He obtained his Membership and the Fellowship of the Royal College of Pathologists in 1983 and 1995 respectively.

Prof Mak Joon Wah was the President of Malaysian Society of Parasitology and Tropical Medicine in 1982 and the Founding Editor of its Journal, Tropical Biomedicine in 1985 and continued as its Editor until 1987. His fields of interest include tropical and parasitic diseases and he has published over 350 scientific papers. He was awarded the National Science Award in 1985 and the Merdeka Award for Outstanding Scholastic Achievement in 2011.
Prof Abdul Aziz Baba
Vice President

MBBS (Mel), MRCP (UK), MRCP (Ireland), FRCP (Edin)

Prof Abdul Aziz Baba is currently the Vice-President and Professor of Medicine in IMU. He undertook his undergraduate medical training at the University of Melbourne on a Colombo Plan scholarship and graduated in November 1979. He subsequently trained in Internal Medicine, Haematology and Medical Oncology at several leading overseas institutions in Singapore, Scotland and Melbourne, Australia.

Following completion of postgraduate training in 1986, Prof Aziz was appointed Lecturer and Clinical Haematologist/Oncologist at the School of Medical Sciences (SMS), Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM). He was promoted to Associate Professor in 1992 and Professor in 2000. Prof Aziz held several key academic administrative positions at the SMS including as Deputy Dean (2003-2005) and Dean (2005 -2012). He was also responsible for the establishment of the Clinical Haematology and Stem Cell Transplantation service in USM’s teaching hospital, HUSM.

Past national appointments included President of the Malaysian Society of Haematology, Chairman of the National Conjoint Board for Postgraduate Medical Programmes, and Chairman of Specialist Advisory Committee (Clinical Haematology) of the National Specialist Register. He has also been a member of the Malaysian Medical Council (MMC) and has served MMC on several accreditation visits to local and foreign medical institutions.
IMU Learning Philosophy Produces Competent and Caring Healthcare Professionals

Devoted to training healthcare professionals of the future, IMU’s learning model promotes self-learning and inculcates the culture of lifelong learning. The learning model is conceptualised and practiced through an outcome-based curriculum. Outcome-based curriculum results in explicit student learning outcomes which are made transparent to both students and teachers.

Student learning outcomes for IMU are usually specific, measureable and relevant competencies related to healthcare. These outcomes and competencies are driven by the health needs of the community. As health needs change over time, so will the outcomes. These students will not be alone in their journey to be healthcare professionals. They will be guided by the faculty who will be there to facilitate their learning. Self-directed learners are known to become lifelong learners, have better retention of knowledge, self-confidence, awareness of their strengths and weaknesses and are very resourceful. These are attributes that will give a health professional graduate the competitive edge.

In IMU, inter-professional learning provides the students and future practitioners structured learning opportunities for ‘shared learning’ or ‘collaborative learning’. This helps to shape future healthcare professionals in collaborative practice and providing better patient care.

IMU also places a lot of emphasis in moulding professionals who are caring and ethical. Being ethical and adhering to the highest standards of professionalism is extremely important as this is expected of healthcare professionals by the community in which they serve. Ample opportunities are provided via the IMU Cares programme for IMU students and staff to engage and serve the community.

In these activities, staff and students build relationships and work with local communities with the aim of sharing knowledge about health, and preventing or detecting disease through screening and health education. These structured and coordinated activities reflect the University’s desire to produce community oriented health professionals.

All this combines to create graduates who are committed to lifelong learning and imbued with a sense of good citizenship, leadership and ethical behaviour.
The clinical exposure and industrial placements that students experience during their course in IMU allows them to start networking and making contacts that may help shape their career path in the future. These experiences will give them an edge in the competitive employment market.

During their studies at IMU, students will have many chances to experience real life scenarios in a workplace environment. Students will then be able to understand the importance of teamwork, mutual respect and communication in the workplace.

As IMU is a specialist university that focuses in medicine, health sciences and complementary medicine programmes, all resources are devoted to excellence in this area of education. In addition students will study alongside a diverse population of students and practitioners from all healthcare fields. This inter-professional learning allows students to appreciate how the different fields in healthcare practice relate and complement each other, which better prepares them for employment. Students will also have the chance to develop strong friendship amongst peers that will be the foundation of an extensive professional network upon graduation which will facilitate their career development.
Some Notable IMU Graduates

Dr Lum Ying Wei completed his general residency at Johns Hopkins in the United States. Currently, he is working as a Vascular Surgeon at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD and Section Director for Anatomy at Perdana University Graduate School of Medicine. Apart from the friendship he made while in IMU, he found the problem-based learning (PBL) approach valuable as it made them think of the patient as a whole.

Dr Wong Pei Se is a registered pharmacist and a Senior Lecturer at IMU. She is also the Head of the Pharmacy Practice Department at the University. One of the most valued experiences in IMU is the dedicated lecturers who have always guided and supported her. When she joined IMU as a lecturer, they continued to support and guide her.

Dr Azlina Amir Abbas is a Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon in Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at the University of Malaya. Apart from the supportive academic and support staff in IMU, her experience there has prepared her well in her teaching career in the medical field. Her advice to aspiring doctors, “Medicine is not easy - it can be tiring and it can be thankless. But if you have the interest, heart and passion to pursue this career, don’t give up! Persevere and you can and will have a fulfilling life in medicine.”

Jael Lye Mun Yee is currently an IBM Recruitment Specialist for ASEAN. She is thankful for the guidance that was given by the lecturers during the course. The lecturers had taught her how to be responsible in doing her thesis and presentation, even the research, skills which is still useful to me tremendously in her working life.

Tan Lay Ean joined Allergan Inc., a multi-specialty health care company in California, United States as a Post-doctoral Research Associate after completing my PhD. Her main roles involve managing an ophthalmic research project funded by Allergan Inc., assisting and supervising PhD and MPharm research students as well as building on existing collaboration with clinicians and scientists across disciplines. IMU was an unforgettable experience for her. The academic community is one of the best. She still remembers the friends she studied with and the lecturers who had been very helpful and supportive.

Wayne Chan Wei Xiang worked as a laboratory analyst in Baxter Healthcare, a multinational company in Singapore. He is currently pursuing his Master of Pharmacy degree in University of Sydney. Recalling his student life in IMU, Wayne said, “The laboratory sessions have enabled me to develop hands-on practical techniques to generate accurate and precise analysis results, with the good knowledge about safe handling of chemicals.”
Community Service: The IMU Cares Programme

IMU Cares is the University’s on-going programme of community service, outreach and research. This programme involves staff and students of the University, from its main campus in Bukit Jalil and its Clinical Schools in Seremban, Kuala Pilah, Kluang and Batu Pahat. Service is focused on delivering healthcare to underprivileged communities, promoting wellness and preventing disease. The educational benefits for our students are the many opportunities for application of knowledge and use of skills; situated and inter-professional learning, for developing service orientation and professionalism, and for learning from the people they serve. Working on shared responsibilities fosters teamwork between staff and students and builds bonds with communities.

IMU Cares activity encompasses promoting health awareness and public health education; health screening and treatment; fund raising for charity; and championing environmental issues. Initiatives include longer term plan projects aimed at identifying and meeting the health needs of specific communities in a prioritised manner. The planning of these projects involves engagement with community leaders to identify and prioritise health needs, formulation of strategies, plans of action and evaluation of expected benefits and outcomes. There are also plans to carry out midterm projects, whilst ad hoc projects include raising funds in response to the needs of victims of natural disasters. Project leaders also explore potential collaboration with industry and opportunities for research.

As IMU is a subsidiary of IHH Healthcare Bhd, the University also benefits from the Khazanah IHH Healthcare Fund that has led to the expansion of its outreach programme under the “IMU Cares” initiative. The fund is Khazanah’s endowment from realised gains through its investment in IHH Healthcare Berhad. This will allow for the provision of medical treatment for needy patients at the IMU Healthcare clinics. Additional medical equipment has been purchased, and a new van to enable IMU Cares project teams greater access to certain locations that are poorly accessible to provide medical screening in these areas.

The University remains committed to serving the community and to making a difference in the lives of the individuals with whom we engage.
A career in medicine can be physically, intellectually and emotionally challenging; yet without a doubt rewarding and life-changing. At the IMU School of Medicine you will be instilled with attributes that are important in the making of a doctor: dedication, compassion and lifelong learning. This is how the School of Medicine prepares future doctors for the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead in patient care, service and research.

To date, the School has the highest number of faculty members, students and successful graduates compared to any other private medical schools in Malaysia. The School continues its tradition of excellence with a diverse student body, experienced and committed faculty as well as excellent facilities for education and research, and good access to patients in primary to tertiary care facilities. Whether teaching, doing research, or providing services to the community, our faculty are united in their efforts to train outstanding clinicians, scientists and community health workers.

In 2013, IMU School of Medicine was conferred the Association for Medical Education in Europe (AMEE) ASPIRE to Excellence Award in the area of “Student Engagement”.
Dean's Message

Thinking to take up Medicine but not sure? Medicine is tough. To take up Medicine, apart from good grades, you need to convince yourself that it is your career choice. That choice is yours, not your parents’ or anyone else’s, as you need total commitment, tenacity and determination to carry on till you become a doctor and beyond. What we do in IMU is to help you achieve your dream. In line with the 8 IMU outcomes, we'll make you a good, technically competent and caring doctor. We emphasise professionalism and ethics, and we strive to maintain the high ideals of Medicine as a noble profession.

Patients come to visit doctors for many reasons, and sometimes for emotional support and kindness, for empathy, for openness with someone they can trust and respect. Whether you are a small time country doctor or a big time consultant in the premier hospital, you are sure to make a difference in the lives of those you touch!

Medicine is a life changing career. It is for those who are fully committed to take up the challenge.

YBhg Prof Dato’
Dr (Mrs) Kew Siang Tong
Dean, School of Medicine
MBBS (Sing), MRCP (UK), FAMM, FAMS, FRCP (Lond), FRCP (Edin), FRCP (Glas), FRCPI, FACP (Hon), FRACP (Hon)
The IMU School of Dentistry provides education for undergraduate dental programme to prepare students to practice dentistry in the 21st century with knowledge and skills to deliver patient-centred care to different patient populations and varied practice settings, ethically and professionally. The School presents a dynamic curriculum that provides excellent clinical training with exposure to the various dental specialties, integrates the health sciences with clinical experience and utilises modern technology.

The School of Dentistry is distinguished for its preparation of graduates to achieve excellence in the profession and demonstrate an extraordinary compassion and commitment to the service of others. The School’s reputation flourishes because it attracts and retains talented faculty members dedicated to teaching, clinical practice, ethics, service and research.
Dean’s Message

The School of Dentistry concentrates on providing students with a comprehensive educational experience to prepare them to deliver outstanding clinical care. IMU School of Dentistry students know they will receive an excellent dental education and outstanding clinical experience in our modern well-equipped clinical facilities. The School will always strive for excellence in its undergraduate and continuing professional education as well as clinical care.

Students will benefit from our dynamic contemporary curriculum delivered with a wide variety of teaching and learning activities to engage them for deeper learning. We are proud of the fact that we train and nurture knowledgeable, and compassionate dental practitioners who are assured to make valuable contributions to the communities they serve.

Prof Toh Chooi Gait
Dean, School of Dentistry
BDS Hons (Sing), MSc (Lond.), FDSRCPs (Glas), DRDRCS (Edin), FDSRCS (Edin)
IMU School of Pharmacy currently has the highest number of faculty members and registered students of any other private pharmacy school in Malaysia. We enjoy a lively and stimulating academic environment in which lecturers, researchers, practitioners and students interact. All are connected by an interest in medicines – how they work, how they are made and how they are used by people to stay healthy, to prevent and treat diseases. The school delivers a diverse mix of undergraduate pharmacy and pharmaceutical chemistry programmes that meet the needs of a changing world. Both of these fields of study are in demand and our graduates successfully transition into careers within the pharmaceutical and healthcare industries. Our faculty, students and alumni remain passionate about enhancing the quality, the ethics and the practice of the profession through serving those most in need.
Dean’s Message

We are a dynamic school with a talented and internationally-recognised faculty. The IMU Bachelor of Pharmacy (Hons) course has the option for credit transfer to University of Queensland, University of Otago and others. The faculty embraces a student-centered learning philosophy where students are active participants in their own learning. In addition, our students participate in community outreach and service-learning activities to provide the care that is needed, to improve the health of, not only individual patients, but also the community at large. In our commitment to excellence, the School of Pharmacy faculty continually evaluates the School’s programmes to provide a quality curriculum that ensures a quality education for its students.

Prof Yeoh Peng Nam
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BPharm (U S’pore), MSc, PhD Ohio State U, Columbus, Ohio, USA, RPh, MMPS
School of Health Sciences

An education in health sciences can open doors to a highly rewarding yet challenging career. At the School of Health Sciences, you can choose from a diverse range of undergraduate programmes: Nursing, Dietetics with Nutrition, Nutrition, Biomedical Science, Medical Biotechnology, Psychology, Chiropractic, Chinese Medicine and Nursing Science. As one of the five Schools within the IMU’s Faculty of Medicine and Health, the School of Health Sciences is committed to educating a new generation of competent and ethical healthcare professionals vital to the delivery of quality patient care. You will be learning in an environment that promotes teamwork, mutual respect, lifelong learning and continuous development. As a graduate, you can apply the knowledge and skills to a multitude of settings. Our degree programmes will help provide you with a competitive edge that you need to meet tomorrow’s healthcare challenges.
Dean’s Message

The School of Health Sciences, IMU offers a diverse range of undergraduate and postgraduate degree programmes to address the demand for highly qualified health professionals for Malaysia and internationally.

We are committed to preparing competent, caring and compassionate practitioners ready to make a vital contribution to healthcare. In each programme we offer, the faculty embraces the principles of inter-professional education, service learning and evidence-based practice as a foundation to quality healthcare education. Healthcare is a demanding yet exciting and rewarding field of study and practice, and graduates of the School of Health Sciences have gained employment in a multitude of healthcare settings, industry and public and private organisations in Malaysia and abroad.

Prof Winnie Chee
Acting Dean, School of Health Sciences
BSc (Hons) Dietetics (UKM), MSc (Nutrition) (UKM) PhD (Food Science & Nutrition) (UKM)
School of Postgraduate Studies

The School of Postgraduate Studies supports, administers and coordinates the training of higher degrees (Masters and PhD) by research and taught Masters programmes within the Faculty of Medicine and Health. As one of the five Schools in the Faculty, the School of Postgraduate Studies strives to ensure that all these activities are carried out to the highest standards. This School aims to enhance the quality of all aspects of the postgraduate and postdoctoral experience, both academic and social. The School continually attracts some of the best academics in the world, and many have become leaders in their fields. The School aims to produce graduates with attributes that are sought by a wide range of employers, facilitates the development of research amongst its staff, strengthens linkages with other Research Institutes, and facilitates research-led approaches to teaching.
Dean's Message

At the School of Postgraduate Studies, you can go on to obtain a Master's or Doctorate Degree in any of our six programmes. We provide a conducive atmosphere for our students, as well as experienced academics who facilitates their learning and supervise them as they go through their programmes. We have facilities for our students to ensure that they get the best out of their studies. Postgraduate students are a vital part of a research intensive university. They contribute to the intellectual vitality and vibrancy of the institutions as they learn, grow and develop. Our students have consistently won a number of grants and fellowships every year. These give them the opportunity to travel abroad to present their research findings at scientific conferences.

Prof Chu Wan Loy
Dean, School of Postgraduate Studies
BSc (Hons) (UMK), PhD (UM)
The Centre for Pre-University at IMU offers a Foundation in Science programme which is designed to provide Pre-University students with a comprehensive foundation for entry into any of its local undergraduate programmes. You will study in a university environment, sharing the same campus as the undergraduate and postgraduate students and contributing equally to the university community. You will be learning in an environment that promotes teamwork, mutual respect and lifelong learning. For this Foundation in Science programme, the Centre has incorporated the concept of quality education, preparing students well for the challenges of university studies.
Programme Coordinator’s Message

The IMU Foundation in Science programme is designed to equip both Malaysian and international students with the knowledge and skills required for undergraduate studies at the IMU.

This programme incorporates a holistic approach to learning. It provides students with an early integration into the university community. This includes opportunities to interact with the academics with full access to the IMU learning resources. Students will also gain exposure to the IMU’s learning methodologies.

The IMU Foundation in Science programme is the preferred foundation for entry into IMU’s local degree programmes. It facilitates the students’ smooth and successful transition into degree programmes of their choice. With this, the programme is the key to a promising career pathway.

Sharon Chan Min Hui
Programme Coordinator
Foundation in Science,
Centre for Pre-University
BLL; English Language (UM)
The International Medical University’s main campus is in a small suburb, Bukit Jalil, about 20 km south of the city of Kuala Lumpur, away from the hustle and bustle of hurried life. This campus, which is home to 20 educational options from pre-university level to postgraduate studies, provides a dynamic, interactive environment that fosters educational and research opportunities.

The University’s clinical schools are spread over the southern states of Peninsular Malaysia, two in Seremban and Kuala Pilah (Negeri Sembilan, Malaysia) as well as Batu Pahat and Kluang (Johor, Malaysia). These clinical schools are located near IMU’s teaching hospitals, where professional practical training is provided for the students.

Over the years, there were several phases of campus expansion in order to offer better education and research facilities and additional student life amenities. The University continually invests in its facilities, main campus and clinical schools to provide a better learning environment to these students.
Our University offers a wide range of facilities for the students to make the most of their study experience here.

The journey through University can be exciting, challenging and stressful, and healthcare degree programmes are demanding. The University’s Student Services help you manage the many things you need to manage. We provide comprehensive information about scholarships and other financial assistance, help with finding and arranging accommodation and information about partner schools. Fully trained staff of the Counselling Unit offer empathic and confidential one-to-one help at the Bukit Jalil and Seremban campuses.

Student Services also helps coordinate the huge range of extra-curricular activities which our students enjoy, and helps provide support for students to take part in national and international conferences. These activities are for the benefit of the students in their personal development.

Students can participate in the student-mobility programme which is designed for students to pursue a study visit, internship, research or elective module at other universities, research institutions, hospitals or industries abroad as part of their student experience at the IMU.
Facilities available at IMU

Library
Cafeteria
Computer Lab
Auditorium/Multi-Purpose Hall
Clinical Skills and Stimulation Centre
Dental Skills Centre
Wireless Internet Access
Student Hostel
Healthcare Centres and Clinics

Research Lab
Lecture Theatres
Sport & Recreation / Gymnasium
ATM Machine
Bookshop
Multi-disciplinary Labs
Nutrition and Dietetics Lab
Car Park
University life is more than academic. You have the opportunity to engage in new friendships, interests and experiences. Organised and run by your senior peers, our Orientation Programme orientates you to your new environment, fosters new friendships, and introduces the range of student led clubs, societies and sports. The University strongly supports community service projects under IMU Cares.

In IMU, we have a diverse range of student clubs and societies be it from sports to social to cultural ones, coming to a total of more than 50 clubs and societies. Besides all these, you can always form a study group with your friends, connect with a sporting team or participate in the various volunteer programme around you. Whilst you are here, we strongly encourage you to participate in IMU’s annual events such as IMU Cup, IMU Ball, IMU Charity Run, IMU Art Competition and many more.
Need more information?

- Visit [www.imu.edu.my](http://www.imu.edu.my) or email your query to [start@imu.edu.my](mailto:start@imu.edu.my)
- Call us at [+603-2731 7272](tel:+603-2731 7272)
- Visit our Enquiry Centre at the Bukit Jalil campus, between 8:30 am and 5:30 pm (Mondays to Fridays)
- Find out more about IMU’s latest stories at our blog, [imunews.imu.edu.my](http://imunews.imu.edu.my)

How to apply

Application can be done online via [www.imu.edu.my](http://www.imu.edu.my)

Prior to the application, please prepare the following documents as you will need to upload these onto website:
- Verified copies of your academic qualifications
- Evidence of English language proficiency
- A copy of your MyKad or the identification page of your passport
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PROGRAMMES AVAILABLE

PRE-UNIVERSITY
- Foundation in Science
  KPM/JPT(N/010/3/0186/09/2018)
- Medical Biotechnology
  KPM/JPT(N/421/6/0011/01/2018)
- Analytical & Pharmaceutical Chemistry (MSc)
  KPM/JPT(N/421/7/0011/01/2017)
- Molecular Medicine (MSc)
  KPM/JPT(N/421/7/0011/01/2017)

UNDERGRADUATE
- Medicine
  KPM/JPT(R/726/6/0033/09/2019)
- Dentistry
  KPM/JPT(R/726/6/0010/01/2018)
- Pharmacy
  KPM/JPT(R/726/6/0050/09/2019)
- Pharmaceutical Chemistry
  KPM/JPT(R/442/6/0003/01/2018)
- Nursing
  KPM/JPT(R/723/6/0125/04/2020)
- Dietetics with Nutrition
  KPM/JPT(R/726/6/0021/09/2018)
- Nutrition
  KPM/JPT(N/726/6/0011/06/2017)
- Biomedical Science
  KPM/JPT(R/421/6/0011/01/2017)
- Medical Biotechnology
  KPM/JPT(R/545/6/0014/09/2017)
- Psychology
  KPM/JPT(R/311/6/0013/09/2017)
- Chiropractic
  KPM/JPT(R/726/6/0054/08/2019)
- Chinese Medicine
  KPM/JPT(KA10260)
- Nursing Science (for registered nurses)
  KPM/JPT(R/723/6/0101/01/2019)

POSTGRADUATE
- Public Health (MSc) (Coursework & Research)
  KPM/JPT(KA10261)
- Analytical & Pharmaceutical Chemistry (MSc)
  KPM/JPT(N/442/7/0011/01/2017)
- Molecular Medicine (MSc)
  KPM/JPT(N/421/7/0011/01/2017)
- Pharmacy Practice (Master)
  KPM/JPT(N/421/7/0011/01/2017)
- Environmental Health (MSc)
  KPM/JPT(N/422/7/0005/07/2019)
- Medical and Health Sciences (MSc & PhD by research)
  KPM/JPT(R/720/7/0049/06/2019)