



INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL UNIVERSITY  
MALAYSIA

# PHARMACY PRACTICE

*(Master)*

SCHOOL OF  
POSTGRADUATE  
STUDIES

2019



# What Is IMU's Pharmacy Practice Programme About?

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## Overview

If you already have a first degree in pharmacy, undertaking the MPP will extend your knowledge and skill set in Clinical Pharmacy, Social & Administrative Pharmacy, Pharmacy Management or Clinical Research. The ability to offer four streams makes the MPP Programme unique and the first of its kind available from a Malaysian private university.

The Programme, launched in January 2017, is managed by the School of Postgraduate Studies and supported by the School of Pharmacy. The curriculum is streamlined, enables its students to immediately utilise what they learn, and is delivered in a blended mode that makes it easier for professionals to undertake formal study alongside their professional work and commitments.

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### DEGREE / DURATION

**Master of Pharmacy Practice**

**Full time: 1.5 years**

**Part time: 4 years**

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### COMMENCEMENT

**March and September**

## A Word from the Programme Director

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“Worldwide, the pharmacy profession continues to grow and evolve. Pharmacists continue to extend and change their professional roles to meet rapidly changing health care needs and diverse healthcare systems. The MPP Programme can help pharmacists develop into advanced practitioners, for example, with enhanced leadership and research skills. With its curriculum under continual review the Programme is well placed to update and extend technical and other skills that can be immediately transferred to professional practise. To date the Programme has been undertaken by pharmacists with secondary care, community pharmacy, pharmaceutical industry and academia backgrounds.”

**DR MARI KANNAN MAHARAJAN - Senior Lecturer and Programme Director**  
BPharm (TNMMU), RPh, MPharm, (AU) PhD (SASTRAU)

# How Does the Programme Work?

## Pharmacy Practice Programme Structure

The programme is offered in a blended mode, which means that you can undertake much of the study online, with some weekend on-campus sessions to attend face to face teaching and learning sessions. The online platform will allow you to access all the contents anytime anywhere. The face to face teaching and learning sessions will be scheduled on weekends to allow the working pharmacists to continue their job/practice and complete the master's degree.

CLINICAL PHARMACY	SOCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE PHARMACY	PHARMACY MANAGEMENT	CLINICAL RESEARCH (EFFECTIVE FROM SEP 2019)
Research Methodology and Scientific Writing	Research Methodology and Scientific Writing	Research Methodology and Scientific Writing	Research Methodology and Scientific Writing
Evidence Based Practice	Evidence Based Practice	Pharmaceutical Marketing	Evidence Based Practice
Clinical Pharmacy Practice	Social Pharmacy	Management of Healthcare Institutions	Clinical Research and Good Clinical Practice
Pharmacoeconomics	Pharmacoeconomics	Business Administration and People Management	Regulatory Affairs in Clinical Research
Clinical Pharmacy Practice and Services	Business Administration and People Management	Pharmacoeconomics	Clinical Trial and Clinical Data Management
	Public Health and Governance	Entrepreneurship Leadership	
Research Project	Research Project	Research Project	Research Project

■ Semester 1 & Semester 2      ■ Semester 3

## Blended delivery

Blended mode delivery enables a significant part of Programme to be undertaken online, with some on-campus sessions. The IMU e-learning environment (Moodle) enables online access to Programme content. On-campus sessions are used for presentation and are usually scheduled on weekends.

## Assessment

Progress is evaluated using in-course assessments. These include case reports, critical reviews, assignments, projects and presentations. Assessments are aimed at developing information management and critical appraisal abilities, communication, problem solving and reflection. In the research semester the research project, the dissertation and its defence are assessed. Progress towards achievement is supported by tutors via interim and summative feedback, and using explicitly communicated criteria, for example in the form of assessment rubrics.

## Entry Requirements

A Bachelor degree in Pharmacy or its equivalent, with a cGPA of at least 2.75, as accepted by the HEP Senate; or

A Bachelor degree in Pharmacy or its equivalent with a cGPA of minimum 2.50 and not meeting 2.75, may be accepted if the applicant passes an internal (IMU) assessment; or

An applicant with a Bachelor degree in Pharmacy or its equivalent, who does not fulfil either of the above requirements but who has at least 5 years of relevant post-registration working experience may be considered, subject to an internal (IMU) assessment.

## English Language Requirements

### For International Students

- 1) IELTS : Band score 5.0; or
- 2) TOEFL (PBT) : Overall score of 410-413; or
- 3) TOEFL (iBT) : Overall score of 34; or
- 4) Cambridge English : Advanced (CAE) : Overall score of 160; or
- 5) Cambridge English : Proficiency (CPE) : Overall score of 180; or
- 6) Pearson Test of English (PTE) : Overall score of 36



**Top:** A competent pharmacist with professionalism is required for the pharmacy profession in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

**Left:** Effective communication in practice has a profound effect on health outcomes as well as patient satisfaction and experience of care.

**Bottom:** Blended learning mode is able to personalise education and offers the conveniences of online learning combined with the social and instructional interactions.



# Why Study Pharmacy Practice at IMU?

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## IMU is a leader in health professions and health sciences education in Malaysia

IMU is Malaysia's first and most established private medical and healthcare university with over 27 years of dedicated focus on health related education. IMU received a 6-star SETARA rating (Outstanding) by the Rating for Higher Education Institutions in Malaysia.

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## Programme streams and research experience relevant to your field

The Programme is unique, current, relevant and immediately useful for your career, whether you are a fresh pharmacy graduate or a working pharmacist. The Programme offers streams in distinct areas of pharmacy and healthcare practice. You may undertake any one of four streams, based on your preferences, career needs and aspirations. Learning can be immediately applied, and if this is done regularly, creates a virtuous, enriching cycle of learning and continuing development.

The research topic can be selected based on your stream. Working pharmacists can undertake research in their workplace.

The starting point for practice-related research is often a problem that needs to be systematically understood.

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## Flexibility for working professionals and support for learning

The Programme uses a mixture of face-to-face and online interactive sessions. This blended mode provides the flexibility to combine work with postgraduate study that adds value and has the potential to significantly build your career. Also, the Programme can be undertaken part-time, from 2 to 4 years.

IMU students have access to academic experts in pharmacy and other health professions education, and can benefit from the university's research collaborations. Academic supervisory support is provided to all participants throughout the programme.

# How Much Does It Cost?

## Pharmacy Practice Programme Fees

All fees quoted are in Ringgit Malaysia unless stated otherwise.

All IMU alumni who are self-funding their postgraduate studies and meet the eligibility criteria will be eligible for a reduction in tuition fees.

### FEES OVERVIEW

Fees	Amount (RM)	
	Malaysian Student	International Student
Application Fee	150	500
Registration Fee	1,100	3,400
Refundable Caution Deposit	2,000	2,000
Student Association Fee per Semester	40	40
Tuition Fee	40,000	53,650

- Application fee is payable upon submission of application.
- Registration fee and refundable caution deposit are payable upon acceptance of the offer letter issued by the IMU Admissions Office.

### FEES BY SEMESTERS

Semester	Total (RM)	
	Malaysian Student	International Student
Semester 1	10,000	13,300
Semester 2	10,000	13,400
Semester 3	20,000	26,950
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>40,000</b>	<b>53,650</b>

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## Programmes at IMU

### Pre-University

Foundation in Science  
KPT/JPT(R/010/3/0186)09/2023

### Undergraduate

Medicine  
KPT/JPT(R2/721/6/0033)09/2026

Psychology  
KPT/JPT(R2/311/6/0013)09/2022

Dentistry  
KPT/JPT(R2/724/6/0010)01/2023

Pharmacy  
KPT/JPT(R2/727/6/0050)09/2026

Pharmaceutical Chemistry  
KPT/JPT(R2/442/6/0003)01/2023

Dietetics with Nutrition  
KPT/JPT(R2/726/6/0021)09/2022

Nutrition  
KPT/JPT(R/726/6/0011)06/2022

Biomedical Science  
KPT/JPT(R2/421/6/0011)09/2022

Medical Biotechnology  
KPT/JPT(R2/545/6/0014)09/2022

Chiropractic  
KPT/JPT(R/726/6/0054)08/2026

Chinese Medicine  
KPT/JPT(R/721/6/0059)01/2020

Nursing  
KPT/JPT(R/723/6/0125)04/2020

Nursing Science  
(for registered nurses)  
KPT/JPT(R2/723/6/0101)01/2024

### Postgraduate

Acupuncture (MSc)  
KPT/JPT(N/721/7/0071)03/2022

Analytical & Pharmaceutical  
Chemistry (MSc)  
KPT/JPT(R-CDL/442/7/0001)01/2022

Business Administration in  
Healthcare Management  
(Postgraduate Certificate/Master)  
KPT/JPT(N/345/7/1082)9/2023  
KPT/JPT(N/345/7/1085)10/2023

Diabetes Management & Education  
(Postgraduate Diploma)  
KPT/JPT(N/726/7/0030)02/2023

Health Professions Education (HPE)  
(Postgraduate Certificate/  
Postgraduate Diploma/Master)  
KPM/JPT(N/145/7/0066)09/2020  
KPM/JPT(N/145/7/0064)09/2020  
KPM/JPT(N/145/7/0070)09/2020

Implant Dentistry (Postgraduate Diploma)  
KPT/JPT(N/724/7/0019)06/2021

Molecular Medicine (MSc)  
KPT/JPT(R/545/7/0078)07/2022

Pharmacy Practice (Master)  
KPT/JPT(N/727/7/0051)03/2019

Public Health (MSc)  
KPT/JPT(R/720/7/0077)09/2020

Medical & Health Sciences  
(MSc & PhD by Research)  
KPT/JPT(R/721/8/0043)01/2020  
KPT/JPT(R2/720/7/0049)06/2026



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