



INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL UNIVERSITY
MALAYSIA

PSYCHOLOGY

SCHOOL OF
MEDICINE

2019



What Is IMU's Psychology Programme About?

Overview

Students have the opportunity to study the entire 3-year psychology programme in IMU and will then be awarded a degree by the University. The curriculum for this programme has been developed to meet international standards, and is recognised by the University of Newcastle, Australia, and University of Strathclyde, United Kingdom, for credit transfer into their psychology programmes.

In order to foster the best integration of theory and practice, students are provided with a challenging academic environment as well as opportunities to observe psychology being applied in real-life and simulated settings. Supervised practical attachments to various government, non-government and private organisations such as hospitals, rehabilitation centres and care-homes enable students to further consolidate their understanding and application of psychology. In addition, these attachments will provide students with the invaluable experience of working with various communities from the young to the aged.

One key feature of the IMU Psychology programme is the enriching student experience via attachment (a 12-week attachment with industry or NGOs).

DEGREE / DURATION

Bachelor of Science (Hons)
Psychology (IMU) — 3 years

Degree from partner
universities — 4 – 4½ years

COMMENCEMENT

February and September

PARTNER UNIVERSITIES

AUSTRALIA



UNITED KINGDOM



A Word from the Programme Director

“The Psychology programme at IMU provides students with a unique combination of academic knowledge and professional skills based on leading international research and best practice to prepare students at an optimal level for their future careers. A Psychology degree from IMU is the essential first step towards a career in the applied fields of psychology, such as clinical, health, developmental, organisational, and counselling psychology, or into any one of the diverse range of related career pathways available.”

DR CHONG SHUE LING — Lecturer & Programme Director

BA (Hons) Psychology (UCSI),
PhD Psychology of Child Development (UPM)

How Does the Programme Work?

Psychology Programme Structure

GENERAL MODULES

YEAR 1

Introductory Psychology
Learning
Personality
Quantitative Research Methods
Statistics for Psychology
Biopsychology
Cognitive Psychology
Infancy and Childhood
Adolescence and Adulthood
Qualitative Research Methods
MPU Subjects

YEAR 2

Social Psychology
Abnormal Psychology
Health Psychology
Industrial and Organisational Psychology
Professionalism and Ethical Issues in Psychology
Motivation and Emotion
Neuropsychology
Introduction to Clinical Psychology
Cross-cultural Psychology
Leadership and Social Entrepreneurship
2 Psychology Selectives
2 General Selectives
Experiential Learning Elective

YEAR 3

Thesis I
Thesis II
Industrial Attachment
2 Psychology Selectives
2 General Selectives
Experiential Learning Elective

SELECTIVE MODULES

Counselling Skills
Psychological Testing and Assessment
Introduction to Psychotherapy
Positive Psychology
Learning Disabilities
Forensic Psychology
Educational Psychology
Psychology of Human Sexuality
Addiction and Behaviour
Sports and Exercise Psychology
Family and Relationship Psychology

Note: Students will take 4 Psychology Selectives in fulfillment of their degree

The curriculum is reviewed periodically and is subject to change.

The MPU modules are compulsory modules imposed by Ministry of Higher Education under the Private Higher Educational Institutions Act 1996 (Act 555). All students must take these modules and pass as a prerequisite for the award of the degree.

Assessment

Students are assessed by coursework and examination. Students are assessed through multiple choice questions, short answer questions, essays, case studies, poster presentations, oral presentations, and dissertations.

Recognition of Degree

IMU graduates are accepted both internationally and in Malaysia into Masters and PhD programmes. IMU Psychology graduates have been accepted into postgraduate psychology programmes in the United Kingdom, the United States of America, Australia, New Zealand, and Malaysia. The areas of postgraduate study include clinical psychology, health psychology, counselling, child and family psychology and industrial/organisational psychology. Our graduates have also gained employment in the Malaysian public health system, in both public and private tertiary institutions, in the non-government sector, human resources, the oil and gas sector and the United Nations.

Career Pathway

Psychology is the scientific study of behaviour and mental processes. It has become one of the most important and widely applicable disciplines with its popularity being largely due to the discipline's authority in unraveling some of the most frequently asked questions in our society, for example, why do people do the things they do?

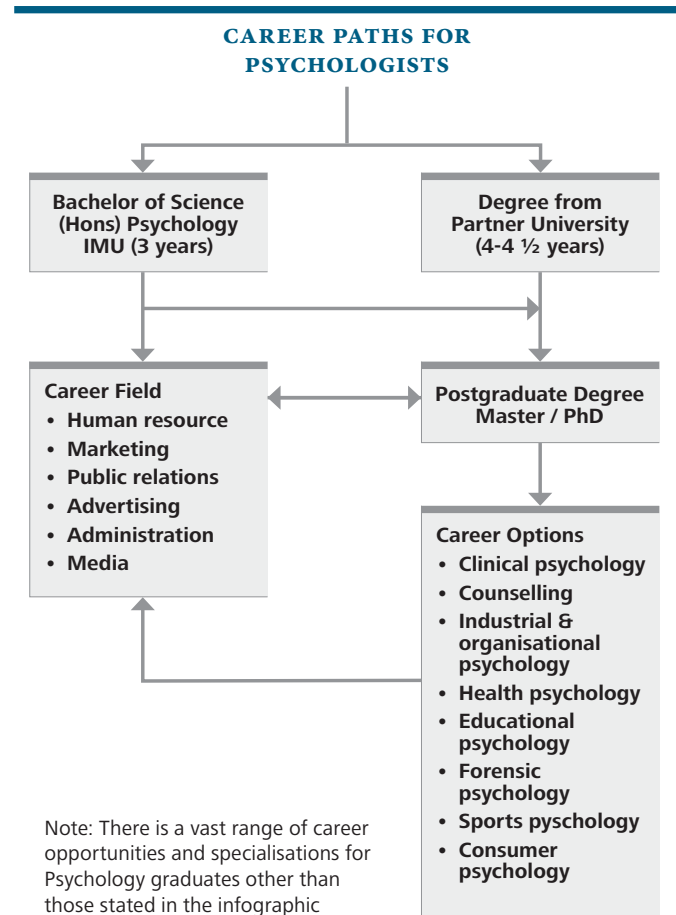
Psychologists are interested in every aspect of human thought and behaviour which can be applied to promoting good mental health and rational behaviour in individuals and groups. They also administer therapeutic interviews and provide counselling. Psychologists are trained to conduct research and apply findings in order to minimise stress, as well as to reduce behavioural and psychological problems. Conducting psychological tests to identify the source of problems, analysing the results of these tests and determining the right treatment or therapy are also part of what psychologists do.

Unlike psychiatry, which requires a medical degree and practice is restricted to mental health, psychologists work in a wide variety of settings. For example, in a clinical environment, psychologists study, manage and prevent psychological disorders. In corporate settings, psychologists are involved with the recruitment, counselling or training of employees. In the area of education, psychologists identify and assist people who need help with learning issues and support teachers in the implementation of learning strategies. A sports psychologist works with athletes to maximise their physical and mental abilities. Regardless of the context in which psychologists work, all psychologists are trained to use principles of psychology to observe, assess, analyse and provide appropriate evidence-based interventions for the needs of our society.

Due to the versatility of the discipline, psychology is fast becoming one of the most sought after subjects among university students in countries such as the United Kingdom, the United States of America and Australia. A similar trend is being observed in Southeast Asia as the contributions of psychology to the health, education and corporate sectors become more recognised.

The small group teaching in IMU along with the individualised attention positively enhances students' learning. The programme also provides a sound basis for further professional training and research at the MSc or PhD level in psychology. Our graduates have successfully transferred to both local and international universities to further their education in their specialised fields. The psychology programme at IMU provides the important intellectual tools for those considering careers in management, law, education, social work, public relations, and health-related professions.

With a basic degree in psychology, you can work in a variety of careers in advertising, human resources, administration, marketing, public relations, consultancy and sales. In order to become a certified psychologist, you will have to first complete your undergraduate degree in psychology followed by a master's in one of the specialised fields.



Why Study Psychology at IMU?

1

An Established Private Healthcare University

IMU is Malaysia's first and most established private medical and healthcare university with over 26 years of dedicated focus in healthcare education. IMU achieved the SETARA-2017 Tier 6 status (Outstanding) under the Mature University category.

2

Build Your Future Healthcare Professional Network

As IMU offers the widest range of healthcare programmes, our students are fully immersed in a vibrant community of students and practitioners from all healthcare fields. This allows for the development of strong friendship amongst peers that will be the foundation of an extensive healthcare professional network upon graduation.

3

Curriculum Benchmarked to International Standards

IMU's Psychology curriculum has been developed to meet high international standards and has been accepted internationally for further specialisation at the graduate level.

4

Pathway Towards Postgraduate Specialisations in Psychology

Students are well prepared towards specialising in psychology at a graduate level. The rigorous training builds a strong foundation while the multiple opportunities to apply what was learned strengthens the understanding of theories and concepts and provides a value added degree for the students.

5

Personalised Attention from Lecturers

Students are able to get personalised attention from their lecturers due to an emphasis on small group learning. This enhances the teaching and learning activities for all students.

How Much Does It Cost?

Psychology Programme Fees

All fees quoted are in Ringgit Malaysia unless stated otherwise.

FEES OVERVIEW

Fee	Amount (RM)	
	Malaysian Student	International Student
Application Fee	150	500
Registration Fee	850	2,000
Refundable Caution Deposit	1,000	1,000
Tuition Fee	81,000	84,000

- 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.
- As stipulated by Malaysian Ministry of Higher Education, international students will have to pay Student Visa Application fee of RM1,000 and Medical Health Check fee of RM250 and Visa endorsement fee (depending on nationality) upon registration.
- International students will also be required to pay Student Visa Renewal Administrative fee of RM140/year and Medical Health Check fee of RM250/year.
- Students must adhere to the "Policy on Payment of Fees".
- All students are required to pay Student Association Fees of RM40 per semester.

FEES BY PROGRAMME ROUTES

Programme Route	Total Duration (years)		At International Medical University (IMU)					At Partner University (PU)				At IMU + PU		
			Years	Total Semesters	Tuition Fee				Years	Total Semesters	Tuition Fee *		Total Tuition Fees **	
					Per Semester		Total				Per Year	Total		
					Malaysian Student	International Student	Malaysian Student	International Student					Malaysian / International Student	Malaysian / International Student
Bachelor of Science (Hons) Psychology (IMU)	3	3	6 long	10,850	11,150	81,000	84,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	
			3 short	5,300	5,700									
Credit Transfer to University of Newcastle Bachelor of Psychology	4½	3	6 long	10,850	11,150	81,000	84,000	1½	3	A\$36,930	A\$55,395	248,071	251,071	
			3 short	5,300	5,700									
Credit Transfer to University of Strathclyde BSc (Hons) Psychology	4	2	4 long	10,850	11,150	54,000	56,000	2	4	£15,600	£31,200	223,322	225,322	
			2 short	5,300	5,700									

Note

* Current estimates only.

** Based on exchange rates: A\$1 ≈ RM3.016, £1 ≈ RM5.427

- Tuition and ancillary fees at partner universities overseas are subject to annual increases.
- All fees are accurate at time of print. For latest fees and information, please go to www.imu.edu.my.

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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(R/723/6/0101)01/2019

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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