

# HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy

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## Spread your wings in health professions education

Embark on the exciting journey of a doctoral degree in Health Professions Education and open doors to boundless opportunities and growth. This is your springboard to a fulfilling career and bright future. Set yourself apart in academia, research institutions, healthcare organizations, and beyond. Journey with us as we equip you to be a leader in the advancement of healthcare education, shaping and leading tomorrow's healthcare professionals to greater heights.

### Degree / Duration

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in  
Health Professions Education  
**3 years (Full-time)**  
**4 years (Part-time)**

### Commencement

Throughout the year

### Assessment

Thesis and Viva Voce

### Entry Requirements

- A master's degree in Health Professions Education, Medical Education, or related fields accepted by the University's Senate or;
- Other qualifications equivalent to a master's degree recognised by the Government of Malaysia
- Candidates without a related qualification in the field/s or working experience in Health Professions Education must undergo appropriate prerequisite courses determined by the University

### English Language Requirements

#### For International Students (only one required)

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

The following categories of students are exempted from the above requirements:

1. International students from countries in which English is the first language.
2. International students who graduated from any Malaysian or other institutions where the curriculum is delivered in English.

# ◆ Programme Structure

## Full-time Mode

Phase	Programme Structure	
Semester 1 & Semester 2	Appointment of Supervisory Committee & Research Proposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students will conduct their research proposal based on supervision</li> <li>• Students without HPE backgrounds are required to attend pre-requisite courses that include Laying the Foundation of Research and Scholarship in Health Professions Education. Courses will be assessed based on satisfactory and unsatisfactory completion</li> </ul>
Semester 3	Proposal Defense & Application for International Medical University Joint Committee MUJC Approval	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students are required to present and defend their PhD research proposal</li> <li>• After the defense, students may then apply for IMU IMUJC approval</li> </ul> <p>*Students may continue with their research to Phase III only upon passing the defense of their proposal and obtaining an IMUJC approval</p>
Semester 4 & Semester 5	Data Collection, Thesis Writing & Submission of Thesis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students will carry out data collection and thesis writing</li> <li>• Upon completion, thesis will be submitted for examination</li> </ul>
Semester 6	Viva Voce & Final Submission of Thesis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students will attend viva voce and perform the required corrections prior to the final submission</li> </ul>

## Part-time Mode

Phase	Programme Structure	
Semester 1 & Semester 2	Appointment of Supervisory Committee & Research Proposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students will conduct their research proposal based on supervision</li> <li>• Students without HPE backgrounds are required to attend pre-requisite courses that include Laying the Foundation of Research and Scholarship in Health Professions Education. Courses will be assessed based on satisfactory and unsatisfactory completion</li> </ul>
Semester 3	Proposal Defense & Application for IMUJC Approval	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students are required to present and defend their PhD research proposal.</li> <li>• After the defense, students may then apply for IMU IMUJC approval</li> </ul> <p>* Students may continue with their research to Phase III only upon passing the defense of their proposal and obtaining an IMUJC approval</p>
Semester 4, Semester 5 & Semester 6	Data Collection, Thesis Writing & Submission of Thesis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students will carry out data collection and thesis writing</li> <li>• Upon completion, thesis will be submitted for examination</li> </ul>
Semester 7 & Semester 8	Viva Voce & Final Submission of Thesis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students will attend viva voce and perform the required corrections prior to the final submission</li> </ul>

## ◆ Programme Fees

### Fees Overview

All fees quoted are in Ringgit Malaysia unless stated otherwise.

Fee	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

• All IMU Alumni who are self-funding their postgraduate studies and meet the eligibility criteria will be eligible for a bursary of 15%. • Application fee is payable upon submission of application. • Registration fee and refundable caution deposit is payable upon acceptance of the offer letter issued by the IMU Admissions Office. • Student must adhere to the "Policy on Payment of Fees". • For information on Student Visa Application fee, please refer to Visa and Immigration on the IMU website, [www.imu.edu.my](http://www.imu.edu.my) • Fee payable per semester are subject to the number of credits registered.

### Tuition Fees

		Malaysian Student (RM)		International Student (RM)	
		Fee Per Semester	Total Fee Per Year	Fee Per Semester	Total Fee Per Year
Doctor in Philosophy (PhD)	Tuition Fee	7,200	14,400	14,050	28,100

• VIVA fee for this programme is RM2,500 for Malaysians and RM2,600 for international students. This is a one-time fee payable at the end of the programme.

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