Postgraduate research forms a major and expanding part of the IMU’s academic development. Working for a research degree gives students the opportunity to develop an in-depth knowledge of a discipline and to become familiar with current techniques and methodologies.

The Faculty has high teaching standards and attracts first-class teaching staff from Malaysia and abroad. It prides itself of the facilities and support it gives to students and on the calibre and dedication of its academic and clinical staff. The Faculty fosters a broad range of active research programmes in its campuses in Bukit Jalil and Seremban.

Much of its success in research and teaching results from the Faculty’s capacity to attract external research funds. The IMU faculty has strong national and international connections and is involved in collaborative projects with other leading medical research institutions. Many staff have made major international contributions in their respective fields and are very experienced in supervising postgraduate students.

Today, more than RM1 million internal funds have been allocated for research every year. Research activities have increased substantially, especially in externally-funded collaborative research projects. IMU was designated by the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation, Malaysia (MOSTI), as a private university that is allowed to apply directly for and receive research funds. Our researchers have received funding for collaborative research projects in nasopharyngeal carcinoma, colorectal carcinoma, breast cancer, infectious diseases and environmental health. Other external funding agencies of IMU are Ministry of Health, Ministry of Higher Education, MAKNA, Toray Foundation and many other private research institutions. In 2011, IMU received 21 externally sponsored projects amounting to RM1,465,465 and produced 212 publication of which 116 were in ISI journals with a total Impact Factor (IF) of 274.029.

“The IMU postgraduate programme leading to the MSc in the fields of Medical Sciences and Community Health and PhD in Medical and Health Sciences is primarily obtained through research. Research areas include among others, bioactive molecules, vaccine and drug development, therapeutics, pharmaceutics, cellular mechanisms and molecular basis of pathogenesis, clinical research, community based health issues, nutrition and dietetics, behavioural studies, and medical education. Supervisors are highly experienced faculty members with impressive track record in research and international recognition.”

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- Pharmacy
  KPT/IP/5KR/727/7/0002/10/2015, KPT/IP/5KA17467/2/2014
- Pharmaceutical Chemistry
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- Nursing
  KPT/IP/5KA467S/4/2014
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  KPT/IP/5KA9294/07/2014
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- MSc Public Health (Coursework & Research)
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- Postgraduate Degrees (MSc & PhD by Research)

The IMU has been certified with MS ISO 9001:2000 for the provision of
tertiary education in medicine, pharmacy and health sciences.

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01 | WHAT ARE THE POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES OFFERED BY IMU?

The Postgraduate School of IMU offers the Master of Science (MSc) by research in the fields of Medical Sciences and Community Health and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Medical & Health Sciences.

02 | WHAT ARE THE MAIN FEATURES OF THE PROGRAMMES?

Both programmes are research-based and the degrees will be awarded by the IMU on the successful completion of a thesis. Examination is by assessment of the thesis, and includes an oral examination concerning the thesis and the research on which it is based.

03 | WHAT IS THE DURATION OF EACH COURSE ON FULL-TIME BASIS?

- MSc - Minimum of 1 year (2 semesters)  
  Maximum of 4 years (8 semesters)
- PhD - Minimum of 2 years (4 semesters)  
  Maximum of 6 years (12 semesters)

04 | WHAT IS THE DURATION OF EACH COURSE ON PART-TIME BASIS?

- MSc - Minimum of 2 years (4 semesters)  
  Maximum of 6 years (12 semesters)
- PhD - Minimum of 4 years (8 semesters)  
  Maximum of 8 years (16 semesters)

05 | HOW ARE SUPERVISORS SELECTED?

The selection of supervisor(s) will depend very much on the research area and be based on mutual agreement between both parties. The principal supervisor must be engaged within IMU whereas a co-supervisor can be from any established institution. All supervisors are subject to the credentialling guidelines of IMU.

06 | WHO WILL AWARD THE DEGREE?

The degrees will be awarded by the IMU on basis of research and the successful completion of a thesis.

07 | WHAT ARE THE AREAS OF RESEARCH AVAILABLE AT THE IMU?

The areas of expertise of the IMU faculty are as follows:

- Environmental Health
- Human and Medical Genetics
- Biochemistry
- Cancer/Oncology
- Molecular Biology/Biotechnology
- Pharmaceutical Science
- Chronic Diseases
- Community Health
- Building-Related Illnesses
- Microbiology
- Clinical Research
- Infectious Diseases
- Psychology

IMU academic staff members who supervise the research candidates have well-established reputations nationally and internationally in their areas of expertise. These senior faculty take part in international conferences and are in touch with key researchers from other countries.

**KEY FACTS**

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<th>DEGREE</th>
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| MSc - Master of Science | 1 – 4 years (full-time)  
2 – 6 years (part-time) | Throughout the year |
| PhD - Doctor of Philosophy | 2 – 6 years (full-time)  
4 – 8 years (part-time) | Throughout the year |
08 | MINIMUM ENTRY REQUIREMENT

Applicants who apply for admission into the IMU must meet the minimum entry requirement and the English language requirement.

A. Academic Requirements
i. Admission as a candidate for the degree of MSc.
   Applicants are required to have obtained:
   • A degree of Bachelor of Science (BSc) or equivalent with Second Class Honours Division 1 or above; or have obtained the degree of MBBS or equivalent.
   • A candidate who does not hold a BSc with at least a Second Class Honours or equivalent qualification may, in exceptional circumstances, be permitted to register for the degree of MSc upon demonstrating adequate research or work experience for research studies at this level as determined by the Postgraduate Studies Committee and approved by the Senate.

ii. Admission as a candidate for the degree of PhD.
   • Applicants are required to have obtained Master of Science (MSc) or a Master’s degree in a field related to the medical sciences from a recognised university.
   • Applicants with 1st class undergraduate degree are no longer be allowed to enroll directly into a PhD programme. Instead, the applicant should first enroll into a MSc programme and convert into PhD after one year of good progress and with recommendation by the supervisors. However, the candidate must indicate the intention to convert to a PhD programme at the time of candidature and the process should be completed within the first 18 months of the MSc.

B. English Language Requirements
All candidates should possess a standard passing mark of at least 6.5 in IELTS (Individual band score of not less than 6.0), 550 (Paper based test) or 79-80 (Internet based test) in TOEFL or equivalent.

09 | WHEN DO I APPLY?
Throughout the year

10 | WHAT ARE THE ADMISSION PROCEDURES?
• Applications for admission are accepted continuously throughout the year.
• An interview with the faculty will be arranged, if necessary.
• The completed application and all supporting materials (transcripts, research proposal) must be on file before the application can be processed and evaluated.
• Successful applicants are notified of their acceptance by letter.
The International Medical University (IMU) began in 1992 as the International Medical College, or IMC, Malaysia’s first private medical college. IMC became a University in 1999, but the University has remained true to key elements of the IMC vision, which are to widen access to professional healthcare education, and to use innovative, integrated and student-centred means in providing that education.

This vision required strong links to be forged, from the outset, with reputable Partner Medical Schools committed to excellence and who share our educational philosophy. It was our progressive, systems based, integrated medical curriculum that first caught the imagination of our Partner Medical Schools, and today we collaborate with partner universities in Australasia, North America, Ireland and the United Kingdom. This successful collaboration then expands to the pharmacy and health sciences programmes at world-class universities in Scotland, Australia, New Zealand and China.

Since 1999, the University’s growth and development has been in developing clinical schools in Seremban, Batu Pahat and Kuala Pilah, our own Honours degree courses in Pharmacy and Nursing, and in establishing research as a core activity, together with development of postgraduate research Masters and PhD programmes. We are already the preferred private school for medicine and pharmacy in Malaysia. Our growth has been supported by heavy investment in infrastructure development and expansion at Bukit Jalil and Seremban, and in the recruitment of staff of high calibre. In 2008, we have introduced Honours degree courses in Dentistry, Nutrition & Dietetics, Medical Biotechnology, Psychology, Biomedical Science and in Pharmaceutical Chemistry. In common with our MBBS, BPharm and BNursing, these courses have been designed from first principles by our faculty. Bachelor of Nursing Science (Hons) was introduced in 2009, a programme targeted solely for registered nurses to upgrade their qualification from diploma level to a degree level.

In 2010, we introduced Chiropractic programme, the first of its kind and only complete educational programme in Malaysia as well as in all of Southeast Asia. Then, in February 2011, IMU launched the Chinese Medicine programme. The programme will focus on combining medical education and scientific research, offering the full array of medical both Chinese Medicine and Western.

To date, the University offers undergraduate degree programmes in Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Nursing, Nursing Science, Nutrition & Dietetics, Psychology, Biomedical Science, Medical Biotechnology, Chiropractic, Chinese Medicine as well as postgraduate degrees MSc Medical Sciences or Community Health by research, PhD in Medical & Health Sciences by research and MSc (Public Health). We believe our courses to be progressive and innovative, and we strive to use best practice in their delivery and assessment.

We continue to seek to widen access to healthcare education, and to grow into a centre of healthcare educational excellence in the Asia-Pacific region.