

# Doctor of Philosophy

## ABOUT

The Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programme is designed to prepare students for a career as an academic or a researcher in the public or private sector. The research in the PhD programme is an in-depth investigation of specific research issue(s) related to a management discipline with the aim of enhancing and contributing to new knowledge in that discipline. Students are expected to have strong theoretical and research methodological foundations and be able to conduct their research fairly independently.

## INTAKES

March & September

## PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

### Phase 1 – Coursework

Coursework is mandatory. Each student must attain an overall CGPA of 3.00 before he/she is allowed to proceed to Phase II.

Three core courses (9 credit hours)

- Research Methodology
- Research Analysis
- Advanced Research Methodology

### Phase 2 – Proposal Defence

Each student must publicly present and defend his/her PhD research proposal. Evaluation of the student's knowledge of the extant literature in his/her area of research, his/her ability to integrate the theories pertinent to the research in formulating the appropriate research framework and his/her ability to adopt the appropriate research design.

### Phase 3 – Thesis Preparation

Data collection, data analysis and thesis writing.

### Phase 4 – Viva Voce

Evaluation of the student's knowledge and ability to complete his/her research study to the satisfaction of the panel of three independent examiners.



## FOR MORE INFO

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## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

### Doctor of Philosophy (Finance, Marketing, Accounting, Management)

To qualify for each of the Doctor of Philosophy (Finance, Marketing, Accounting & Management), applicants must possess one of the following qualifications:

- A Master's Degree [Level 7, Malaysian Qualifications Framework (MQF)] in related fields as accepted by the PBS Senate; or
- A Master's Degree (Level 7, MQF) in non-related fields as accepted by the PBS Senate, subject to having relevant working experience and rigorous internal assessment; or
- A Master's Degree (Level 7, MQF) in non-related fields as accepted by the PBS Senate and without relevant working experience, subject to passing pre-requisite courses; or
- Other qualifications equivalent to a Master's Degree (Level 7, MQF) recognised by the Malaysian government.

## PRE-REQUISITE COURSE

In compliance with the latest regulatory requirements (<https://bit.ly/MQA2nd> – please refer to page 38 & 39) students are required to complete a Pre-Requisite Course (PRC). It is compulsory for students to attend and pass this course before/while pursuing their studies at PBS. The purpose of this course is to equip the students with basic business knowledge in order to prepare them for the programme and students are required to pay a fee of RM 500.00 before registering for PRC. Applicable to those who do not have a business or management background. (Not applicable to exchange students).

### LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

All international candidates from countries where English is not a medium of instruction must have obtained **a minimum score of 550 for Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)** or **80 for the Internet-Based TOEFL** or **Band 6.0 for International English Language Testing System (IELTS)**, or its equivalent.

## PROGRAMME FEES & DURATION

### 3 YEARS (6 SEMESTERS)

### 4 YEARS (8 SEMESTERS)

LOCAL

RM 22, 750

RM 26, 950

INTERNATIONAL

RM 36, 750

RM 44, 790