



*Doctor of Philosophy*  
(Open and Distance Learning)



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# DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

## (OPEN AND DISTANCE LEARNING)

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The Doctor of Philosophy programme aims to nurture graduates to be researchers and scholars who are capable of generating critical, creative, and original research ideas and formulating theoretical propositions for an extensive academic research in the business and management discipline that leads to a significant contribution to academia, industry, and society.

### PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The programme is divided into two parts as follows:

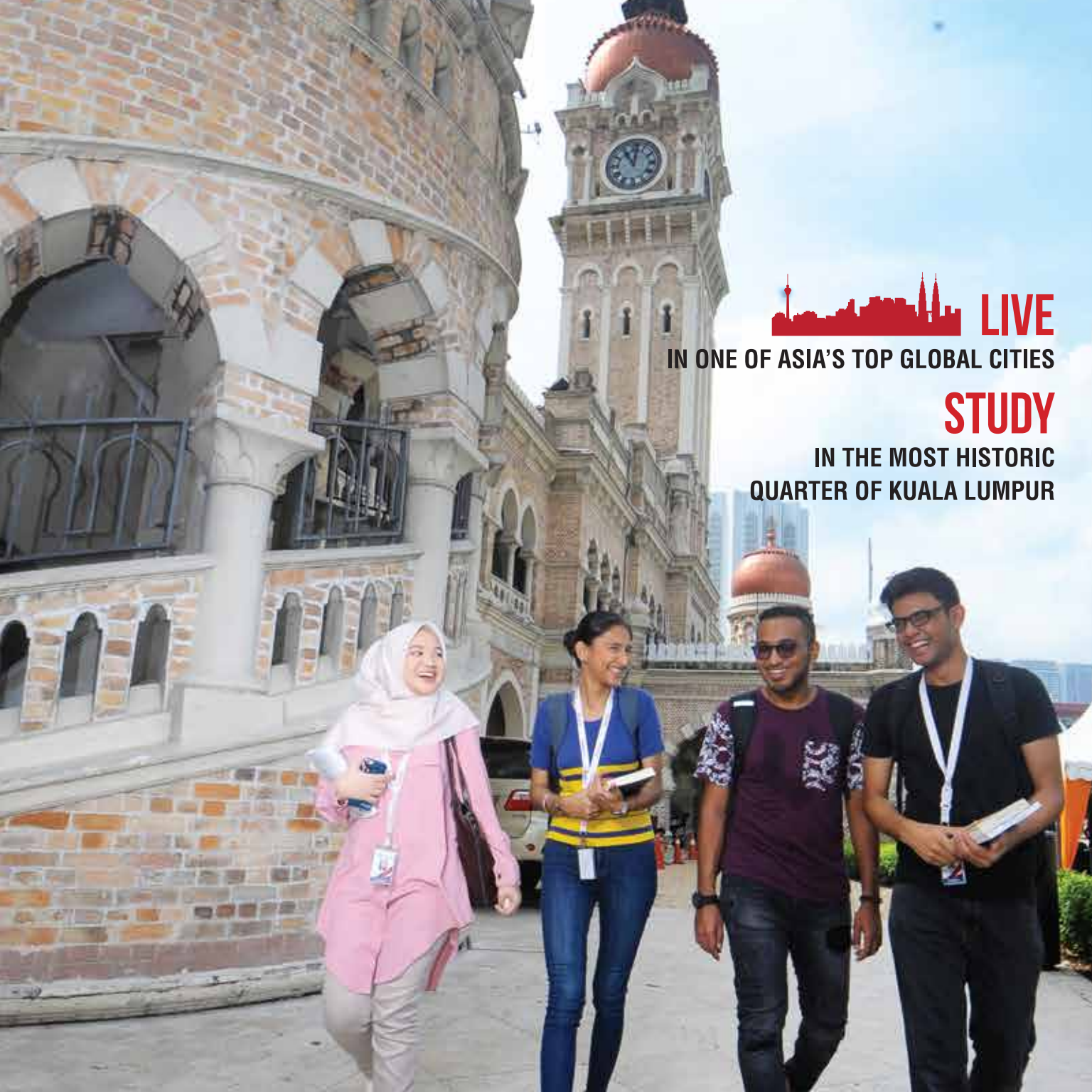
#### **Taught Courses**

Research Data Analysis  
Research Methodology  
Research Seminar

#### **Thesis**

### **Career Opportunities**

Engaged in Policy and Strategic Research as Academics,  
Industry Experts,  
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# ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

## ACADEMIC

A Master's degree from Universiti Tun Abdul Razak or its equivalent from an institution of higher learning recognised by the Malaysian Government or any other equivalent qualification recognised by the University Senate.

- There shall be no direct entry from bachelor's degree level to doctoral degree level.
- Candidates with bachelor's degree qualifications may apply to convert their candidacy to the doctoral degree programmes after a year enrollment of master's degree subjected to:
  - Having shown competency and capability in conducting research at doctoral degree level;
  - Rigorous internal assessment by the University;
  - Approval by the University Senate

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

All international applicants are required to attain any of the following before they are accepted for admission into the programme:

- A minimum score of Band 6.0 in the International English Language Testing System (IELTS)\*; or
- A minimum score of 60 for an Internet Based Total (iBFT) for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)\*; or
- A minimum score of B2 (168) in CEFR; or
- A minimum score of 59 in Pearson Test of English (PTE); or
- A minimum score of 169 in Cambridge English Qualifications and Tests ; or
- Band 4 in Malaysian University English Test (MUET)
- A recognized first degree undertaken in English medium; or
- Successful attainment of CEFR aligned Exams conducted by the Centre for Continuing Education (CCE) within 24 months from the date of entry with conditional offer letter.

\*Note: The validity period for IELTS and TOEFL is two years from the date awarded.



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