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# FOREWORD BY THE DEAN

## Welcome to the Faculty of Biosciences and Medical Engineering (FBME)



Welcome to Faculty of Biosciences and Medical Engineering (FBME), a newly established faculty in UTM to champion teachings and research in Biosciences & Medical Engineering. The faculty offers innovative programs for both undergraduates and post-graduates with a balance course in Biosciences and Medical Engineering, and a special emphasis on clinical and industrial applications.

Faculty of Biosciences and Medical Engineering (FBME) was established in the year 2012 by merging the Faculty of Biosciences and Bioengineering (FBB) and Faculty of Health Science and Biomedical Engineering (FKBSK) to promote and strengthen the interdisciplinary research in the fields of Biosciences, Medical Engineering and Health science. Therefore, we believe strongly in the value of interdisciplinary

pursuits in this emerging field where the techniques and technologies from Biosciences and Engineering disciplines are used to address needs within the Biotechnology, Medical and Healthcare industries. Our vision is to ensure that UTM and the country as a whole would be fully equipped with the manpower and technologies in this emerging and demanding field of engineering.

FBME is committed to excellence in both undergraduate and graduate education. Opportunities for education and research exist in areas of biomechanics, biomaterials, tissue engineering, medical devices, bio-signal processing, MEM implantable systems, physiological modeling and simulation, monitoring and control, medical robotics as well as renewable energy, plant biotechnology to industrial biotechnology, environmental engineering, biosensor technology and bioinformatics.

FBME offers students unparalleled access to engineering experts in the fields of mechanical, electrical & electronics, biological, and computer science. The demands for Biosciences and Biomedical Engineers are increasing every year in tandem with the increasing demand for healthcare services, and the faculty is committed to produce graduates in the fields of BIOSCIENCES and ENGINEERING with industrial leadership capability especially in the healthcare industry.

This postgraduate handbook contains important information about the faculty and academic programmes offered. Please use this handbook wisely and as a main source of reference to plan your success in your studies. Finally, I wish you all the best and good luck in your postgraduate studies.

**Prof. Dr. Jasmy Yunus**

Dean

Faculty of Biosciences and Medical Engineering (FBME)



## **INSTITUTION PROFILE**

**UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MALAYSIA  
(UTM) RESEARCH UNIVERSITY**



## INSTITUTION PROFILE

### UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MALAYSIA (UTM)



**Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM)**, a premier university in engineering, science and technology located in Johor Bahru, the southern city in Iskandar Malaysia which is a vibrant economic corridor in the south of Peninsular Malaysia.

It is renowned for being at the forefront of engineering and technological knowledge and expertise, contributing to the technical and professional workforce of the nation since its inception in 1904.

UTM has also established a reputation for cutting-edge research undertakings and innovative education, proven by becoming the three-time winner of the National Intellectual Property Award for organization category. Its mission is to lead in the development of creative and innovative human capital and advanced technologies that will contribute to the nation's wealth creation.

With a strength of more than 2,000 academic staff, of which more than 200 are foreign graduate faculty members, UTM continuously strives to develop and enhance quality academic and professional programmes of international standard and global recognition. The student population consists of more than 11,000 full-time undergraduate students, more than 6,000 enrolled on distance learning programmes as part-time students and more than 9,000 postgraduate students in various fields of specialization. Out of this, more than 3,000 are foreign students.

Having produced more than 200,000 technical graduates and qualified professionals over the years, UTM has earned its place as Malaysia's premier university in Engineering and Technology which inspires creativity and innovation.

### RESEARCH UNIVERSITY

In June 2010, the government has declared UTM as the country's fifth research university and this put UTM playing a bigger role in the development of the nation. Being as one of



theresearch university, UTM seeks to actively participate in new adventures of ideas, experiment with innovative methods, and take intellectual initiatives to further discover and expand the frontiers of knowledge. UTM expect to have an increase in research activities and more students to enrol in the postgraduate programs including the taught Masters programs as well as the Masters and PhD research programs.



### **LOCATION**

Set in a splendid campus, with modern buildings and excellent facilities, UTM main campus is superbly located to take advantage of the best that Johor has to offer. The main Skudai campus is situated on a 1,222 - hectares site that provides a lovely setting of landscape gardens for the bustling academic village and residences. The main campus is easily accessible by road, rail and air. Regular flights from Senai Airport connect the state capital of Johor Bahru to Kuala Lumpur and others domestic destinations. Transport services at the airport are also readily available. Taxis are a popular cheap means of transport. Air-conditioned coaches are also available to and from Johor Bahru to other states in Peninsular Malaysia. The KTM (Malayan Railway) offers numerous train services connecting Singapore and other states in Malaysia through Johor Bahru station. A 18-hectare UTM City Campus is situated at Jalan Semarak, Kuala Lumpur.

### **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

The university encourages the admission of international students, and seeks to serve the aspirations of all with the ability and motivation to benefit from higher education. The university arranges special induction and orientation programmes for international students. There are more than 500 international students from over 24 countries are represented on the campus. An exciting and dynamic learning environment is enhanced by the contributions of students from diverse backgrounds. International schools conveniently situated at the nearby Johor Bahru city permit children of married students for primary and secondary education. The University also provides a full range of admission, welfare and student services to meet the needs of international students.



## ACCOMMODATION

Students are guaranteed accommodation in their first year. University housing is available at both campuses. Hostels are available for more than 20,000 students and new colleges are equipped with computer rooms and internet facilities. Apartments for married students are also available.





## **FACILITIES**

UTM provides various facilities to support all kinds of students and staff activities. There are fully air-conditioned lecture halls and rooms, well-equipped auditoriums, seminar rooms, laboratories, a medical centre, student hostels, guest houses, a mosque, banks and a post office. The University has a large and spacious library that can accommodate up to 2,500 students at any one time. The library is with more than 300,000 books, some 5,000 journals, on-line references and internet access. Sporting and recreational facilities in the university are extensive and encompass nearby all interest which include canoeing and horse riding. These are complemented by the varied opportunities for leisure activities in the nearby progressive city of Johor Bahru, and together they make UTM a conducive place for studying.

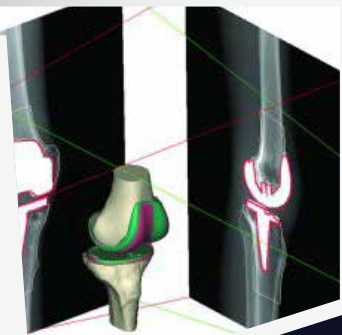
## UTM PHILOSOPHY, VISION, MISSION, MOTTO & THEME

- 1 PHILOSOPHY**  
The divine law of Allah is the foundation for sciences and technology. Universiti Teknologi Malaysia strives with total and unified to develop excellences in sciences and technology for universal peace and prosperity, in accordance with His Will
- 2 VISION**  
To be recognized as a world-class centre of academic and technological excellence.
- 3 MISSION**  
To be a leader in the development of human capital and innovative technologies that will contribute to the nation's wealth creation.
- 4 MOTTO**  
In The Name Of God for Mankind.  
"Kerana Tuhan Untuk Manusia".
- 5 THEME**  
Innovative. Entrepreneurial. Global



# FACULTY PROFILE

FACULTY OF BIOSCIENCES AND  
MEDICAL ENGINEERING (FBME)







# FACULTY IN BRIEF

## Faculty of Biosciences and Medical Engineering (FBME)

### Background

Faculty of Biosciences & Medical Engineering was established in 2012. Although one of the youngest faculty in UTM, research at FBME has been proven to be one of the best in the country. The Institute for Human Centred Engineering (IHCE) and the Centre for Palm Oil Research are associated with FBME and many research groups that has become the backbone of research and postgraduate studies at FBME. We offer mainly two higher degree certificates – Masters and Doctor of Philosophy – in the field of Biomedical Engineering, Bioscience, Biotechnology, and Rehabilitation. The mode of study can vary from full coursework programme, mixed mode and full research. On top of that we also offer a double degree programme with a German University. Some of the research areas include biomechanics, biomaterials, biosensors, health care, rehabilitation technology, biosignal and bioimage processing, medical device technology. Research areas in the field of biosciences include structural biology, proteomics, functional genomics, nano biotechnology, drug delivery, cancer studies, structural bioinformatics, drug design as well as protein engineering, genetic engineering, tissue engineering, metabolic engineering, biomaterials development, bioprocess engineering and biosensor technology.

FBME consists of three departments as follows:

1. Department of Biosciences and Health Sciences
2. Department of Biotechnology and Medical Engineering
3. Department of Clinical Sciences

## VISION, MISSION AND MOTTO

### VISION

FBME is committed to be a world-class centre of excellence and a leader in teaching, learning and research in the field of biosciences and medical engineering.

### MISSION

To produce graduates with high ethical values and good professional conduct who are competent in the fields of biosciences and medical engineering.

To spearhead advances in the fields of biosciences and medical engineering through multidisciplinary research, integrated learning, and global networking

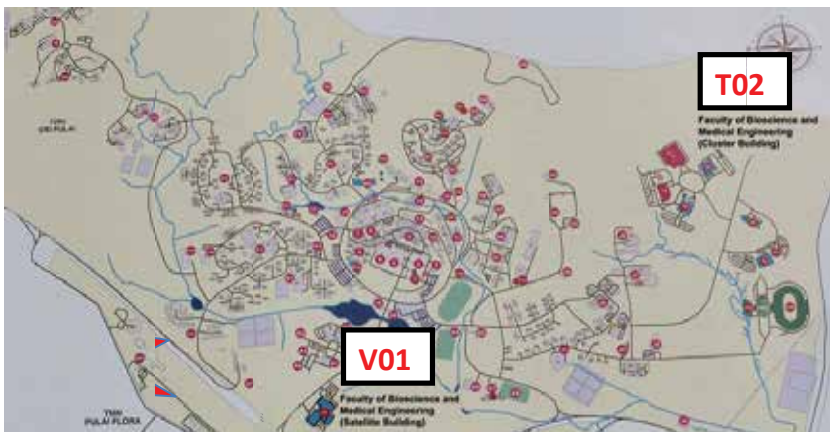
To fulfill the needs of all stakeholders in producing graduates that contribute towards nation building, wealth creation and sustainable development

### MOTTO

*“Revealing Science, Engineering the Future”*

## Faculty Map

FBME has two specially-designed buildings for undergraduate and postgraduate teaching, learning and research. The administration and academic offices are located in the Satellite Building (V01) which is situated in Taman Universiti. The Cluster Building (T02), on the other hand, is located inside the main campus. The biomedical engineering and equine science programmes are located at V01 and the biology and industrial biology programmes are located at T02.



V01

T02



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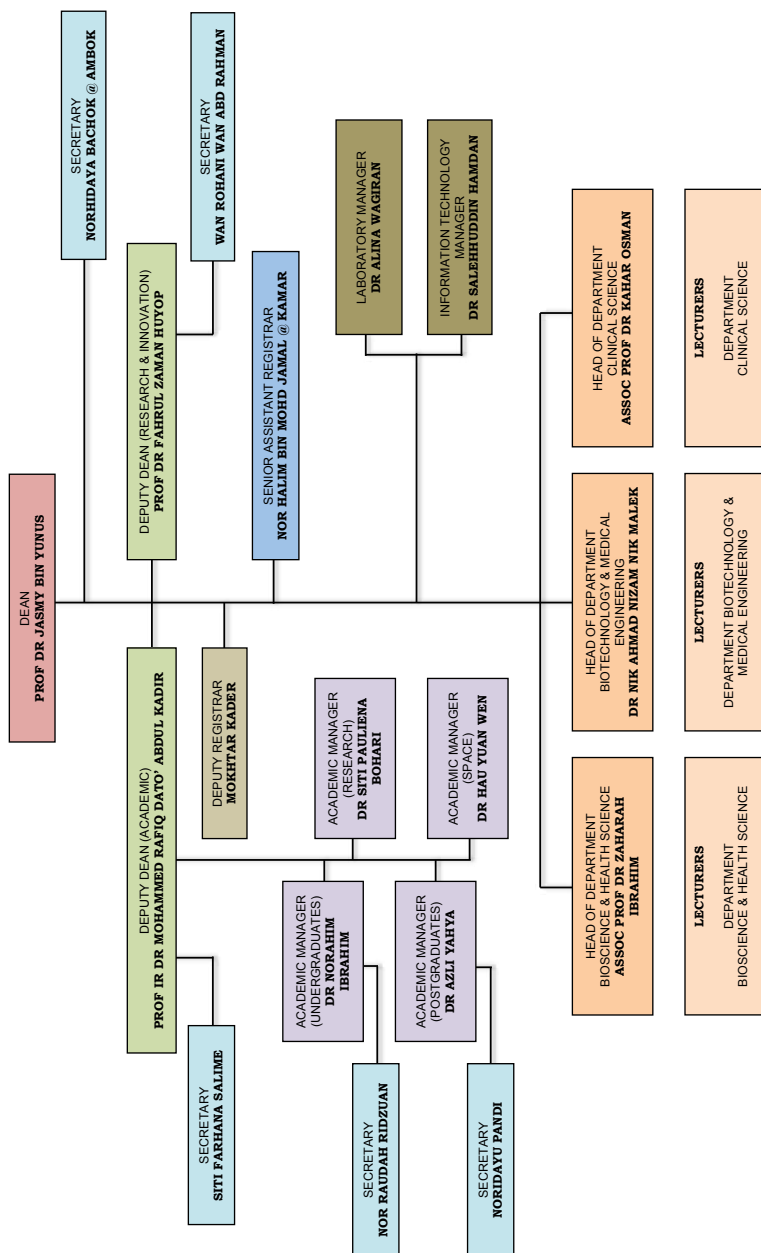
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# RESEARCH ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE & FACILITIES







# RESEARCH INSTITUTE, CENTRE & GROUPS

All FBME academic staff are associates to either research institutes, centres and/or research groups. Research centres and institutes are managed directly by the Office of the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research and Innovation), whilst research groups are managed and monitored by FBME Deputy Dean (Research and Innovation).

Research in FBME are clustered in three major areas as follows:

## Biomedical Engineering

There are **nine** major areas of research in this field:

1. Biomechanics and Biomaterials
2. Biomedical Imaging
3. Biomedical Instrumentation
4. Biosignal Processing
5. Clinical Engineering
6. Health Care Management System
7. Medical Computing
8. Rehabilitation Engineering
9. Sports Science Technology

## Biosciences

There are **eight** major areas of research in this field:

1. Biocatalysis and Fermentation Technology
2. Biofuel and Renewable Energy
3. Bioinformatics and Molecular Modeling
4. Biosensor Technology
5. Environmental Bioengineering Research
6. Medical Biotechnology
7. Molecular and Plant Biotechnology
8. Nanoporous Materials for Biological Application Research

## Health Sciences and Rehabilitation Technology

There are **seven** major research areas in this field:

1. Assistive, Therapy and Rehabilitation Technology
2. Electrotherapy Modalities
3. Exercise Therapy & Prescription
4. Kinesiotherapy & Physical Therapy Modalities
5. Motion Analysis
6. Orthotics and Prosthetics
7. Rehabilitation Ergonomics

Postgraduate students who registered for full research will be attached to the research institute/centre/group and supervised by an academic staff from that particular institute/centre/group. The table below shows the list of FBME research groups and research institute & centres associated to the faculty:



### INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN CENTRED ENGINEERING (IHCE)

*Senior Director:*  
**Prof. Dr. Abdul Hafidz Omar**

IHCE consists of four research centres – the Sports Innovation & Technology Centre (SITC), IJN-UTM Cardiovascular Engineering Centre, Centre for Biomedical Engineering (CBE) and Media & Game Innovation Centre of Excellence (Magic-X). The total number of postgraduate students attached to this Institute is more than 100, doing research related to Sports, Biomedical Engineering and Computing.



REMOTE TEE




VALVE TISSUE SCAFFOLD



SURFACE TREATMENT







SURFACE TREATMENT



### UTM PALM OIL RESEARCH CENTRE

*Research Manager:*  
**Dr. Norhayati Abdullah**

UTM Palm Oil Research Center (UTM Palm) was included under the umbrella of the newly launched Research Institute of Environmental Sustainability (RISE). Launched in 2013, UTM Palm aims to coordinate palm oil sustainability research in UTM and build collaboration with palm oil stakeholders. Research projects and programmes thus include participation of researchers not only directly under UTM Palm, but also from UTM faculties of various disciplines as well as academic and industrial collaborators. UTM Palm aims to approach sustainability from the holistic perspective of social, economic and environmental aspects and strive to conduct research projects and programmes, which contribute to holistic sustainability and application in the industry and among other stakeholders without shifting the problems to other processes or impacts.

## RESEARCH GROUPS



### MEDICAL DEVICES & TECHNOLOGY GROUP (MEDITEG)

*Head:*

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One of the well-known research groups among research universities, MEDITEG has close collaborations with medical school throughout the country. Established in 2006, MEDITEG has secured more than 60 research grants with a total amount of RM15million. Publications in the field of biomechanics, biomaterials, and medical device development have reached more than 225 publications indexed in SCOPUS with 134 indexed in ISI. Those ranked under Q1 and Q2 publications are 76 in total. Also highly active in innovations, MEDITEG has secured 25 patents granted by MyIPO and 35 more are currently pending for approval. MEDITEG has graduated 12 PhD students and 25 Masters students by research. There are currently close to 20 students attached at MEDITEG for postgraduate studies. For more info, visit [www.biomedical.utm.my/mediteg](http://www.biomedical.utm.my/mediteg)



### ENVIRONMENTAL BIOTECHNOLOGY (ENVBIO)

*Head:*

**Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zaharah binti Ibrahim**

UTM\_ EnVBioTech research group can be divided into the following sub-groups:

- Environmental Bioengineering research involves the microbial interactions, microbial community identity analysis, microbial catalysis, microbial signature and development of beneficial microbes consortium and biomacrocomposites for the treatment of wastewater.
- Biosensor technology research involves the development of biosensors for rapid detection of Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD), organic compounds (maltose, styrene, phenol), inorganic pollutants (heavy metals) and clinically important analytes (glucose, cholesterol, uric acid).
- Biocatalysis and Fermentation Technology research involves the bio-molecular and molecular processes, product design, sustainability and analysis of biological systems.
- Biofuel and Renewable Energy research is related to biorefinery technology and bio commodity engineering of lignobiomass to value added products such as biosugars and renewable energy production.





## BIOMEDICAL INSTRUMENTATION & ELECTRONICS

*Head:*

**Dr. Mohd Azhar bin Abdul Razak**

BioMedical Instrumentation and Electronics (bMIE) is a research group under the Faculty of Electrical Engineering. Research is focused on four main areas aimed at transforming healthcare through technology and innovation:

- **ELECTRONICS AND BIOMEDICAL INSTRUMENTATION** including ultrasound amplifier, electrophysiological instrument, tracking device, cell sorting device, medical equipment, and analog instrumentation.
- **BIO-SENSORS** including electronic nose, bionic eye, and biometrics.
- **BIOMEDICAL SIGNAL AND IMAGE PROCESSING** including speech processing, ultrasound imaging, medical image processing, x-ray imaging, electroencephalogram (EEG), electromyogram (EMG), electrooculogram (EOG), electrocardiogram (ECG), brain computer interface, human computer interface, and brain-muscle control.
- **REHABILITATION** including speech rehabilitation, diagnostic and prosthetic design.



## BIOINFORMATICS RESEARCH GROUP

*Head:*

**Assoc. Prof. Dr. Shahir Shamsir bin Omar**

Bioinformatics Research Group (BIRG) is a research group that focuses on computational biology. Our two areas of research are molecular dynamic and biodiversity informatics. We bridge traditional biology such as ecology and biodiversity with the computing world. Our projects include mobile applications for field data collections, sentinel monitoring, GIS based solutions, LIDAR based mapping, speleological surveys. In keeping with our research roots, we maintain research of protein structural bioinformatics and uses molecular dynamic simulations to study protein thermal adaptations in psychrophilic organisms in Antarctica.





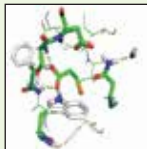
## BIOMOLECULAR & MICROBIAL PROCESS (BIOMIP)

*Head:*  
**Prof. Dr. Fahrul Zaman Huyop**

This group focuses in “microbial cell factories” for example utilizing microorganisms for products. The current projects mainly involve in fuel cells using lignocellulose biomass, biofertilizer, pollutant degradation studies using microbial enzymes, bioinformatics, development of green bio-catalysts, nano-cosmeceuticals, green technology for crime detection

in forensics and isolation of novel lipase producing microorganisms. Our intention is to enhance:

- fundamental research; to train graduates for high quality research and possibly into “entrepreneurial research” in future.
- to increase the amount of research out-put by means of publications in journals with impact factor.
- to seek worldly recognition in a specific area of research for UTM ranking purpose.
- with specific knowledge and expertise to “Co-branding” with other top Universities in the world.



## NOVEL MATERIALS

*Head:*  
**Dr. Nik Nizam Nik Abdul Malek**

Researchers in Novel Materials Research Group develop novel multifunctional materials for the application of catalysis, medical, biological and environmental remediation. We are focusing more on the chemistry of the materials towards various applications. This research group is under Frontier Materials Research Alliance, UTM and the researchers are from various faculties: Faculty of Biosciences and Medical Engineering (FBME), Faculty of Science and Faculty of Chemical Engineering.



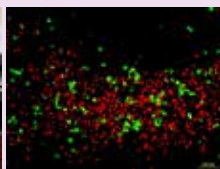




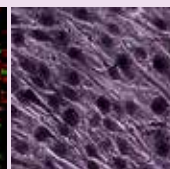
## NATURAL PRODUCTS (NATPRO)

*Head:*  
**Prof. Dr. Hasnah Sirat**

NatPro is involved mainly in the natural products chemistry and the biological aspects focusing on the pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, fragrances and flavors in the food industries. For the chemistry aspect, the main target is to extract and transform useful compounds from plant and microbial origin and screened for useful properties such as toxicity, anti-microbial, anti-fungal, anti-oxidative and anti-inflammatory activities. In addition to research in natural products, NatPro is also involved in the research of stereoselective and asymmetric synthesis of bioactive natural compounds..



LIVE DEAD CELLS STAINING



CALCIUM DETECTION  
STAINING



## BIOSIGNAL PROCESSING GROUP (BSP)

*Head:*  
**Dr. Malarvili Balakrishnan**

The Biosignal Processing Research Group involve in the following research:

- Biosignal processing,
- Time-frequency signal analysis,
- Pattern Recognition with an emphasis on biomedical applications,
- Multi-modal biosignal processing (Fusion),
- Biosensor
- Computer aided medical diagnosis system,
- Physiological Monitoring
- Micro-dialysis

More info at:- <http://www.biomedical.utm.my/bsp/>





## ADVANCED DIAGNOSTICS AND PROGRESSIVE HUMAN CARE

**Head:**  
**Prof. Dr.-Ing. Eko Supriyanto**

Advanced Diagnostics and Progressive Human Care is a multidisciplinary research group established in June 2007. This group combines medical fields, engineering and education to create solutions for better healthcare. Currently this multidisciplinary group has 5 focus research areas including Early Intervention and psychology, Medical Imaging and Medical Image Processing, Medical Therapy, Health Care Management and Clinical Engineering. So far, our research group has secured more than 50 research grants with various local and international level publications, awards and intellectual properties.



## RESEARCH FACILITIES

The faculty is fully equipped with facilities for postgraduate laboratory works as well as for research. Facilities for medical engineering research are mostly located at V01 whilst biosciences research are mainly concentrated at T02. The list of labs is as follows:

### V01 RESEARCH LABS

- Advanced Microscopy Lab
- Biomechanics Design Laboratory
- Biomaterials Preparation Laboratory
- Cell Culture Laboratory
- Biodegradation Laboratory
- Biosensor Laboratory
- Bioinspired Devices Laboratory
- Biopolymer Laboratory
- Neural Engineering Lab
- Medical Imaging Instrumentation n Robotics
- Biochip and Medical System-on-Chip Laboratory
- Clinical Animal Lab
- Physiotherapy Gym
- Electrotherapy Lab
- Neurophysiotherapy Lab
- Physiotherapy Robotic Lab

### T02 RESEARCH LABS

- Animal Tissue Culture Laboratory
- Biofilm Research Laboratory
- Bioinformatics Research Laboratory
- Bio-nanotechnology Laboratory
- Bio-refinery Technology Research Laboratory
- Cancer Research Laboratory
- Environmental Bioengineering Laboratory
- Enzyme Research Laboratory
- Extremophiles Laboratory
- Genomics Laboratory
- Microbiology Research Laboratory
- Nanomaterial Laboratory
- Nutritional Biochemistry Laboratory
- Plant Biotechnology Laboratory
- Proteomics Laboratory
- Structural Biology Laboratory

- Cardiorespiratory      Physiotherapy Lab
- Advanced Biomedical Signal & Image Processing Lab
- Medical Instrumentation Lab
- Speech Processing Lab
- Rehabilitataion Engineering Lab

- Tissue Engineering Laboratory
- Virus Research Laboratory
- Water & Wastewater Research Laboratory

### Computing Facilities

The faculty has several computing labs in V01 and T02 for students use, equipped with software for teaching and learning. Other more advanced research software are available at various selected labs. University also have several university-licensed software for students personal use. The list of available software can be found from the website <http://cict.utm.my/pautan-aplikasi>. Both buildings are wifi-ready for easy access to the internet from students personal laptops and handheld devices. UTM's Center for Information and Computer Technology (CICT) can be reached online (<http://aduan.cict.utm.my>) for any help request or to lodge a report related to computing facilities. Some payed services are also available at the Academic Office of T02 which include printing, binding and photocopying.

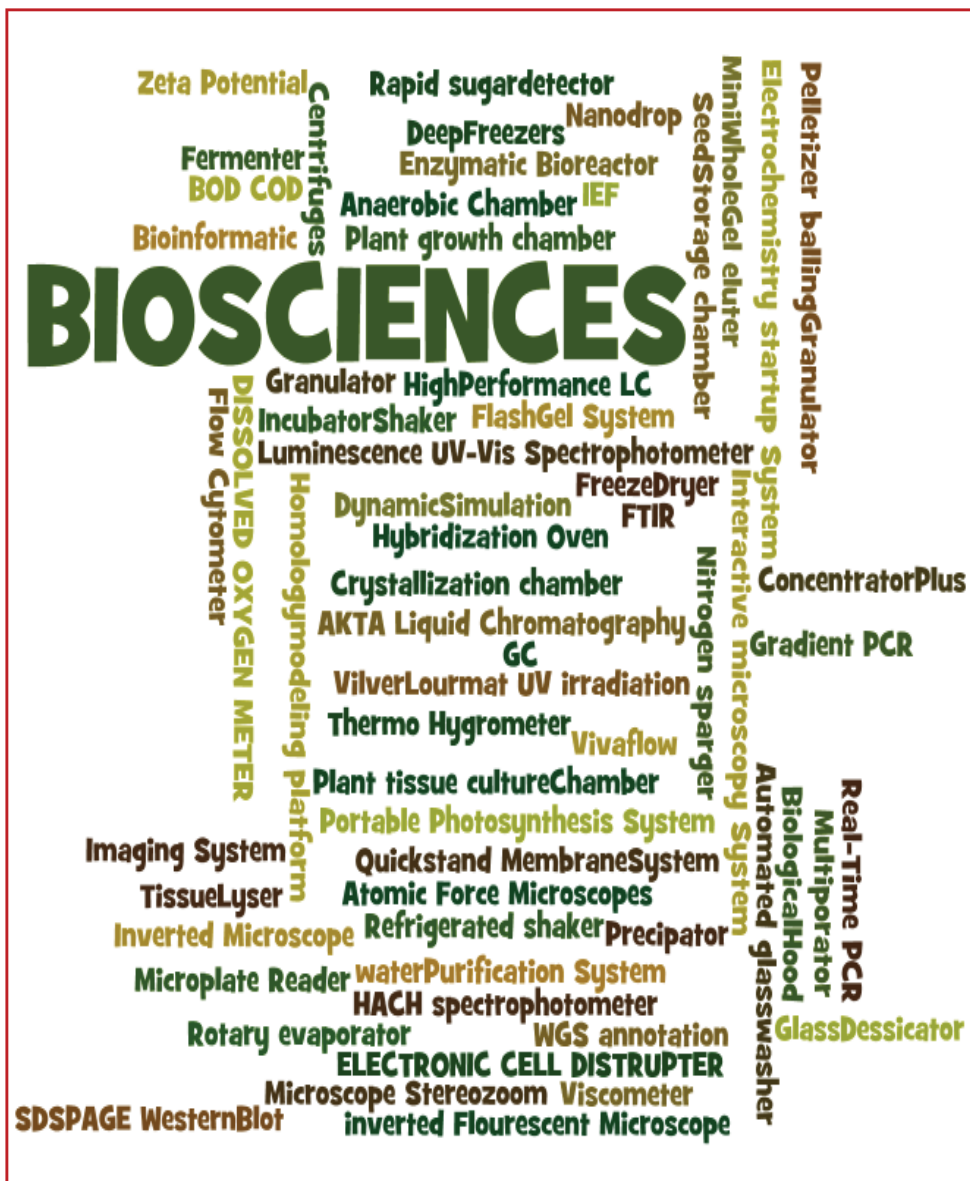
### Activity Room

The postgraduate activity room is specially design to inculcate the culture of research discussion. The room has sufficient electrical power outlets and wifi ready. We highly encourage student to use this room to conduct general activities such as group discussions or simply to relax.

### Equipments

The faculty has a lot of equipments for undergraduate teaching and learning as well as for research. These biosciences and medical engineering equipments are summarized on the following two pages.





Bioimpedance Analyzer Orthopedic-Related Equipments High End Oscilloscope  
 Spirometer Transcutaneous Electrical Nerves Stimulation Trainer Receiver  
 Anesthesia Machine OPTO Rehabilitation Equipment Goniometer  
 Posture Evaluation Kits  
 Ultrasound Transducer High End Bioamplifier Hemocytometer Chamber  
 Hydraulic Press Dexterity Blood Analyzer Human Torso Trainer  
 Spine Analyzer Physiotherapy Equipment Grinder Polisher Equipment  
 Patient Simulator Hand Wrist And Forearm Table Sensory Assessment Equipment  
 Blood Chamber Magnetotherapy Trainer Scoliometer  
 Logic Analyzer Fitness Equipment Ball Mill Medical Massage Bed  
 Forearm Workouts Kinesiotape General  
 Phantom Wireless Pulse Oximeter With Patient Module Pulse Oximeter  
 Mobility Equipment Human Body Models Ultrasound Machine  
 Stethoscope  
 Probe Tracking System Tabletop SEM Workstation  
 Wireless Vital Sign Monitor Electrosurgical Unit CPM Machines  
 Assistive Technology Devices Ultrasound Probe-Phased Array Electrospinning  
 Broadband Power Amplifier Urine Analyzer  
 Neurological Testing Devices Inclinometer  
 Contact angle measurement Spectrum Analyzer  
 Electrostimulation Trainer Trainer Machines  
 3D-Ultrasound Phantom Rapid Prototyping Machine  
 Ultrasound ECG Stress System PowerLab system  
 Stress Loading Device Hemoglobinometer  
 Laser-Therapy Trainer Binocular Microscope  
 Anti-Static Workbench Infra Red Lamp  
 Audiometer  
 Ultrasound Phantom



# POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES





# POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

## Programmes Offered

Faculty of Biosciences and Medical Engineering offers 8 **postgraduate programmes** that lead to the award of **postgraduate degrees** (Master or Doctor of Philosophy) in areas of Biological sciences, Biomedical engineering and Rehabilitation & Health Sciences Technology.

## Mode of Study

Students may register for the programme by one of the modes of study offered, namely **Taught course**, **Mixed mode** (combination of Taught Course and Research) or **Research**,

## Duration of Study

For **FULL-TIME** Master's and PhD programme, the normal study durations are 2 - 6 semesters (1 - 3 years) and 6 - 14 semesters (3 - 7 years), respectively.

For **PART-TIME** Master's and PhD programme, the normal study durations are 4 - 8 semesters (2 - 4 years) and 8 - 16 semesters (4 - 8 years), respectively.

## Additional Requirements

Each programme requires the student to take at least one of the **University compulsory courses** from the following options:

- **UHP 6013** – Seminar on Global Development, Economic and Social Issues
- **UHW 6023** – Philosophy of Science and Social Development
- **UHF 6033** – Dynamics of Leadership

**International students** are also required to take 3 credit hours of university subjects.

- **UHZ 6123** – Malaysian Society and Culture (international students of non-Malay race)
- **UHZ 6323** – Bahasa Malaysia Penulisan Ilmiah (international students of Malay race)

**Apart from the above requirements**, research students must take a research methodology class:

- **UMBP0010**- Research Methodology (HW= Hadir Wajib/compulsory courses)

It is offered as an intensive course usually during the one week mid-semester break.



# SUMMARY OF POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

## Master Degree programmes

Programmes	Code	MODE*	Research Field*
Master of Science (Biomedical Engineering)	MMBC	1	B
Master of Science (Biotechnology)	MMBT	2	A
Master of Philosophy (Bioscience)	MMBB	3	A
Master of Philosophy (Biomedical) (Single or Double Degree Programme)	MMBE	3	B
Master of Philosophy (Rehabilitation Technology)	MMBR	3	C

## Doctoral Degree Programmes

Programmes	Code	Research Field*
Doctor of Philosophy (Bioscience)	PMBB	A
Doctor of Philosophy (Biomedical Engineering) (Single or Double Degree Programme)	PMBE	B
Doctor of Philosophy (Health Science)	PMBH	C

### \*Mode:

1 = Taught course, 2 = Mixed mode, 3 = Research

### \* Research Field:

A= Biosciences

B= Biomedical Engineering

C= Rehabilitation and Health Sciences Technology

# MASTER OF SCIENCE (BIOTECHNOLOGY)

## By Mixed Mode (*Combination of Taught Course and Research*)

### Programme Features

FBME offers the Master of Science (Biotechnology) programme by **mixed mode** (taught course and research). The programme is **offered as full-time and part-time**. For full time programme, MSc (Biotechnology) can be completed within **three semesters (1½ years)**.

Students are required to successfully complete a **minimum of 42 credits which include at least: (a) six core courses (18 credits) (b) one compulsory university course (HW\*) (c) one university elective course (3 credits) and (d) dissertation (21 credits)**.

### Admission Requirements

- Bachelor of Science (Biology, Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Microbiology, Bioscience, Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Bioprocess Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Genetics or equivalent) with CPA  $\geq 3.0$  will be considered for this programme; **OR**
- Bachelor of Science with CPA < 3.0 and one year working experience in areas related to Biotechnology.
- **English Language Requirements (FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS)**

An International student candidate is required to have a minimum qualification for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (**TOEFL**) of **550** or International English Language Test System (**IELTS**) of **band 6.0** or Malaysian Universities English Test (**MUET**) of **band 4.0**. Exemption may be given to those who are native English speakers or who graduated from universities that use English as the medium of instruction and communications. Those who do not meet the minimum requirement must attend and pass the Intensive English Programme before they are allowed to proceed with their respective programs of study.

### Assessments

Project dissertation has to be submitted at the end of the respective semesters. Course assessment will be conducted via direct (examination, tests, quizzes) and indirect (peer assessment) methods. **Generic skills** will be incorporated during teaching and learning process.

**Synopsis of courses** is available in [Appendix A. Programme specification](#) for MSc. (Biotechnology) is attached in [Appendix B](#).

## Course distributions

The courses are categorized as university electives, core programmes and elective programmes, such as the followings.

### SEMESTER 1

CODE	COURSE	CREDIT	PRE-REQUISITE
UMBXXXX3	Research Methodology	3	-
MMBT 1713	Bioinformatics	3	-
MMBT 1173	Biochemistry and Microbial Physiology	3	Microbiology, Biochemistry, Molecular Biology
MMBT 1153	Molecular Mechanisms in Gene Expression and Regulation	3	Microbiology, Biochemistry, Molecular Biology
MMBT 1683	Protein Engineering	3	Enzyme Technology, Protein Separation
<b>Total credits</b>		<b>15</b>	

### SEMESTER 2

CODE	COURSE	CREDIT	PRE-REQUISITE
UHX XXX3	University Elective Course*	3	-
MMBT 1233	Industrial Technology & Bioreactor Design	3	Microbiology, Biochemistry, Molecular Biology
MMBT 1563	Environmental Bioengineering	3	Microbiology, Biochemistry, Molecular Biology
MMBT 1280	Dissertation 1	6	-
<b>Total credits</b>		<b>15</b>	

\*To be selected from the list provided by SPS; X = a code number

### SEMESTER 3

CODE	COURSE	CREDIT	PRE-REQUISITE
MMBT 2180	Dissertation 2	18	-
<b>Total credits</b>		<b>18</b>	

# MASTER OF SCIENCE (BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING)

## By Taught Course

### Programme Features

FBME offers the Master of Science (Biomedical Engineering) programme by **taught course mode**. The programme is **offered as full-time and part-time**. For full time programme, MSc (Biomedical Engineering) can be completed within **three semesters (1½ years)**.

Students are required to successfully complete a **minimum of 45 credits** which include at least: **(a) five core courses (15 credits) (b) one compulsory university course (3 credits) (c) one university elective course (3 credits) (d) four elective course (12 credits) and (e) dissertation (12 credits)**. **Project dissertation** has a total credit of 12 hours in which it will be divided into 4 credit hours for semester two (Dissertation 1) followed by another 8 credit hours for semester three (Dissertation 2).

### Admission Requirements

- Bachelor Degree in Engineering (Biomedical, Electrical, Mechanical, Computer), Science (Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Medical and Health), Medical or other related disciplines from UTM; **OR**
- Other Recognised Higher Learning Institution with CGPA  $\geq 3.0$  or equivalent. For CGPA < 3.0, relevant work experience is needed.
- **English Language Requirements (FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS)**  
An International student candidate is required to have a minimum qualification of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (**TOEFL**) of **550 or** International English Language Test System (**IELTS**) of **band 6.0** or Malaysian Universities English Test (**MUET**) of **band 4.0**. Exemption may be given to those who originate from countries whose native language is English or who graduated from English-speaking countries. Those who do not meet the minimum requirement must attend and pass the Intensive English Programme before they are allowed to proceed with their respective programs of study.

### Assessments

Project dissertation has to be submitted at the end of the respective semesters. Course assessment will be conducted via direct (examination, tests, quizzes, assignments) and indirect (peer assessment) methods. **Generic skills** will be adapted during teaching and learning process.

### Course distributions

The courses are categorized as university general courses, programme core courses and programme elective courses such as the followings:

**Synopsis of courses** is available in [Appendix C. Programme specification](#) for MSc. (Biomedical Engineering) is attached in [Appendix D](#).

**SEMESTER 1**

CODE	COURSE	CREDIT	PRE-REQUISITE
UMBXXXX3	Research Methodology	3	-
UHX XXX3	University Elective Course*	3	-
MMBC 1003	TechniqueBiomedical Measurement	3	-
MMBC 1013	Diagnostic and TherapeuticTechnology	3	-
MMBC 1023	Advanced Biomedical Engineering 3	3	-
MMBC 1XX3	Elective 1	3	-
<b>Total credits</b>		<b>18</b>	

\*To be selected from the list provided by SPS; X = a code number

**SEMESTER 2**

CODE	COURSE	CREDIT	PRE-REQUISITE
MMBC 1033	Medical Informatics	3	-
MMBC 1043	Biomechanics	3	-
MMBC 1184	Master Project 1	4	-
MMBC 1XX3	Elective 2	3	-
MMBC 1XX3	Elective 3	3	-
<b>Total credits</b>		<b>16</b>	

X = a code number

**SEMESTER 3**

CODE	COURSE	CREDIT	PRE-REQUISITE
MMBC 1198	Master Project 2	8	-
MMBC 1XX3	Elective 4	3	-
<b>Total credits</b>		<b>11</b>	

X = a code number

# MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY

## By Research

Faculty of Biosciences and Medical Engineering (FBME) offers the following three master programmes by research mode:

1. Master of Philosophy (Biosciences)
2. Master of Philosophy (Rehabilitation Technology)
3. Master of Philosophy (Biomedical Engineering) – Single or Double Degree

**Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM) and Technical University Ilmenau (TUIL)**

Germany have started an International Double Degree programme in Biomedical Engineering. The student will be awarded with 2 certificates, which are Master of Philosophy from UTM and/or Master in Biomedical Engineering (M.Sc) from TUIL. The students are required to spend at least 7 months at the partner university. Limited scholarships from German's government are available for selected students.

### Programme Features

The above three Masters by research programmes are **offered as full-time and part-time**. A student will carry out research in any one of the **areas of research** chosen. Each research project is **supervised by a lecturer of the Graduate Faculty**. A Graduate Faculty member is an academic staff who has a doctoral degree qualification or an academic staff who holds an academic post of at least associate professor and is involved directly or indirectly in the post-graduate programmes. Co-supervisors may also come from a related industry.

### Assessments

Assessment is done by examining **first assessment reports** (research proposal), **second assessment report** (*mini-viva*), **each semester's progress reports**, and **thesis examination** (*viva-voce*).

All students registered for MPhil programmes must undergo the **first assessment** by presenting their **research proposal**, and the **second assessment** (*mini-viva*) by presenting their **on-going research's progress** in regards to their research proposal. Students who opted for the double degree programme must undergo **the first assessment** at their **home university** and only **the second assessment** at their **partner university**. To be inaugurated by any degree, all students must undergo **thesis examination** which can be done at least two-months after the second assessment. The first assessment and the second assessment are scheduled according to the student's appropriate semester of study as described below:

Task	Full Time	Part Time
<b>First Assessment</b>	Week 10/11 (Semester 1 or 2)	Week 10/11 (Semester 2 or 3)
<b>Second Assessment</b>	Week 10/11 (Semester 2 or 3)	Week 10/11 (Semester 3 or 4)
<b>Progress Report</b>	Week 12 (Every semester)	Week 12 (Every semester)

Students who are submitting the final draft of their thesis should send in the **Notice of Thesis Submission** to the Faculty at **least 3 months** prior to the date of submitting their thesis.

### Additional requirements

In addition to the university compulsory course, research students may be required to attend lectures related to their research fields. The courses to be taken shall be determined by the respective department graduate committee from time to time. As part of their training, students are required to present in seminars and conferences, as well as producing technical reports or papers for publications in proceedings or journals.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

### English Language Requirements (FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS)

An International student candidate is required to have a minimum qualification of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (**TOEFL**) of **550** or International English Language Test System (**IELTS**) of **band 6.0** or Malaysian Universities English Test (**MUET**) of **band 4.0**. Exemption may be given to those who originate from countries whose native language is English or who graduated from English-speaking countries. Those who do not meet the minimum requirement must attend and pass the Intensive English Programme before they are allowed to proceed with their respective programs of study.

### GENERAL REQUIREMENT

#### Master of Philosophy (Biomedical Engineering)

- Bachelor of Engineering (Biomedical, Mechanical, Electrical, Chemical, Computer), Bachelor of Science (Biology, Physics, Chemistry), Bachelor of Medicine with CPA  $\geq 3.0$  will be considered for this programme; **OR**
- Bachelor of Engineering with CPA < 3.0 and one year working experience in areas related to Medical Engineering

#### Master of Philosophy (Biosciences)

- Bachelor of Science (Biology, Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Microbiology, Bioscience, Plant Sciences, Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Bioprocess Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Genetics or equivalent) with CPA  $\geq 3.0$  will be considered for this programme; **OR**

- Bachelor of Science with CPA < 3.0 and one year working experience in areas related to Biotechnology

#### **Master of Philosophy (Rehabilitation Technology)**

- Bachelor Degree in any field of Allied Health Sciences, related to Therapy and Rehabilitation, Sports Science, engineering field such as Electrical Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering or related disciplines with good honour from Universiti Teknologi Malaysia or other institutions of higher education approved by the Senate; or
- A student candidate with lower qualifications will be considered if the candidate is proven to have adequate academic background and appropriate working experience.

## **RESEARCH COURSE CODES AND DESCRIPTION**

### **MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY (BIOSCIENCES)**

SEMESTER	FULL-TIME	PART-TIME	CREDIT
1	MMBB 1100	MMBB 1110	0
	MMBB 1200	MMBB 1210	0
2	MMBB 2100	MMBB 2110	0
	MMBB 2200	MMBB 2210	0
3	MMBB 3100	MMBB 3110	0
	MMBB 3200	MMBB 3210	0
4		MMBB 4110	0
		MMBB 4210	0

### **MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY(BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING)**

SEMESTER	FULL-TIME	PART-TIME	CREDIT
1	MMBE1100	MMBE1110	0
	MMBE1200	MMBE1210	0
2	MMBE2100	MMBE2110	0
	MMBE2200	MMBE2210	0
3	MMBE3100	MMBE3110	0
	MMBE3200	MMBE3210	0
4		MMBE4110	0
		MMBE4210	0



## MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY (REHABILITATION TECHNOLOGY)

SEMESTER	FULL-TIME	PART-TIME	CREDIT
1	MMBR1100	MMBR1110	0
	MMBR1200	MMBR1210	0
2	MMBR2100	MMBR2110	0
	MMBR2200	MMBR2210	0
3	MMBR3100	MMBR3110	0
	MMBR3200	MMBR3210	0
4		MMBR4110	0
		MMBR4210	0

## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Faculty of Biosciences and Medical Engineering (FBME) offers four Doctor of Philosophy programmes:

1. Doctor of Philosophy (Biosciences)
2. Doctor of Philosophy (Health Science)
3. Doctor of Philosophy (Biomedical Engineering)
4. Doctor of Philosophy (Biomedical Engineering) – Double Degree

**Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM) and Technical University Ilmenau (TUIL)**

Germany have started an International Double Degree programme in Biomedical Engineering. The doctorate double degree programme enables student to be awarded with 2 certificates, which are Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree in Biomedical Engineering from UTM and Doctor in Computer Science and Automation (Dr.-Ing) from Technical University Ilmenau, Germany (TUIL). The students are required to spend at least 9 months at the partner university.

### Program Features

FBME offers Doctor of Philosophy (Biomedical Engineering) program by research. This program is offered as full-time and part-time.

A student will carry out research in any one of the **areas of research** chosen. Each research project is **supervised by a lecturer of the Graduate Faculty**. A Graduate Faculty member is an academic staff who has a doctoral degree qualification or an academic staff who holds an academic post at least senior lecturer and is involved directly or indirectly in the postgraduate programs. Co-supervisor may also come from a related industry.

## Assessments

Assessment is done by examining **first assessment report and presentation** (research proposal), **each semester's progress reports**, **second assessment report and presentation** (mini viva) and **thesis examination**(viva voce).

All PhD students must undergo **first assessment report and presentation** by presenting their research proposal. They also must undergo **second assessment report and presentation** (mini viva) at the middle of their study to present their progress. The first and second assessments are scheduled according to the student's appropriate semester of study as described below:

TASK	FULL TIME	PART TIME
<b>First Assessment</b>	Week 10/11 (Semester 2)	Week 10/11 (Semester 3 or 4)
<b>Second Assessment (mini Viva)</b>	Week 10/11 (Semester 3 or 4)	Week 10/11 (Semester 6 or 7)
<b>Progress Report</b>	Week 12 (Every semester)	Week 12 (Every semester)

### Week 12: Submission of progress report

Students who are submitting the final draft of their thesis should send in the **Notice of Thesis Submission** to the Faculty at least 3 months prior to the date of submitting their thesis.

## Additional Requirements

In addition to the university compulsory courses, research students may be required to attend lectures related to their research fields. The courses to be taken shall be determined by the respective department graduate committee from time to time. As part of their training, students are required to present in seminars and conferences, as well as producing technical reports or papers for publications in proceedings or journals.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

### English Language Requirements (for international students)

An International student candidate is required to have a minimum qualification of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (**TOEFL**) of **550** or International English Language Test System (**IELTS**) of **band 6.0** or Malaysian Universities English Test (**MUET**) of **band 4.0**. Exemption may be given to those who originate from countries whose native language is English or who

graduated from English-speaking countries. Those who do not meet the minimum requirement must attend and pass the Intensive English Programme before they are allowed to proceed with their respective programs of study.

## GENERAL REQUIREMENT

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (Biosciences)

- Master of Science (Biology, Botany, Plant Sciences, Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Microbiology, Bioscience, Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Bioprocess Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Genetics or equivalent) with CPA  $\geq$  3.0 will be considered for this program; **OR**
- Other qualifications equivalent to a Master's degree and experience in the relevant field recognized by the Senate

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (Biomedical Engineering)

- Master of Engineering (Biomedical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Computer Engineering), Master of Science (Biology, Physics, Chemistry), Master of Medicine with CPA  $\geq$  3.0 will be considered for this program; **OR**
- Other qualifications equivalent to a Master's degree and experience in the relevant field recognized by the Senate

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (Health Science)

- Master Degree in Rehabilitation Technology, Electrical Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Medical Physics, Health Sciences, Sport Sciences with CPA  $\geq$  3.0 will be considered for this program; **OR**
- Related fields with good honour from Universiti Teknologi Malaysia or any other institution of higher learning recognised by the Senate

## RESEARCH COURSE CODES AND DESCRIPTION

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (BIOSCIENCES)

FULL TIME	PART TIME	DESCRIPTION	CREDIT
PMBB 1100	PMBB 1110	Research	0
PMBB 1200	PMBB 1210	Research	0
PMBB 2100	PMBB 2110	Research	0
PMBB 2200	PMBB 2210	Research	0
PMBB 3100	PMBB 3110	Research	0
PMBB 3200	PMBB 3210	Research	0
PMBB 4100	PMBB 4110	Research	0
PMBB 4200	PMBB 4210	Research	0

PMBB 5100	PMBB 5110	Research	0
PMBB 5200	PMBB 5210	Research	0
PMBB 6100	PMBB 6110	Research	0
PMBB 6200	PMBB 6210	Research	0
PMBB 7100	PMBB 7110	Research	0
PMBB 7200	PMBB 7210	Research	0
	PMBB 8110	Research	0
	PMBB 8210	Research	0
	PMBB 9110	Research	0
	PMBB 9210	Research	0
<b>GENERAL ELECTIVE UNIVERSITY COURSE (COMPULSORY)</b>			
<b>CODE</b>	<b>NEW CODE</b>	<b>COURSE</b>	<b>KREDIT</b>
<b>UMBP0010</b>	UMBP0010	Research Methodology	HW
<b>UHxxx3</b>	UHxxx3	General Elective University Course	3

#### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING)

<b>FULL TIME</b>	<b>PART TIME</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>CREDIT</b>
PMBE1100	PMBE 1110	Research	0
PMBE1200	PMBE 1210	Research	0
PMBE2100	PMBE 2110	Research	0
PMBE2200	PMBE 2210	Research	0
PMBE3100	PMBE 3110	Research	0
PMBE3200	PMBE 3210	Research	0
PMBE4100	PMBE 4110	Research	0
PMBE4200	PMBE 4210	Research	0
PMBE5100	PMBE 5110	Research	0
PMBE5200	PMBE 5210	Research	0

PMBE6100	PMBE 6110	Research	0
PMBE6200	PMBE 6210	Research	0
PMBE7100	PMBE 7110	Research	0
PMBE7200	PMBE 7210	Research	0
	PMBE 8110	Research	0
	PMBE 8210	Research	0
	PMBE 9110	Research	0
	PMBE 9210	Research	0
<b>GENERAL ELECTIVE UNIVERSITY COURSE (COMPULSORY)</b>			
<b>CODE</b>	<b>NEW CODE</b>	<b>COURSE</b>	<b>CREDIT</b>
<b>UMBP0010</b>	UMBP0010	Research Methodology	HW
<b>UHxxx3</b>	UHxxx3	General Elective University Course	3

#### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (HEALTH SCIENCE)

FULL TIME	PART TIME	DESCRIPTION	CREDIT
PMBH1100	PMBH1110	Research	0
PMBH1200	PMBH1210	Research	0
PMBH2100	PMBH2110	Research	0
PMBH2200	PMBH2210	Research	0
PMBH3100	PMBH3110	Research	0
PMBH3200	PMBH3210	Research	0
PMBH4100	PMBH4110	Research	0
PMBH4200	PMBH4210	Research	0
PMBH5100	PMBH5110	Research	0
PMBH5200	PMBH5210	Research	0
PMBH6100	PMBH6110	Research	0
PMBH6200	PMBH6210	Research	0
PMBH7100	PMBH7110	Research	0
PMBH7200	PMBH7210	Research	0
	PMBH8110	Research	0

	PMBH8210	Research	0
	PMBH9110	Research	0
	PMBH9210	Research	0

**GENERAL ELECTIVE UNIVERSITY COURSE (COMPULSORY)**

<b>CODE</b>	<b>NEW CODE</b>	<b>COURSE</b>	<b>KREDIT</b>
<b>UMBP0010</b>	UMBP0010	Research Methodology	HW
<b>UHxxx3</b>	UHxxx3	General Elective University Course	3

## TUITION FEES (ACADEMIC YEAR 2015/2016)

The tuition fee for Master programmes and Doctor of Philosophy programmes for the academic year 2013/2014 are given in Table 1 and Table 2, respectively.

**Table 1**

PROGRAMME		MALAYSIAN		INTERNATIONAL
MASTER	FULL TIME (3 SEMESTERS)	PART TIME (4 SEMESTERS)	FULL TIME (3 SEMESTERS)	
Taught course	RM 9,110.00	RM 8,030.00	RM 22,085.00	
Taught course and Research (Mixed mode)	RM 9,110.00	RM 8,030.00	RM 22,085.00	
Research	RM 8,010.00	RM 7,230.00	RM 18,735.00	

**Table 2**

PROGRAMME		MALAYSIAN		INTERNATIONAL
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY	FULL TIME (6 SEMESTERS)	PART TIME (8 SEMESTERS)	FULL TIME (6 SEMESTERS)	
Research	RM 15,570.00	RM 14,010.00	RM 37,020.00	

\* Amount per semester based on USD1 = RM 3.1 exchange rate. The rates are subject to change without notice.

For the latest updates on tuition fees, please visit the School of Graduate Studies (SPS) website at [www.sps.utm.my](http://www.sps.utm.my)

## HOW TO APPLY

The latest information on academic calendar, registration forms, application deadlines and other related information can be obtained directly from the School of Graduate Studies's website ([www.sps.utm.my](http://www.sps.utm.my)).

**Completed application should be sent to:**

**Dean**

**School of Graduate Studies**

Universiti Teknologi Malaysia

81310 UTM Johor Bahru,

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# REGULATIONS AND ACADEMIC SYSTEM GUIDELINE







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## PROGRAMME REGISTRATION

### Enrolment and Duration of Studies

- ☐ A student candidate may choose to enroll as a full-time or part-time student subject to the study programme offered by the faculty.
- ☐ A student is required to complete his/her study within the duration prescribed as in Table I.

**Table I: Duration of Studies**

LEVEL OF STUDY	FULL TIME		PART TIME	
	MINIMUM (SEMESTER)	MAXIMUM (SEMESTER)	MINIMUM (SEMESTER)	MAXIMUM (SEMESTER)
<b>Masters Degree</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> M.Sc. mixed mode</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> M.Sc. taught course</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> M.Phil. research</li> </ul>	2 (1 Year)	6 (3 Years)	4 (2 Years)	8 (4 Years)
<b>*Doctoral Degree</b>	6 (3 Years)	12 (6 Years)	8 (4 Years)	16 (8 Years)

\*A doctoral degree student who has successfully published two papers in internationally refereed journals may submit his/her thesis after completing duration of 2 years (4 semesters) of full-time equivalent or 3 years (6 semesters) of part-time equivalent. Refer to (6), PhD by Publication for the minimum study duration.

In the case of a research student (Master or Doctoral) whose supervisor is transferred to UTM and/or if the student has obtained a written approval on the transfer of the research from the previous institution of higher learning, the minimum duration of the study will be determined by the Senate. The maximum duration as given in Table I do not include the duration taken by a candidate to fulfill the pre-requisite for entry requirements of the study programme.

A Research or Taught Course and Research student who has submitted the thesis or dissertation for examination will be given "Examination" status. A student should abide by the decisions made by the Panel of Examiners i.e. the Thesis Examiner and the Panel for Oral Examination. The maximum duration for "Examination" status is three (3) semesters or eighteen (18) months. If a student fails to resubmit the corrected version of the thesis or dissertation within this duration, the student will be considered as "Fail".

## **Change of Programme of Study, Type of Registration, and Mode of Study**

A student who intends to change to another academic programme must apply to the School of Graduate Studies with the consent of the faculty to which the application is made subject to approval by the University. The change can only be made after the FIRST (1) semester of study and only once during the duration of study. Student's academic status must not be KG. The change is subjected to approval by the University.

A student may apply for conversion of his/her mode of registration from Full-Time to Part-Time or vice-versa. The change must take place before the last TWO (2) semesters of study and can be made only once during the duration of study. Conversion of more than once will only be considered in reasonable circumstances with the consent of the faculty. If the application for conversion from Full-Time to Part-Time or vice-versa is approved, the remainder duration of study will be determined by the University.

A student can apply to convert to another mode of study from taught course to taught course and research or full research or vice-versa. The change must take place before the last ONE (1) semester of study and can be made only once during the duration of study. Conversion of more than once will only be considered in reasonable circumstances with the consent of the faculty.

## **Registration of Courses**

A student must register his/her courses every semester within the specified dates determined by the University. Those who fail to register without acceptable reasons will be terminated.

As part of the graduation requirements, international students are required to take either

- a) Malay Language, or
- b) Malaysian Culture

Exemption may be given to those who have already fulfilled such requirement prior to registration of their respective programmes of study. Late registration fee will be imposed upon registration of courses after the closing date of the course registration.

## **Withdrawal (TD) of a Course**

A student may withdraw (TD) any course registered in the current semester within the prescribed duration subject to the minimum credits. A student who withdraws (TD) all of the courses will be given a deferment of the study.

## **Attendance**

A student is required to attend all classes scheduled for the course including those courses with the status of HW and HS. A student whose attendance is less than 80% will be barred from the final examination. The registration for HS course will be removed if the attendance is less than 80%.

## Credit Exemption and Transfer

A student may apply for Credit Exemption in the first semester of his/her study by submitting relevant documents. Only courses equivalent to those at UTM with minimum equivalent grade of B will be considered for Credit Exemption. Credit Exemption will only be included in the Credit Obtained.

A student may apply for Credit Transfer by submitting relevant documents during the period of study. Only courses equivalent to those at UTM with a minimum grade of B- will be considered for Credit Transfer. Credit Transfer obtained will be included in the Credit Count and Credit Obtained.

The maximum total Credit Exemption and/or Credit Transfer is 50% of the total maximum credits for the taught course components of the study programme. The duration of study for a student who is given Credit Exemption and/or Credit Transfer will be determined by the University.

## Thesis/Dissertation/Master Project Report

Thesis/dissertation/master project report must follow the guidelines prescribed in the UTM Thesis Manual. A thesis or dissertation submitted for examination must be approved by the supervisor. A master student is required to submit his/her thesis/dissertation/master project report to the faculty for evaluation according to the specified requirements.

For master by research and doctoral programmes:

- a) A student should submit Notice For Submission of Thesis approved by the supervisor at least three (3) months prior to submission of the thesis for examination, or three (3) months before expiry of the maximum study duration.
- b) A student should submit his/her thesis/dissertation for examination within or before the end of the maximum duration of study. Only a registered student is allowed to submit his/her thesis/dissertation.
- c) The final date for submission of thesis/dissertation for examination is the last working day of the examination week of the semester.
- d) After the oral examination and fulfillment of all specified requirements, a doctoral or a master student by research/taught course and research is required to submit bound and digital copies of thesis/dissertation according to the specified number and submission date determined by the University.
- e) Taking into consideration the evaluation of the thesis and the recommendation of the Panel for Oral Examination, the examination results of a thesis/dissertation will be verified by JKTS for endorsement by the Senate.

University will not accept a thesis/dissertation that has been submitted for the purpose of examination either to UTM or any other institutions of higher learning.

A doctoral thesis/dissertation should not exceed 300 pages excluding appendices. Master thesis/dissertation or the Master project report should not exceed 200 pages excluding appendices.

A thesis/dissertation or Master project report may either be written in Bahasa Melayu or English. All thesis/dissertations/master project reports are the property of the University.

## **Student Advice and Supervision**

### **Supervisor, Main Supervisor and Co-supervisor, Panel of Supervisors and Programme Coordinator**

A research student will be supervised by supervisor(s) appointed by the faculty. External supervisor will be appointed by SPS upon recommendation by the faculty.

During the taught course component, Taught Course/Taught Course and Research students will be guided by the Head of Department (Postgraduate Studies)/ Programme Coordinator. The university has the right to appoint or change student's supervisor(s).

A student may request for a change of supervisor(s) by providing acceptable reasons to the faculty.

The Main Supervisor should play a greater role in supervision than the Co-supervisor, who is appointed to assist the Main Supervisor.

A student is required to submit a Progress Report within the stipulated period to the faculty every normal semester. A student who fails to submit his/her progress report may be given TM or GG result.

### **Status of the Supervisor, Main Supervisor, Chairman of the Panel of Supervisors and the Programme Coordinator.**

The Supervisor, the Main Supervisor, Chairman of the Panel of Supervisors and the Programme Coordinator must be a Graduate Faculty who is a full-time staff of the University. A Graduate Faculty who is seconded to another university/institution or retired or a qualified individual from other institutions may only be appointed as a co-supervisor or a member of the panel of supervisors. If a supervisor is a contract lecturer, a co-supervisor with a permanent post must be appointed.

## Assessments

Assessments may consist of the following:

- ☐ Course examination;
- ☐ Evaluation of thesis/dissertation/master project report;
- ☐ Oral examination (viva voce);
- ☐ Comprehensive examination;
- ☐ Portfolio assessment;
- ☐ Qualifying examination;
- ☐ Special examination;
- ☐ Other modes of evaluation.

Final examination may be used as part of assessments for taught course and taught course and research programs.

Assessments for a master and doctoral student by taught course and research shall consist of the following:

- ☐ Course assessment;
- ☐ Evaluation of research proposal;
- ☐ Evaluation of dissertation;
- ☐ Oral defense of dissertation.

Assessments for a master and doctoral student by research shall include:

- ☐ Evaluation of Research Proposal;  
A student is required to present a research proposal for evaluation purposes within the duration specified by the University, failing which the student may be given a TM status.
- ☐ Semesterly evaluation by the supervisor;
- ☐ Thesis examination by the Internal and External Examiners;
- ☐ Oral defense of thesis to a Panel of Examiners;
- ☐ Course evaluation.

## Special examination

Special examination can be considered in the following cases:

- a) A Student who is unable to sit for the final examination due to illness certified by a medical officer of the university or the government hospital; **or**
- b) Student in the final semester and who failed the subject; **or**
- c) Any other reasons accepted by University

Special examination cannot be considered in the following cases:

- a) Course with NO final examination; **or**
- b) A Student who does not sit for the final examination without any acceptable reason by the University; **or**
- c) A Student who is prohibited from sitting for the final examination; **or**

- d) Oral defense of thesis by a student cannot be held more than twice; **or**
- e) Thesis/Dissertation examination for Doctoral and Master degree programs should be made according to the criteria set for the programme as approved by the Senate.

### **Conversion of registration status from Master to Doctor of Philosophy**

A master student by research is allowed to apply for conversion to a doctoral programme upon achieving excellent research work and recommended by the evaluation panel. Application must be made during the second semester.

### **Thesis/Dissertation Examiner and Panel of Examiner**

Examiners and member of the Panel for Oral Examination for doctoral thesis/dissertation are appointed by the University. Examiners and member of the oral examination panel for master thesis/dissertation are appointed by the faculty.

### **Master of Philosophy Programme**

The Thesis Examiner should consist of at least one Internal and one External Examiner. Panel for Oral Examination should consist of an Internal Examiner and a Chairman. Based on the reports by the examiners, the chairman of the Faculty Postgraduate Studies Committee may determine whether the External Examiner should be present at the oral examination.

### **Doctor of Philosophy Programme**

The Examiners for Ph.D. Thesis/ Dissertation must consist of at least one Internal and one External Examiner;

The Oral Examination Panel consists of a Chairman, assistant chairman, Internal Examiner(s), and External Examiner(s). Under certain circumstances, the Dean of School of Graduate Studies can decide whether the Oral Examination is to proceed without the presence of the External Examiner. The supervisor must be present during the examination of his/her student.

### **Other Doctoral Programmes**

The Dissertation Examination Panel consists of Internal and External Examiners. External Examiner(s) must constitute one from the academia and the other if needed may be appointed from industry.

The Oral Examination Panel consists of a Chairman, Internal Examiner(s) and External Examiner(s). Under certain circumstances, the Dean of School of Graduate Studies may decide whether the Oral Examination is to proceed without the presence of the External Examiner.

Thesis/Dissertation Examiners are required to submit to the School of Graduate Studies/faculty the examination reports within the stipulated duration.

Oral examination panel shall consist of a Chairman and at least one examiner. Supervisor is required to attend the oral examination session.

The result of the examination by the Examiners and Panel of Oral Examination must be presented and endorsed by University Senate Standing Committee for Postgraduate Studies before the Senate Meeting.

## Grading System

The relationship between marks, grade, points, and achievement levels of a course is as follow:

**Table II: The relationship between the Marks, Grade, Points, and Achievement Level**

Marks	Grade	Points	Level of Achievement
90 – 100	A+	4.00	Excellent Pass
80 – 89	A	4.00	
75 – 79	A-	3.67	
70 – 74	B+	3.33	Good Pass
65 – 69	B	3.00	
60 – 64	B-	2.67	Pass
55 – 59	C+	2.33	
50 – 54	C	2.00	Fail
45 – 49	C-	1.67	
40 – 44	D+	1.33	
35 – 39	D	1.00	
30 – 34	D-	0.67	
00 – 29	E	0.00	

Other grades are also used as follows:-

- i. Pass/Fail for courses with the status of HW.
- ii. For a course with HS status, the course registration record will appear in the student's transcript if the student's attendance is more than 80%.
- iii. Withdrawal (TD) of a registered course.
- iv. Satisfactory (MM)/ Unsatisfactory(TM)/Fail (GG) grade for a research course.

## Incomplete Course Status (TS)

The TS status is given to an incomplete course in the final assessment based on reasons acceptable to the University. A student who obtained the TS status for any course is required to sit for a Special Assessment within a prescribed duration.



## Academic Standing

The student's academic standing is determined according to the type of study:

- i. Taught Course - determined by CGPA;
- ii. Taught Course and Research - determined by CGPA and research grade;
- iii. Research – determined by research grade.

The academic standing for each semester including short semester for Taught Course programs is determined by GPA as indicated in Table III.

**Table III: The Academic Standing for Postgraduate Studies**

Academic Standing	Taught Course	Research Grade	Condition to Proceed with the Study	Award of the Degree
Good Pass	$CGPA \geq 3.00$	Satisfactory (MM)	Qualified	Qualified
Conditional Pass	$2.67 \leq CGPA < 3.00$	Unsatisfactory (TM)	Qualified	Not Qualified
Fail (KG)	$CGPA < 2.67$	Fail (GG)	Terminated	Not Qualified

A student in Research or Taught Course and Research programme who obtained Conditional Pass (KS) for two (2) consecutive semesters will be terminated.

A Taught Course student who obtained KS status must achieve KB status before the end of maximum duration of study to qualify for the degree award.

With the approval of the faculty, a taught course student is allowed to repeat the course with the grade B- and below to improve the grade. The course repeated must be registered with UG status. The better grade is considered for the computation GPA and CGPA.

A student must redeem the failed core or compulsory course for graduation. The course must be registered with a status of UM. The course grade will only change if the student passes with a better grade. The better grade is considered for the computation GPA and CGPA.

A student may redeem any failed elective course with another elective course. The new elective course must be registered with a status of UM. The better grade is considered for the computation GPA and CGPA.

A student can only re-register if his/her academic status is KG in the first (1) semester. A student is allowed re-register (KGDS) only once in the same programme throughout his/her study.

## Total Credits for Graduation

A student must pass all the courses specified in the programme. The minimum credits required for graduation at postgraduate degree/diploma/certificate are shown in the Table IV.

**Table IV: The Minimum Credits for Graduation in Postgraduate Studies**

Awards	*Minimum Credits for Graduation
M.Sc. Programme (taught course & mixed mode)	40
M.Phil. / Ph.D. Programme	0

**Notes:**

For taught course and research and fully research, minimum credit for graduations will depends on the total of student's credit hours.

## Conferment of a Postgraduate Degree/Diploma/Certificate

A student is only qualified to be awarded a postgraduate degree/diploma/certificate after fulfilling the following conditions:

- Obtained the total Credits for Graduation as determined by the curriculum of the programme with academic standing of Good Pass (KB);
- Pass all the courses required by the programme and pass thesis/dissertation (if required);
- Submit an application for conferment of a degree;
- Paid all fees;
- Fulfilled other requirements as specified;
- A taught course, or taught course and research student who withdraws from the programme may apply for a lower award if he/she has fulfilled the minimum credits as in Table IV;
- The University may award a lower degree to a student who fails to fulfill the requirements of the intended degree if the minimum requirements for the lower degree have been fulfilled.

A doctoral degree student who fails to be awarded the intended degree may be awarded a Master degree. A Master degree student who fails to be awarded the intended degree may be awarded a Postgraduate Diploma. A Postgraduate Diploma student who fails may be awarded a Postgraduate Certificate.

## Deferment, Suspension and Termination

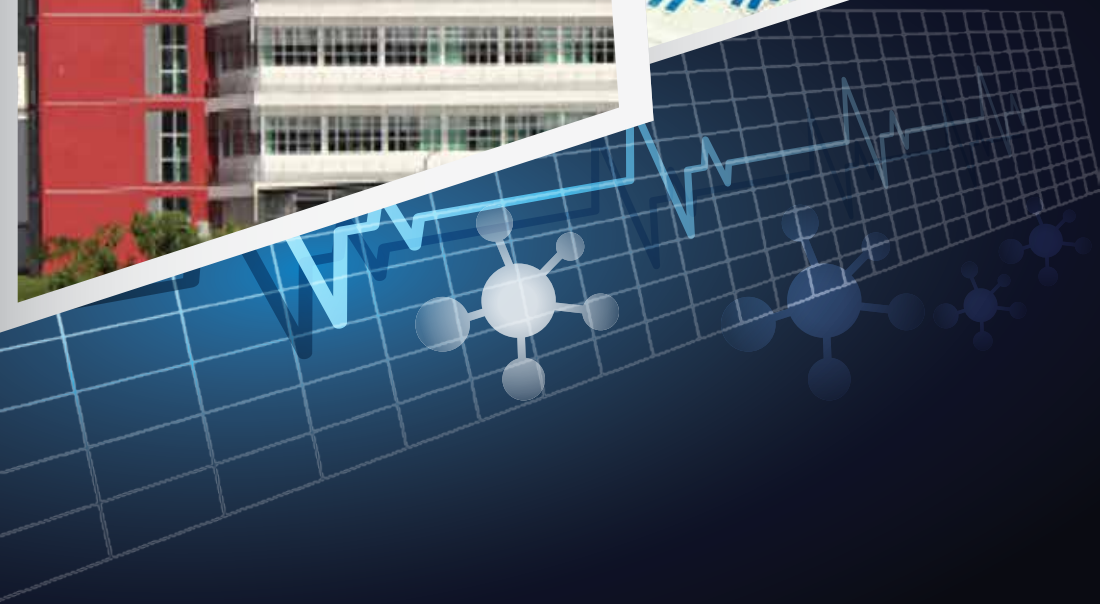
A student may apply for deferment of study due to health reasons by submitting a medical report certified by a Medical Officer recognised by the University. In such a case the deferment will not be taken into account in the duration of study. A similar status of deferment may be granted to a student due to reasons of interest to the University or the Nation.

A student may apply for deferment of study due to other reasons. Such deferment will be taken into account in the duration of study. Deferment of more than two (2) consecutive semesters is not allowed. A student who fails to register after deferment of two (2) consecutive semesters

may be terminated. A student who has been granted a deferment will not be qualified to use any facilities provided by the University

A student who violates the University rules and regulations may be terminated or suspended from the study for a certain period of time. In this case, the suspended period is taken into account in the study duration unless decided otherwise by the University.

# APPENDICES





## APPENDIX A: SYNOPSIS OF COURSES

### MASTER OF SCIENCE (BIOTECHNOLOGY)

#### MMBT 1713: Bioinformatics

##### Objectives

1. Explain the biological aspects in bioinformatics
2. Identify attributes within biology data that is applicable to bioinformatics
3. Use computational methods to analyse biological problems
4. Demonstrate the use of bioinformatics software to solve biological problems
5. Analyze biological problems using computational methods

##### Synopsis

This is a practical "hands-on" course in Bioinformatics that will emphasize on how to use computers and the web as tools to analyze and represent large collections of biological sequence and structure data. Prerequisites include a basic understanding of protein and nucleic acid structure, and some mathematics and statistics, but no prior knowledge of computer programming or computer hardware is necessary. This course presents the principles and methodology for Bioinformatics. It focuses on the application of computational methods to study biological problems. It will introduce the principles, scope, application and limitations of bioinformatics. This course is designed to introduce bioinformatics at a level appropriate for biology undergraduates having completed an undergraduate core, and for chemistry, computer science, and math undergraduates with an interest in biology. This course is designed so that the content and curricula can rapidly adjust as required to meet changing circumstances during the course of the semester and to evolve with the topics of interest in bioinformatics over time. Students will learn to use conventional software, web-based applications, and software which they download to their machine. By using the well-tested and successful approach of problem-based learning, students will learn through applying the strategies and tools used in bioinformatics to topical problems drawn from ongoing research and applications in a variety of fields. There is to be an integration of the basics of computation and analysis along with chemistry and biology throughout the course.

##### References

1. *Fundamental Concepts of Bioinformatics* Dan, E. K. & Michael, L. R. (2002). Pearson Ed
2. *Bioinformatics Computing* Bergeron, B. (2002). Prentice Hall PTR; 1<sup>st</sup> ed.
3. *Introduction to Bioinformatics* Attwood, T. ,Smith, D.P. (2001). Prentice Hall
4. *Bioinformatics: Sequence and Genome Analysis*, Mount, D. W. (2001). Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press.
5. *Bioinformatics for Dummies*. Jean, M.C. Cedric, N. (2003)
6. *Understanding Bioinformatics* by Marketa Zvelebil and Jeremy Baum
7. *Beginning Perl for Bioinformatics* by James Tisdall *Genomics, Proteomics, & Bioinformatics* by Campbell and Heyer *Developing Bioinformatics Computer Skills* by Gibas and Jambeck

## **MMBT 1173: Biochemistry and Microbial Physiology**

### **Objectives**

1. Compare the internal and external structures of prokaryotes and eukaryotes
2. Illustrate DNA replication, DNA repair mechanisms and physiology of plasmids in microorganisms.
3. Compare the chemical structure of carbohydrate, lipid and protein; contrast functional activity of these molecules
4. Elaborate metabolic pathways based on the problem or case-study given in class
5. Conduct relevant laboratory techniques in microbiology and biochemistry

### **Synopsis**

This course is designed to apply knowledge in basic cellular organization of microorganisms, growth and central metabolic processes to their existence in diverse environment. Knowledge on the genetics, growth and metabolism of microorganisms will be integrated to explain cellular growth and metabolism under normal living conditions to various stressful environments. Hands-on experience in laboratory on several aspects of microbial functions will be provided.

### **References**

1. White, D. (1999), *Physiology and Biochemistry of Prokaryotes*, Oxford University Press(2<sup>nd</sup> ed.)
2. Brock, Madigan, Martinko and Parker (1997), *Biology of Microorganisms*, Prentice Hall (8<sup>th</sup> ed.)
3. Berg, J.M., Stryer, L., Tymoczko, J.L. (2002), *Biochemistry*, Freeman and Co (5<sup>th</sup> ed.)
4. Lehninger, A.L., David, L.N., Cox, M.M. (1999), *Principles of Biochemistry*, W.H. Freeman & Co.

## **MMBT 1153: Molecular Mechanisms in Gene Expression and Regulation**

### **Objectives**

1. Describe the definition, structure and function of gene in molecular perspective
2. Compare the work of several operons in gene regulation
3. Differentiate between gene expression and regulation in both prokaryotes and/or eukaryotes
4. Demonstrate the importance of having gene expression and regulation by giving specific examples in a wider context
5. Analyze the importance of having gene expression and regulation by giving specific examples in a wider context
6. Analyze and evaluate existing knowledge in gene expression and regulation, in the form of research articles and scientific findings
7. Express the understanding in gene expression and regulation in both prokaryotes and eukaryotes

### **Synopsis**

This course is designed to expose the master students in understanding the molecular mechanisms in the expression and regulation of gene in both prokaryotes and eukaryotes. A brief introduction will be included and the overview of the molecular genetics will be looked into. The expression and regulation of proteins is the major theme of the lecture. Regulation and the control of gene expression will be discussed by

using several selected operons as model. A general discussion on the biochemical adaptation and gene expression will be given using extreme environmental conditions. Gene expression in recombinant microorganisms will also be discussed.

## References

1. Watson, J.D., Baker, T.A., Bell, S.P., Gann, A., Levine, M and Losick, R (2004). *Molecular Biology of the Gene 5th edition*. Benjamin Cummings, USA
2. Storey, K.B., (2004). *Functional Metabolism: Regulation and Adaptation*. John Wiley & Sons Inc., USA
3. Reece, R.J.,(2004). *Analysis of Genes and Genomes*. John Wiley & Sons Inc, England
4. David V. Goeddel (1990). *Gene Expression Technology in Methods in Enzymology* San Diego. Academic Pr
5. Lewin, B. (1997-2007) GENE VI-IX. Oxford Univ. Press
6. Any related journals

## MMBT 1683: Protein Engineering

### Objectives

1. Describe the properties of a protein based on the aspects of structures, folding, domains, active site or binding sites.
2. State the name and function of bioinformatics tools related to protein structures and functions.
3. Construct a protein 3D structure model using homology modeling or *de novo* approach.
4. Differentiate protein engineering techniques such as chemical and/or gene modifications.
5. List the methods to perform directed evolution mutagenesis study.
6. Design suitable primers for megaprimer and overlapping extension PCR manually with the help of basic softwares.
7. Display the finding of miniproject with the help of technology.

### Synopsis

This course presents an introduction to protein structure and function which is the basis for design of modified proteins for practical use in medicine or biotechnology as well as fundamental studies. The developing discipline of protein engineering and in particular enzyme engineering has concerns ranging from prediction of protein conformation from primary structure to cost-effective recovery and purification of recombinant proteins. Several successfully case studies on protein engineering will also be discussed. Finally students are required to carry out a guided mini project where they will be introduced to protein *in silico* homology modeling and mutagenesis.

### References

1. *Proteins Structure and Function*. David Whitford, 2005 Wiley
2. *Techniques in Protein modification*. Roger L. Lundblad. 1995 CRC Press
3. *PCR Technology Current Innovations*. Hugh G. Griffin and Annette M. Griffin. 1994 CRC Press
4. *Protein Purification, Principle, High Resolution Methods, and Applications*. Jan-Christer Janson. 1998 Wiley.
5. Current journals in *Analytical Biochemistry*, *Protein Engineering Design and Selection (PEDS)*, *Journal of Molecular Catalysis B: Enzymatic*, etc.



## MMBT 1233: Industrial Technology and Bioreactor Design

### Objectives

1. Compare method used during gene transfer in animal and plant tissue
2. Elaborate the application of animal and plant tissues at industry
3. Analyze the data obtained from the biomaterial properties in miniproject report
4. Analyze kinetic parameters of different fermentation process for industrial application
5. Choose suitable bioreactor for the growth of organism and product formation at industrial level
6. Differentiate the advanced downstream process in industry
7. Describe current good manufacturing practice in industry
8. Display suitable kinetic evaluation microbial fermentation based on the instruction given during lecture.
9. Present information on plant transformation and its application in biotechnology

### Synopsis

The course will emphasize on industrial technology and bioreactor design for microbial, plant and animal cell cultures. The gene transfer method into animal and plant tissue culture will be discussed. The physiology of microbial growth and product formation in batch, continuous and fed-batch culture will be explained in detail. The students will have knowledge on bioreactor design for microbial, immobilized cell, plant and animal cell tissue engineering and waste water treatment. Subsequently, student will be exposed to the industrial processes flow sheet and emphasis on advance downstream unit operation such as membrane separation and chromatography. Lastly, current Good Manufacturing Practice (cGMP) will be described. This course offers a combination of theoretical (lecture) and practical work.

### References

1. Standbury P.F., Whitaker A. and Hall S.J (1999). *Principle of Fermentation Technology*. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed. Pergamon Press.
2. Shuler M.L. and Kargi F. (2002). *Bioprocess Engineering*. Basic concept. Prentice Hall.
3. Halford N. (2006). *Plant Biotechnology: Current and future applications of genetically modified crops*. Chichester, UK: John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.
4. Liang G.H. and Skinner D.Z. (2004). *Genetically Modified Crops: Their development, uses, and risks*. New York: The Haworth Press.
5. Freshney R.I. (2000). *Culture of Animal Cells: A manual of basic technique*, 5<sup>th</sup> ed. New Jersey: John-Wiley & Sons, Inc.
6. Lasic D.D. and Templeton N.S. (2000). *Gene Therapy: Therapeutic Mechanisms and Strategies* Marcel Dekker.
7. El-Mansi E.M.T, Bryce C.F.A, Demain A.L and Allman A.R. (2007). *Fermentation Microbiology and Biotechnology*. CRC, UK.
8. McNei B. and Harvey L.M. (2008). *Practical Fermentation Technology*. Wiley
9. Palson B, Bhatia S. (2004). *Tissue Engineering* Pearson Prentice-Hall

## **MMBT 1563: Environmental Bioengineering**

### **Objectives**

1. Acquire in-depth knowledge related to microbial application for environmental sustainability
2. Apply knowledge in developing solution to waste management and waste-utilization related issues
3. Analyze and evaluate data obtained from laboratory experiment in order to conclude the findings
4. Think critically, logically, creatively and analytically in defining current environmental problem that requires alternative remedy, analyzing selected environmental problem in searching room for improvement and generating innovative and logical idea as alternative approach to remedy the problem

### **Synopsis**

In this course, conventional and recent advances the technology for waste treatment, biodegradation and waste utilization will be discussed. Since pollution is a direct or indirect consequence of waste production, the demand for 'zero discharge' can be interpreted as an unrealistic demand for 'zero waste'. As wastes continues to exist, attempts to abate the subsequent pollution by converting them to less noxious forms are more important. Application of bioengineering will be instilled in biotransformation process of wastes to commodity products or other value-added compounds evaluated based on selected case studies obtained from publications. Bioremediation technologies will be reviewed based on their applicability, performance and limitations. The role of microbes and microbial enzymes used in the processing unit will be described and distinguished. The use of microbiological and molecular techniques in monitoring microbial population and evolution will also be reviewed.

### **References**

1. Atlas, R. M. & Philp, J. Bioremediation Applied Microbial solutions for Real-world Environmental Cleanup. 2005 ASM Press, USA
2. Sikdar, S. K. & Irvine, R. L. Bioremediation: Principles and Practice. Bioremediation Technologies Volume III. 1998 Technomic Publishing Inc., USA
3. Walley, J. J. W. Bioremediation of Recalcitrant Compunds. 2006 CRC Press, USA
4. Relevant journal articles

## **MMBT 2180: Dissertation**

### **Objectives**

1. Prepare a well-planned research proposal to execute independent research
2. Solve research problems and present research results logically, creatively, innovatively and analytically based on scientific facts and research experience
3. Work responsibly with specialized laboratory equipment with appropriate technical, transferable and interpersonal skills.
4. Increase and disseminate research and development in specialized areas of biotechnology
5. Communicate effectively across a range of context and audiences

## Synopsis

This research project allows students to be involved in research under the supervision of knowledgeable and widely experienced lecturers in specialized fields such as Molecular Biology and Genetic Engineering, Enzyme Technology, Environmental Biotechnology, Plant Molecular Biology and Tissue Culture. Students must prepare a written research proposal approved by the panel of examiners before executing the research. This enriching research experience will enable students to utilize library facilities for updating literature search, to plan and conduct research independently. Research data are collected and analysed before finalizing the research dissertation. Students must complete a written dissertation on the research project to be evaluated by examiners via *viva-voce*.

## APPENDIX B: PROGRAMME SPECIFICATION

### MASTER OF SCIENCE (BIOTECHNOLOGY)

<b>1. Awarding Institution</b>	<b>UTM</b>			
<b>2. Teaching Institution</b>	<b>UTM</b>			
<b>3. Programme Name</b>	<b>MSc (Biotechnology)</b>			
<b>4. Final Award</b>	<b>MSc (Biotechnology)</b>			
<b>5. Programme Code</b>	<b>MMBT</b>			
<b>6. Professional or Statutory Body of Accreditation</b>	<b>-</b>			
<b>7. Language(s) of Instruction</b>	<b>English</b>			
<b>8. Mode of Study (Conventional, distance learning, etc)</b>	Conventional			
<b>9. Mode of operation (Franchise, self-govern, etc)</b>	Self-govern			
<b>10. Study Scheme (Full Time/Part Time)</b>	<b>Full Time</b>			
<b>11. Study Duration</b>	Full-time: Minimum: 1½ years : Maximum: 3 years Part-time: Minimum: 2 years : Maximum: 5 years			
<b>Type of Semester</b>	<b>No. of Semesters</b>		<b>No. of weeks</b>	
	<b>Full Time</b>	<b>Part Time</b>	<b>Full Time</b>	<b>Part Time</b>
<b>Long</b>	3	-	14x3= 42	-
<b>Short</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>12. Entry Requirement</b>	i) Bachelor of Science (Biology, Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Microbiology, Bioscience, Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Bioprocess Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Genetics or equivalent) with CPA ≥ 3.0 will be considered for this programme.  ii) Bachelor of Science with CPA < 3.0 and one year working experience in areas related to Biotechnology.			
<b>13. Programme Educational Objectives (PEO)</b>				
i. Graduates who are able to contribute to the advancement of science and technology ii. Graduates who are able to think critically, analytically and innovatively in solving problems. iii. Graduates who practice good management, leadership and governance. iv. Graduates who are able to communicate across a broad spectrum of issues effectively.				

14. Programme Learning Outcomes (PO)			
Intended Learning Outcomes		Teaching and Learning Methods	Assessment
<b>(a) Technical Knowledge and Competencies</b>			
<b>PO1</b>	Possess in-depth knowledge and skills in specific discipline with global perspective.	Lectures, seminars, laboratory works, directed reading, independent study	Examinations, laboratory reports, quizzes, written assignments, oral presentations
<b>PO2</b>	Ability to apply knowledge through intellectual inquiry and to develop critical solutions in new situations.	Lectures, laboratory works, computer hands on session	Examinations, laboratory reports, oral presentations, written assignments, tests, quizzes
<b>PO3</b>	Ability to analyse, and evaluate existing knowledge in order to synthesise scientific findings	Laboratory work, supervised project.	Dissertation, oral presentations, written assignments
Intended Learning Outcomes		Teaching and Learning Methods	Assessment
<b>(b) Generic Skills</b>			
<b>PO4</b>	Ability to disseminate ideas to the wider community in a confident, effective and coherent manner.	Group assignments, research project supervision, laboratory works	Oral presentations, written assignments, laboratory reports,
<b>PO5</b>	Ability to describe and critically evaluate current aspects of biosciences in order to solve related problems.	Research project supervision, group assignments, laboratory work, lecture	Oral presentations, written assignments, research project presentation, laboratory reports, examinations, computer based exercises
<b>PO6</b>	Ability to create and sustain cooperative networking efficiently	Group assignments, laboratory works	Oral presentations, laboratory reports, peer assessment
<b>PO7</b>	Ability to perform tasks given ethically and with dedication	Lectures, assignments, laboratory works	Examinations, written assignments, laboratory reports
<b>PO8</b>	Possess strong enthusiasm and commitment to continuously acquire and disseminate new knowledge and skills.	Research project supervision, laboratory works	Dissertation, laboratory reports
<b>PO9</b>	Ability to acquire new knowledge and skills from a variety of sources and apply them to solve related problem	Research project supervision, Assignment, laboratory works,	Dissertation, Assignment, laboratory works,

**15. Classification of Courses**

No.	Classification	Credit Hours	Percentage
i	University a. General b. Language c. Co-curriculum	3	7%
ii.	Faculty Core	-	-
iii.	Programme Core	39	93%
iv.	Programme Electives	-	-
v.	Free Electives	-	-
	<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>100%</b>

**For engineering programme please fill up the following classification. (Others please refer to the Statutory Body guidelines)**

A		Not Related	
	Total credit hours for Part A		
B		Not Related	
	Total credit hours for Part B		
	Total Credit Hours for Part A and B		

**16. Total credit hours to graduate : 42 credit hours****17. Programme structures and features, curriculum and award requirements**

1. The programme is offered as full-time and part-time. For full time programme, MSc (Biotechnology) can be completed within three semesters (1½ years). Students are required to register for all six core courses (18 credit hours).
2. Project dissertation has a total credit of 21 hours. Course assessment will be conducted via direct (examination, tests, quizzes) and indirect (peer assessment) methods. Generic skills will be adapted during teaching and learning process
3. Students must complete a total of 42 credit hours with minimum CPA of 3.0.  
Complete the project and submit the dissertation.
4. The courses are categorised as university elective, programme core and programme electives as shown on the following page.

Course Category	Code	Course	Credit							
University Elective (1 course)	UHX XXX3	(To choose from the list given by School of Graduate Studies)	3							
Programme Core (39 credit)	MMBT 1713	Bioinformatics	3							
	MMBT 1173	Biochemistry and Microbial Physiology	3							
	MMBT 1153	Molecular Mechanisms in Gene Expression and Regulation	3							
	MMBT 1683	Protein Engineering	3							
	MMBT 1233	Industrial Technology and Bioreactor Design	3							
	MMBT 1563	Environmental Bioengineering	3							
	MMBT 2180	Dissertation	21							
TOTAL CREDIT			42							
18. Mapping of Programme Learning Outcomes (PLO) to Courses										
		LEARNING OUTCOMES								
		Knowledge and Competencies in Biotechnology			Generic Skills					
Code	Course Name	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	PO7	PO8	PO9
PROGRAMME CORE COURSES										
MMBT 1713	Bioinformatics	a	a	a	1	-	-	-	-	-
MMBT 1173	Biochemistry and Microbial Physiology	a	a	a	2	1	-	-	-	-
MMBT 1153	Molecular Mechanisms in Expression and Regulation	a	b	b	1	-	-	2	-	-
MMBT 1233	Industrial Technology & Bioreactor Design	a	a	a	1	1	-	-	-	-
MMBT 1673	Protein Engineering	a	b	b	1	1	-	2	-	-
MMBT 1563	Environmental Bioengineering	a	a	a	2	1	2	-	-	-
MMBT 2180	Dissertation	a	a	a	1	1	-	1	1	1

UNIVERSITY ELECTIVE COURSE									
UHXXX3	University Elective								
<p><b>Key Technical Skills:</b>  <b>a</b> = major contribution to outcome; <b>b</b> = moderate contribution to outcome; <b>c</b> = minor contribution to outcome  <b>Generic Skills:</b>  <b>1</b> = Substantial (with assessment); <b>2</b> = not substantial (introduce)</p>									
<p><b>19. Support for students and their learning</b></p> <p><b>Students and their learning are supported by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Briefing of all new post-graduate students during registration week.</li> <li>Student Prospectus Book for every academic session.</li> <li>Information services provided by the Graduate School (SPS) and through the university's web site.</li> <li>Student Support provided by counselors and psychologists at 'Unit Perkhidmatan Sokongan Pelajar' (UPSP), UTM Medical Centre, accommodation officers and University Library and others.</li> <li>Student Advisors Programme: Selected academic staff provides advice on academic progress and monitoring students' performance and achievements.</li> <li>Special programmes on career development conducted by the university to ensure students acquire necessary skills during their academic and future career.</li> </ul>									
<p><b>20. Career Prospects</b></p> <p><b>Graduate of the programme can work as:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>research scientist/officer</li> <li>science officer</li> <li>academician (teacher, tutor, lecturer)</li> <li>biotechnologist</li> <li>microbiologist</li> <li>quality control/assurance officer</li> <li>product specialist</li> <li>sales executive for biotech product</li> <li>environmental safety officer</li> </ul> <p><b>OR</b>  They can further their education by doing a PhD programme in the related field of study.</p>									
<p><b>21. Regulation of Assessment</b></p> <p>Assessment rules and degree classification applies for every course with the minimum passing mark of 60%. To qualify for the degree award, students should complete all of the programme's requirements; achieve passing mark for every courses examination. Dissertation will be examined by a panel of internal examiners appointed by the Department's Post-graduate Committee; their roles include evaluating candidates' <i>viva-voce</i> and written project dissertation.</p> <p><b>For further information on academic regulations please refer to the graduate school website:</b>  <a href="http://www.sps.utm.my/">http://www.sps.utm.my/</a></p>									



## **23. Facilities available**

### **List of laboratories:**

- Animal Tissue Culture Laboratory
- Biodiagnostic Laboratory
- Bionanotechnology Laboratory
- Bioprocess Laboratory
- Biosensor Laboratory
- Computational Pharmacy and Molecular Modeling Laboratory
- Environmental Bioengineering Laboratory
- Enzyme Research Laboratory
- Genomics and Proteomics Laboratory
- Mesoporous and Nanoporous Material Laboratory
- Microbiology Research Laboratory
- Pharmacogenetics Laboratory
- Plant Molecular Biology and Tissue Culture Laboratory
- Postgraduate Research Laboratories
- Specific Research Laboratory
- Structural Biology Laboratory
- Tissue Engineering Laboratory
- Virology Laboratory
- Spectrometry and Chromatography Room that house analytical equipments such as High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC), luminometer, top range UV-visible spectrophotometers, Gas Chromatography (GC), Total Organic Carbon (TOC) analyzer and Microscopy Room that houses CCTV- phase contrast and stereo microscopes, simple light and stereo microscopes.

## **APPENDIX C: SYNOPSIS OF COURSES**

### **MASTER OF SCIENCE (BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING)**

#### **MMBC 1003: Biomedical Measurement Technique**

##### **Objectives**

1. Identify and explain the basic and advances concept of biomedical instrumentation and measurement
2. Analyze physiological properties and design suitable instrumentation for specific purpose to solve biomedical engineering problems.

##### **Synopsis**

This course provides the students a complete exposure of various recording mechanism and biomedical parameters measured for diagnostic application. Also introduces students to design biomedical measurement systems and biomedical instrumentation. The architecture of electronic instruments used to measure physiological parameters is addressed, as well as the analysis of major process functions integrated in these instruments.

##### **References**

1. *Leslie Cromwell (1997). Biomedical Instrumentation and measurement. Prentice Hall, India, New Delhi.*
2. *John G. Webster (1998). Medical Instrumentation, Application and Design (3rd Ed). John Wiley.*
3. *Khandpur R.S (1997). Handbook of Biomedical Instrumentation Tata McGraw-Hill, New Delhi.*
4. *Joseph J.Carr and John M. Brown (1997). Introduction to Biomedical Equipment Technology. John Wiley and sons, NewYork.*
5. *Geoddes and L.E. Baker (1975).Principles of Applied Biomedical Instrumentation. John Wiley, L.A.*
6. *R.S. Khandpur (2003). Hand-book of Biomedical Instrumentation, TMH, 2nd Ed.*
7. *Mackay, Stuart R (1968). Biomedical Telemetry. John Wiley*

#### **MMBC 1013: Diagnostic and Therapeutic**

##### **Objectives**

1. Explain knowledge in advanced diagnostic and therapeutic technology in the clinical and hospital environment
2. Analyze and categorize scientific and technical knowledge for research in advanced diagnostic and therapeutic technology.

##### **Synopsis**

This course is designed to introduce students on how the bio-signal is measured, recorded and monitored and details on the broad collection of diagnostic and therapeutic equipments. At the end of the course, student will be able to learn various techniques that have been used in healthcare environment, clinical or research.

##### **References**

1. *Alan K. David, Scott A. Fields, D. Melessa Phillips, Joseph EScherger and Robert B. Taylor (2008). Taylor's Diagnostic and Therapeutic Challenges: A Handbook. Springer.*
2. *Dyro, J. F. (2004). Clinical Engineering Handbook. Elsevier.*

3. Geddes, L. A., Baker, L. E. (1989). *Principles of Applied Biomedical Instrumentation*. Wiley Interscience.
4. Khandpur (2003). *Handbook of Biomedical Instrumentation*. McGraw Hill.
5. Stephen McPhee, Maxine Papadakis and Michael W. Rabow (2011). *Current Medical Diagnosis and Treatment*. McGraw Hill
6. *Related journal papers*

### **MMBC 1023 : Advanced Biomedical Engineering**

#### **Objectives**

1. Explain advanced technology and knowledge used in medical devices to diagnose and treat patients by applying the electronics, signal processing, biomechanics medical and therapy knowledges.
2. Design device used in diagnosis and clinical treatment by combining biological and medical science

#### **Synopsis**

This course provides the students with the organization of medical information, the effective management of information using advanced technology, and the impact of such technology on clinical research, rehabilitation engineering, and patient care. The course explores techniques for assessing current information practices, determining the information needs of health care providers and patients, developing interventions using biomedical technology, and evaluating the impact of those interventions.

#### **References**

1. Joseph D. Bronzino (2000). *The Biomedical Engineering Handbook*. CRC Press LLC.
2. Dyro, J. F. (2004). *Clinical Engineering Handbook*.
3. Geddes, L. A. and Baker, L.E. (1989). *Principles of AppliedJ. F. (2004). Biomedical Instrumentation*. Wiley Interscience.
4. Khandpur (2003). *Handbook of Biomedical Instrumentation*. McGraw Hill

### **MMBC 1033: Medical Informatics**

#### **Objectives**

1. Apply medical informatics knowledge to improve the quality of health care, reduce cost, provide better education for providers and patients.

#### **Synopsis**

This course provides students with the organization of medical information, the effective management of information using computer technology, and the impact of such technology on medical research, education, and patient care. The course explores techniques for assessing current information practices, determining the information needs of health care providers and patients, developing interventions using computer technology, and evaluating the impact of those interventions.

#### **References**

1. Edward H. Shortliffe and Leslie E. Perreault (2001). *Medical Informatics: Computer Applications in Health Care and Biomedicine (2nd edition)*. Springer-Verlag.
2. Davidson, P. (2000). *Best Practice Series: Healthcare J. F. (2004). Clinical Engineering Handbook*. Elsevier. Information Systems. Auerbach Publications.
3. Glaser J. (1999). *The Strategic Application of Information Technology in Healthcare Organizations*. McGraw-Hill.

## **MMBC 1043: Biomechanics**

### **Objectives**

1. Analyze biomechanics knowledge on specific movement patterns from both anatomical and mechanical

### **Synopsis**

This course provides the students with application of the principles of mechanics and the techniques of engineering to the human body. The series of lectures explore the musculoskeletal system and highlights selected applications in the area of orthopedics (gait analysis, joint replacement) and analyzing the various forms of human movement.

### **References**

1. Nordin, M. & Frankel, V. (2001). *Basic Biomechanics of the Musculoskeletal System*. Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.
2. Humphrey, J.D. & Delange, S.L. (2003). *An Introduction to Biomechanics. Solids and Fluids, Analysis & Design*. Springer.
3. Hall, S. J. (2003). *Basic Biomechanics*. McGraw-Hill Publishers Hall.
4. Abd Rahman Musa (2007). *Statics Made Simple*. Pearson Prentice Hall.
5. Donald R. Peterson and Joseph D. Bronzino (2008). *Biomechanics: Principles and Applications*. CRC Press.

## **MMBC 1053 : Anatomy and Physiology for Engineers**

### **Objectives**

1. Identify and relate the structure and function of the tissue, organ, and systems in humans.

### **Synopsis**

This course provides fundamental concepts of the basic structure and function of the human body as an integrated set of systems from an engineering perspective. This course will expand student's knowledge in the engineering approach toward understanding functions and by giving some engineering solutions and increasing the ability of the students to integrate between the engineering technology and multiple related medical disciplines. Engineering principles will be used to analyse anatomical structures and physiological functions at the tissue, organ, and systems levels.

### **References**

1. *Principles of Anatomy and Physiology, 12th Edition*, Gerard J. Tortora, Bryan H. Derrickson, 2009
2. *Hole's human anatomy and physiology*, David Shier, Jackie Butler and Ricki Lewis, McGraw-Hill, 2004
3. *Essentials of anatomy and physiology*, Frederic H. Martini and Edwin F. Bartholomew, Prentice Hall, 2000
4. *Atlas Netter Interactive Atlas of Human Anatomy v3.0*, F. Netter. Medical. CD-ROM

## **MMBC 1063 : Biomedical Fluid Mechanics**

### **Objectives**

1. Explain and categorize biomedical fluids mechanic knowledge of mass conservation, energy conservation, and momentum balance to flowing fluids to solve biomedical engineering problem and relate the structure and function of the tissue, organ, and systems in humans.

2. Analyze biomedical problems related to biofluid using current techniques

### Synopsis

This course discusses advanced principles of convective diffusion of fluids pertaining to the body, particularly vascular circulation. A combination of lecture and discussion will dominate the learning mode while the major assessment will be done through a final exam. Through this course students will be able to evaluate parameters that involve biomedical fluid mechanics in producing scientific research and development.

### References

1. Bruce R. Munson, Donald F. Young, Theodore H. Okiishi, and Wade W. Huebsch (2009). *Fundamentals of Fluid Mechanics*.
2. John Wiley & Sons Inc. Lee Waite and Jerry Fine (2007). *Applied Biofluid Mechanics*, McGraw-Hill Professional.
3. Gianni Pedrizzetti and Karl Perktold (2004). *Cardiovascular Fluid Mechanics*, Springer-Verlag New York.

### MMBC 1073 : Biostatistics

#### Objectives

1. Explain and apply biostatistics knowledge in biomedical engineering

### Synopsis

This course provides statistical concepts and methods with emphasis on applications in clinical medicine, epidemiology and public health. This course also explores advanced biostatistical methods that have been used in designing and analyzing biomedical and public health investigations.

### References

1. Bernard Rosner (2005). *Fundamental of Biostatistics*. Duxbury Press.
2. Jerrold Zar (2009). *Biostatistical Analysis*. Pearson.
3. Leon Gordis (2004). *Epidemiology*. WB Saunders.
4. Douglas G. Altman (1990). *Practical Statistics for Medical Research*. Chapman & Hall, CRC.

### MMBC 1083 : Health Care Technology Management

#### Objectives

1. To Identify and explain the systems or procedures relating to plan and procurement, utilization and maintenance of healthcare technologies
2. Analyze and adapt the existing health care technology policies in health care management

### Synopsis

This course provides the students the ability to develop a systematic process for planning and managing health technology assets to achieve the highest quality care at the best cost. It explains the concepts of health care management and describes the various types of health plan in operation today. This course also covers the strategic planning as well as technology assessment, facilities planning, procurement, and service or maintenance management.

## References

1. Dyro, J. F. (2004). *Clinical Engineering Handbook*. Elsevier.
2. Joseph D Bronzino and Robert J Austin-LaFrance (1992). *Management of medical technology: a primer for clinical engineers*, Boston: Butterworth-Heinemann.
3. David Y, Judd T (1993). *Medical technology management*, Redmond, WA, SpaceLabs Medical, INC.

## MMBC 1093 : Medical Imaging and Image Processing

### Objectives

1. To apply the techniques in image major by using image analysis knowledge.

### Synopsis

This course provides students with an overview of the key concepts behind the main imaging modalities used in diagnostic imaging. The course also introduces students in the basic concepts and methods for image analysis and processing in biomedical engineering and medical physics as well as the use of basic software for image analysis and processing in biomedical engineering and medical physics.

## References

1. Rory A. Cooper, Hisaichi Ohnabe and Douglas A. Hobson (2007). *An Introduction to Rehabilitation Engineering*. Taylor and Francis.
2. Rory A. Cooper (1995). *Rehabilitation Engineering Applied to Mobility and Manipulation*. Institute of Physics Pub.
3. Horia-Nicolai Teodorescu (2001). *Intelligent System and Technologies in Rehabilitation Engineering*. CRC Press.
4. Raymond V. Smith and John H. Leslie (1990). *Rehabilitation Engineering*. CRC Press.

## MMBC 1103 : Neuroscience

### Objectives

1. To analyze on various techniques, skills and modern equipment used in neuroscience.

### Synopsis

The course demonstrates on neuroanatomy, neurophysiology and neuroimaging. For example, student will be able to learn various modalities that have been used for neuroimaging. Each scope has its own advantages and at the end of the course student able to know different information about brain structure and function.

## References

1. Dale Purves , George J. Augustine, David Fitzpatrick , William C. Hall, Anthony-Samuel Lamantia , James O. McNamara , Leonard E. White (2007). *Neuroscience*. Sinauer Associates Inc., U.S.
2. Mark Bear, Barry Connors, Michael Paradiso, Mark F. Bear, Barry W. Connors Michael A. Paradiso (2002) *Neuroscience: Exploring the Brain*. Lippincott Williams & Wilkins;
3. Larry R. Squire, James L. Roberts, Nicholas C. Spitzer, Michael J. Zigmond, Susan K. McConnell, Floyd E. Bloom (2002). *Fundamental Neuroscience*. Academic Pres

## MMBC 1184 : Master Project 1

### Objectives

1. To apply engineering knowledge in professional practices in overcome biomedical engineering issues.

2. Solve research problems and present research results logically, creatively, innovatively and analytically based on scientific facts and research experience.
3. Communicate effectively across a range of context and audiences.

### Synopsis

The research project proposal emphasizes integration and application of knowledge to solve a biomedical engineering problem. The student must identify a thesis advisor, conduct preliminary research, write research proposal and make a presentation which will be evaluated. For seminar, student will attend paper presentation to expose themselves into research and to gain new knowledge.

### References

1. *School of Graduate Study. UTM Thesis Manual.*<http://www.sps.utm>.

## MMBC 1198 : Master Project 2

### Objectives

1. To apply engineering knowledge in professional practices in overcome biomedical engineering issues.
2. Solve research problems and present research results logically, creatively, innovatively and analytically based on scientific facts and research experience
3. Communicate effectively across a range of context and audiences.
4. Work responsibly with specialized laboratory equipment with appropriate technical, transferable and interpersonal skills

### Synopsis

The research project thesis emphasizes integration and application of knowledge to solve a biomedical engineering problem. The student must conduct research, document the findings and make a presentation which will be evaluated.

### References

1. *School of Graduate Study. UTM Thesis Manual.*<http://www.sps.utm>.

## UMBP0010 : Research Methodology

### Objectives

1. To discuss the principles, various techniques, skills and process in conducting academic research.

### Synopsis

This course covers the general principles of Research Methodology that are applicable to any discipline. It discusses the fundamental process in conducting an academic research. The theoretical and practical aspects of preparing a research proposal presented. Amongst topics that will be covered are introduction to research and its philosophy, problem formulation and research objective, literature review, research methodology and design, data collection procedures, data analysis, research proposal and thesis preparation and research management.

### References

1. FSKSM ((2010). *Handbook of Research Methods in Computing*, FSKSM, UTM.

## APPENDIX D: PROGRAMME SPECIFICATION

### MASTER OF SCIENCE (BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING)

1. Program Name			Master of Science (Biomedical Engineering) by Taught Course	
2. Final Award			Master of Science (Biomedical Engineering)	
3. Awarding Institution			UTM	
4. Teaching Institution			UTM	
5. Professional or Statutory Body of Accreditation			Malaysian Qualification Agency (MQA)	
6. Language(s) of Instruction			English	
7. Mode of Study (Conventional, distance learning, etc)			Conventional ( Course Work )	
8. Mode of operation (Franchise, self-govern, etc)			Self-govern	
9. Study Scheme (Full Time/Part Time)			Full Time and Part Time	
10. Study Duration			Full-time : Minimum : 1.5 years : Maximum : 3 years Part-time : Minimum : 2 years : Maximum : 4 years	
Type of Semester	No. of Semesters		No. of weeks per semester	
	Full Time	Part Time	Full Time	Part Time
Normal	3	4	14	14
Short	-	-	-	-
11. Entry Requirement				
		Candidate must hold a Bachelor Degree in Engineering (Biomedical, Electrical, Mechanical, Computer), Science (Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Medical and Health), Medical or other related disciplines from UTM or other Recognised Higher Learning Institution with CGPA ≥ 3.0 or equivalent. For CGPA < 3.0, relevant work experience is needed.		
12. Program Objectives				
The objectives of this programme are to produce profesional that are able to:				
<div><div>i.</div><div>Establish themselves as practicing professionals with high responsibilities in biomedical engineering discipline.</div></div> <div><div>ii.</div><div>Function effectively and efficiently in managing an organization through effective communication skills and high ethics within the biomedical engineering network.</div></div> <div><div>iii.</div><div>Continue education through special training, professional licensure, or additional certifications; or engaged in post-graduate study towards a doctoral degree in biomedical field.</div></div>				



<b>13. Program Outcomes (PO)</b>			
<b>(a) Technical Knowledge and Competencies</b>			
<b>Program Outcomes (PO)</b>	<b>Intended Outcomes</b>	<b>Teaching and Learning Methods</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
<b>PO1</b> (Knowledge)	Ability to integrate both theory and applications of advanced biomedical engineering principles.	Lecture and Discussion, Co-operative Learning, Independent Study, Group Project, Problem Based Learning.	Examinations, tests, quizzes, dissertation, presentation and assignments.
<b>PO2</b> (Research Skills and Scientific Methods)	Ability to carry out forefront research and development biomedical engineering projects through organized and systematic approach.	Lecture and Discussion, Co-operative Learning, Independent Study, Group Project, Problem Based Learning, Case Studies.	Dissertation, presentation and assignments.
<b>(b) Generic Skills</b>			
<b>Program Outcomes (PO)</b>	<b>Intended Outcomes</b>	<b>Teaching and Learning Methods</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
<b>PO3</b> (Critical Thinking and Problem Solving)	Ability to adapt and utilize advanced techniques and scientific thinking skills in solving biomedical engineering problems.	Lecture and Discussion, Co-operative Learning, Independent Study, Group Project, Problem Based Learning.	Examinations, tests, quizzes, dissertation, presentation and assignments.
<b>PO4</b> (Communication Skills)	Ability to communicate effectively through rational arguments via oral and written means to experts in the biomedical engineering field as well as to public.	Lecture and Discussion, Co-operative Learning, Group Project, Problem Based Learning	Dissertation, presentations and assignments.
<b>PO5</b> (Team Working)	Ability to work in a team to achieve higher organizational goals.	Co-operative Learning, Group Project, Problem Based Learning	Assignment and presentation.
<b>PO6</b> (Ethics and Professionalism)	Ability to evaluate and make appropriate professional decisions by taking into accounts social and environmental responsibilities, and related ethics.	Lecture and Discussion, Co-operative Learning, Independent Study, Group Project, Problem Based Learning.	Examinations, tests, quizzes, dissertation, presentation and assignments.
<b>PO7</b> (Lifelong Learning)	Ability to continually adapt with the latest development and explore specializations within the biomedical engineering field.	Lecture and Discussion, Group Project.	Assignment and presentation.

<b>PO8</b> (Entrepreneurship)	Ability to manage project effectively and identify business opportunities.	Group Project.	Presentation and assignment.
<b>PO9</b> (Leadership skills)	Ability to achieve higher confidence and positive attitude as a leader in a team.	Group Project.	Presentation and assignment.

#### 14. Classification of Courses

No.	Classification	Credit Hours	Percentage
i.	Faculty Core Courses	15	35.7%
ii.	Faculty Elective Course	12	28.6%
iii.	Master Project	12	28.6%
iv.	University General Elective Course	3	7.1%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>100</b>

#### 15. Total credit hours to graduate

42 credit hours

#### 16. Program structures and features, curriculum and award requirements

This program is offered on full-time and part time mode with a specific subjects being delivered and assessed in each semester. Assessment is based on coursework, final examination and dissertation.

The courses are categorized as university general courses, programme core courses and programme elective courses such as the followings:

Classification	Credit
University General Elective Courses (UHAX XXX3)(to choose from the list given by School of Graduate Studies)	3
<b>Programme Core Courses</b>	
Biomedical Measurement Technique	3
Diagnostic and Therapeutic Technology	3
Advanced Biomedical Engineering	3
Medical Informatics	3
Biomechanics	3
Research Methodology	3
<b>Programme Elective Courses</b>	
Anatomy and Physiology for Engineers	3
Biomedical Fluid Mechanics	3

Biostatistics	3
Medical Imaging and Image Processing	3
Health Care Technology Management	3
Neuroscience	3
Pathophysiology	3
Advance Biosignal Processing	3
Quantitative System Physiology & Simulation	3
Rehabilitation Engineering	3
Speech Processing	3
Tissue Engineering	3
Ultrasound and Electromagnetic in Medicine	3
<b>Choose 4 courses only</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Master Project</b>	
Master Project 1	4
Master Project 2	8
<b>Total Credit</b>	<b>42</b>

Semester	Course Code	Course	Credit
1	MKBB 1003	Biomedical Measurement Technique	3
	MKBB 1013	Diagnostic and Therapeutic Technology	3
	MKBB 1023	Advanced Biomedical Engineering	3
	MKBB 1XX3	Elektif 1	3
	UHAX XXX3	University General Elective Course	3
	<b>UMBP0010</b>	Research Methodology	3
	Total credits for semester 1		18
2	MKBB 1033	Medical Informatics	3
	MKBB 1043	Biomechanics	3
	MKBB 1184	Master Project 1	4

	MKBB 1XX3	Elektif 2	3
	MKBB 1XX3	Elektif 3	3
	Total credit for semester 2		16
3	MKBB 1198	Master Project 2	8
	MKBB 1XX3	Elektif 4	3
	Total credits for semester 3		11
Total credit for all semester 3			45

#### Award requirements:

For the award of Master of Science (Biomedical Engineering), students should achieve a total minimum of 45 credit hours with minimum CPA of 3.00.

### 17. Mapping of Programme Learning Outcomes (PLO) to Courses

		LEARNING OUTCOMES								
		Knowledge and Competencies in Biotechnology			Generic Skills					
Code	Course Name	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	PO7	PO8	PO9
PROGRAMME CORE COURSES										
<b>MKBB 1003</b>	Biomedical Measurement Technique	a	a	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
<b>MKBB 1013</b>	Diagnostic and Therapeutic Technology	a	a	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
<b>MKBB 1023</b>	Advanced Biomedical Engineering	a	b	b	-	-	1	-	-	-
<b>MKBB 1033</b>	Medical Informatics	a	a	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
<b>MKBB 1043</b>	Biomechanics	a	b	-	1	-	-	-	-	-

PROGRAMME ELECTIVE COURSES										
<b>MKBB 1053</b>	Anatomy and Physiology for Engineers	a	a	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
<b>MKBB 1063</b>	Biomedical Fluid Mechanics	a	a	a		-	-	-	-	-
<b>MKBB 1073</b>	Biostatistics	a	b	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
<b>MKBB 1083</b>	Health Care Technology Management	a	a	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
<b>MKBB 1093</b>	Medical Imaging and Image Processing	a	b	a	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>MKBB 1103</b>	Neuroscience	a	-	a	-	1	-	-	-	-
<b>MKBB 1113</b>	Pathophysiology	a	a	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
<b>MKBB 1123</b>	Advance Biosignal Processing	a	-	a	1	-	-	-	-	-
<b>MKBB 1133</b>	Quantitative System Physiology & Simulation	a	a	a	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>MKBB 1143</b>	Rehabilitation Engineering	a	-	a	1	1	1	-	-	-
<b>MKBB 1153</b>	Cardiovascular Engineering	a	a	-	1	1	-	-	-	1
UNIVERSITY ELECTIVE COURSE										
<b>UHXXX3</b>	University Elective									
<b>Key Technical Skills:</b> a = major contribution to outcome; b = moderate contribution to outcome; c = minor contribution to outcome <b>Generic Skills:</b> 1 = Substantial (with assessment); 2 = not substantial (introduce)										

## **18. Our Uniqueness**

- i. Special program designed to produce professional that can apply engineering to solve biomedical problem.
- ii. Multidisciplinary lecturers with focus on biomedical application.
- iii. State of the arts facilities and research laboratories.
- iv. Double degree program.
- v. This programme focuses more on areas instrumentation.
- vi. Selected courses will be conducted in form of Modular Class ( 3 credits course within 1 week)

## **19. Career Prospects and Career Paths**

Graduates of the program can work as a senior engineer, specialist, technical executive, manager, auditor, researcher or consultant in various public and private institutions or industries, and as academicians at tertiary institutions or higher education.

## **20. Cross Campus Program**

Possibility for Double Degree Program With Technical University Ilmenau, Germany.

## **21. UTM Degree ++ Program**

## **22. Facilities available**

- i. Laboratories
- ii. Postgraduate room
- iii. Library
- iv. Medical Centre
- v. Sport Centre
- vi. Smart Classroom and Lecture Room

## **23. Support for Students and Their Learning**

- i. E-learning system
- ii. Extensive library and other learning resources and facilities
- iii. Lab facilities for research
- iv. Each student is allocated with a supervisor for their master project
- v. Student counseling

## 24. Methods for Evaluating and Improving the Quality and Standards of Teaching and Learning Mechanisms for Review and Evaluation of Teaching, Learning, Assessment, the Curriculum and Outcome Standard

- i. Curriculum review and improvement
- ii. Industrial Advisory Panel (IAP) reports
- iii. External examiner evaluation and reports
- iv. Teaching evaluation by students
- v. Academic Committee meetings and reports
- vi. Staff expected to attain Doctorate degree or higher qualifications
- vii. Staff appraisal scheme and institutional staff development courses
- viii. Course team meetings and comprehensive annual review and planning for

## 25. Regulation of Assessment

Summary of grades, marks and their interpretation are as follows:

Marks	Grade	Evaluation Point	Interpretation
90-100	A+	4.00	Excellent Pass
80-89	A	4.00	
75-79	A-	3.67	
70-74	B+	3.33	Good Pass
65-69	B	3.00	
60-64	B-	2.67	Pass
55-59	C+	2.33	
50-54	C	2.00	Fail
45-49	C-	1.67	
40-44	D+	1.33	
35-39	D	1.00	
30-34	D-	0.67	
00-29	E	0.00	

## 26. Assessment Tools

Measurement Tools	Learning Outcomes						Duration	Action by
	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6		
Test, Quiz, Final Exam	/			/			1 <sup>st</sup> sem and 2 <sup>nd</sup> sem	Lecturer
Assignment		/		/			//	Lecturer
Group Presentation			/	/			//	Lecturer
Course outcome survey	/	/	/	/			End of sem	Lecturer
Course outcome report	/	/	/	/			End of sem	Lecturer

Evaluation form	/	/					End of 2nd sem and 3rd sem	Supervisor
PO survey by postgraduate students	/	/	/	/	/	/	End of sem	Faculty
Alumni Survey	/	/	/	/	/	/	Once/3 years	Head of Dept
Employer Survey	/	/	/	/	/	/	Once/3 years	Head of Dept



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### General rules and regulations

- ☐ A student must abide by Malaysian law at all the times.
- ☐ A student has committed a case of misconduct when:
  - ☐ He is found guilty of criminal charges by the court;
  - ☐ He is involved in any jobs, trades or the like, on part-time or full time basis, which are deemed illegal in the Immigration Ordinance 1959 and the Immigration Rules and Regulations 1963 or other laws or that which could affect his studies.
- ☐ A student is to abide by all the rules and regulations that are enforced by the institution.
- ☐ A student must at all times respect the culture, norms and beliefs of the locals.

### Student pass

- ☐ Any international student who wishes to study in Malaysia is required to obtain a Student Pass.
- ☐ Application has to be made through the Respective Educational Institution prior to entry.

### Permission to work part-time

- ☐ A student is permitted to do part-time work for 20 hours per week during semester breaks or any holiday exceeding 7 days.
- ☐ A student is permitted to work part-time in Restaurants, Petrol Kiosks, Mini Markets and Hotels only (excluding singer, masseur, musician, GRO and other activities deemed immoral) as long as the student pass remains valid.
- ☐ Students are not permitted to work as cashier.
- ☐ Permission to work part-time is extendable by the Immigration Department depending on the student's attendance and academic reports.
- ☐ Application from students studying in Private Higher Educational Institutions must be submitted by the respective institutions to the
- ☐ Immigration headquarters in Putrajaya; while for students from Public Higher Educational Institutions to the nearest Immigration Office.

### Drugs and poison

It is considered a serious offence if a student:

- ☐ is found to be in possession of any kind of drugs or poisons. The term 'drug' is as defined in the Dangerous Drug Act 1952;
- ☐ is found to provide, to supply, to distribute, to offer or to prepare any of the above drugs or poisons to other parties;
- ☐ is involved in drug abuse of any kind.

### Weapons and dangerous materials

It is considered a serious offence if a student is found to be in possession or in supervision of any dangerous weapons or explosive materials. 'Weapon' is as defined in the Weapons Act 1971.

## **Traffic rules and regulations**

A student who owns or uses any type of vehicle must:

- ☐ fulfil the requirements under the Road Transportation Act 1987 and all subsections under the Act, on campus and public roads.

## **Use of force**

It is considered an offence if a student:

- ☐ partakes in any kind of activities that involve force, extortion, molestation, harassment or any form of disturbance among themselves or towards others;
- ☐ involves directly in any form of ragging or bullying, or abuse or the like inside or outside of campus;
- ☐ uses force, aggression or threat to cause hurt to others;
- ☐ engages in any physical aggression such as riots or fights, or commits an assault on any parties;
- ☐ exhibits verbal and/or physical behaviour of a racist or prejudiced nature towards any other member of the community inside or outside the campus.

## **Assembly**

- ☐ It is considered a serious offence if any groups of students or organisations of students plan, organise, attend or take part in any assembly or meeting at any given places without permission from the relevant authorities. A student is to abide by all the rules and regulations that are enforced in his institution.

## **Academic integrity**

- ☐ A student is not allowed any form of falsification and plagiarism i.e copying or allowing people to copy, plagiarize during exams, lab assignments, preparation of coursework or thesis and the like.

## **Accommodation**

- ☐ Students who reside in an on-campus residence are to abide by the rules of accommodation set by their respective institutions.
- ☐ Students who reside off-campus need to take on an even greater obligation of respecting the neighborhood standards and watching out for neighbors.
- ☐ Students are advised not to cause trouble or emit noises in any way that are of disturbance to others.

## **Safety and Emergency**

- ☐ Be safety conscious, especially in the first few weeks as you get used to your new environment and culture.
  - ☐ Take extra care of your safety in high risk areas, especially if you need to go out late at night. If you are encountered with a real emergency, the first point of contact would be the International Office or your contact at your Institution.
  - ☐ Call 999 - police, ambulance, fire stations and civil defence rescue units if you are in trouble. (Warning: Under Section 233 of the Communications and Multimedia Act 1998, the penalty for misuse of the communication network is a fine of RM50 000, or one year's jail, or both).
- ☐ For further assistance, you may call Student Affairs and Development Division, Department of Higher Education's general line at 603-88835939 during office hours.

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