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GENERAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

DOMESTIC STUDENTS | INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Degree requirement

- Bachelor of Arts (Hons.) or its equivalent
- Preference will be given to applicants with CGPA 3.00 and above or its equivalent
- Mid-career professionals with nine or more years of relevant work experience will also be considered

English language requirements

MUET: Band 4 | TOEFL: 550 score minimum or IELTS: Band 6

Documents to be submitted

- Transcript and copy of first degree in relevant field
- Proof of competency in English language (MUET for Malaysian students, TOEFL or IELTS for international applicants)
- Certified copy of high school diploma (SPM or STPM for Malaysians)
- 2 letters of recommendation from your employer/institution of higher education
- Passport-sized photo
- Processing fee of RM100 (for locals) or USD30 (international)
- Centre for Graduate Studies Checklist

Online submission dates • April-May 2016

Semester commencement date • September 2016

Contact information for application

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Application form

Visit the postgraduate or master's programme website at:
<http://www.ukm.my/pps/>
http://www.idfr.gov.my/images/pdf_folder/ukm_application_form_for_graduate_studies_programme.pdf

Mode of study Full time only

Name

Areas of Specialization

Prof. Dato' Dr. Zakaria Haji Ahmad <i>BSocSc (Singapore); MA (McMaster); PhD (MIT)</i>	Strategic Studies, Malaysian Politics and Foreign Policy, ASEAN, Big Powers in Asia-Pacific
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nor Azizan Idris <i>BSocSc (UKM); MA (Pittsburgh); PhD (Aberystwth)</i>	Foreign Policy Studies, National Security, ASEAN, International Organization, International Development
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zarina @ Zairina Othman <i>BSc (Wisconsin); MA, PhD (Denver)</i>	Human Security, Non-Traditional Security, International Relations, Regional Security
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Kuik Cheng Chwee <i>BPA (UUM); MLitt (St Andrews); PhD (Johns Hopkins)</i>	Southeast Asia-China Relations, Small State Foreign Policies, China, Regional Multilateralism in East Asia
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sity Daud <i>BA (Flinders); MSc (London); PhD (UKM)</i>	Political Economy, Security Studies
Assoc. Prof. Dr. D.Ravichandran K.Dhakshinamoorthy <i>BA (USM); MMLS, PhD (Malaya)</i>	Diplomacy, Asia-Pacific Security, Non-Traditional India, Energy Security, Bioethics
Dr. Sharifah Munirah Alatas <i>BA (Oregon); MA, PhD (Columbia)</i>	Environmental Security, South Asia, Politics of Freshwater Scarcity
Dr. Guido Benny <i>BA, MSc (Universitas Indonesia); PhD (UKM)</i>	ASEAN, Indonesia, Regionalism, Public Opinion, Strategic Studies, Economic Security
Dr. Farizal Mohd. Razalli <i>BSc.Ed. (UTM); MA (UKM); MA (Vienna), PhD (SciencesPo)</i>	Comparative Regionalism (ASEAN, UNASUR, MERCOSUR, EU), Energy Security, Leadership in International Relations, Latin America, Europe
Dr. Chin Kok Fay <i>BA, ME (Malaya); PhD (Nat. Cheng Kung)</i>	International Political Economy, Finance Policy, Development, Non-Traditional Security, Taiwan
Dr. Hoo Chiew Ping <i>BA (UKM); PhD (La Trobe)</i>	Great Powers, South Korea, North Korea, Northeast Asian Affairs
Prof. Dr. Rashila Ramli <i>BSc (Western Illinois); MBA, PhD (Northern Arizona)</i>	International Relations, Governance, Gender & Politics
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sufian Jusoh <i>Lincoln's Inn, Barrister-at-Law; LL.B (Wales); LL.M (London); Dr. Ius (Bern)</i>	Public International Law, International Economics and Investment, Economic Diplomacy, Regionalism
Prof. Dr. K.S. Nathan <i>BA (Malaya); PhD (Claremont); LLM (London)</i>	U.S.-Asia Relations, Malaysia's External Policies, Asia-Pacific Security, ASEAN Regionalism
Dr. Karminder Singh Dhillon <i>BSocSc (USM); MA, PhD (Boston)</i>	Diplomacy, Malaysian Foreign Policy, Comparative Defense Policy, ASEAN, International Security

Master of Social Sciences in Strategy and Diplomacy

"Exploring the nexus between strategy and diplomacy"



About the programme :

A collaborative programme between the Institute of Diplomacy and Foreign Relations (IDFR) and the National University of Malaysia (UKM)

An English language-based postgraduate programme that aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of core issues relating to the theory and practice of foreign policy and international relations, with an emphasis on Malaysia, ASEAN, and Asia's relations with the wider world

Master of Social Sciences in Strategy and Diplomacy

This one-year Master's programme equips students with a broad range of theoretical approaches, conceptual tools, and analytical skills to explore the nexus between strategy and diplomacy within the context of the changing regional and global environment. It focuses on the understanding of strategy and security, diplomacy, foreign policy, international political economics, international law, defence policy and regional issues.

The programme is designed for :

- ▶ Government officers whose tasks are related to diplomatic, strategic, political, and economic dimensions of international relations.
- ▶ Foreign and local students who have a keen interest in diplomacy, foreign policy, military strategy, regional security, and global affairs.

Over the past 16 years, the programme has produced more than 260 alumni, who live and work in different corners of the world, including Albania, Australia, Canada, China, Croatia, Egypt, Fiji, Indonesia, Japan, Maldives, Myanmar, Namibia, Palestine, Papua New Guinea, Pakistan, the Philippines, Russia, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Thailand, United States, Vietnam and Zimbabwe.

Why IDFR?

- ▶ The Institute of Diplomacy and Foreign Relations (IDFR), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Malaysia, is an institution of excellence offering subject-matter expertise in the area of diplomacy and international affairs through practitioner-oriented diplomatic courses, foreign language classes, and professional training programmes to Malaysian diplomats and officials as well as foreign participants, including diplomats from among the 139 countries under the Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme, the Colombo Plan, and the ASEAN Secretariat.
- ▶ All students at IDFR are given the opportunity to participate in seminars, forums, and roundtable discussions by leading experts as well as public lectures by distinguished leaders and personalities. Past speakers include Ban Ki-moon, Gareth Evans, Tun Mahathir Mohamad, Lee Hsien Loong, Helen Clark, Kofi Annan, Haris Silajdzic, Nelson Mandela, Yasser Arafat, and Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah, the Institute's Royal Patron.
- ▶ IDFR's campus, located at the heart of Kuala Lumpur, is equipped with state-of-the-art facilities: an award-winning library, a fully-equipped language lab, wireless coverage, an auditorium, a multipurpose hall, a 51-room hostel of international standard, a dining hall, gymnasium, swimming pool, tennis courts and other sports facilities.

Why UKM?

- ▶ A national university ranked 7th in the 2014 QS Top 50 Under 50, a ranking of the world's top 50 universities established within the last 50 years.
- ▶ UKM's Political Science and International Relations Programmes are ranked within the Top 100 in the world by the QS World University Rankings (by Subject) in 2014.
- ▶ UKM's School of History, Politics, and Strategy is a member institution of the Community of East Asian Scholars (CEAS), a network of universities aimed at promoting ASEAN and East Asian Studies in all ASEAN Plus Three countries.
- ▶ Our flagship "East Asia and International Relations (EAIR) Forum" provides students and associates with opportunities to meet and interact with world renowned scholars on contemporary policy-related issues. Past speakers include Amitav Acharya, Alice Ba, Aileen Baviera, Brian Bridges, Don Emmerson, Paul Evans, Jurgen Haacke, Ian Hall, Hiro Katsumata, Satu Limaye, and Fei-ling Wang.

List of Courses & Curriculum Structure

Compulsory courses

- ▶ Research Methodology in Strategy and Diplomacy
- ▶ Strategy and International Security: Concepts and Theories
- ▶ Diplomacy: Theory and Practice
- ▶ International Political Economy

Elective courses

- ▶ Comparative Foreign and Defence Policy
- ▶ Globalisation and Regionalisation
- ▶ ASEAN and Asia-Pacific Order
- ▶ Malaysia and Small-State Strategy
- ▶ International Law and Organisations
- ▶ Seminar on Strategy and Diplomacy

Thesis

- ▶ Dissertation Exercise (not more than 30,000 words)

