

# UNIVERSITI MALAYA FACT SHEET

FOR INBOUND MOBILITY STUDENTS ACADEMIC SESSION 2024/2025



## UM at a Glance

### Institution Name & Address

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MALAYSIA

### Official Website

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## Quick Facts



- 812 acres/350 hectares campus
- ± 30,000 students (1 Undergraduate:1 Postgraduate, ± 3,000 international students)
- ±2,000 Academic staff (± 250 international)
- +3,500 Non-academic staff
- 179 postgraduate programs
- 96 undergraduate programs
- 20 academies/centres/faculties
- 6 research clusters
- >50 research centres

## Unique Aspects of the University



- Malaysia's first and top university
- Highly ranked in QS World University Ranking, QS Asia University Ranking, WUR by Subject, THE Asia University Ranking
- Broad-based, research intensive university
- Offers comprehensive academic programs
- World class research and academic programs
- Malaysia's largest and best teaching hospital
- Perfect balance of study and social lifestyle
- Diverse student community from >80 countries
- Active, vibrant and exciting student life on campus
- Centrally located in the Kuala Lumpur metropolitan city

## General Academic Year

The academic year consists of two normal semesters and a special semester. Each of the semesters is divided into two blocks by a 1-week mid-semester break.

<b>General Semester Dates</b>	<b>Semester 1 (23 weeks) October to February</b>	<b>Semester 2 (19 weeks) March to July</b>
	<b>Special Semester (10 weeks) July-September</b>	

# Application Procedures

<b>How to apply</b>	Online application at: <a href="http://apply.um.edu.my">apply.um.edu.my</a>	
<b>When to apply</b>	<b>Semester 1 (October)</b> 18 March – 31 May	<b>Semester 2 (March)</b> 16 September – 30 November
<b>Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Enrolled as a degree student in home university;</li> <li>▪ Have completed at least one semester of study in home university;</li> <li>▪ Nominated by home university (Nomination through online form provided every semester. Only applicable to Partner University)</li> <li>▪ Have good academic standing with CGPA not less than 3.0 or equivalent;</li> <li>▪ Have good English proficiency in speaking and writing (English requirement for courses in Faculty of Business &amp; Economics and Faculty of Law: IELTS (academic) Band 6, TOEFL iBT 80).</li> </ul> <p>*Faculty of Business &amp; Economics is considerably competitive. Students applying for courses at this faculty must possess good academic performance.</p> <p>Inbound students can enrol in not more than 20 credit hours per semester subject to availability of courses and Academy/Faculty/Centre approval. Maximum period of exchange or inbound mobility is 2 semesters or 12 months.</p>	
<b>Nominations procedure</b>	Nomination must be from the Mobility Coordinator of home university. Nomination will be done through an online nomination form.  Application from agents are not accepted and will not be entertained.	
<b>Medium of instruction</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Science-based: 90% English</b></li> <li>▪ <b>Social science-based: 80% courses taught in English, 20% in Malay Language or other foreign language*</b></li> </ul> <p>*Academy of Malay Studies, Faculty of Arts &amp; Social Sciences (except English subject), Academy of Islamic Studies</p>	
<b>Credit Transfer System</b>	Transfer of credit is entirely up to the home university. UM will provide academic transcript to facilitate the process.	

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<b>Postgraduate exchange/visiting students</b>	Postgraduate students can be accepted as mobility students but are subject to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>agreement signed between institutions; and</b></li> <li>▪ <b>term and conditions.</b></li> </ul>
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# Fees & Cost of Living

<b>Administration fee</b>	USD150 per semester
<b>Tuition Fee</b>	<p><u>Students from Partner University</u>                  Students are entitled to a tuition fee waiver (only applicable to the number of students stipulated in the Student Exchange Programme Agreement) and reciprocal balance.</p> <p><u>Students from Non-partner University or Independent Student</u>                  Students will be charged USD 1000 per semester.</p> <p>Note: Students are allowed to register for a minimum of 6 credits up to a maximum of 20 credits per semester</p>
<b>Accommodation</b>	<p><u>On-campus Residential College (without meal)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ ± USD 650 per semester</li> <li>▪ Twin-sharing bedroom</li> <li>▪ Furnished with beds, wardrobes, study tables &amp; chairs, bookshelves</li> <li>▪ Fan</li> <li>▪ Common bathroom &amp; toilet</li> <li>▪ Wi-Fi</li> </ul> <p><u>Off-campus Private Residential</u></p> <p>The costs differ from various types of room and residence which can range USD 360/month to USD 1000/month</p> <p>For more information:  <a href="http://gem.um.edu.my/accommodations-for-mobility-students">gem.um.edu.my/accommodations-for-mobility-students</a></p>

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<p><b>Miscellaneous fees</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Visa application</li> <li>▪ Medical Insurance                         <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ It is compulsory for student to purchase the local insurance coverage policy from the EMGS's appointed panel for the endorsement of student pass</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Post-arrival medical screening</li> </ul> <p>The charges for the above-mentioned matters are as per the Education Malaysia Global Services (EMGS). Please refer to EMGS website for further details.</p>
<p><b>Other expenses</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Books,</li> <li>▪ Public transportations,</li> <li>▪ Entertainment</li> <li>▪ Miscellaneous</li> </ul> <p>Approx. USD 190 to USD 500 per month</p>

## Student Visa Information

The offer of admission to the UM mobility program DOES NOT come with the Student Visa which is strictly required by the Malaysian Immigration Department (MID) for students to enter and study in Malaysia. Application of Visa Approval Letter (VAL) and payment of related immigration charges can be done via the EMGS website at <http://educationmalaysia.gov.my>.

Failure to adhere to the visa application procedures may result in the delay of admission to the University or retraction of admission. Processing time for the visa takes about eight (8) weeks upon submission of complete document.



# Student Activities & Student Facilities

<p><b>Student Activities</b></p>	<p>UM is home to vibrant, colourful, vivid and exciting student activities whether organised by GEM, students themselves or by external parties with the objective of further adding values and experience in students' life on campus. The list of activities includes community engagement programmes, non-academic cultural exposure programmes, student society activities, etc.</p>
<p><b>Facilities available</b></p>	<p>Libraries, Rimba Ilmu (Forest of Knowledge), Museums, Art Gallery, Wi-Fi, shuttle/feeder buses to public transportation hub, student complex, student clinic, University Hospital, bookshop, souvenir shop, etc.</p>
<p><b>Recreational Facilities</b></p>	<p>Jogging trails, lake garden, sports facilities (indoor &amp; outdoor), Olympic-sized swimming pool, UM stadium</p>
<p><b>Melting Pot of Cultural Interaction</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Adaptation on campus and Malaysian culture exposure</li> <li>▪ Convergence of unique diversity, multi-culturalism and celebration of essence of humanity</li> <li>▪ Warm, friendly and helpful staff and student buddies at your assistance</li> </ul>



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