

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

*Applicable for International Applicants Only

- A minimum score of 80 on the TOEFL (Test of English as a foreign language) (Internet-based); OR
- A minimum score of 6.0 in IELTS (International English Language Testing System); OR

Exception for candidate with:

- English is the candidate's mother tongue or National Language; OR
- The candidate graduated from an Institution of Higher Learning in which the medium of instruction at Bachelor and Master level is English; OR
- English courses offered by British Council; OR
- English courses offered by School of Languages, Literacies and Translation; OR
- English courses from selected Malaysian public/private university or institution.



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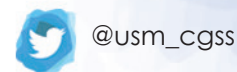
Type of Candidate	Tuition Fees	Registration Fees	Convocation Fees	Personal Bond
Malaysian (MYR)	25,652	340	120	-
Non-Malaysian (USD)	9,625	227.50	30	475

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MASTER IN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PRACTICE [MSDP]

COURSEWORK at [sains@KL](mailto:sains@kl)

INTRODUCTION

The Master in Sustainable Development Practice (MSDP) is a global multi and interdisciplinary graduate degree program that prepares students to better identify and address the challenges of sustainable development. This programme consists of two years of coursework in four intersecting disciplines; health, natural, social, and management sciences-combined with cross-sectoral field training.

The multi and interdisciplinary nature of this MSDP programme equips development practitioners to speak the different “languages” of specialists in, for example, health, agronomy, and economics, enabling them to better understand the root causes of extreme poverty and to address the challenges of sustainable development.

The programme is monitored by the Global Association Board of MDP and supported by the Earth Institute, Columbia University, New York, USA. At the moment, there are 31 universities in 6 continents offering this programme globally. Currently, USM is the only university in South-East Asia that offers this programme. This programme is offered in Kuala Lumpur since September 2014.



PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

Core Courses (38 Units)

1. General Cluster

- Global Classroom: Integrated Approaches to Sustainable Development
- Research Methods for Sustainable Development
- Project Design Evaluation and Management
- Master in Sustainable Development Practice Project

2. Global Health Cluster

- Health Policy and Management

3. Science & Engineering Cluster

- Energy Infrastructure Planning
- Human Ecology and Sustainable Development

4. Management Cluster

- Budget Planning and Financial Management
- Information Technology for Development

5. Social Science Cluster

- Economic Analysis for Sustainable Development
- Law and Governance in Development
- Social Services Management

Electives (6 Units)*

1. General Cluster

- Sustainable Cities and Communities

2. Global Health Cluster

- Global Health, Nutrition, and Food Insecurity

3. Science & Engineering Cluster

- Application of Environmental Science

4. Management Cluster

- Human Resource Management
- Green Business and Performance Assessment
- Corporate Social Responsibility & Social Enterprise

* Electives: Availability is based on the number of student enrollment.

DURATION

■ **Full Time:** Minimum 4 semesters / Maximum 8 semesters

■ **Part Time:** Minimum 6 semesters / Maximum 10 semesters

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

I. Qualification: Bachelor Degree

A) CGPA of at least 2.75

- Subject to additional requirement(s) by the School; OR,

B) CGPA of 2.5 - 2.74

- Research experience – 1 year; OR,
- Professional experience in related field – 1 year; OR,
- One (1) academic publications in related field; OR,
- Grade B for major/elective courses; OR,
- Grade B+ for final year project; OR,

C) CGPA of 2.00 - 2.49

- Research experience – 5 years or professional experience in related field – 5 years, AND
- One (1) academic publications in related field; OR,
- Grade B for major/elective courses; OR,
- Grade B+ for final year project.

II. APEL A Certificate (APEL T-7)

(www2.mqa.gov.my/APEL/)