

# STUDY IN MALAYSIA

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# WELCOME TO MALAYSIA

"*Selamat Datang*" (Welcome) will greet you everywhere you go in Malaysia - for we are well-known all over the world for our warm Asian hospitality.

Malaysia offers you an adventure of Asian living - in exotic cultures and unspoilt natural treasures. Memorable and unique, it will be a learning experience like no other.

"*Terima Kasih*" (Thank you) for considering to study in Malaysia. We hope to see you soon. We are excited to greet you with "*Selamat Datang*" too.








# 8 Reasons to Study in Malaysia

## 01 | Widely-Recognised Programmes

Offering a degree that is well-recognised. Malaysian universities went through rigorous assessments by the SETARA and MyQuest to rate its three core functions, namely the teaching, research and services criteria. The quality and credibility of the Malaysian universities are rest assured.



## 02 | Modern Muslim Nation

Malaysia is a modern and sophisticated country. Being a Muslim-friendly country, Malaysia places a strong focus on the comfort and convenience of its Muslim citizens and visitors. Mosques and Musollas can be found almost everywhere in the country, and most public venues have abundant prayer facilities. The majority of eateries in the country serve Halal cuisines too.

## 03 | Learn English

English is widely spoken and used in Malaysia and it is one of the main requirements for students' admission to apply for higher education institutions. Whether you are navigating through the streets of the capital city Kuala Lumpur or exploring the serenity in the rural areas, you can interact with the locals or your international friends using English.



## 04 | Multicultural Society

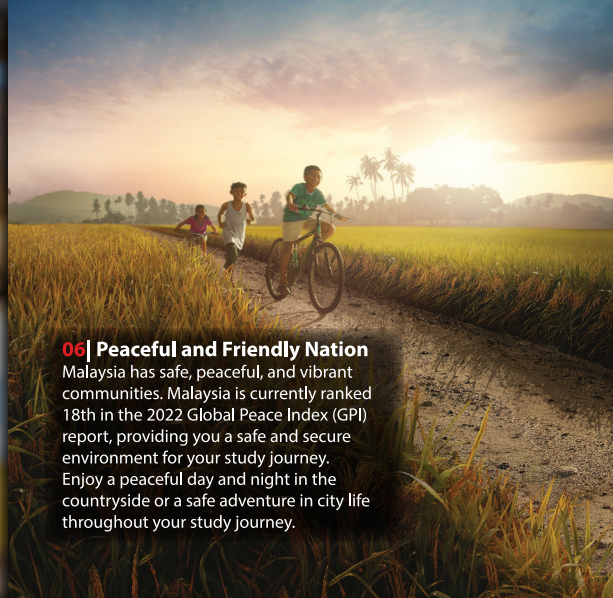
Malaysia is known for its friendly community with hundreds of celebrations and festivals all year-round and a food haven with various unique delicacies! Students will also gain a global perspective on working, interacting and living with people from different cultures.





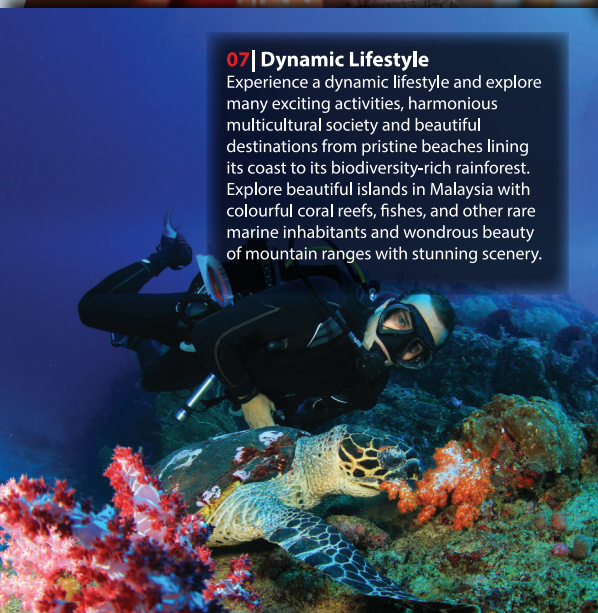
### **05| Reasonable Cost**

Malaysia offers affordability in many areas, from food, travelling, transportation as well as the tuition fees. Kuala Lumpur, the capital city of Malaysia, is listed as Asia's Most Affordable City by QS Best Student Cities 2023. Based on the Numbeo's Cost-of-Living Index 2023, Malaysia is among the countries with low Cost-of-Living index in Southeast Asia, at only 38.7.



### **06| Peaceful and Friendly Nation**

Malaysia has safe, peaceful, and vibrant communities. Malaysia is currently ranked 18th in the 2022 Global Peace Index (GPI) report, providing you a safe and secure environment for your study journey. Enjoy a peaceful day and night in the countryside or a safe adventure in city life throughout your study journey.



### **07| Dynamic Lifestyle**

Experience a dynamic lifestyle and explore many exciting activities, harmonious multicultural society and beautiful destinations from pristine beaches lining its coast to its biodiversity-rich rainforest. Explore beautiful islands in Malaysia with colourful coral reefs, fishes, and other rare marine inhabitants and wondrous beauty of mountain ranges with stunning scenery.



### **08| Strategic Location**

Malaysia is located in a very strategic location, in the heart of Asia. Hence, it is easy and affordable to travel to neighbouring tourist destinations. During the semester breaks, students can travel with ease locally and internationally. Easily access through the world-class Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) and Malaysia owned carrier, all ASEAN cities are just a short and affordable flight away.



# MALAYSIA'S HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

Malaysia has a vast capacity for students all around the world



# LEARN 'BAHASA MALAYSIA'

Learning 'Bahasa Malaysia' is certainly a challenging yet rewarding experience.

The best way to learn the language is to immerse yourself in it as soon as you arrive in Malaysia.





Try to mingle with the locals and start conversations whenever you can with your neighbours, shopkeepers or even the taxi driver.

The more effort you make at the beginning, the quicker you will learn and the sooner you will feel comfortable speaking to anyone about anything.

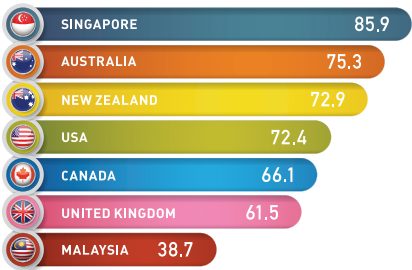




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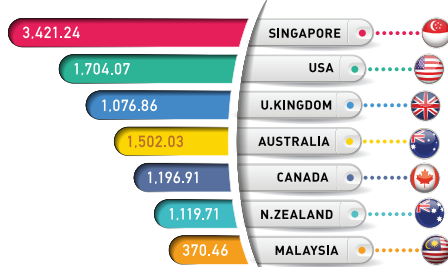
-  **ACCOMMODATION** • from USD 150 for twin sharing room
-  **PUBLIC TRANSPORT** • from USD 20-30 per month
-  **LIFESTYLE** • Movie Ticket – from USD 4. Hair Saloon – from USD 6 (Male), from USD 10 (Female)
-  **INSURANCE** • from as low as USD 100 per annum (International students are required to have medical insurance)

## COST OF LIVING INDEX







Source: Numbeo's Cost of Living  
(As of March 2023)

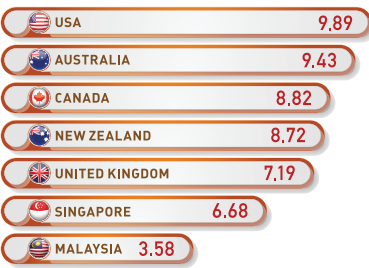
## APPROXIMATELY HOW MUCH IS MONTHLY RENTAL FOR A BEDROOM IN CITY CENTRE ON AVERAGE?



Prices are in USD  
\*Rental rates may fluctuate according to market changes.  
Source: Numbeo's Cost of Living  
(As of March 2023)

-  **MOBILE PRE-PAID & INTERNET** • from USD 10 per month
-  **LAUNDRY** • 10kg wash can be as low as USD 2
-  **FOOD** • 1 litre milk – from USD 1.60 • Lunch meal at campus from USD 1.40  
• A bowl of Wonton noodle – from USD 1.50
-  **OPEN A BANK ACCOUNT** • from USD 60 for cash deposit

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## APPROXIMATELY HOW MUCH DOES AN INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNISED UNIVERSITY DEGREE COST PER ANNUM?

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# Everyday tips

## Food - Eat Like the Locals

The first thing you should know about Malaysians is they are passionate about food. Considered as a 'food haven' by some, Malaysia has inherited a vast array of cuisines from its melting pot of cultures. Malaysian foods to try are bound to be unlike any other. There are many delicious Malaysian dishes to try, possibly the national dish of Malaysia and beloved by all local Malaysians, known as 'Nasi Lemak'. It's something you most definitely must eat when you're in Malaysia.



Nasi Lemak



Public Transportation

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Kuala Lumpur city centre's public transport (KTM/LRT/MRT/Monorail) is easily accessible! The city has an impressive public transportation network that will take you anywhere you wish to go in the city. To save time and cash, check out RapidKL's as they offer occasional special rates for students.

## Shopping

Shopping in Malaysia is a famous affair, as it stocks affordable and fashionable products all year long.

Malaysia is dubbed as a 'shopping paradise' and has over 50 huge shopping malls. Name a famous global brand, and it would have at least one store in one of the malls in Malaysia. Malaysia caters to all types of shopping needs from wallet-friendly shops to high-end luxury boutiques, making it a one-stop destination for all your shopping needs. Many malls in Malaysia open till late at night, around 10pm, ensuring plenty of time for your shopping adventures.



Handicraft Shopping

## English Language is Widely Spoken in Malaysia

Compared to other Asian countries, English is widely spoken in Malaysia. A moderate command of English is enough to get you around. If you're venturing beyond the major cities, learn a few words of Bahasa Malaysia, Chinese or Tamil for a better chance of connecting with the locals.



Modern City Life

## Clothing

Malaysia enjoys a hot and humid tropical weather all-year-round. Despite this, the weather is never too hot and temperatures range from a mild average of 20°C to 30°C throughout the year. However, the highlands experience cooler temperatures. We suggest lightweight clothes made of natural fibres (linen, silk or cotton) for maximum comfort.

## Telecommunications and Internet Services

A variety of telco providers are available in Malaysia, offering good deals from prepaid to post-paid plans. The average price can be as low as USD 10. The internet connection in Malaysia is fairly stable.



A scuba diver is shown underwater, looking towards the camera. Several colorful striped fish are swimming around the diver's hands. The water is clear and blue.

# TAKE A DIVE AT OUR ISLANDS!

Malaysia's diving spots are so excellent that they have been named as one of the top scuba diving destinations in the world. That means you have no excuse but to get your diving certificates here! Among the top diving spots in Malaysia are Redang Island, Perhentian Island and Sipadan Island.

A hiker wearing a straw hat and a red backpack is standing on a mountain ridge, looking out over a vast valley. The landscape is lush green with rolling hills and a river valley in the distance. The sky is clear and blue.

# GET AWAY TO THE HIGHLANDS!

At about 1,500 metres above sea level, Cameron Highlands, Pahang – located only four hours away from Kuala Lumpur is set along a mountain plateau high above the river valley. Temperatures on this hillside fluctuate between 22° and 25° Celsius during the day and between 15° and 22° Celsius at night, making it easier than in the lowlands to jungle trek, camp and picnic.





INDULGE  
IN A FOOD  
HAVEN!

Malaysia is a melting pot of culture with different races living harmoniously together. Naturally, there would be a diverse food culture as well! If you are always hungry for a food adventure with complex and exciting flavours, you have come to the right country!



EXPERIENCE  
OUR  
UNIQUE  
CULTURE  
EVERYWHERE!

Get to know unique Malaysian culture such as the ancient Mah Meri tribe! During their festival, the tribesmen and women wear intricately carved masks and perform the mystifying *Tarian Jo-oh* (Jungle Dance) and *Tarian Topeng* (Mask Dance), which are the main features of the festival repertoire.





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### **EMGS ONE-STOP CENTRE (SARAWAK)**

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Jalan Padungan,  
93100 Kuching, Sarawak

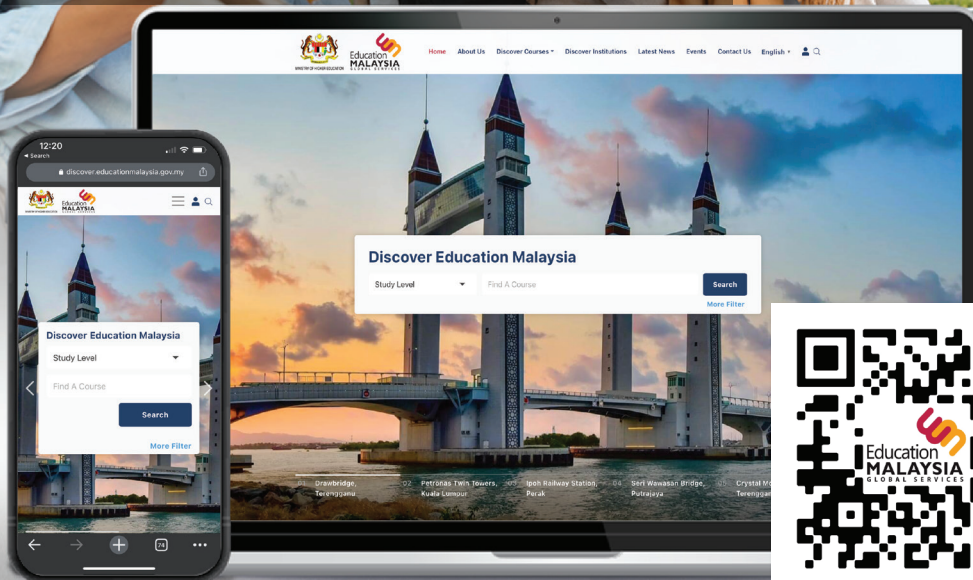


### **INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ARRIVAL CENTRE (ISAC) IN KLIA & klia2**

- **KUALA LUMPUR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT 1 (KLIA)**  
Level 3, Arrival Hall,  
Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA)  
64000 Sepang, Selangor  
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- **KUALA LUMPUR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT 2 (klia2)**  
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