

General Studies for Certificate, Diploma and Undergraduate Students

Compulsory Requirement

The Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA) requires all Malaysian and non-Malaysian students to complete the General Studies as pre-requisite for the award of a certificate, diploma or undergraduate degree. Foundation and pre-university students are exempted except Malaysian students who intend to pursue degree studies entirely overseas are required to complete the General Studies at Certificate level.

Objectives

1. To promote nation building through consolidating and broadening knowledge about Malaysia.
2. To enhance the acquisition, mastery and applications of humanity skills.

Curriculum Structure

The components, number of subjects and credits in the General Studies are as follows:

Component / Study Level	Undergraduate		Diploma		Certificate	
	Subjects	Credits	Subjects	Credits	Subjects	Credits
U1: Appreciating philosophy, values and history	2	6	1	3	1	3
U2: Mastering humanity skills	1	2-3	1	2-3	1	2-3
U3: Broadening knowledge about Malaysia	1	2	1	2	1	2
U4: Developing practical community-minded skills	1	2	1	2	Nil	Nil
Total :	5	12-13	4	9-10	3	7-8

General Studies Subjects for Malaysian Students (Credits indicated in brackets)

Component / Study Level	Undergraduate	Diploma	Certificate
U1: Appreciating philosophy, values and history	Tamadun Islam dan Tamadun Asia (3) Hubungan Etnik (3)	Pengajian Malaysia (3)	Pengajian Malaysia (3)
U2: Mastering humanity skills	One subject (2) in a component-related area such as leadership and interpersonal skills, writing skills, thinking skills and entrepreneurship OR Bahasa Kebangsaan (3) if without credit in SPM Bahasa Melayu.		
U3: Broadening knowledge about Malaysia	One subject (2) in a component-related area such as Malaysian economics, Malaysian government and public policy, and Malaysian banking and finance.		
U4: Developing practical community-minded skills	Co-curriculum or community service (2)		Nil

General Studies Subjects for Non-Malaysian Students (Credits indicated in brackets)

Component / Study Level	Undergraduate	Diploma	Certificate
U1: Appreciating philosophy, values and history	Communication Malay 3 (3) Malaysian Studies (3)	Communication Malay 2 (3)	Communication Malay 1 (3)
U2: Mastering humanity skills	One subject (2) in a component-related area such as leadership and interpersonal skills, writing skills, thinking skills and entrepreneurship.		
U3: Broadening knowledge about Malaysia	One subject (2) in a component-related area such as Malaysian economics, Malaysian government and public policy, and Malaysian banking and finance.		
U4: Developing practical community-minded skills	Co-curriculum or community service (2)		Nil