



UNIVERSITI  
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*National University  
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## MASTER OF SOCIAL SCIENCE IN STRATEGY AND DIPLOMACY

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### COURSE OVERVIEW

Master of Social Science in Strategy and Diplomacy is a collaborative programme between the Institute of Diplomacy and Foreign Relations (IDFR), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Malaysia and the National University of Malaysia (UKM).

This coursework programme aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of the core issues related to the theory and practice of strategy and diplomacy. It prepares and equips students from diverse academic backgrounds with the ability to explore the nexus between strategy and diplomacy within the context of the changing global environment. It focuses on the understanding of strategic and security issues, diplomacy, interstate relations, foreign policy, international political economics, international law, defence policy and regional issues. Learning will be through lectures, discussion, presentations, group work, seminars, assignments, examinations and dissertation exercise. This programme is offered on a full-time basis only

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Government officers whose tasks and functions are related to diplomacy and international relations.
- Foreign and local post-graduates who have interest in diplomacy and international relations studies.

### PREREQUISITE / ELIGIBILITY

Interested candidates must fulfil the following criteria:

For all applicants

1. A Bachelor's Degree from recognized higher learning institutions (for a list of institutions recognized by the government of Malaysia, please visit <https://www2.mqa.gov.my/esisraf/kelayakan.cfm> ) ; and
2. Proficient in the English language. Applicants must meet the minimum requirement as below: a. MUET : Band 3 b. TOEFL : 550 score c. IELTS : Band 6
3. Relevant work experience will also be taken into consideration.

### HOW TO APPLY

All applicants can fill the online application form at <http://quest.ukm.my/#prosedur>.

*For Malaysian Civil Servants*

Serving officers from the Malaysian Civil Service must submit their applications through their respective departments and must have the approval for study leave or a Government scholarship.

## HOW TO APPLY (..continue)

### For International Students

1. For international applicants residing outside of Malaysia, all documents must be certified by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the applicant's country of citizenship and the Embassy of Malaysia in that country.
2. For international applicants residing in Malaysia, all documents must be certified by the respective Embassies of the applicant's citizenship.

## DOCUMENTS TO BE UPLOADED ONLINE

### Main documents

- Application fee of RM100 (for locals) and USD30 (for internationals)
- Two (2) completed application forms with passport sized photo
- Two (2) completed financial supports from two (2) financial guarantors
- Two (2) completed forms from two Referees (must be a person who knows the applicant personally for at least 3 years and who is not a family member.)

### Supporting documents

- Two (2) copies of Identification Cards (for locals) or passports (for internationals)
- Two (2) certified copies of master, degree, bachelor degree and/or diploma qualifications
- Two (2) certified copies of transcripts
- Two (2) copies of MUET (for locals) or IELTS/TOEFL results (for international applicants)
- Two (2) copies of sponsorship/scholarship letters (for applicants with sponsorship/scholarship only)

## FEES

- RM11,000.00 (Local)
- RM15,000.00 (International)

## APPLICATION DATE

3 May 2021 – 27 June 2021

## CONTACT PERSONS

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