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Front cover image: Students discussing group project by the lake side at Nottingham Malaysia Campus.



Students catching up between classes on  
The University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus.

# Welcome to a life-changing experience

Life is full of opportunities. Some we grab with both hands, others simply pass us by. Every once in a while an opportunity comes along that could be life-changing, an unmissable chance to learn about ourselves and the world, to expand our outlook and our networks and to add something attention-grabbing to our CV or portfolio.

The University of Nottingham's International Summer School in Malaysia offers you the chance to do all those things.

No matter what subject you are studying, which industry you work in or where you are in the world, if you fulfil the programme entry requirements you are eligible for our Summer School.

This two-week programme based at our campus in Malaysia will provide you with the opportunity to study a new subject, meet people from across the globe and learn about a different culture.

You will study with world-class academics, take part in exciting cultural and social activities and make friends and memories that will stay with you for life.

This brochure gives you information about how the Summer School works and what you can expect. You will also find further details on our websites and if you have any questions at all, please contact us using the details on page 10.

I hope you will consider joining us in 2017. We will do all we can to ensure you have the experience of a lifetime.

**Professor Hai-Sui Yu**  
Pro-Vice-Chancellor  
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## About The University of Nottingham



The University of Nottingham Ningbo China.



The University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus.

The University of Nottingham is ranked within the world's top 1% of universities\* and is recognised internationally for pioneering research and teaching excellence.

Established in 1881, the University has a history of ground-breaking discoveries that have made a significant impact on the world.

Nottingham has a network of over 250,000 former students in over 190 countries. The University's alumni include top scientists, novelists, business leaders, politicians, diplomats, Olympic medallists and a Nobel Prize winner. In sharing the Nottingham experience, you are joining an extensive global network.

You will leave the Summer School with 10 University of Nottingham credits or a certificate of attendance, depending on whether you decide to take the assessment associated with the programme.

\* Ranked 70th in the QS World University Ranking 2015.

### An international outlook

Nottingham is an international institution with links in business, industry and education that reach around the world. The University has students from over 150 countries and two overseas campuses – in China and Malaysia – which host International Summer Schools.

The Malaysia Campus opened in 2000 and became the first branch campus of a British university in Malaysia and one of the first anywhere in the world. Nottingham was also the first foreign university to establish a campus in China when it opened in Ningbo in 2004.

Both campuses are integral parts of the University and provide strong links between the UK and Asia. Combining beautiful landscape, modern architecture and state-of-the-art learning and research facilities, our University is an inspirational place to live, work and study.



“Nottingham is the nearest Britain has to a truly global university, with campuses in China and Malaysia modelled on a headquarters that is among the most attractive in Britain.”

*The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2016*



University of Nottingham undergraduate students based at University Park Campus, UK.

## About the Nottingham Malaysia International Summer School

No matter where you live in the world, whether you study or work, you are eligible to take part in our International Summer School, providing you meet the core entry requirements (see page 10).

Based at our award-winning countryside campus just outside Kuala Lumpur, this Summer School Programme offers opportunities for anyone wishing to undertake short term study abroad while learning about Malaysia's wonderful and varied culture at first hand. The classes last for two weeks and the whole experience provides a wonderful introduction to the country, one of the most fascinating, dynamic and beautiful in Asia.

You can choose from a range of subjects taught by experienced academics in state-of-the-art facilities and impressive surroundings. Participants may also be in residence on campus for a further two weeks before and/or after the classes in order to explore Malaysia further or take advantage of the library and study facilities (supplementary accommodation fee applies)

Students with a background in South East Asian Studies can extend and deepen their knowledge in a number of areas (Business, Politics, Culture and Development), although these classes are also suitable for students from any disciplinary background across the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences. If your interests are in creative writing, we have intensive programmes specifically designed for this context. In addition, we have added modules in Mandarin Chinese (absolute beginner or improver levels).

All our classes are subject to rigorous Quality Assurance processes, and for those who are looking for a credit-bearing summer programme, your work is eligible for credit transfer to partner institutions. If you are a participating Nottingham student, you may earn Nottingham Advantage credits.

As well as giving you access to the most up-to-date teaching and research in these subjects, the programme includes social and cultural activities, visits and field trips. A team of current Nottingham Malaysia students are your 24/7 guides, informants and collaborators, ensuring that you benefit from the latest local knowledge from your peers. And, for 2017, we have scheduled the programme to run Wednesday to Wednesday, so you will have two full, free weekends, with free time to strike out on your own to explore the delights of Malaysia

You can find out more at [www.nottingham.edu.my/international/summer](http://www.nottingham.edu.my/international/summer)



Students socialising in the Central Plaza area of the Malaysia campus.



Students visiting Jalan Alor, a popular destination where locals and tourists can try local delicacies from numerous street food stalls and restaurants.

### Five reasons to join the Nottingham Malaysia International Summer School

- Meet new people from all over the world and join Nottingham's fast-growing global network
- Prove to prospective employers that you are proactive, dynamic and cosmopolitan
- Face exciting challenges in a supportive environment
- Visit a fascinating country with a wealth of history, culture, art and amazing food!
- Take part in creative, critical small-group learning in an area of your choice, and gain credit for your own home programme if required (Nottingham students can earn Nottingham Advantage credit)

“I studied Politics, Culture and the Media in Southeast Asia and in such a short space of time, I have understood so much more about the history, media and political landscape of Southeast Asia. Being immersed in the culture and hearing stories from locals and activists, gave me such an extensive knowledge that I would not have gained just as a visiting tourist. You meet people from all over the world. We were able to have debates and explore a wide range of issues from different cultural perspectives. I would recommend this experience to anyone and I would definitely do it again!”

Nellie Khossousi, UK - 2016



# Summer School Programme

The University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus (UNMC) is based in Semenyih, 30km south of Kuala Lumpur. It is a self-contained, self-sufficient village situated on an attractive 125-acre site.

As a Summer School student you will have the option of staying in our purpose-built on-campus accommodation. The campus is well-equipped with a range of amenities including a bookshop, cafe, convenience store and sports complex as well as an indoor and outdoor food court.

There are 4 programmes to choose from, each lasting two weeks, starting on Tuesday 4 July 2017 and finishing on Wednesday 19 July 2017. Each programme is made up of taught modules and cultural visits.

## **Creative Writing: Place, Travel, Movement**

'Comes over one an absolute necessity to move...' (D.H. Lawrence) The experience of travel, and attention to place and space, is a key component of both fiction and creative non-fiction. In this module, led by writing faculty from Malaysia's first Creative Writing programme – the University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus undergraduate 'English with Creative Writing' degree – we engage in a variety of forms of reading and writing practice in order the better to express our relation to the many experiences and forms of movement. Activities include creative and analytical responses to published works, writing exercises in fiction and creative non-fiction, and revision and review of work written in the course of the Summer School. This is an intensive programme, presupposing existing experience and commitment to creative writing.

## **Doing Business in Asia**

This module draws on the expertise of several specialists from within the Nottingham University Business School (NUBS). We survey the rapid growth of Asian economies and the distinctive regional models of capitalism and business that have emerged. We explore the managerial skills required to deal successfully with the specific challenges of Asian business environments and the practices of major Asian companies. Work includes site visits, simulation exercises and problem-solving as well as interactive seminars and lectures.

## **Taught modules**

The classes offered during our Summer School draw from the range of programmes available on campus. Classes are designed for first or second year undergraduates, with assessment and credit appropriate to your level and major. For more information about the modules, please visit our webpages at

[www.nottingham.edu.my/international/summer](http://www.nottingham.edu.my/international/summer)

For 2017, we are offering the following modules (subject to enrollment):

- Creative Writing: Place, Travel, Movement
- Doing Business in Asia
- Politics, Culture and the Media in South-East Asia
- Intensive Mandarin Chinese for Beginners

## **Politics, Culture and the Media in Southeast Asia**

Contemporary South-East Asia is one of the fastest growing regions in the world, but that growth challengingly uneven between powerhouses like Singapore and the less advanced nations such as Laos and Myanmar. The political landscape is a mixed of authoritarian or centralised states, as Vietnam, and vibrant democracies like the Philippines and Indonesia. Led by prominent local cultural commentator (and Nottingham Malaysia faculty member) Niki Cheong, this module approaches these issues from three perspectives - international relations, media studies, and cultural politics - offering a thorough introduction to the distinctive challenges facing the region today.

## **Intensive Mandarin Chinese for Beginners**

Another new module for 2017, Mandarin Chinese for beginners responds to popular demand for attention to local and regional languages within the summer school context. Primarily designed for complete beginners, drawing on core materials from the undergraduate programme, this module provides high-intensity, small group, communicative language teaching, with an emphasis on practical and immediate results. Potential students with higher level language learning requirements should contact the Summer School team to explore bespoke provision.

### Cultural and social excursions

With a landscape of white sandy beaches, metropolitan cities, dense rainforest and a vibrant mix of Chinese, Indian, Malay and tribal influences, Malaysia is a country of diversity and a beautiful place to visit. We have included a number of excursions that will provide you with a fantastic chance to explore this amazing country at a time of rapid change.

#### Inclusive excursions

##### Kuala Lumpur, the city that never sleeps

A city brimming with colour and diversity, Kuala Lumpur, the capital of Malaysia, has enough sites to keep tourists busy for a week, including 66 shopping malls.

#### Cultural and educational trip

Experiencing a homestay in a traditional village or “kampung” is perhaps one of the fastest and easiest ways to get to know the real Malaysia. You will discover that things here move at a slower pace than in the city, and for those who relish the quiet calm of the rustic life, this is possibly as good as it gets. As a homestay guest, you will not just be immersed in the lifestyle of the locals, you will also quickly establish a bond with their warm and welcoming families who will treat you like their own. During this trip you will experience the full spectrum of village life.

Note: the above trips are subject to change depending on the weather in Malaysia.

### Paradise island of Malaysia – Langkawi Island (three days, two nights)

Malaysia is not only known to the world for its cultural diversity and tropical forests but it's also famous for its glorious beaches. Langkawi, on the north western shore of Malaysia, is situated where the Indian Ocean narrows down into the Straits of Melaka. It was once a haven for pirates but today serves as a retreat for visitors near and far and is the nearest island with duty free shopping centres.

### Singapore (three days, two nights)

Singapore has become one of the world's most prosperous countries and boasts the world's busiest port. Combining the skyscrapers and subways of a modern, affluent city with a medley of Chinese, Indian and Malay influences and a tropical climate, Singapore offers tasty food, good shopping and a vibrant nightlife scene. The tour is subject to visa approval for those requiring a visa to enter the country.

\* All optional excursions are managed by Boustead Travel. If you are interested in any of the above, please indicate in the online application form by selecting the relevant box. You will be given a more detailed costing once you have confirmed your destination choice. Alternatively, you may also use the free time allocated to visit other places in Malaysia independently at your own expense.

“I can't say enough about the International Summer School and how great it is. I attended Doing business in Asia. The course level is perfect with highly professional teachers, beautiful campus and well-planned program. The experience has broadened my horizon and changed my view about many things. I had a fabulous time. Coming here was the best decision I've made so far!”

Zhanar Akhanova, Kazakhstan - 2016



## Further information

### Costs

Each two-week programme costs RM4,750 per person (approximately 950 GBP\*). Universitas 21 and University of Nottingham students are entitled to a bursary of RM1,000 (approximately 200 GBP\*). Attendees from third world countries or developing nations are entitled to a bursary of RM2,250 (approximately 450 GBP\*). A deposit of 20% is required upon booking. An early bird discount of 10% will be given to students who have paid in full by 30 April 2017. Group discount rates are available for student groups from partner institutions.

The cost includes:

- all tuition and classroom support costs
- accommodation on campus for the entire duration of the programme (should you choose to stay off campus, any additional cost incurred on accommodation will be self-borne)
- cultural and social programme (apart from optional excursions)
- breakfasts on the days with classes, and two dinners. On the days during field trips, meals will only be available as stated in the itinerary

The cost does not include:

- return flights to Malaysia
- flight booking and visa charges for optional excursions
- food (which is very reasonably priced in Malaysia)
- accommodation and transportation for optional excursions
- insurance (students need to sort out their own overseas travel insurance before they leave their home country)

Accommodation can be provided one week before and after the programme with an additional cost of RM90 per day.

\* GBP rates are approximate and were correct at the time of print. For up-to-date conversion rates visit [www.xe.com/ucc](http://www.xe.com/ucc)

### Dates

- Arrive Tuesday 4 July 2017
- Depart Wednesday 19 July 2017

A free airport pick-up service will be available from Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA 1) on Tuesday 4 July 2017 if you tell us your travel arrangements in advance. The airport pick-up will be available at 12.30pm only, therefore please manage your booking and arrival time accordingly. There will be an airport drop-off service on Wednesday 19 July 2017 at 12.30pm.

Should you choose to travel on your own, detailed information on how to travel from the airport to the campus is available on our website. You will need to pay for any additional costs incurred yourself.

### Entry requirements

Applicants eligible to apply will be undergraduates, postgraduates and academics from any institutions worldwide. Working adults who are not currently enrolled in any academic programme are also welcome to apply.

All the programmes are delivered in English and students are expected to have good English language ability of IELTS 6.0 with no less than 5.5 in any element, or equivalent. You must be aged 18 or over.

*\* Other English language certificates will be considered*

Anyone fulfilling the entry requirements is eligible to apply.

Places are limited so book as soon as possible.

Although there are no specific prerequisites, acceptance onto individual modules is at the discretion of the Academic Director in consultation with module convenors.

### Find out more and how to apply

To find out more about our programmes or to apply for our Malaysia Summer School Programme, please visit our website.

[www.nottingham.edu.my/international/summer](http://www.nottingham.edu.my/international/summer)

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Kuala Lumpur's famous skyline at night.

