DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN BIOBEHAVIOURAL HEALTH SCIENCES (PhD in BBHSc)

Department of Basic Medical Science for Nursing, Kulliyyah of Nursing

Provide an excellent teaching, training and interdisciplinary research activities inculcate with Islamic value for student in order to translate their knowledge at the highest quality.

This course is aimed at Master Degree holders who intent to pursue research at a higher level and also personnel from the work sector who would like to be engaged in research with the intention of updating knowledge as well as a means of personal development.

The objectives of the programme are:

- To introduce excellence in a novel area of Biobehavioural Health Sciences and attain optimal satisfaction research environment incorporate with Islamic value.
- To develop an integrate research encompassing biological, behavioural, social cultural and environmental elements used in solving patient care problems.
- To be recognized as a pioneer and top-ranking university offering quality research in Biobehavioural Health Sciences.
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Introduction
The Biobehavioural Health Sciences research is a growing research area recently with the main theme is the translation of research findings into clinical practice, through clinical trials of behavioral interventions on vulnerable individuals and populations. The multidisciplinary research area focus on the identification of biological, psychological and social factors associated with developmental risk and resiliency in patient and community, and the development of innovative interventions that will promote the health and quality of life. Mostly the research area will utilize thoroughly human as the research sample namely from tissue, blood or even perception and feelings.

Duration
3 years full time or 6 years part time program (normal progression)/ research mode under academic supervision.

Location
International Islamic University Malaysia, Kuantan Campus

Course Structure
The focus of the study leading towards a PhD in Biobehavioural Health Sciences will be on the basis of research and input from courses as shown in table:

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The course (NUR 8110) is an advanced course for all non IIUM graduates and for those who have not attended them or any equivalent courses as part of requirement for graduation. The course (NUR 8130) and (NUR 8120) are COMPULSORY for all graduates

Admission Requirements
Prospective students seeking admission into this program must have:

a. A Master Degree in relevant Health and Social Sciences programs from local or international university recognized by the Kulliyyah and the University. **OR**

b. Applications from candidates with significant research or 10 years working experience as approved by the Kulliyyah and the University will be highly considered. **OR**

c. Any other qualification that is recognized by the IIUM Senate as equivalent to the above. **AND**

As the programme is in English medium, a candidate must also demonstrate a good command of English by obtaining at least a score of 550 in the TOEFL or band 6 in the IELTS or band 6 in the English Placement Test administered by the University.

Career Opportunities
PhD graduates typically are employed in a wide variety of position including laboratory manager, researcher, management executive and educator.

How to Apply
Visit the Centre for Postgraduate Studies IIUM website at www.iium.edu.my/cps to download the application form.

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