
Asst. Prof. LAr. Dr. Khalilah Zakariya

Kulliyah of Architecture and Environmental Design

Academic/Professional Qualification

PhD Architecture & Design (RMIT University), Corporate Member (ILAM),
M.Sc. Tourism Planning (UTM), B. (Hons) Landscape Architecture (IIUM)

Expertise

Landscape Architecture and Urbanism; Tourism in the Built Environment

Research Interest

Design, Planning & Tourism; Space, Culture and Heritage;
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Profile

Khalilah Zakariya is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Landscape Architecture, Kulliyah of Architecture and Environmental Design (KAED). As an academician and a registered Landscape Architect, she has an academic background in landscape architecture and tourism planning. Over the 13 years of her teaching experience, she has taught various design subjects that include landscape architecture, urban landscape design, landscape resource planning, and landscape heritage and cultural studies. Expanding from this field, her research and consultancy projects explore the interrelated areas between the built environment and tourism, with an interest in how we map, design and experience places. Through national research grants and consultancies, she has completed projects on examining public markets as cultural heritage, exploring the potentials of Islamic public art in the outdoor space, mapping activities in urban squares, cultural mapping of traditional businesses in Kuala Lumpur, formulating the landscape masterplan for Gerik, and tree mapping for Laman Tun Perak Kuala Lumpur. She was previously involved in the tourism product audit under the Ministry of Tourism Malaysia, for the states of Terengganu, Kelantan and Negeri Sembilan. Her current on-going research project is on Rural Landscape Corridor for Tourism Route Planning (Fundamental Research Grant Scheme from MOHE). She has published in various research journals, and also produced two edited books entitled *The Life of Place: Spaces, Places and Narratives* and *Urban Public Space in Kuala Lumpur*. In 2017, she and her Master student won the Excellence Award (Researcher Category) in the Malaysia Landscape Architecture Awards (MLAA) for a research entitled "Eco Public Art Placemaking Framework".