



Industry-based PhD Programme or Industrial PhD is an alternative to the conventional PhD, being better suited to the needs of the industry, and providing a more vocationally oriented doctorate with industrial relevance.

It is highly flexible and able to accommodate candidates from all levels of management.

It is a full-time postgraduate programme where candidates have the opportunity to spend most of their time carrying out the research at their respective organisations or industries.

The fee of this programme is fully sponsored by Ministry of Higher Education, Malaysia (MOHE).

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## INDUSTRIAL PhD UNIVERSITI PUTRA MALAYSIA (UPM)

*“Bridging Innovative Thinking and Knowledge for Human Capital Development”*

### INDUSTRIAL PhD AT UPM

The Industrial PhD program is to attract increased interest among enterprises, universities and researchers/graduate students. Basically, the Industrial PhD program’s combination of doctoral studies and business experience is to generate value-innovation and high level satisfaction.

For the Industrial PhD researchers/students, the advantages are obvious. Graduates of the course do not encounter problems in finding employment, rather, they quickly find exciting jobs as managers in the research areas of private enterprises and enjoy handsome salaries.

Moreover, many Industrial PhD students should be more happy as the combination of research and professional experience makes gaining a PhD more attractive.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENT

A Master’s degree or equivalent qualification recognised by the University Senate together with minimum 5 years industry experience in relevant field subject to the terms and conditions of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) specified by the Malaysian Qualification Agency (MQA) and Public Institution of Higher Learning, **or**

A Bachelor’s degree or equivalent qualification recognised by the University Senate with CGPA 3.00 -4.00 or equivalent together

with minimum 5 years industry experience in relevant field subject to the terms and conditions of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) specified by the Malaysian Qualification Agency (MQA) and Public Institution of Higher Learning.

- A Bachelor's degree or equivalent qualification recognised by the University Senate with CGPA 2.50 -2.99 or equivalent together and 10 years industry experience in relevant field subject to the terms and conditions of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) specified by the Malaysian Qualification Agency (MQA) and Public Institution of Higher Learning.
- A Bachelor's degree or equivalent qualification recognised by the University Senate with CGPA 2.00 -2.49 or equivalent together and 15 years industry experience in relevant field subject to the terms and conditions of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) specified by the Malaysian Qualification Agency (MQA) and Public Institution of Higher Learning.

## **HOW TO PROCEED**

For industry executives/ researchers or students interested in the Industrial PhD, your first step should be to organize an employer and university representatives (or supervisors) for your PhD project. Once you have done this, send an application to the University and followed by application to the Ministry of Higher Education (will be handle by School of Graduate Studies, UPM).

## **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

Applicants who fulfil the above requirements can apply Online at [www.sps.upm.edu.my](http://www.sps.upm.edu.my). The application should be submitted with a brief research proposal, and the approval/supporting letter from the employer.

The proposal should include background of study, problem/s to be addressed, research questions, research objectives, scope, significance of research, short review of the literature in proposed study area, methodology, and research schedule.

Upon successful selection, candidates will be issued with an offer letter from School of Graduate Studies, UPM to pursue the Industrial PhD Program.

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