

**PROGRAMME STRUCTURE**

The Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) programme is offered by **full research**. However, students without sufficient research skills and knowledge are required to enroll and pass the following courses during the first two (2) semesters of their enrolment (i.e. before being allowed to defend their thesis proposal):

- a) SZRZ 6014 Research Methodology
- b) SCLE 6014 Academic Writing
- c) Any other courses as determined by the supervisor or Academic Committee.

To complete the Ph.D. programme, students are required to:

1. Present and defend proposed research/thesis to a committee;
2. Present progress reports of research work at colloquiums arranged by the Graduate School or College;
3. Produce at least two (2) articles, in which (Option A or Option B):
  - Option A
    - a. at least one (1) article is accepted for publication in ISI Journal or Scopus; and
    - b. at least one (1) article is under review for publication in a refereed journal.
  - Option B  
Two (2) articles are published in a refereed journal
4. Attend a viva session to defend the thesis; and
5. Submit a final thesis.

**RESEARCH FIELD**

School	Research Field	Specializations Offered (but not limited to)
Law	Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Corporate law</li> <li>• Commercial law</li> <li>• Human resource law</li> <li>• International trade law</li> </ul>
Government	Public Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public management</li> </ul>
	Public Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public administration</li> </ul>
	Sociology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sociology</li> <li>• Political sociology</li> </ul>
	Malaysian Politics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Malaysian politics</li> <li>• Malaysian history</li> </ul>
International Studies	International Relations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International relations</li> <li>• International political economy</li> <li>• International trade</li> <li>• Southeast Asian history</li> </ul>
	Political Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Political science</li> <li>• Southeast Asian politics</li> </ul>
	Nationhood Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nationhood studies</li> </ul>
	Strategic Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategic studies</li> </ul>
	International Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International business</li> </ul>
Tourism Hospitality and Environment	Tourism and Hospitality Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tourism and Hospitality Management</li> <li>• Environmental studies</li> </ul>