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BUKU PANDUAN PELAJAR

STUDENT HANDBOOK

BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS)
ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE STUDIES (ELLS)

SIDANG AKADEMIK
ACADEMIC SESSION
2020/2021



INTRODUCTION

The School of Humanities began as the School of Cultural and Community Studies in 1970 and was one of the first Arts schools to be established in USM. It was on the Malayan Teachers' College (MTC) campus in Gelugor that the school originally began before being relocated to the Minden campus in 1971. At the time, the campus, being a former army base was under renovation, and the school was located in temporary buildings near the present Centre for Educational Technology and Media (PTPM).

The beginning of the 1970s saw the historical establishment of the School of Humanities as one of the biggest schools in the country to offer programmes in the Arts. When it was first established, the school offered the following areas of studies: Geography, Literature, History, Islamic Studies, Philosophy, Drama and Theatre Studies, Fine Arts, Music, and Mass Media and Communication. The school offered then first year courses in its first academic year (1970/71).

Since its establishment in 1970, the School of Humanities at USM earned itself a reputation as the pioneer of the Humanities in the country. It boasted a faculty that comprised a host of highly talented and creative individuals from within and outside the country. The Drama and Theatre Studies, Arts Studies and Literature Studies sections at the School of Humanities were centres of excellence in their respective areas in the region at the time. Towards the end of the 1990s, two programmes, English Language and Literature Studies (ELLS) and Terjemahan dan Interpretasi (Translation and Interpretation) that were originally offered by the Centre for Languages and Translation were moved to the School of Humanities. With the new programmes moving in, the School upgraded its infrastructure and facilities to meet and support its academic obligations.

SYNOPSIS OF PROGRAMME

The B.A. English Language and Literature Studies (ELLS) programme is designed to fulfill the needs of the country to produce competent and knowledgeable graduates with relevant language and literary skills that will enable them to adapt effectively to the demands of a changing and global society, especially in the field of English language. The ELLS degree programme aims to produce graduates who possess effective communication, leadership and innovative skills to reach excellence at the international level through an efficient dissemination of knowledge, cultivation of a quality mindset which emphasizes academic and professional excellence, holistic individual development and strong commitment towards local and international communities' aspirations.

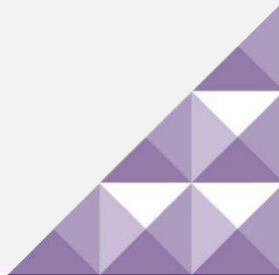
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

To produce graduates who are:

- competent in and knowledgeable about the English language.
- knowledgeable in various fields of linguistics as an area of study (phonetics and phonology, semantics, syntax, sociolinguistics, psycholinguistics, discourse analysis etc).
- equipped with relevant literary skills in order to be able to appreciate, analyse, discuss and evaluate various types of literary texts and discourses.
- knowledgeable in various types of English (genre, register, dialect) as part of language development especially for those interested to venture into teaching.
- equipped with relevant generic skills (i.e. communication skills, problem-solving skills, IT skills, study skills, team-work, time management, interpersonal skills), critical and creative thinking and intellectual skills (to synthesise, analyse, and evaluate information and ideas).

CAREER PROSPECTS

Equipped with sound knowledge in the field of English Language Studies and Literature along with strong communication and written skills, ELLS graduates have various career prospects, such as teaching at academic institutions; editing and publishing at public and private publishing houses; advertising, marketing and public relations work; and also broadcasting work at media houses.



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Every student will have to fulfill the following requirements in order to graduate.

Item	Details		
Course Unit	Completed and pass minimum 120 credit hours as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Foundation (including <i>Modul Lestari</i>) : 72 ▪ Minor : 20 ▪ Electives : 10 ▪ University Courses : 18 		
UNIVERSITY COURSE REQUIREMENTS		CREDIT TOTAL	
		Local Students	International Students
General Studies (MPU)			
U1	<u>Local Students</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ HFF225 (Philosophy and Current Issues) (2 credits) ▪ HFE224 (Appreciation of Ethics and Civilisations) (2 credits) ▪ LKM400 (Bahasa Malaysia IV) (2 credits) <u>International Students of Arts</u> <i>(programs with English Language as the medium of instruction)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ HFF225 (Philosophy and Current Issues) (2 credits) ▪ LKM100 (Bahasa Malaysia I) (U) (2 credits) 	6	4
U2 Or U3	<u>Local Students</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ WUS101 (Core Entrepreneurship) (2 credits) ▪ English Language Courses (4 credits) <u>International Students</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SEA205E (Malaysian Studies) (4 credits) ▪ English Language Courses (4 credits) 	6	8
U4	Co-curricular courses*	2	2
Options	Skills courses/Foreign Language Courses/ Other courses offered by other schools. Students have to choose any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Co-curricular courses ▪ Skills courses/Foreign Language Courses/ Other courses offered by other schools 	4-8	4-8
CREDIT TOTAL		18-22	18-22
CGPA	Obtained a Cumulative Grade Point Average as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All courses : > 2.00 and above ▪ Foundation/Major : > 2.00 and above 		

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The structure of the ELLS Degree programme is as follows:

No.	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	Core Courses (<i>Modul Lestari</i> , Foundation, Major)	72
2.	Minor Courses	20
3.	Elective Courses	10
4.	University Courses	
	(i) Bahasa Malaysia	(2 credit hours)
	(ii) English Language	(4 credit hours)
	(iii) <u>Local Students</u>	
	• Philosophy and Current Issues	(2 credit hours)
	• Appreciation of Ethics and Civilisations	(2 credit hours)
	• Core Entrepreneurship	(2 credit hours)
	<u>International Students</u>	
	• Malaysian Studies	(4 credit hours)
	• Philosophy and Current Issues	(2 credit hours)
	(iv) Option/Bahasa Malaysia/English Language	
	(iv) Third Language/Co-curriculum/Skill Course/Options	(3-10 credit hours)
	Students have to choose one of the followings:	
	• Third Language Package	
	• Co-Curriculum (1-6 units)	
	• Skill Course/Options	
		18-22
	Total	120

ACADEMIC PLAN FOR COURSES REGISTRATION

COURSES'S COMPONENT	YEAR 1		YEAR 2		YEAR 3		YEAR 4
	Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 3	Semester 4	Semester 5	Semester 6	Semester 7
Core Courses: <i>Modul Lestari, Foundation and Major Courses</i> (72 credits)	HXE 101/3 Basic Reading and Writing Skills	HXE 114/3 Modern Literary Theory	HXE 212/3 Language And Literature	HXE 228/3 English Poetry	HXE 305/3 Malaysian Literature In English	HXE 316/3 The English Novel	HXE420/3 Literature In The Renaissance Period
	HXE 111/3 Communication and Presentation Skills	HXE 107/3 Theories of Receptive And Productive Skills	HET 211/3 An Introduction To Linguistics	HXE 229/3 Language Learning Theories	HET 319/3 Semantics	HXE 317/3 Literature And Film	HET 429/3 Corpus-based Language Studies
	HXE 112/3 Reading and Writing About Literature	HXE 110/3 Modern English And American Literature	HEK 215/3 Contemporary English Grammar	HXE 224/3 Critical Theory And Practice	HET 327/6 English Language Studies Project (2 semesters course)		
	HXE 113/3 Study Skills		HEK 216/3 Written Business Communication	HEK 226/3 Effective Public Speaking			
				HET 227/3 Morphology And Syntax			
Elective Courses (10 credits)					HXE 305/3 Malaysian Literature In English	HET 315/4 Language And Power	
					Choose 1 course from the following :		
					HXE 321/4 Contemporary Drama	HXE 318/3 New Englishes	
Minor Courses (20 credits)	<i>Please refer to Guidebook of the relevant school</i>						
University Course (18 credits)	WUS 101 LKM 400 LKM 100*	English Language Course Third Language/Co-curriculum/Skill Course/Options	HFF 225 Third Language/Co-curriculum/Skill Course/Options	English Language Course HFE 224 SEA 205E*	Third Language/Co-curriculum/Skill Course/Options		

*For International Students Only

MINOR

Students may choose to minor in a programme offered at any of the following schools or centres:

- School of Humanities
- School of Communication
- School of Social Science
- School of Management
- School of Art
- School of Computer Science
- School of Education
- School of Languages, Literacy and Translation
- School of Housing, Building and Planning
- School of Technology Industry
- School of Physics
- School of Biology
- School of Chemistry
- School of Mathematics
- Centre for Archaeological Research Malaysia

(Please refer to the Guidebook of the relevant school)

Note: Students are not allowed to minor in the programme that they major in.

ACADEMIC MATTERS

Course Registration

Active status

E-Registration

<http://campusonline.usm.my>

R E G I S T R A T I O N	Sem I	Begins after the official examination results of Semester 2 have been released
	Sem II	Begins after the official examination results of Semester 1 have been released.
	KSCP	Registration will be opened one month after Semester 2 examinations have commenced.
	*Registration for language courses must be done at SOLLAT.	

P1/P2 status

Registration activities take place at the School beginning from the first day of the semester until the third week.

KSCP

KSCP is only offered to students who have taken a course and obtained a grade of 'C-', 'D+', 'D', 'D-', 'F' or 'DK'.

Academic Advisor

Academic Advisors will advise their assigned students on academic-related matters.

What is academic status ?

Academic Status	GPA	Minimum Units	Maximum Units
Active	2.00 & Above	9	25
P1	1.99 & Below	9	12
P2		9	10

Attention!!!

Students will be barred from taking the final examination if they do not fulfil at least 70% of the course requirements, such as attendance at lectures and tutorials, or have not completed/fulfilled the required components of coursework.



Registration : until a date decided upon by the School.

Adding Courses: until 3rd week

Dropping Courses: end of 6th week



**CHECK LIST FOR COURSE REQUIREMENTS
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Name : _____
 Academic Advisor : _____
 Minor : _____

COURSE	SEMESTER							GRADE
	SEM 1	SEM 2	SEM 3	SEM 4	SEM 5	SEM 6	SEM 7	
<i>Core Courses (Modul Lestari, Foundation, Major) – 72 units</i>								
HXE 101								
HXE 111								
HXE 112								
HXE 113								
HXE 101								
HXE 114								
HXE 107								
HXE 110								
HXE 212								
HET 211								
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HXE 228								
HXE 229								
HXE 316								
HXE 317								
HET 319								
HET 325								
HET 327								
HXE 420								
HET 429								
Minor (20 Units)								

COURSE	SEMESTER							GRADE
	SEM 1	SEM 2	SEM 3	SEM 4	SEM 5	SEM 6	SEM 7	
Elective (10 units)								
University Courses (18 – 22 units)								
HFF225/2								
HFE224/2								
WUS101/2								
SEA205E/4*								
Malay Language (2 unit)								
LKM400/2								
LKM100/2*								
English Language (4 unit)								
Third Language/Co-curriculum/Skill Course/Options								

*for international Students

