

INSTITUTE OF THE MALAY WORLD AND CIVILIZATION (ATMA)

Director: Professor Dr. Shamsul Amri Baharuddin BA, MA (Malaya), PhD (Monash)

Deputy Director: Professor Dr. Robiah Sidin, BA (Malaya), MA (London), PhD (Ohio)

Research Degrees:

Master of Letters Doctor of Philosophy

Established 25 years ago, the Institute of the Malay World and Civilization, or known by its Malay acronym ATMA, is the only full-fledged academic research institute in Malaysia that concentrates solely on the study of the 'Malay world', the vast maritime-riverine complex of Southeast Asia, thus forming a major component of Southeast Asian studies. The research activities are conducted through an application of the three major academic orientations, namely, 'disciplinary' (sociology, economics, history etc.) 'thematic' (development studies, communication studies, gender studies etc.) and 'area studies' (Malay studies, Chinese studies, European studies, etc.).

Administratively, ATMA is divided into three divisions, namely:

1. Research and Postgraduate
2. Documentation and Publication
3. Skill Development (Malay language and Information Technology)

Each conducting its own activities, but always complementing one another. ATMA offers fellowships and welcomes funded-fellows to spend time at the Institute, which provides a host of supporting secretarial and technical facilities, both for fellows and postgraduate students. It has its own research library with its special collections, complemented by the UKM library's Southeast Asia Collection and other inhouse data bases which are accessible at <http://www.atma.ukm.my>.

RESEARCH & RELATED-ACTIVITIES

Research is the Institute's core activity, around which other activities are built and generated. The five major areas of interest related to the Malay world that is of concern to the Institute are as follows:

- Theory construction;
- Language;
- Literature;
- Culture;
- Education.

For each area, a senior scholar is designated as the 'lead scholar'-cum-coordinator for all research and related-activities, including securing research funds.

ATMA also runs short and extended Malay language courses both for beginners and advanced learners, especially for postgraduate students intending to do research and fieldwork in the Malay world. The Institute also publishes books and journals in the traditional printed form as well as electronic-digital form. It organises seminars and conferences regularly both of which are for academics as well as the general public.

GRADUATE STUDIES (By thesis only)

Candidates will be able to follow programmes either on a full-time or part-time basis.

IMPORTANT RULES

1. Presenting papers at seminars
2. Attending seminars organized by ATMA

ACADEMIC STAFF

Professor Dr. Shamsul Amri Baharuddin, BA, MA (Malaya), PhD (Monash)

Social Anthropology: theory construction/cultural studies

Professor Dr. Robiah Sidin, BA (Malaya), MA (London), PhD (Ohio).

Education: administration

Professor Dr. Nik Hassan Shuhaimi Abdul Rahman, BA (Malaya), M.Phil, PhD (London)

Classical archeology in Southeast Asia: marine archaeology

Professor Dr. Wan Hashim Wan Teh, BA, MA (Monash), PhD (Manchester)

Rural community: society and culture

Professor Dr. Syed Hussein Alatas, BA, MA, PhD (Amsterdam)

Sociology of knowledge: Islamised society

Professor Dr. James T. Collins, BA (Illinois), MA, PhD (Chicago)

Linguistics: historical linguistics

Associate Professor Dr. Supyan Hussin, BSc, MA (Arizona), PhD (Illinois)

Education: computer-aided pedagogy

Associate Professor Dr. Ding Choo Ming, BA (Malaya),
Dip.Lib (Wales), MA, PhD (UKMalaysia)

Malay literature: traditional & classical

Associate Professor Dr. Noriah, Mohammad, BA, MA
(UKMalaysia), PhD (Malaya)

*Malay literature: traditional & classical (Javanese culture
& language)*

Associate Professor Dr. Nor Hashimah Jalaluddin,
BA (UKMalaysia), MA (London), PhD (Malaya)

Linguistics: semantic and Malay Language teaching

Asyaari Muhamad,
BA, MLitts. (UKMalaysia)

Malay culture: proto-archaeology/pre-history

Athisivan a/l Mariappan,
BSc (UKMalaysia)

National Politics: Malay and Non-Malay

Haslindawati Hamzah
BMIT (UKMalaysia)

*Information Science Technology and Application in Malay
World Studies*

Rumaizah Mohamed
BMIT (UKMalaysia)

*Information Science Technology and Application in Malay
World Studies*