

# GRADUATE PROGRAMMES OFFERED

- 1. MA by Research in Brunei Studies
- 2. PhD in Brunei Studies



THE MASTER OF ARTS BY RESEARCH IN BRUNEI STUDIES PROGRAMME

Intake per year: January and August. Duration: Full-time (2 years) Part-time (4 years)

1. Thesis: independent supervised research resulting in a thesis that makes an original contribution to Brunei Studies of no more than 60,000 words, excluding any appendices and other supplementary material.

#### 2. Article/book chapter

(One article or book chapter)

#### 3. Compulsory training module

AQ-5101 - Research Methodology taken during the first year of study

The module aims to prepare and enhance students' ability and critical thinking on theoretical, methodological (both qualitative and quantitative) and practical issues associated with research and thesis writing in the broader field of the Arts and Social Sciences.

The 3 components of the Master of Arts by Research in Brunei Studies programme



## Initial Meeting with Supervisor(s)

Discuss proposed research topic with supervisor(s)

Prepare research plan and timeline



#### Board of Examiners (BoE)

The Board of Examiners (BoE) consider the examiners' reports and make either of the following recommendations:

- Accept with no/minor amendments to the thesis.
- Accept with major amendments to the thesis.
- Not to accept the thesis.
- Not to award the MA degree to the candidate.

#### MASTER OF ARTS BY RESEARCH STAGES

Candidate is required to give at least 3 month's notice of intention to submit thesis for examination.

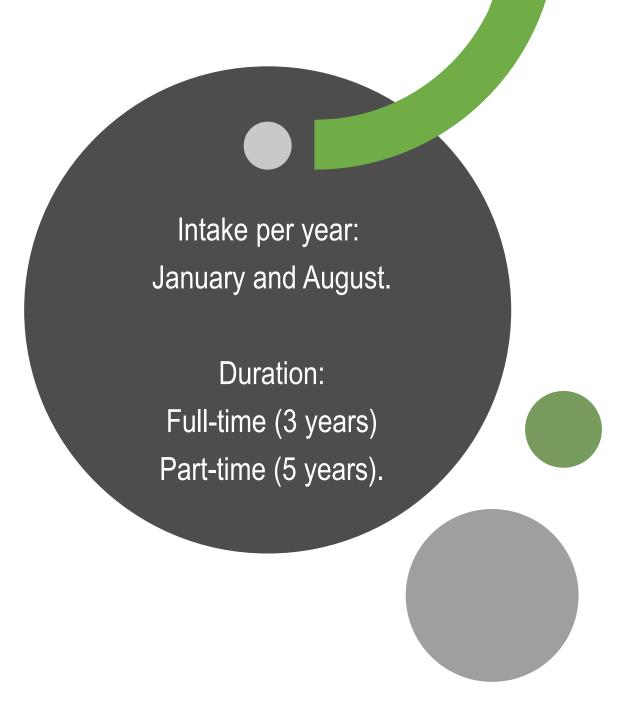
Thesis Submission for examination

Submission of hardbound copies of thesis



**Final Submission** 

# THE PHD IN BRUNEI STUDIES PROGRAMME



- **1. Thesis:** independent supervised research resulting in a major thesis of no more than 100,000 words, excluding any appendices and other supplementary material.
- 2. Article/book chapter writing for publication (Two articles or book chapters).
- 3. Compulsory training module

AQ-6101 Advanced Research
Methodology taken during their first year of study

The module aims to prepare and enhance students' ability and critical thinking on theoretical, methodological (both qualitative and quantitative) and practical issues associated with research and thesis writing in the broader field of the Arts and Social Sciences

There are 3 components of the PhD in Brunei Studies programme



## Initial Meeting with Supervisor(s)

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### Thesis Submission for examination

Candidate is required to give at least 3 month's notice of intention to submit thesis for examination.

Consists of: qualifying seminar presented by the candidate and assessment of candidate's written work.

Held 12-18 months from date of admission for full-time candidates, and 18-24 months for part-time candidates.



Candidates are given 25-30 minutes to present before an examination committee.

Based on written work submitted and the seminar presentation, the committee will decide one of the following outcomes: (1) the candidate has made sufficient progress to continue the PhD programme (2) the candidate must undergo a second assessment after making improvements (3) the candidate be terminated from the programme.

**Qualifying Assessment** 



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- Accept with no/minor amendments to the thesis.
- Accept with major amendments to the thesis.
- Not to accept the thesis.
- •Not to award the PhD degree to the candidate. Candidates must pass both oral and thesis examination components for the award of the PhD degree.

Held at the University after all examiners reports have been received.

4 Oral Examination (Viva)

Submission of hardbound copies of thesis

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**Final Submission**