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PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMA IN BIODIVERSITY TOURISM

PROFESSIONAL AND EXECUTIVE PROGRAMME



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INTRODUCTION

Professional Diploma in Biodiversity Tourism Programme is specially designed to cater for the needs of the tourism industry and interested public to acquire skills in identifying the Bornean biodiversity and their functions. The programme emphasizes on the narrative of natural science knowledge which is crucial in attracting local and foreign tourists especially the Bio knowledgeable vacationers. Upon successful completion of the program, students will be granted a Professional Diploma in Biodiversity Tourism. The Programme offers 12 modules consisting of Nature-based Recreation and Ecotourism, Plant Systematics, Tropical Ecology, Fungi, Aquatic Invertebrates, Aquatic Vertebrates, Terrestrial Invertebrates (Gastropods and Insects), Cold Blooded Terrestrial Vertebrates (Amphibian and Reptiles), Warm Blooded Terrestrial Vertebrates (Mammals and Aves), Biodiversity Identification Technique, Wildlife Photography, and Evolution: Walking the Wallace Trail in Borneo.

LEARNING OUTCOME **PL01**

Comprehend the fundamental knowledge of biodiversity tourism

PL02

Apply practical skills in identifying biodiversity in nature

PL03

Practice professionalism, positive values, good attitudes and ethical behaviour in fulfilling responsibilities as a biodiversity tourism caretaker

PROGRAMME MODULES

- Module 1 Nature-Based Recreation and Eco-Tourism Module 2 **Plant Systematics** Module 3 Tropical Ecology
- Fungi
- Module 4
- Aquatic Invertebrates Module 5
- Module 6 Aquatic Vertebrates
- Terrestrial Invertebrate Gastropods and Insects Module 7
- Cold Blooded Vertebrates (Amphibian and Reptiles) Module 8
- Warm Blooded Vertebrates Mammals and Aves Module 9
- **Biodiversity Identification Techniques** Module 10
- Module 11 Wildlife Photography
- Evolution: Walking The Wallace's Trail in Borneo Module 12

ASSESSMENT METHODS

70%

Continuous Assessment

30% **Final Assessment**

DURATION OF STUDY

12 months 12 modules

MODE OF STUDY

Coursework

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

- Tourist Guide
- Staff Career enhancement for Government and private sectors ie SFC, SFD, MOTAC, Ministry of Tourisms, Art and Culture Sarawak
- Local Community •

PROGRAMME FEE RM8,000 (inclusive 6% SST) **REGISTRATION FEE RM500**

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Passed SPM/STPM/equivalent

OR

Other academic qualifications with 2 years working experience depending on UNIMAS Senate approval;

OR

Passed Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL)