# Monash University Malaysia A Twenty-Year Journey

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# Monash University, Australia's largest university

- Established in Melbourne, Australia in 1958
- Top one percent of world universities: ranked 80th in the world according to Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2017-2018. Ranked 59 in the world in the QS 2019 World University Rankings
- Total student enrolment of over 73,000 from more than 170 countries
- Total number of staff of approximately 17,500





# Monash University Malaysia, the third largest campus of Monash University

- Monash University Malaysia is Monash's third largest campus after its Clayton and Caulfield campuses in Victoria, Australia
- Located in Bandar Sunway, Selangor, Malaysia



# One of the most successful branch campuses in the world

Monash University Malaysia is a joint venture between Monash University and Sunway Group, one of Malaysia's largest conglomerates with core interests in property, construction, education and healthcare





# Monash University Malaysia has seven Schools that are part of the relevant Faculties

- Arts and Social Sciences
- Business
- Engineering
- Information Technology
- Medicine and Health Sciences
- Pharmacy
- Science



## Students and staff at Monash University Malaysia

Monash University Malaysia has over 8,000 students from 70 countries and more than 900 staff





# **Twentieth anniversary**

Monash University Malaysia celebrates its twentieth anniversary this year!





### **History of Monash University Malaysia**

- Established in 1998 and is the first foreign university to establish a branch campus upon invitation by the Malaysian Government
- Total enrolments in the first intake of July 1998 was 417 students into 4 courses offered under the School of Business and IT, School of Engineering and School of Science
- Establishment of the School of Medicine and Health Sciences in 2004 and the Clinical School Johor Bahru in 2012.
- Introduction of postgraduate programs in 2005





# Opportunities and challenges of an Australian university branch campus in Southeast Asia

- Education quality and standards
- Research collaborations
- Finance
- Staffing
- Student Experience





### **Education quality and standards**

- Governed by both Australian and Malaysian education quality frameworks high quality control with some challenges
- All courses offered must fulfill the University's and the Malaysian education framework course approval and accreditation processes
- Opportunities to develop best practices through collaborations





### Research collaboration

- Opportunities for rich research collaborations across multiple Monash locations
- Monash University Malaysia is the South East Asian research gateway for Monash University







### **Finance**

- Funded almost entirely by student fees; this may limit the ability to fund research and investments in infrastructure at an ideal level
- Being a private university, the campus is unable to secure strong funding from the government for research and practically no funding is received for teaching and learning activities
- Royalty arrangements in place but, service level arrangements for royalty payments may not always be clear





# **Staffing**

- All staff are subject to Monash University's selection process which signals consistency of staff quality across locations
- Challenges in recruiting and retaining high quality staff due to competitive salaries being offered in neighbouring countries like Singapore, Korea, Hong Kong etc.





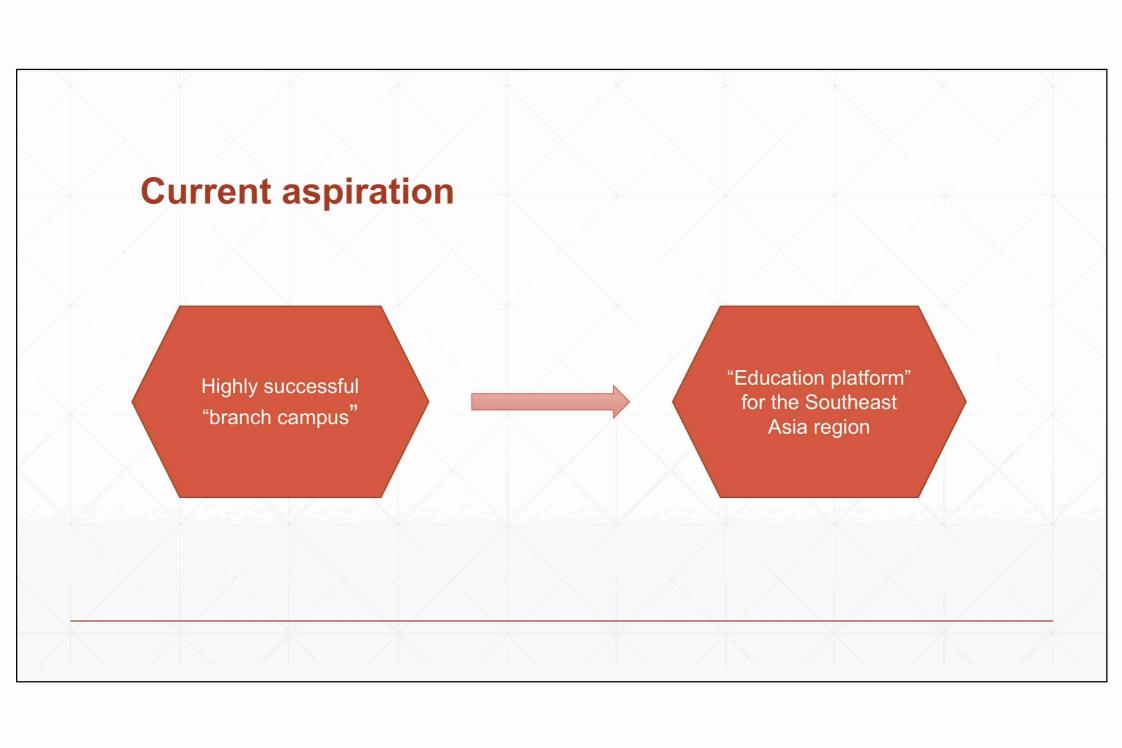
# **Student Experience**

- Multiple locations and rich networks with universities around the world offer abundant opportunities for student mobility
- Student experience on multiple locations may differ due to the scale, funding and nature of operations in each location









# Thank you.