



Curtin University

Malaysia



# ARRIVAL GUIDE

For new international  
students

Information to help you settle into the community at Curtin Malaysia

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**“** This Arrival Guide for New International Students is designed to address some of the most frequently asked questions posed by international students and scholars about their arrival on campus and getting settled into the campus community, as well as the wider local community.

The information is presented in a sequence beneficial to the needs of a new arrival: from locating housing to recreational activities.

We hope that you will find this guide helpful. We welcome your suggestions for new material to enhance the experience of future international students.

Curtin Malaysia International Student Office

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## WELCOME NOTE - FROM THE PVC

### Salam Sejahtera, Greetings!

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to Curtin University Malaysia, Curtin University's largest global campus established in partnership with the Sarawak State Government in 1999.

As part of a leading global university transforming lives and communities through education and research, we offer students from over 50 different countries a quality Australian education and truly international and cross-cultural learning experience in a unique Malaysian, and specifically Borneo experience. Internationally recruited teaching staff from over 15 nations further strengthen our international focus.

Students and staff joining us are warmly welcomed into a dynamic campus community committed to educational and research excellence and innovation, cultural awareness and inclusiveness, and serving our local communities. Inevitably, this not only adds a rich and valuable dimension to our campus atmosphere, but also prepares our graduates to live and work in an increasingly global environment.

The wide range of courses in various disciplines at pre-university, undergraduate and postgraduate levels that we offer are practical and industry-focused, and in most instances, identical in structure to those at our main campus. As timing and delivery are also identical, in line with the University's 'One Curtin' approach, our students have the option to transfer to other Curtin campuses at any time during their undergraduate years for short study, student exchange, or to complete their degrees.

The 'One Curtin' model also means well-integrated delivery of course units using technology-rich learning environments and the latest learning and teaching technologies like distributed learning for greater student engagement and real-time interaction between students and staff across campuses.

As you can see, Curtin Malaysia is a vibrant international institution with an exciting future and I invite you to join us on our exciting journey forward.

**Professor Simon Leunig**  
**Pro Vice-Chancellor, President & Chief Executive**  
**Curtin Malaysia**



## CURTIN MALAYSIA INTERNATIONAL STUDENT OFFICE

The Curtin Malaysia International Student Office mission is to enhance the academic experiences of international students by providing the highest levels of knowledge and expertise in advising, immigration services, advocacy and programming to the Curtin Malaysia campus community through:

- assisting international students to maintain legal status while pursuing their education and research goals;
- building a home away from home for Curtin Malaysia's diverse population of international students and their dependents by providing services, programmes and advocacy to support them and by assisting campus leadership in fostering an environment of effective cross cultural communications and mutual understanding;
- creating an environment and innovative opportunities that support students' academic success and personal growth by ensuring a mutually reinforcing relationship between academic and non-academic student life; and
- ensuring University institutional compliance to the Malaysian immigration regulations governing enrolment of international students.

### Services:

- Visa Processing & Renewal Services
- Student Exchange & Transfer Services
- Welfare & Social Support Services
  - Intergration programmes
  - International student engagement
  - Cultural exchange and diversity programmes
- Airport Reception Services
  - Airport pickups
- Medical Insurance Application and Renewal

### Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

\*We are closed on weekends and any public holidays observed by Curtin Malaysia. For information on our public holidays, please visit [current.curtin.edu.my/academic-calendar/publicolidays/](http://current.curtin.edu.my/academic-calendar/publicolidays/)

### Location:

Ground Floor, Heron 1  
Curtin Malaysia Campus

### Email:

[internationalstudentoffice@curtin.edu.my](mailto:internationalstudentoffice@curtin.edu.my)

## INTRODUCTION TO CURTIN MALAYSIA

### Curtin's largest international campus

Curtin Malaysia is the largest international campus of Curtin University, a university based in Perth, Western Australia.

It provides local and international students the opportunity to receive a quality Australian education and a global learning experience in a Malaysian setting in Miri, Sarawak, Malaysia.

Curtin Malaysia is owned and operated by Curtin (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd, a Malaysian company largely owned by Sarawak Government agencies.

### Providing the best facilities and services

You will find our campus offers the best possible facilities one would expect from Curtin's first and largest international campus. In addition to being located in a modern, scenic city that is safe and conducive for tertiary studies, Curtin Malaysia offers a vibrant campus lifestyle with a mix of academic support services and exciting social events.

### Assurance of quality

Curtin Malaysia is one of only eight universities in Malaysia granted self-accreditation status by the Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA) and achieved Tier 5 or 'Excellent' ratings in Malaysia's SETARA and D-SETARA rating systems for institutions of higher learning. Our Tier 5 rating places us among the premier universities in Malaysia.

### Recognition

Our courses are endorsed by the Malaysian Ministry of Higher Education, Malaysian Qualifications Agency and Malaysian Public Services Department (JPA), and accredited by professional bodies both nationally and internationally, ensuring wide recognition.

All the courses we offer are run using the same unit structure and study materials as the courses at the main campus in Perth, meaning that you can transfer between two campuses to complete your Curtin degree. When you graduate, you will have a degree that

is recognised in more places around the world and be able to complete further study at either campus to enhance your career prospects.

### Commitment to excellence

To best meet student and industry needs, we apply Curtin's 'triple-i' model, which ensures industry links, intercultural and indigenous awareness and interdisciplinary study are embedded into each course curriculum. This helps ensure that you are job-ready when you graduate.

### Preparing you to succeed in a global environment

Academics at Curtin Malaysia prepare students to live and work within a global environment by ensuring the academic skills and practical experience the students accumulate are informed by the latest research and partnership with industry, government and the community. Coming from some 15 countries around the world, with a high number holding doctorates in their fields, they enable Curtin Malaysia to adopt a truly global focus.

### Student learning and development

Curtin Malaysia aims to produce graduates of the highest calibre by encouraging student learning and development beyond the classroom and putting together distinctive programmes to develop talented and promising students for a variety of leadership roles.

You can maximise your potential for career excellence or academic distinction as a student ambassador of the John Curtin Leadership Academy, engage with the local community through the Curtin Volunteers!, develop peer mentoring skills or gain practical experience in the workplace.

There are clubs, societies, sport and social events to suit everyone and create a university experience well beyond your studies.



## EXPERIENCE MIRI

### MIRI QUICK FACTS

Population	>350,000
Area	4,707 square kilometres (1,838.71 sq mi)
Time Zone	MST (UTC +8)
Climate	Equatorial, with fairly uniform temperatures throughout the year. Average daily temperature: 23°C - 32°C

- Sarawak's second-largest city.
- A major tourism gateway and base to explore Sarawak's most spectacular natural attractions at Mulu and Niah.
- A popular diving destination due to the abundance of spectacular patch reefs.
- Home of two Malaysia's premier annual international music festivals, Borneo Jazz and Miri Country Music Fest.
- Direct air links to regional hubs: Kuala Lumpur, Singapore, Johor Bahru, Kuching and Kota Kinabalu.

## STUDENT VISA / PASS APPLICATION POLICY & PROCEDURE

1. Section 8(3)(b) of the Immigration Act 1959/63 (Amended 2002) requires foreign students to undergo medical check-ups in their home countries before entering the State of Sarawak. Medical check-ups must be done at a government general hospital or specialist Institution recognised by the government.
2. Upon arrival in Sarawak, students are required to undergo another medical check-up. A student can only remain in Malaysia subject to 'medical clearance' from an approved local medical practitioner.
3. Before applying for a new student pass through the University, you need to curtail the current pass and obtain a 'Letter of Release'.
4. All Sudanese students need to obtain a No Objection Certificate (NOC) from their respective countries' authorities as a pre-requisite for entry into Malaysia. The NOC is

to be sent along with the student's letter of offer, visa application and medical forms.

All international students are required to apply for a Student Pass before entering Malaysia.

- The Immigration Department of Malaysia is responsible for the granting and extension of entry visas. Immigration policies are also determined by the Department. Visa approvals are not automatic and there are stringent criteria to be met. In addition, different criteria exist for different nationalities.

Full student visa information is available on the Immigration Department of Malaysia's website at [www.imi.gov.my/index.php/en/](http://www.imi.gov.my/index.php/en/)

Under the Immigration Act and Curtin's enrolment policies, students wishing to study at Curtin Malaysia must follow the following procedures in order to obtain their Student Passes:

1. Submit application for admission to Curtin Malaysia, providing all relevant supporting documents.
2. Upon approval, a Letter of Offer and Student Pass application forms will be issued to the prospective student. The student then proceeds to undergo a medical examination in his/her country of origin. The No Objection Certificate (NOC) will only be issued to Sudanese.
3. The medical clearance (medical report should be in English) together with completed Student Pass application forms and Acceptance of Offer is then sent to Curtin Malaysia. Curtin Malaysia will process the Student Pass application only when tuition and other fees as indicated in the Letter of Offer are fully paid.
4. The Sarawak State Immigration Department will approve or reject Student Pass applications usually within 4-5 weeks (Curtin Malaysia will be duly notified of the outcome of the applications).
5. Upon approval, a letter from the Sarawak State Immigration Department (addressed to Malaysian High Commission/Embassy) will be forwarded to the prospective student.
6. The prospective student then submits the letter and his/her passport to the Malaysian High Commission/Embassy in his/her country of origin for 'Single Entry Visa' endorsement.
7. Once the student is determined to be clear of any contagious/communicable/ dreaded diseases, the medical practitioner will provide a supporting medical report to recommend the student to remain in Malaysia as a student.

8. Curtin Malaysia will submit the medical report and the student's passport to the Sarawak State Immigration Department for immediate endorsement of Student Pass with a 'Multiple Entry Visa'.
9. All international students are not allowed to work while holding Curtin Malaysia Student Passes.
10. Appropriate action will be taken against international students who miss classes for three (3) consecutive days by the International Student Office unless a valid reason is given, along with proof such as a medical certificate.

## PRE-DEPARTURE PLANNING

Before you leave home, please make sure you have all necessary documents and items with you. Our checklist below can be useful to assist you with your preparations.

### Passport

Your passport must be valid for at least one year (12 months) before you enter Malaysia.

### Documents

You must bring the following documents with you to Curtin Malaysia:

- Letter of Offer – do not lose this document as you will need it when you enrol
- Original copies of your qualifications
- Original copy of your Visa Approval Letter or Valid Entry Visa
- Medical history or prescriptions required for on-going medication

### Clothing

Malaysian students wear comfortable, casual clothes. Men tend to wear jeans and T-shirts, while women generally choose jeans, T-shirts and skirts. Malaysia is hot and humid throughout the year.

### Equipment

The University's on-campus accommodation

or off-campus accommodation will not include equipment such as cooking utensils, sheets and blankets. You may choose to bring some of these items with you.

Alternatively, these products can be purchased from a wide variety of stores in Miri. Secondhand household items are also available at cheap prices from graduating students.

Note: The voltage used in Malaysia is 230/240 volts -50hz.

### Establishment costs

We recommend that you arrive in Malaysia with at least RM500 cash in hand and have easy access to a further RM1000 for your first week in Malaysia. We advise that you use bank drafts or electronic transfer the fund into a bank in Malaysia to avoid carrying large amounts of cash. It may be useful to have a credit card to allow access to funds for establishment costs.

### Living expenses

You can expect to pay, on average, around RM900 - RM1300 (single) per month for living expenses. Living expenses vary depending on financial resources, tastes and interests. Students and parents are advised to set out a budget that caters for individual needs. A sample minimum monthly budget is provided below.

### Suggested minimum monthly budget (Malaysian Ringgit)

Service/Commodity	RM
Accommodation (rent per room)	600
Food	500
Public Transport	90
Toiletries, personal items & entertainment	300
Stationery, photocopying, etc.	70
Utilities (gas/water)	75
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1635</b>

Note: Do not send money for living expenses with tuition fee payments. The University does not disperse student living allowances and will not refund the money.

## MEDICAL CHECK-UP AFTER ARRIVAL

- International students are required to do a medical checkup at Malaysia's hospital after arriving at Miri.
- The expected expenses for a medical checkup is RM250

### Additional information

- Bank clearings may take one week for electronic transfers, and 3-4 weeks for bank drafts.
- It is more convenient to transfer funds electronically when depositing large sums of money into bank accounts.
- The Ringgit Malaysia (RM) is the basic unit of exchange. Both paper notes and coins are used.
- Other currencies especially US Dollar (USD) must be current, within at least 3 years of printing. USD notes must be clean and not torn or stapled.
- Other than that, please ensure that you have booked your accommodation and Airport Reception Services (ARS) in advance should you require our University representative to pick you up from the Miri Airport. We only provide pick up services for students and guests from the Miri airport to their respective on campus accommodation.

## AIRPORT RECEPTION SERVICE (ARS)

Airport Reception is only provided during peak admission periods prior to semester commencement.

The University provides an Airport Reception Service for international students who are commencing their first semester at Curtin Malaysia. This service is offered to students who have made accommodation booking arrangements with Housing Services. We do not transfer students to private accommodation or hotels.

As conditions apply to the Airport Reception Service, please contact our office at [internationalstudentoffice@curtin.edu.my](mailto:internationalstudentoffice@curtin.edu.my) or [international.curtin.edu.my/our-department/airport-reception-service](http://international.curtin.edu.my/our-department/airport-reception-service) to confirm if this service is available to you.

You will need to book your own accommodation if your accommodation on campus has not been arranged or confirmed. Please ensure that you have all evidence of your confirmed accommodation bookings with Housing Services before your departure to avoid disappointment.

Please visit the International Students website for airport reception arrangements.

### How do I book the Airport Reception Service?

To use the airport reception service, please complete our online Airport Reception Service form once your travel details have been finalised. Confirm your flight number, arrival time and accommodation details before completing the form. Your application will not be processed without these details.

- Complete all sections of the form and submit a minimum of five working days prior to departure.
- You must provide confirmation of your accommodation on the form in order to receive this service.

- No requests will be processed on Saturday, Sunday or public holidays. Please check our observed public holidays at Curtin Malaysia's website.

### Bringing a spouse, dependant or family member

The Airport Reception Service is also available for a student's accompanying guest(s). If you are arriving with accompanying guests, please fill in the particulars of your guests in the ARS form.

Please be advised that our transport service will only provide one-way trip to a Curtin accommodation. A separate arrangement has to be made from the Curtin accommodation to their hotel.

Our reception service does not include hotel transfers. You have to make your own arrangement at the airport for transfer to your

## LOCAL HOTELS



IMPERIAL HOTEL



MERITZ HOTEL



MIRI MARRIOTT RESORT AND SPA



PULLMAN MIRI WATERFRONT

### Miri Marriott Resort & Spa ★★★★★

Beachfront resort with award-winning restaurant, large pool, fitness centre, Mandara Spa. 2 km from city centre and 8 km from the airport, close to area attractions and shopping.

Jalan Temenggong Datuk Oyong Lawai  
Telephone: +60 85 421121  
Fax: +60 85 420199  
Website: [www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/myymc-miri-marriott-resort-and-spa/](http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/myymc-miri-marriott-resort-and-spa/)

### Pullman Miri Waterfront ★★★★★

The scenic views fronting the South China Sea, Miri River and the city makes it an ideal option for both a relaxing getaway, dining and business meetings in breathtaking settings

Lot 1347 Miri Waterfront, Commercial Centre  
Tel: +60 85 323888  
Fax: +60 85 323999

### Meritz Hotel ★★★★★

Miri's latest four-star hotel in the heart of the city catering for both business and leisure travellers looking for modern and functional accommodations with quality service.

Bintang Megamall, Jalan Miri Pujut  
Telephone: +60 85 417 888  
Fax: +60 85 418 666  
Email: [info@meritzhotel.com](mailto:info@meritzhotel.com)  
Website: [www.meritzhotel.com](http://www.meritzhotel.com)

### Imperial Hotel ★★★★★

Located in the heart of Miri City where you can experience the colorful city life.

Lot 827, Jalan Pos  
Telephone: +60 85 431 133  
Fax: +60 85 431 122  
Email: [enquiries@imperialhotel.com.my](mailto:enquiries@imperialhotel.com.my)  
Website: [www.ImperialHotel.com.my](http://www.ImperialHotel.com.my)

### Imperial Palace Hotel ★★★★★

A business class hotel offering comfortable and affordable accommodation, a 25-minute drive from the airport and surrounded by retail outlets, eateries, supermarkets and entertainment outlets.

Lot 1120, Block 7, Jalan Sehati  
Telephone: +60 85 437 799

### Grand Palace Hotel ★★★★★

A business class hotel enjoying a convenient location near the popular food and entertainment outlets at the Pelita Commercial Centre.

2KM, Miri-Pujut Road,  
Pelita Commercial Center  
Telephone: +60 85 428 888  
Fax: +60 85 427 777  
Email: [gpalace@po.jaring.my](mailto:gpalace@po.jaring.my)  
Website: [www.grandpalacehotel.com.my](http://www.grandpalacehotel.com.my)

### Mega Hotel ★★★

Located in the heart of the city, right in the business district and within walking distance of the shops in Old Miri, the waterfront, city parks and bustling markets.

Lot 907, Jalan Merbau  
Tel: +60 85 432 432  
Fax: +60 85 433 433  
E-mail: [megahot@po.jaring.my](mailto:megahot@po.jaring.my)  
Website: [www.megahotel.com.my](http://www.megahotel.com.my)

### Paragon Lutong Hotel ★★★★★

Located nearby the South China Sea and right beside the scenic and rustic Lutong river. The Paragon Lutong Hotel is within close proximity to Sarawak Shell Berhad Corporate Office and Petronas Carigali Complex. The New World Mart and MYY Mall Shopping Complex are also located right opposite the hotel.

Lot 10203-10220 All of Parent,  
Lot 3397 Blk 10 KBLD 98107, Lutong  
Telephone: +60 85 662 211  
Fax: +60 85 663 636  
Email: [bestrate@paragonlutong.com](mailto:bestrate@paragonlutong.com)  
Website: [www.paragonlutong.com](http://www.paragonlutong.com)

### What if my flight arrangements change?

If this happens, you must notify us immediately and at least three working days before your scheduled departure date to Miri. Please email your new flight details to [internationalstudentoffice@curtin.edu.my](mailto:internationalstudentoffice@curtin.edu.my) or call the International Student Office at +60 85 630 100.

We do not guarantee that our transport service is available for last minute changes. In the event of unavailability of our transport, you need to make your own transport arrangement at the airport to the campus.

### How do I identify the Curtin Malaysia representative at the airport?

Our representative will be carrying a Curtin Malaysia sign. It is important that you look for the sign so our representative can identify you.

**DO NOT LEAVE THE AIRPORT WITH ANY INDIVIDUAL UNLESS HE/SHE PRODUCES PROPER IDENTIFICATION AS THE UNIVERSITY'S NOMINATED REPRESENTATIVE.**

### Reporting your arrival to Curtin Malaysia

Students arriving from other countries will be met upon arrival by staff from Curtin Malaysia and transferred to student accommodation.

After settling in your accommodation, please:

- contact your parents / guardian / relatives to inform them of your safe arrival,
- report to the International Student Office that you have arrived at the campus;
- make an appointment with an appointed local clinic for a medical examination,
- open a bank account and settle all financial needs / concerns,
- attend the university's orientation programme and/or activities organised for new international students,
- sign up and enroll for classes and tutorials.

## TELEPHONE SERVICES

Type of call	How to call
Emergencies	Call 999. This is the national emergency number for police, ambulance services and the fire department. If you are on campus, you will get faster service if you call 085 630 100 or 085 630 081/085 630 082/085 668 637 for emergencies. Save these numbers in your cell phone.
Directory assistance	Call 103. An operator will give you phone numbers for people and business. Each number provided is charged RM0.30.
Calling outside Malaysia	Call 00 + country code + city code + phone number.
Calling elsewhere in Malaysia	Call city code + phone number.
Calling within Miri	Call 6 digit phone number directly or 10 digit cell phone number directly.

Since you may already have a cell phone/mobile phone in your home country, you will of course need to inquire about its use in Malaysia.

# DRIVING LICENSE

## Procedure for conversion of foreign driving license to Malaysian driving license

### 1. Automatic conversion of foreign driving license to Malaysian driving license under bi-lateral agreement

- a. List of applicable countries is as in Appendix A.
- b. Application can be made at any Road Transport Department (RTD) state office. (For more information, please log on to RTD's website at [www.jpj.gov.my](http://www.jpj.gov.my))
- c. Completed JPJ L1 Form attaching the following documents:
  - Original and copy of valid driving license. (For expired driving license, the expiry date should not exceed 3 years).
  - One coloured photograph (25mm x 32mm).
  - English translation of driving license by embassy of the issuing country. If the country has no embassy in Malaysia, translation can be done by Malaysia Translation Institute ([www.itnm.com.my](http://www.itnm.com.my)).
  - Original and copy of applicant's passport.
  - Processing fee - RM20.00
  - Categories of license which may apply for conversion:
    - Competence Driving License (CDL) RM30.00 (car) - per year. RM20.00 (motorcycle) - per year.
    - Probationary Driving License (P) RM60.00 (car) - two years. RM40.00 (motorcycle) - two years.
- d. Terms and Conditions:
  - Motorcycle licenses will be issued according to their classes, i.e. B1, B2 and B. (Please attach supporting documents confirming the motorcycle's c.c. together with the application).
    - Competence Driving License (CDL) will be issued to applicants who have possessed a license for more than 2 years.

- Probationary Driving License (PDL) will be issued if the applicant does not meet CDL requirements.

### 2. Conversion of foreign driving license to Malaysian driving license under Section 5(3) Road Transport Rule (Driving License) 1992

- a. List of countries is as in Appendix B.
- b. Submission can be done through any RTD state office or directly to the RTD Headquarters in Putrajaya.
- c. Completed JPJL2 Form attaching following documents:
  - Original and copy of valid driving license. (For expired driving license, the expiry date should not exceed 3 years) - Photostate copy of the driving license has to be certified by a RTD officer if the application is submitted through RTD state office.
  - English translation of driving license by embassy of the issuing country. If the country has no embassy in Malaysia, translation can be done by Malaysia Translation Institute ([www.itnm.com.my](http://www.itnm.com.my)).
  - Original and Photostat copy of the passport. Photostat copy of the driving license has to be certified by a RTD officer if the application is submitted through RTD state office.
- d. Terms and conditions:
  - Motorcycle licenses are issued according to their classes of license, i.e. B1, B2 and B. Supporting documents such as a letter from the Authority on the motorcycle's c.c. should be submitted together with the application.
  - Competence Driving License (CDL) will be issued if the applicant has possessed the license for 2 years.
  - If the applicant fails to meet the CDL requirement, he/she will be issued a Probationary Driving License (P License).
  - Authorisation letter from embassy of issuing country if the driving license is not computer printed.
  - Approval letter from Indonesian ambassador if the applicant is from Indonesia.

- e. When the application has been approved by the Director General, the applicants have to submit the application again to the RTD's state office for the conversion of the driving license.

Documents required are as follows:

- Approval letter issued by the RTD Headquarters. Validity of the approved letter is one year from the date of issue.
- JPJL1 Form.
- Original and photostat copy of the driving license.
- Original and photostat copy of applicant's passport.
- One coloured photograph (25mm x 32mm).
- Processing fee - RM20.00
- License fee:
  - Competence Driving License (CDL) RM30.00 (car) - per year. RM20.00 (motorcycle) - per year.
  - Probationary Driving License (P) RM60.00 (car) - two years. RM40.00 (motorcycle) - two years.

### 3. Conversion of Singapore driving license to Malaysian driving license

- a. Application can be done at RTD state office.
- b. Complete JPJ1 Form and attach following documents:
  - JPJL1 Form.
  - Original Singapore Competent Driving License (CDL) or Probationary Driving License (P).
  - Original and photostat copy of the driving license.
  - Original and photostat copy of applicant's passport.
  - One coloured photograph (25mm x 32mm).
  - Processing fee - RM20.00
  - License fee:
    - Competence Driving License (CDL) RM30.00 (car) - per year. RM20.00 (motorcycle) - per year.
    - Probationary Driving License (P) RM60.00 (car) - two years. RM40.00 (motorcycle) - two years.

### 4. Conversion of foreign driving license other than the above

- a. The applicant has to sit for a specific training and driving test. There are four phases of training and driving test:

#### 1st phase

The applicant has to attend Drivers' Education Curriculum class for five hours at any driving institute. An attendance certificate (JPJL2A) will be issued by the driving institute upon attending the class.

#### 2nd phase

The applicant has to sit for Road Traffic Rule Test (section I-Test) at the 'approved site' office. The cost involved is RM27.00. For receipt, pay another RM17.00. Detailed information on the approved site office can be found at the following websites:

[www.rilek.com.my](http://www.rilek.com.my)  
[www.eservices.com.my](http://www.eservices.com.my)  
[www.myeg.com.my](http://www.myeg.com.my)

#### 3rd phase

After the applicant has passed the Road Traffic Rule Test, he/she has to sit for theory and practical course. He/she has to get the certificate of attendance (JPJL2B) and Student's Record (SM4). This course takes 16 hours and can be done at the driving institute or driving school (for motorcar only). This will be arranged by the driving institute.

#### 4th phase

After the applicant has completed the 16 hour course, he/she may sit for the driving practical test (Section II and Section III Test).

#### 5th phase

After the applicant has passed the practical driving test, he/she may go to the RTD office to apply for the probationary (P) driving license, which is valid for two years. During this period, if the applicant commits any traffic violation under "KEJARA DEMERIT POINT SYSTEM", incurring 10 and above points, the probationary license will be revoked. Applicant will have to re-sit the driving theory and practical test from phase 1 onwards.

b. Documents required for the application of the probationary driving license are as follows:

- Completed JPJL1 Form.
- Completed JPJL3 (test card).
- Original and photostat copy of learner driving license.
- Original and photostat copy of applicant's passport.
- One colored photograph (25mm x 32mm).
- License fee:
  - Probationary Driving License (P) RM60.00 (2 years) - car.
  - RM40.00 (2 years) - motorcycle.

#### NOTES:

a. Driving in Malaysia requires valid driving license (CDL or P license).

b. Driving a registered vehicle in Malaysia requires valid road tax.

c. It is an offence to drive without a valid driving license. If convicted, a fine not exceeding RM1,000 or jail term not exceeding 3 months or both may be imposed.

d. It is an offence to drive a vehicle without road tax. If convicted, a fine not exceeding RM2,000 may be imposed.

e. It is an offence to drive without a motor insurance. If convicted, there will be a fine not exceeding RM1,000 or jail term not exceeding 3 months, or both.

For further enquiries, kindly contact:

#### Road Transport Department Headquarters (Jabatan Pengangkutan Jalan)

Level 1-5, Block D, Parcel D  
62620, Putrajaya  
Tel : +60 3 8886 6400  
Fax : +60 3 8888 9645  
Email : info@jpp.gov.my  
Website : [www.jpp.gov.my](http://www.jpp.gov.my)

#### Road Transport Department (Miri Branch)

KM 6 Jalan Miri-Bintulu  
98000 Miri, Sarawak.  
Tel : +60 85 611 101  
Fax : +60 85 613 584  
Email : [kus@jpp.gov.my](mailto:kus@jpp.gov.my)

#### Institut Memandu City Miri Sdn Bhd

Lot 2912 & 2913, Jalan Bulan Sabit  
(Boulevard Commercial Centre)  
Telephone: +60 85 431 300  
Fax: +60 85 434 600, +60 19 884 8386  
Email: imcitymiri@hotmail.com

#### Institut Memandu Miri-Subis Sdn Bhd

Lot 1959, Block 5, KBLD,  
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Finland  
Fiji

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Germany  
Hong Kong  
Iran  
Iraq  
Italy  
Japan  
Laos

Libya  
Mauritius  
Myanmar  
The Netherlands  
New Zealand  
Nigeria  
Papua New Guinea  
The Philippines

Poland  
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Singapore  
South Korea  
Spain  
Switzerland  
Thailand  
Turkey

#### Appendix B

Afghanistan  
Albania  
Algeria  
Argentina  
Austria  
Bahamas  
Bahrain  
Bangladesh  
Barbados  
Belarus  
Benin  
Bolivia  
Bosnia-Herzegovina  
Botswana  
Brazil  
Bulgaria  
Burkina Faso  
Burundi  
Cameroon  
Canada  
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Republic  
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Colombia  
Congo  
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Cote D'Ivoire  
Croatia  
Czechoslovakia  
Dahomey  
Democratic  
Kampuchea  
Dominican Republic  
Ecuador  
El Salvador  
Estonia  
Ethiopia  
French Polynesia  
Gabon  
Gambia  
Georgia

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Guatemala  
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Seychelles  
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Slovakia  
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Somalia  
South Africa  
South Yemen  
Sri Lanka  
Sudan  
Swaziland  
Sweden  
Syria  
Taiwan  
Togo  
Trinidad & Tobago  
Tunisia  
Turkmenistan  
Uganda  
Ukraine  
United Kingdom  
United States of  
America  
Uruguay  
Uzbekistan  
Venezuela  
Vietnam  
Western Samoa  
Yemen  
Yugoslavia  
Zaire  
Zambia  
Zimbabwe

## BANKING

The International Student Office provides assistance to students in opening bank saving accounts. To open an account, students will be required to use their passports plus a letter from the University and an initial deposit which may be in either the form of cash or bank draft.

Important documents/information for opening bank account:

- Copy of Offer Letter or confirmation letter from the University

- A photocopy of passport (front page and visa) for international students
- Original passport (for verification purpose)
- Minimum cash required to open a bank account is Rm250.
- A copy of student ID

### Banking on Campus

Students have access to two automated teller machines on campus located on the ground floor of John Curtin Building.

- MBB
- RHB

## STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

### ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

- Please visit [housing-recreation.curtin.edu.my](http://housing-recreation.curtin.edu.my)
- Full payment must be made before arrival to avoid hiccup during registration



LAKESIDE APARTMENTS 1



LAKESIDE APARTMENTS 2



CURTIN VILLA



CURTIN WATER 2

## FOOD AND BEVERAGE AND RETAIL OUTLETS



LAKSA SARAWAK



NASI LEMAK



KOLOK MEE

### Our current food court operators are:

- Sri Kasturi
- Cafe Nusa
- Campus Wok
- The Station
- Chives
- The Bread Box
- Saffron
- Cafe Inc
- Wan Gastro

## SHOPPING

Permaisuri Imperial City Mall  
 Jalan Merpati  
 Tel: +60 85 419 818  
 Fax: +60 85 419 819

Bintang Megamall  
 Jalan Miri-Pujut MCLD  
 Telephone: +60 85 438 877  
 Website: www.bintangmegamall.com

Boulevard Shopping Complex  
 Boulevard Commercial Centre,  
 3km Miri-Pujut Road  
 Telephone: +60 85 432 999, 433 177  
 Fax: +60 85 422 999  
 Email: boulevardmiri@yahoo.com

Imperial Mall  
 2nd Floor, Imperial Mall,  
 Jln Merpati,  
 Telephone: +60 85 43 1133

MYY Mall  
 Lot 992, Jalan Lutong - Kuala Baram,  
 Lutong

Permy Mall  
 Lot 3244, Block 11, KBLD Bandar Baru Permy  
 Jaya  
 Telephone: +60 85 491 889

Miri Plaza (Servay)  
 Lot 637, Block 7, MCLD, Miri Plaza

E Mart Tudan & Riam  
 Tudan Branch: E Mart Commercial Centre  
 Block B, Phase 3, Jln Tudan, Tudan  
 Riam Branch: Lot 8755, Block 1, Jalan Miri  
 Bintulu, Lambir Land District,



BINTANG MEGAMALL



PERMAISURI IMPERIAL CITY MALL



PERMY MALL



EMART

## TAKING CARE OF YOURSELF: HEALTH & SAFETY

### Personal safety and crime prevention tips for students

Responsibility for safety on and off campus lies with us all. Read these common sense tips to stay safe.

### On-campus accommodation

- When you leave your room, always lock the door and shut the window, even if you are only popping next door for a minute.
- Think about the risks every time you invite someone into your room.
- Never let anyone into your building by holding a door open unless you know them or have checked their ID.
- If you see anything suspicious, report it to Campus Security. It may be nothing to worry about but it's better to be safe than sorry.

### Off-campus accommodation

- Always use the shuttle bus when travelling to and from campus OR if you prefer to walk, try to do this with another resident.
- Don't leave valuables in the living room kitchen area if the door is unlocked.
- Lock your room door when you leave the house/unit to go to campus.
- Don't leave valuable items on the window sill or on your desk in view from outside.
- Don't leave shoes outside the front doors or patio doors.
- Don't leave your bicycle outside the house unit at any time (even for a short lunch break) without a chain or lock.
- You may often be carrying books and bags but always try to keep one hand free and walk confidently and purposefully.

- When travelling around the area, e.g. local shops or food outlets after dark, ask someone to accompany you.

- Ask if there are any areas near your student accommodation that should be avoided. Some short-cuts may be great during the day but have a reputation amongst other students for being unsafe at night.

- Don't allow any trade persons into your house/unit who do not show their company's identification. Check with Housing Services if any doubt.

- Never go out late at night if at all possible. Darkness and isolation are a perfect combination for crimes to find you even if you are with a group of friends.

- Never take short-cuts at night. Stick to well-lit crowded areas.

- Set your phone to vibrate if you're alone, so that you do not draw attention to yourself.

- Spread your valuables around your body; e.g. keep your phone and your keys in your pocket. If someone tries to take something from you, it may just be better to let them take rather than risk injury.

- Try to plan ahead. Make sure someone knows where you are going, who you are meeting and when you expect to return. Always plan how you are going to get home again.

- Remember, alcohol can seriously affect your ability to make safe judgments.

- If you are socialising with a group of people, then watch out for each other and make sure everyone stays safe.

- Remember, the most common date rape drug is alcohol, so keep an eye on your drinks so that neither drugs nor extra alcohol are added.

- Stay alert! Avoid chatting on your phone or listening to music on your headphones, as this will distract you from your surroundings and prevent you from hearing any potential danger signs.

- If you are out at night, try to stick to busy streets and near other people. Avoid danger spots such as poorly-lit areas, deserted parks, or quiet alleyways and walk facing oncoming traffic.

- If you see someone else in trouble, think twice before trying to help. This may just aggravate the problem and you could end up being hurt as well. It may be a lot more helpful to shout for help, call the police, or generally make a lot of noise to attract attention.

- If you are planning to use public transport, always check the times of the last bus. Where possible, travel in pairs or a group. When preparing to get off the bus, always look back on your seat to ensure you have not left behind any valuables.

- Always carry the telephone number of a trusted, licensed taxi on your phone.

- Keep your valuables on you and in close proximity to your body. Do not expose expensive goods such as laptops and hand phones.

### Vehicle Safety

- Have an immobiliser/car alarm installed.
- Lock and check your car before you leave.
- Store all items in your car boot, out of sight.
- Don't leave money or valuables in the glove compartment.

### Campus Health Centre

Telephone: +60 85 630 100 ext: 2383  
 Mobile: +60 19 822 3199  
 Email: paullawai@curtin.edu.my  
 Website: [http://www.curtin.edu.my/Staff\\_Student\\_Affairs/health.htm](http://www.curtin.edu.my/Staff_Student_Affairs/health.htm)

### Emergency hotlines (24 hours)

Ambulance : +60 85 420 933  
 Fire & Rescue : 994 / +60 85 420 991  
 Miri Hospital : +60 85 420 033  
 Miri Polyclinic : +60 85 412 322  
 Columbia Asia Hospital : +60 85 437 755  
 Miri City Medical Centre : +60 85 426 622  
 Police : +60 85 433 667 / 433 222

### Campus Hotlines

Operator : 0 /+60 85 630 100  
 (Mondays to Fridays, 8 am to 5 pm)

Security Hotline : +60 85 630 081 /+60 85 630 082/085 668 637 (After office hours, Saturdays and public holidays)

### Government Hospitals

Miri General Hospital  
 Jalan Cahaya  
 Telephone: +60 85 420 033  
 Fax: +60 85 416 514  
 Email: [hospitalmiri@srwk.moh.gov.my](mailto:hospitalmiri@srwk.moh.gov.my)  
 Website: [hmiri.moh.gov.my](http://hmiri.moh.gov.my)

Miri Polyclinic  
 Jalan Merbau  
 Telephone: +60 85 412 322  
 Opening Hours:  
 Mon - Thurs: 7.30 am - 12.30 pm /  
 2 pm - 4.30 pm  
 Friday : 7.30 am - 11.15 am / 2 pm - 4.30 pm

Tudan Polylinic  
 Jalan Datuk Permaisuri,  
 Off Jalan Lutong, Kuala Baram  
 Telephone: +60 85 664 650  
 Opening Hours:  
 Mon - Fri: 8.00am - 5.00pm

### Private Hospitals

Columbia Asia Hospital Miri  
 Lot 1035 - 1039, Jalan Bulan Sabit  
 Telephone: +60 85 437 755, 439 644  
 Fax: +60 85 425 677  
 Email: [kathleen.kedal@columbiaasia.com](mailto:kathleen.kedal@columbiaasia.com)  
 Website: [www.columbiaasia.com/miri/](http://www.columbiaasia.com/miri/)

Miri City Medical Centre  
 916 - 920 & 1203 Jalan Hokkien  
 Telephone: +60 85 426 622  
 Fax: +60 85 438 096

## PANEL CLINICS IN MIRI

### KLINIK INDAH PERMAI

Lot 7199 Ground Floor  
 Pusat Bandar Bandar Baru Permyjaya  
 98107 Miri  
 Telephone : +60 85 657 516  
 Mon - Fri: 7:30am - 12nn;  
 1:30pm - 5pm ; 7pm - 9pm  
 Sat - Sun: 8am - 12nn  
 Public Holidays: Closed

### HARMONI MEDICAL SERVICES (MIRI) SDN BHD

Lot 561 & 562, Tingkat Bawah  
 Jalan Pasar Lutong, 98100 Miri  
 Telephone: +60 85 668 232  
 Mon - Fri: 7:30am - 12nn ; 1:30pm - 6pm  
 Sat - Sun: 8am - 12nn ; 2pm - 4pm  
 Public Holidays: Closed

### KLINIK LUTONG

Lot 561 & 562a, Ground Floor,  
 Miri, Sarawak  
 Telephone : +60 85 491 382  
 Mon - Thu: 8am - 1pm ; 3pm - 6pm  
 Friday: 8am - 12nn; 2pm - 6pm  
 Saturday: 8:30am - 1pm  
 Sunday: Closed

### KLINIK ASIAH

Lot 667, Grd Floor, Jalan Permaisuri  
 98000 Miri  
 Telephone : +60 85 420 200  
 Mon - Fri: 8am - 12nn ; 2pm - 4pm; 7pm - 9pm  
 Sat: 8am - 12nn ; 7pm - 9pm  
 Sun: 8am - 11:30am  
 Public Holidays: 8am - 11:30am

### OMEGA CLINIC

Lot 1417 Blk 1 MCLD, Off,  
 Jalan Pasar Lutong, Lutong, 98000 Miri  
 Telephone: +60 85 653 555  
 Mon - Fri: 7:30am - 8pm  
 Saturday: 9am - 3pm  
 Sunday: Closed

### KLINIK DR CHEU SDN BHD

Lot 512, Grd Floor  
 Pelita Commercial Centre  
 98000 Miri  
 Telephone: +60 85 438 068  
 Mon - Fri: 8am - 12N ; 1pm - 4pm ; 7pm - 9pm  
 Sat: 8am - 12nn ; 7pm - 9pm  
 Sun: 8am - 12nn ; 7pm - 9pm  
 Public Holidays: 8am - 12nn

### KLINIK HAIZAM

Lot 442 Grd Floor  
 Jalan Bendahara  
 98000 Miri  
 Telephone: +60 85 415 612  
 Mon - Fri: 8am - 12nn ; 2pm - 4pm ; 7pm - 9pm  
 Sat: 8am - 12nn  
 Sun: 8am - 11:30am  
 Public Holidays: 8am - 11:30am

### KLINIK LW TENG (MIRI)

Lot 5476, Desa Pujut 2,  
 Bandar Permyjaya, Sarawak, 98000 Miri  
 Telephone: +60 85 438 150  
 Mon - Fri: 8am - 12nn; 1:30pm - 4:30pm; 7pm - 9pm  
 Sat - Sun: 8:30am - 12:30pm; 7pm - 9pm  
 Public Holidays: 8:30am - 12:30pm; 7pm - 9pm

### KLINIK YEE

No. 2 River Road, 98008 Miri  
 Telephone: +60 85 435 411  
 Mon - Fri: 7:30am - 12nn ; 1:30 - 4:30pm ;  
 6:30 - 8:30pm  
 Sat: 7:30am - 12nn ; 1:30 - 3:30pm  
 Sun: 8am - 11 am  
 Public Holidays: 8am - 11 am

### SIM'S MEDICAL CLINIC

Kiat Siang Building, 12A Jalan Bendahara  
 Ground Floor, 98000 Miri  
 Telephone: +60 85 432 411  
 Mon - Fri: 8am - 12nn ; 2 - 4:30pm ; 7 - 9pm  
 Sat: 8am - 12nn  
 Sun: 8:30am - 11:30am  
 Public Holidays: 8:30am - 11:30am

### S.K. WONG CLINIC

Lot 2927 Faradale Shophouse, Jalan Bulan  
 Sabit, 98000 Miri  
 Telephone: +60 85 438 787  
 Mon - Fri: 8:30am - 8:30pm  
 Sat: 8am - 11:30am  
 Sun & Public Holidays: Closed

### KLINIK DESA INDAH

Lot 5357, Ground Floor, Block 10,  
 Kuala Baram Land, Distric Desa Indah 3,  
 Shophouses, 98100 Miri  
 Telephone: +60 85 660 262  
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 Sat - Sun: 8am - 1pm  
 Public Holidays: 8am - 1pm



### Beadwork

One unique feature of Sarawak crafts are beads. These colourful trinkets have been used for centuries, not only for personal decoration but also as a form of currency, for dowries, and for spiritual purposes. The Orang Ulu are well known for their beadwork, such as their unique beaded baby carriers. Penan women plait distinctive black-and-white mats and basket, some so fine as to be almost waterproof! The Orang Ulu prefer natural colors for their mats, baskets and hats, enlivened by colorful glass beads.



### Ethnic Crafts

Miri curio shops and markets stock a fascinating array of beautiful handicrafts that reflect the state's rich multi-ethnic cultural heritage.

There is a wide range of Orang Ulu products, as the homeland of these artistically gifted people lies in northern Sarawak.

### Pua Kumbu

Iban women are among the finest weavers of the Pua Kumbu, a textile twisted or 'ikat', tie-dyed and skilfully woven on the backstrap loom.

The technique is passed from generation to generation with many of the designs/patterns weaved from memory. An experienced weaver will need an inspirational dream to create a new design.



### Weaving & Basketry

Palm, rattan, tree barks, bamboo and various other plants gathered from the forests are woven into works of art by the many tribal communities here.

The Bidayuh are famous for their 'kesah' mats, stoutly woven from rattan and beaten tree bark while the Melanau and Malays are well known for using the leaves of sago, pandanus and palms to make intricately plaited baskets, colorful mats, hats and home decorative items. Meanwhile, the Ibans weave intricate arrowroot patterned mats which show up only in oblique light.



## SPORTS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION

### Lifestyle

Miri offers an array of exciting lifestyles. Well-maintained public parks around the city are frequented by morning joggers and evening strollers. Playgrounds, walkways and neatly trimmed gardens offer a relaxing family environment. Modern shopping complexes present one stop shopping convenience in air conditioned comfort. Public and private facilities cater for hobbies and passions, premier among them is the well-equipped public library that serves as the venue for many cultural events. Miri is surrounded by National Parks, some within driving distance for day trips.

### A day by the beach

Miri has long, white beaches, well frequented on weekends. Luak Esplanade is a meeting point for kite enthusiasts. The beaches of Bungai and Peliau are less than an hour's drive from the city centre which offers different scenery. Local fishermen land their catches here; savvy housewives turn up at the right time to bargain for guaranteed fresh fish, prawns and other seafood.

Miri beaches are idyllic, but it is wise to observe a few elementary rules. Large amounts of sun can be harmful. It is advisable to use sunscreen and wear a hat, and it is not advisable to go to sleep under the full sun.

### Jogging and walking

Miri is not called the Resort City for nothing! The City Fan, a complex of elegantly landscaped parks, is ideal for jogging, walking or just strolling about. The Bulatan Park is a favorite site for jogging in the pleasant landscape with its lake. Taman Awam Miri offers a lookout tower and a suspension bridge with 'traces' of the oil industry influenced structures. Those too young to jog can find their rightful place in the well-equipped children's playground and a dip-pool.



### Golf

The Miri Golf Club, where the world's leading golfer, Vijay Singh, used to be the pro, is open to visiting golfers. The newer Eastwood Valley Golf & Country Club, designed by Nicklaus Golf Group Ltd. of San Francisco, is carved out from a forest site.

### Swimming

Miri's public swimming complex is located within the City Fan. It has two pools – one for general swimming and the other for training and is open daily. There are a number of private swimming pools, open for members and guests. Sarawak's largest free form swimming pool is located at the Miri Marriott Resort and Spa.

### Adventure Sports

Lambir Hills, Niah and Loagan Bunut National Parks offer abundant opportunities for soft adventure trekking in the tropical rainforests. The Headhunter's Trail, leading from Gunung Mulu National Park to the Bario Highlands, offers complete satisfaction for die-hard adventure seekers. Mountain bikers will find the rural area surrounding Miri an ideal terrain to hone their skills. The Miri Hash House Harriers regularly organise runs around the city and in nearby national parks.

### Sailing

The Miri Marina offers berthing, supply and maintenance and other facilities for yachts. The Borneo Cup Yachting Challenge is becoming a 'Don't miss' date on the international yachting calendar. This race, covering 100 nautical miles, is run from Labuan Island to Miri. Local regattas and social events at both ends of the track enliven the event. The Sarawak Sailing Association based at the Piasau Boat Club, has its fleet of dinghies, ranging from the Optimists to Wayfarers, and offers training and races for its members.

### Diving

The clear waters off Miri are an exciting, very accessible diving destination. Seasoned divers have affirmed that the magnificent marine life and coral reefs here are amongst the world's finest, some situated a mere 15-minute boat

trip from the city. Divers from Sarawak Shell discovered these unique sites during underwater explorations in the 1980s. Popular dive sites include Barracuda Point, Anemone Garden, Grouper Patch Reef, Atago Maru Wreck, and the Seafan Garden. The Luconia area equals any top dive site in terms of diversity and visibility. Miri's Tropical Dives offers day trips and longer excursions.

### Bowling and Archery

The Mega East Lanes Bowling Alley at level three at Bintang Megamall features 24 lanes, fully computerised and automated. King's Archery at Permaisuri Imperial City Mall is Malaysia's first indoor archery. Necessary gear is available for rent, with special rates for students and members.

### Cineplexes

The GSC Lite Cineplex at Bintang Megamall and TGV Cineplex at Permaisuri Imperial City Mall cater for movie fans who want nothing but the nearlife experience of the latest action thriller

### Recreation

#### Miri Crocodile Farm & Mini Zoo

The first and largest crocodile farm in northern Sarawak. Besides crocodiles, you can see a wide variety of local animals and birds. It is located at Kuala Baram, about 25 minutes drive from Miri City.

#### Borneo Tropical Rainforest Resort

An agro and nature resort nestled in lush tropical rainforest adjacent the renowned Lambir Hills National Park, about 35 minutes drive from Miri City. Attractions include a water park, recreational activities such as nature walks and boating, and teambuilding activities.

#### Miri City Go-Kart Track

Miri is home to Sarawak's only international standard go-karting circuit. The circuit will be holding track days for visitors in the near future.

#### Luak Esplanade

The esplanade is located at Luak, in the outskirts of Miri city, by the coastal highway. It's a great place for family outings and leisure



enjoyment. With plenty of car parking spaces and a great beach front spanning kilometers, people gather here to enjoy the ocean scenery, face the ocean breeze, have picnics and other activities. The best time to visit is during the weekends as there will be food stalls set up along the stretch with a variety of local delights, snacks and drinks to try.

### Miri City Fan

A unique fan-shaped (when viewed from the air) urban civic park, it is about 26 acres is carefully sited in the hub of sports, educational and cultural facilities of Miri. Miri City Fan is designed to create civic consciousness by the embodiment of several symbolic parks. It is a world-class urban civic park with the setting for sport, educational and cultural activities. It includes a promenade, parkland, an amphitheater, musical fountain, a library and cultural center and various ethnic gardens. The 10.4-hectare park was accorded the Malaysia's best landscaped city park.

### Taman Awam Miri

Taman Awam Miri is about 3km from the city center along the Miri-Bintulu Road. There are flora gardens, souvenir center, canteen, observatory platform, children's playground, exhibitions room, stone carving and sculptures, waterfalls, suspension bridge, fountains, pavilions, jogging track and other sporting facilities. There is also a Children's Water playground.

### Taman Selera

The oldest recreational park in Miri, Taman Selera is situated in Brighton about 3KM from the city center at Tanjung Lobang. This popular hawker centre has a variety of Chinese stalls serving fresh seafood - as well as Malay stalls offering satay, rice and noodle dishes - to be eaten to the sound of waves breaking on the nearby beach. Open daily 4pm - 11 pm (although most stalls open between 5 and 6pm).



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