

a) STUDENT PASS :

i) FOR NEW STUDENTS ABROAD;

A visa is required to gain entry into Malaysia. All international students who wish to study in Malaysia must apply for the endorsed visa with reference of student pass (VDR) at the nearest Malaysian Embassy / Mission abroad. Visa With Reference (VDR) means a visa issued by the Malaysian Representative Office abroad to a non-citizen to enable individuals to enter Malaysia after the visa is approved by Malaysia Immigration Department. In order to get VDR with Reference of Student Pass, student must apply the Visa Approval Letter (VAL) at International Office upon receiving the UMP offer letter. The application of VDR is compulsory to all nationalities. There is no such way the student can obtain student pass if enter Malaysia with tourist visa.(social visa). Effective from 1 January 2014, conversion from Social Visa (visitor pass) to student pass is not allowed anymore. The student needs to apply VDR before entering Malaysia.

ii) FOR NEW STUDENTS ALREADY IN MALAYSIA ;

A student who possesses student pass from another local university should shorten and cancel the pass a month prior to enrolment at UMP. The student shall bring the release letter from the previous university during registration day at UMP in order to ensure the smoothness of UMP student pass application.

iii) FOR EXISTING STUDENT OF UMP ;

A student pass renewal application must be submitted to International Office UMP, no later than eight (8) weeks prior to the current pass expiry date.

b) SPECIAL PASS

A special pass is a temporary pass issued by the Immigration Department due to a pending decision on student or social pass application and is only valid for a maximum of not more than 30 days.

c) DEPENDENT PASS

A Social Pass is an approval granted by the Immigration Department of Malaysia for family members of the postgraduate students (i.e husband, wife, children, father, mother) to stay in Malaysia during their study period in Malaysia. Please take note that Undergraduate Students (students who are registered under exchange program, short courses and research attachment) will not be issued with dependant pass. We would advise students of these categories not to bring their families to Malaysia).

d) PROFESSIONAL PASS

A Professional Pass is issued to all international students who attended short term course not exceeding 6 months period e.g Research Attachment Program, Student Mobility Program etc.