

## 2025 JLPW VISITING INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME

Term: 12 July 2025 to 11 October 2025

Positions available: Up to 10 interns.

### About the programme:

The JLPW Visiting Internship Programme has been in existence since 2008. To date, approximately 200 students have participated in this programme and the JLPW Online Internship Programme.

Visiting interns are given the opportunity to attend lectures given by lawyers of the firm; attend meetings with clients; visit legal institutions; and review case files. Visiting interns are also given assignments such as translation of legal and commercial contracts and due diligence.

At the conclusion of the programme, visiting interns are required to present a summary of their experience during their internship and the changes in their views of Malaysia compared to their views before the visiting internship.

The programme seeks to encourage visiting students to learn and understand Malaysian law and the legal practice in Malaysia.

Our previous interns' feedback on the programme is available at the link below.

<https://jlpw.com.my/careers/#1576909840315-5b1295ba-dccd>

### About us:

Jeff Leong, Poon & Wong was founded in 1999. Our founding partners were part of the regional cross-border team of a leading law firm in South East Asia with extensive experience in cross-border investments, joint ventures, mergers and acquisitions and capital markets. From 2001 to 2011, we were affiliated with an international law firm operating across many jurisdictions within Asia Pacific region. From an initial team of 3 founder partners in 1999, we have prospered and grown to 38 lawyers comprising 10 partners and 28 associates today. As a group, we have 110 fee earners.

### Cost of Living in Malaysia:

According to the Department of Statistics Malaysia, the average monthly household consumption expenditure was RM5,150 in 2022. According to expenditure allocation made by households, composition of expenditure pattern (66.9%) still focuses on 4 main groups of expenditure which are: Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels (23.2%), Food and beverages (16.3%); Restaurant and accommodation services (16.1%); and Transport (11.3%). Expenditure on Restaurant and accommodation services increased 2.4 percentage point to 16.1 per cent (2019: 13.7%). This in line parallel with the increased in spending on food away from home to 15.3 per cent (2019: 11.2%) and decreased in expenditure on Food and beverages to 16.3 per cent (2019: 16.9%).

At the state level, the highest average monthly household consumption expenditure was recorded in W.P. Putrajaya (RM8,897). 5 other states also recorded household consumption expenditure above the national average (RM5,150) namely W.P. Kuala Lumpur (RM7,823); Selangor (RM6,770); Melaka (RM5,707); Johor (RM5,342) and Pulau Pinang (RM5,322). Meanwhile, 6 states exceeded the national average consumption expenditure annual growth rate, namely Sabah (5.9%); Melaka

(4.5%); Pulau Pinang (4.5%); W.P. Kuala Lumpur and Sarawak (4.0%) respectively and Pahang (3.8%). W. P. Labuan recorded the lowest growth rate of 0.6 per cent.

Source: <https://www.dosm.gov.my/portal-main/release-content/household-expenditure-survey-report--malaysia--states->

### **Malaysian Currency:**

The Malaysian Ringgit (RM) is the currency unit of the Malaysian currency with the code MYR. The Ringgit has banknotes worth RM100, RM50, RM20, RM10, RM5, RM1 as well as 50 sen (cent), 20 sen, 10 sen, and 5 sen coins.

Source: <https://www.malaysia.gov.my/portal/content/140>

### **Foreign Exchange Rate of the Ringgit:**

As of 18 April 2023, the exchange rate of the Ringgit is RM0.66 against the Chinese Yuan (RMB).

Source: <https://www.bnm.gov.my/exchange-rates>

### **Immigration in Malaysia:**

The firm would assist the interns to apply for a Short-Term Social Visit Pass for the duration of the programme.

It is advised that the participating interns provide the proper documents to us as soon as possible as the visa application process may take up to 3 months.

### **Documents required** (all copies of documents must be in colour):

1. Recent passport photo (Photo sized 3.5 x 5.0 cm, shoulder level and above, excess space between the chin with the lower end of sized photographs at least 1 cm, excess space between the head with the upper end of sized photographs at least 1 cm, light blue background. Passport photo should be facing straight).
2. Copy of passport (full booklet with cover) - passport MUST have a minimum 12 months validity period.
3. Copy of highest educational certificates\*
4. Such other documents as may be required by the Immigration Department of Malaysia.

*\* If the applicant is not in Malaysia, the academic certificate(s) MUST be translated to English and certified as a true copy by the Malaysian Embassy / High Commission / Consulate in their respective country. A copy of the original certificate(s) must be submitted together with the translated copy, as per the requirements above.*