



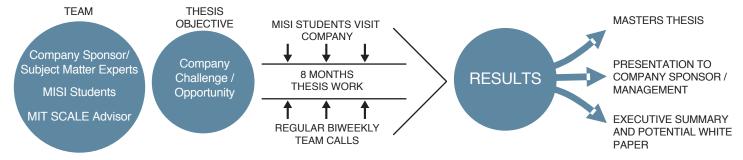


# Student Thesis Research Partnership

# What is the Student Thesis Research Project?

The MIT-Malaysia Masters of Science in Supply Chain Management (MSCM) is a rigorous ten-month program of courses and hands-on research. Each student is required to write a masters thesis. MISI's great strength, and one, which supports the MSCM program's world class ranking for supply chain education, is its partnerships with industry. Companies are invited to become MISI's Thesis Partner and propose thesis projects for the students. This is a great opportunity for the students to work with a company's supply chain professionals as they jointly tackle a real-world problem. The project team will be guided by a MIT Global SCALE faculty member, ideally, one who has deep experience in the relevant topic area.

# What is a Thesis Partnership?



Typically companies that partner with MISI on the thesis project initiative would suggest projects from specific areas or challenges within their operations or industry, in which they would like to gain more insight. These suggested project topics will then be put forward to our master's students as their thesis projects. The student would take 8 months to complete the project. The results from these projects will be presented to the sponsoring company, which will typically use the insights gained from these projects, to facilitate business strategy formulation, or use the findings to initiate improvement projects.

## Thesis Partner Entitlement

- One or two graduate students working on the project for 8 months (Oct – May)
- A faculty member or research director with relevant experience as a thesis advisor
- A completed Masters Thesis presented at MISI's annual Research Fest
- A final presentation to the sponsoring company's management team
- A high-quality executive summary appropriate for distribution inside the company

## Thesis Partner's Commitment

- Confirmation on participation by July and project scope finalization by 31st August
- Payment of MYR 25,000 fee when project is initiated (Oct)
- Assignment of an internal project manager to meet regularly with the students, arrange access to key individuals, help collect data, and liaison with company management during the project
- Payment of any out of town travel for team members to the company locations
- Host a site visit to provide context to the students
- Attendance at MISI's Research Fest where the thesis results will be presented



For more information please visit www.misi.edu.my/thesis

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