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Australia Malaysia Virtual PhD Internship Program - 2025

> A Robust Method for Shoreline Changes and Delineation using Remotely Sensed Data

#### **Thesis Outline**

My research focuses on developing a robust method for shoreline delineation in the Johor Strait by integrating SAR coherence with K-means clustering to improve coastal monitoring and support SDG 14 resilience planning.

#### **Supervisors & Institutions**

Associate Professor Dr. Nurul Hazrina Idris

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**Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zahra Gharineiat** University of Southern Queensland

#### **Future Goals**

This internship marks a turning point in my research journey, as it boosts my confidence, sharpens my skills and broadens my network. I aim to publish, grow as a scholar and share this experience to motivate others to pursue similar opportunities.

### **AMVPIP Experience**

I have learned to embrace diverse perspectives through cross-cultural interactions that highlighted the importance of inclusivity in research. The mentorship I received inspired me to become a supportive guide for others, while the friendships and networks I built have enriched my PhD and future collaborations. Facing challenges strengthened my adaptability and dedication to lifelong learning, shaping my growth and carrying forward lessons for both academia and life.

## **Key Takeaways**

Firstly, I have enhanced my academic skills by improving my writing and communication, learning to express ideas clearly and confidently. Secondly, I have grown personally through adaptability, resilience and a commitment to continuous learning, especially through cross-cultural experiences that taught me the value of diverse perspectives. Lastly, I will carry forward the networks and collaborations I developed during this program, along with the motivation to become an effective mentor in the future, ensuring that the impact of this experience extends well beyond my PhD journey.