

## How To Book?

Participation in the education programme is either by booking or through invitation by KBFSC. All bookings should be made by directly with KBFSC **as far in advance as possible**. Invited schools are required to confirm their participation with KBFSC **not later than two weeks** from the date of the invitation letter. Please note that there is a high demand for this programme and available dates are limited. We will accept bookings on a 'first come first serve' basis and cancel invitations if these are not confirmed before the deadline.

For bookings and to confirm attendance please provide the information below by **e-mail or fax**. Upon confirmation KBFSC will follow-up the program details .

CONTACT INFORMATION	
Name of School/ Institution	
Address	
Telephone number	
Fax. Number	
Contact Person	
Telephone/ mobile number	
E-mail address	



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## THE BELALONG RAINFOREST EXPERIENCE

### Residential Education Programme

for Schools at the

### Kuala Belalong Field Studies Centre

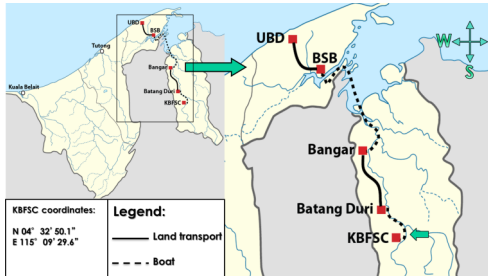
The Kuala Belalong Field Studies Centre (KBFSC) of Universiti Brunei Darussalam located deep in the country's unspoiled forest is an internationally recognised facility for research and teaching in tropical rainforests.

KBFSC offers short residential field courses designed for secondary schools in the areas of biodiversity, ecology and nature conservation.

Objectives the education programme:

1. To create an opportunity for the young generation to have direct experience of the natural environment of their own country.
2. To impart knowledge of the natural history and biodiversity of the Brunei rainforest.
3. To understand of the importance of the rainforest and the values of its conservation.

## Getting There



continues by road for another 18 kilometres to the Outward Bound Brunei Logistic Centre at Kampong Batang Duri, where a 'temuai' takes visitors upriver to

KBFSC is located in the Temburong District of Brunei Darussalam within the Ulu Temburong National Park, nestling on the left bank of the Belalong River. Visitors from outside the Temburong District have to travel by boat (approximately 45 minutes) from Bandar Seri Begawan to Bangar. From Bangar the journey

the Centre.

Depending on the water level, the river the journey will take between 30 minutes and 2 ½ hours. The temuai occasionally needs to be hauled over shallow rapids. Visitors will be provided with life jackets during all river journeys.

## Facilities at KBFSC

**Accommodation:** Visiting school groups will occupy the dormitory style accommodation with building bunk beds and communal bathrooms.

**Laboratory:** Ample space and equipment for laboratory work, discussions and lectures.

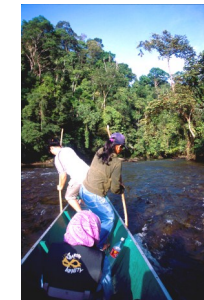
**Dining unit:** Cooked breakfast, lunch and dinner are served here as part of the residential course.

**Electricity (240 volts):** Normally provided from 6.00-8.30 a.m. and 4:30p.m. until 11:00p.m. by diesel-powered generators.

**Water supply:** Pumped from the river, filtered and UV treated before being supplied to all buildings. Drinking water is boiled.

**Communication:** Two way radio and cellular mobile phone (these do not work very well). There are no fixed telephone facilities at present.

**Field facilities:** Include two well marked main trails that enable students and researchers explore the forest and access research sites.



Guided nature walk



Macroinvertebrate sampling



Measuring soil pH

## The Education Programme

**Course approach:** We strive to provide holistic and interdisciplinary approaches to the course. The course emphasizes active, discovery and experiential learning through a combination nature walks, field studies, hands-on activities, students discussions and presentations.

**Course contents:** The course revolves around topics on biodiversity and ecology of the rainforest, features of the natural environment, the importance of biodiversity conservation and its sustainable use.

**Outdoor classroom:** The KBFSC environment is an excellent venue for school teachers to teach suitable components of the

school syllabus. Alternatively, the course can be tailored to suit the needs of visiting school groups .

**Course duration:** This is a 4 days /3 nights residential field course held from Thursday to Sunday.

**Course fees:** The current rate is **B\$109.00 per person** for **locally based** schools. This is a partially subsidised rate which include return transportation, accommodation and food.

*Notes:*

*The National Park entry fee is not included. Charges are subject to change.*



Classification exercise



Estimating canopy cover