Amirthen S, a scholar passionate in running, participating in the IASAS Track and Field.

Aly A, a Pathways scholar, receiving her International Baccalaureate Diploma certificate.

Path to new opportunities

A MALAY proverb, "Serumpun bak serai, sesusun bak sireh," conveys a similar sentiment to the old Irish saying, "There is no strength without unity."

Both adages emphasise the importance of unity and collaboration as essential components for success. This principle aligns with The International School of Kuala Lumpur's (ISKL) core belief in the power of collective efficacy to nurture the global citizens of tomorrow.

In line with this, ISKL is committed to making opportunities accessible to talented Malaysian Form 3 leavers by offering the ISKL Pathways Scholarship, which empowers them to make a difference in the world. Consistent with ISKL's vision to 'Know yourself, care for all, and create a better world,' the scholarship is aimed at nurturing well-rounded individuals who can contribute positively to society through collaboration and unity.

The ISKL Pathways Scholarship: An overview

As one of Malaysia's leading international schools, ISKL understands the importance of a holistic approach to education, focusing on nurturing the individual instead of a one-size-fits-all approach.

The ISKL Pathways Scholarship for Malaysian students Form 3 leavers is aimed at nurturing international-mindedness in students by providing them with the tools to unlock their potential. The scholarship is merit- and need-based and is equivalent to a four-year study in the High School Programme, from Grade 9 to Grade 12 (ages 14 to 17).

Recipients of the Pathways Scholarship benefit from the flexibility of ISKL's innovative high school study pathways, which include the option to undertake the International Baccalaureate Diploma in Grades 11 and 12.

When asked what encouraged her to be a Pathways scholar, Aly A, a current scholar, shares, "ISKL and its multitude of opportunities reeled me in. I knew that my experience at ISKL would help me develop into a person capable of pursuing my biggest dreams."

In addition to academics, the scholarship provides scholars with opportunities to showcase their passion for creating a positive impact on local communities, understanding global issues and impacting a cause they believe is fundamental to a progressive community through the various clubs and societies offered in high school.

Amirthen S, a scholar with a passion for chess and track and field, has embraced the opportunity to explore his interests at ISKL. Through the Chess Club, he hones his strategic thinking, while his involvement in IASAS Track and Field builds resilience and teamwork. These experiences exemplify ISKL's commitment to fostering both academic excellence and personal growth, empowering students to develop their passions and thrive in a dynamic learning environment.

Become the next ISKL scholar

The ISKL Pathways Scholarship is granted to deserving and inspirational students who share ISKL's belief that the purpose of a school is to prepare students for life itself. ISKL is committed to helping students shape their paths, supporting them in discovering their passions, developing their competencies and making an ethical impact on the world.

■ Uncover your potential as ISKL's next inspiring scholar. Register your interest and learn more about ISKL's upcoming scholarship opportunities at *iskl.site/scholarship*.

The ISKL Pathways Scholarship encourages students to collaborate and embrace diverse viewpoints.

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AS the cost of higher education continues to rise, the challenge of providing financial aid to students has increased. But for Tunku Abdul Rahman University of Management and Technology (TAR UMT), providing financial aid to deserving students to pursue their tertiary education is one of the core functions deeply rooted in the university's founding principles.

Over the years, TAR UMT's financial aid options have expanded to cater to the many calls for assistance, which include interest-free student loan funds, and externally administered financial aid such as Perbadanan Tabung Pendidikan Tinggi Nasional (PTPTN) and PPBU Yayasan Bank Rakyat.

One of the latest beneficiaries of the university's interest-free student loan fund is Nur Falisha Abdul Offar. She is currently pursuing her degree in media studies, which is a field that she is passionate about.

"At first, I was so stressed out about how to manage my tertiary education costs due to my uncertain financial situation. Thanks to the student loan, I can continue working towards my career goal of entering the media entertainment industry once I graduate.

"I am so glad I did not give up on studying, because my experience at TAR UMT has been very fulfilling. I am satisfied with how the courses are delivered, and I have made connections and friendships that have enriched my student life here," she says.

Nur Falisha is among the more than 16,000 students of the university who benefitted from the revolving interest-free student loan fund, which was established in 1979.

Similar to Nur Falisha, Teo Kah Chin was also a recipient of TAR UMT's student loan fund. The only difference is that he received financial assistance over 30 years ago, and graduated with a Diploma in Technology (Electronics Engineering) in 1990 from the then TAR College.

TAR UMT's Student Loan Fund allowed Nur Falisha to pursue her media aspirations.

"I remember that I was not completely happy upon receiving the acceptance letter from the then TAR College because my family's financial background could not support my higher education. However, I still went to college on the first day with this worry in mind, and I was relieved and overjoyed when I learnt about the institution offering financial aid during one of the briefing sessions," he reminisces.

The financial aid was a much-needed lifeline for Teo, and thanks to the qualifications and skills he acquired at TAR UMT, he continued to excel as a quality assurance engineering assistant for many years. Today, he is a well-respected principal consultant and a leading figure in sustainability and environmental, social and governance (ESG).

"The loan fund was a lifesaver for me and my family. It helped me achieve my academic goals, opened doors to countless opportunities after my graduation and made me who I am today. I would not have achieved what I am doing now if not for the financial support from the TARC Student Loan Fund (now known as TAR UMT Student Loan Fund)," he adds.

TAR UMT also offers up to 100% merit scholarships to students with distinguished academic standings who fulfil the required criteria. In addition, the university has established scholarship programmes, grants and bursaries with external organisations and alumni associations. These scholarships and bursaries have been set up to help students who have proven their potential to be high achievers.

Teo Kah Chin.

■ For more information about TAR UMT's financial aid options, visit their Open Day on May 10-11, 17-18, 24-25 and June 14-15 at their campuses nationwide. You can also call 011-1087 5854 or visit *www.tarc.edu.my.*