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Enriching learning experience

WHAT'S next after completing your SPM, STPM or pre-university studies?

If you're looking for a compelling learning experience, Management and Science University (MSU), as among the top universities in Malaysia and the world, provides a setting of quality education that is both transformative and enriching, in which you can realise your dreams.

As a Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) and multi-global-ranked institution, MSU focuses on building holistic human capital.

Envisioning a better, more sustainable future for all, the institution champions equality by providing a level playing field across extensive efforts in transforming lives and enriching the future through compelling learning experiences.

MSU offers a great opportunity for prospective students and parents to obtain detailed information on the university and organise meet-up sessions with academic counsellors to explore education pathways, as well as scholarships and financial assistance.

Sessions with faculty members will assist prospective students and parents further on career pathways and about life as students at MSU.

A visit to the MSU campus in Shah Alam or the satellite campus enables both prospective students and parents to get a feel for life at MSU.

They will be able to find out about courses from academic staff who teach the subjects that they're interested in.

The university's award-winning academic programmes meet stringent standards of local and international bodies.

MSU accreditors include the Malaysian Qualifications Agency, the UK's Accreditation Services for International Schools,

Colleges and Universities (ASIC), Japan's Alliance on Business Education and Scholarship for Tomorrow (ABEST21), the Netherlands' Accreditation Council for Entrepreneurial and Engaged Universities, the UK's Institute of Biomedical Science as well as the Sri Lankan University Grant Commission.

MSU currently ranks in the Top 100 among the world's top young universities, Top 200 among Asia's best universities and Top 301+ for Graduate Employability Ranking, in both QS and Times Higher Education's University Impact world rankings.

The QS World University Rankings 2023 places MSU as a World Top 50 University for Hospitality and Leisure Management, a World Top 150 University for Art and Design, and a World Top 350 University for Business and Management Studies.

As an applied and enterprise university focused on enhancing graduate employability, MSU's graduate employability currently ranks at 97.5% of its graduates successfully securing employment within six months of their graduation, based on the Higher Education Ministry's tracer study.

MSU is also rated by the ministry with the Setara Tier-5 Excellent Status for Emerging Universities, as well as ranked The Most Entrepreneurial Private University in Malaysia.

Blending technical vocational education and training with traditional academic curricula, MSU enhances competencies with industry internship, community and creative entrepreneurship, as well as global exposure – empowering MSU graduates with the well-roundedness desired and sought after by employers.

MSU has also been awarded Platinum 5 Crowns by ASIC and QS-rated 5-Stars on the metrics of "Overall" as well as individually



MSU's state-of-the-art campus in Shah Alam, Selangor.



MSU students from the Global Mobility Programme (GMP) at Mingchi University of Technology in Taiwan.



Students learn clinical skills to solidify their degree-level medical education in their final year.

across other metrics such as Teaching, Graduate Employability, Academic Development, Internationalisation, Online Learning, Social Responsibility, Inclusiveness, and Hospitality and Leisure Management.

Extensive partnerships and collaborations with over 300 institutions from more than 40 countries worldwide provide

comprehensive mobility opportunities for all MSU students, enhancing their graduate employability through global exposure via studies and internships abroad.

These global programmes provide the international context through three pathways, which include the Global Mobility Programme which students one

semester and up to one year of studies at any of MSU's partner universities worldwide and the Global Leadership Programme (GLP) which prepares students to become the leaders of tomorrow in their chosen profession by developing them with a global mindset.

Structured to enhance their learning experience, GLP involves short-term yet effective inter-cultural immersions abroad that allow insights into a student's chosen field of study through volunteering and academic-related activities.

The Global Internship Programme, on the other hand, prepares would-be graduates for their future lives of professional contribution to a globalised society by providing them with a period of work-integrated learning experiences in an international workplace setting.

Steeped in a culture of research and innovation as well as social entrepreneurship, the technology-driven institution of MSU comprises multiple faculties and schools including the Faculty of Health and Life Sciences, Faculty of Business Management and Professional Studies, Faculty of Information Sciences and Engineering, International Medical School, School of Pharmacy, School of Education and Social Sciences, School of Hospitality and Creative Arts, Post Graduate Centre and Centre for Fundamental Studies.

In all, as an applied, enterprise, holistic and international university, MSU offers foundation, undergraduate, postgraduate and flexible programmes through an entry system that facilitates admission of students from all walks of life, where it aims to stick to its vision of "Transforming Lives, Enriching Future".

Delivering engaging presentations

WANT to ace a presentation? Check out these tips.

Figure out your timing

Nervous speakers often race through slides but when your audience is learning, you need to give them time to absorb what you're saying. A rule of thumb is to allow one slide per 90 seconds of talking. So if you're talking for 15 minutes, you'll need 10 slides.

Hand out your slides

Start by telling people they don't need to take notes because you're making your slides available. Email them or put them up on your blog. Now your audience can concentrate on what you're saying.

Prepare a great show

Fancy transitions and lots of colour images don't mean much if you're stumbling and stammering. Research your subject and read wider than you have to. That way, you can speak with confidence.

Don't leave loose ends

Every story has a start, middle and end. Your talk should follow this. Introduce your subject, talk and then present them with a conclusion.

If it's a very academic talk, have an extra slide with references.

You don't present these but when people need to check your sources, they'll be handy.

Practice

Stand up at home and give a presentation to the cat or dog. Then fix any bits that didn't work or were too slow or too fast.

Do an equipment check

Turn up early and run through everything so that if you need an extra cable or something doesn't work, you can deal with it without your audience becoming bored while waiting.

Adapt

While you're talking, you'll see if people are yawning, twitching or looking blank. As you're prepared, you'll have time to adjust your pace to your audience. Speed up slightly if they're bored



While you're talking, look at your audience and adjust your pace. Speed up slightly if they're bored and slow down if they need to catch up.

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Say Thanks

You want these people to be

invested, so thank them for coming at the start and thank them for listening at the end.

Politeness will earn you brownie points.

Nurturing early childhood educators

EARLY childhood education plays an essential part in the holistic development of children.

With effective exposure and proper guidance, a child may develop to his or her fullest potential and have a promising future.

According to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (Unesco), early childhood care and education is more than preparation for primary school.

It aims at the holistic and continuous development of a child's social, emotional, cognitive and physical needs to build a solid and broad foundation for lifelong learning and well-being.

It has the possibility to nurture caring, capable and responsible future citizens.

Unesco's approach is reinforced in the Education 2030 agenda and in particular target 4.2 of Sustainable Development Goal 4 which aims to ensure that all girls and boys have access to quality early childhood development, care and pre-primary education by 2030 so that they are ready for primary education.

Supporting the agenda, the Diploma in Early Childhood Education offered at MSU College is specifically designed for those who are passionate about teaching toddlers and ensuring they are equipped with the intellectual building blocks necessary for future success.



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With at least three credits in the Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia or recognised certificates, students can expect a conducive learning environment guided by high-calibre lecturers with years of experience in the field.

The programme provides quality education in children's early development, producing future educators capable of effective interaction, engagement, and management of children.

Specific emphasis is given to teaching and learning theories, pedagogical skills, curriculum content, children development and psychology, child-learning assessment, preschool centre management, safety and nutri-

tion aspects of children, as well as spiritual and moral development of children.

And in-line with MSU College's aspiration to produce a balanced, holistic and well-rounded graduate, Graduate Employability Skills (GEmS) and Personal Enrichment Competency programme are also embedded into the students' learning experience to further enhance their soft skills and to ensure they are competent in the job market.

Upon completing the diploma, graduates may continue to pursue a Bachelor in Early Childhood Education or other related programme at Management and Science

University (MSU) through its School of Education and Social Sciences (SESS) with the options for credit transfer.

MSU College is also MSU APEL Centre for potential candidates to take the APEL Aptitude Test as the non-conventional pre-qualification for entry into higher studies, in which MSU currently offers APEL A and APEL C at T-3 (certificate), T-4 (diploma), T-6 (bachelor's degree), and T-7 (master's degree) levels.

■ For more information on programmes offered, call 03-5521 6868 or email enquiry@msucollege.my or log on to www.msucollege.edu.my

Hone your highlighting skills

WHEN you're reading a book or preparing study notes for exam cramming, highlighting can be an asset. Here are some tips and tricks to make the most of your highlighting.

Colour coding

When highlighting notes, use a yellow highlighter for important information. Use light colours, such as orange and pale blue, pink and green to differentiate your notes.

Use one type of colour for topics that you have to look into more and will likely come up in exams, another colour for topics on a particular category of information and a different colour for information that is useful for a particular assignment.

Avoid dark colours

Darker shades of blue, green and purple are attractive, but they tend to obscure text. If you're alert, it's not a problem. But when you're tired you don't want to be straining your eyes to read what is important.

Don't overdo it

Resist the temptation to highlight whole paragraphs and pages and only highlight key phrases and concepts. As a rule of thumb, you should be highlighting roughly 10% to 20% of any text that you are reading.



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UTAR's programme is designed to nurture ICT professionals who are competent in supporting, developing and deploying intelligent systems to tackle the challenges faced by modern industries.

Time to close the loop in the IT industry

IN recent decades we have seen a dramatic rise in the development of emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence, Internet of things, augmented reality and robotics, to name a few.

Such technologies can fundamentally transform operational landscapes, revolutionise processes and create new opportunities.

From manufacturing and healthcare to finance and entertainment, all industries are embracing advanced technologies to stay competitive.

Late adopters are seeing new competitors gain market share faster than ever.

However, the true power of emerging technologies lies in the synergy created by the convergence of these technologies.

As these technologies are becoming more mature, it's time to close the loop and integrate diverse technologies into intelligent systems that harness their collective potential.

The convergence of transformative technologies yields intelligent systems that are capable of analysing vast amounts of data, making real-time decisions, and executing tasks accurately and efficiently, even without human interference.

Despite the benefits of its revolutionary and disruptive potential, the adoption of intelligent systems continues to grow – but only at a slower pace than expected.

Multiple surveys have reported talent shortage as a leading factor that is inhibiting the adoption of new technologies.

The complexities inherent in integrating these technologies into the existing IT systems require individuals who not only understand the technical details of the existing system and advanced technologies, but also possess the strategic planning to tailor their implementations to specific corporate requirements.

This is the key reason that led to the introduction of the Bachelor of Information Technology (Honours) Industrial Intelligent Systems at Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman (UTAR).

This programme is designed to nurture ICT professionals who are competent in supporting, developing and deploying intelligent systems to tackle the challenges faced by modern industries.

This programme not only provides students with a solid IT foundation in

areas such as programming, networking, database and cybersecurity, but also on the core technologies needed to navigate companies towards Industry 4.0.

These include digitisation and data acquisition, data-driven decision-making, data visualisation, artificial intelligence, robotics, automation and migration strategies.

To successfully traverse the ever-evolving technology landscape, modern IT professionals need to possess a blend of technical proficiency and soft skills.

As an effort to produce future-proof talents, the Bachelor of Information Technology (Honours) Industrial Intelligent Systems is adopting a work-based learning mode.

Students will spend their first two years in university and their final year in the industry.

During their time with UTAR's industry partners, they will be coached by professionals in their respective fields and learn in a real work environment.

Through practical tasks and projects, students will gain hands-on experience and foster their problem-solving, critical thinking and decision-making skills.

It offers a transformative opportunity for the students to pick up essential interpersonal and communication skills in professional settings.

Graduates from this programme can pursue an exciting range of career opportunities in IT and emerging job roles in a wide variety of industries.

These include roles such as system architect, system integrator, IT analyst, IT support engineer, IT project coordinator, digital transformation executive, data analyst and data strategist.

For as low as RM309, you would be able to enrol for UTAR's foundation or undergraduate studies, where you will also enjoy 100% application fee waiver.

In addition, UTAR is offering a study grant of RM1,000 to students whose sibling is currently studying or has completed studies at UTAR and to children of UTAR Alumni (terms and conditions apply).

■ For more information, you may visit www.study.utar.edu.my or contact 016-223 3557 via Whatsapp.

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How to avoid missing deadlines

THE start of a brand new semester is when you have plenty of time stretching ahead of you.

You're on top of things, and exams are a shadowy memory belonging to last term.

Then suddenly, it's 24 hours till your first essay has to be in and you haven't even cracked the textbook.

Here's how you can plan like a pro and keep everything straight.

First, forget pen and paper.

For good time management, you need a calendar like the one that comes with your iPad, Android tablet or smartphone.

If you don't have a device that's got a nice large screen, set up a Google or Yahoo account and use their free calendar.

Why do you need to go digital? Because you can drag and drop items, have yourself pinged with urgent tasks and make automatic To Do lists.

Second, put in your classes.

If you have to travel huge distances, block the period to and from in a different colour so you know when you have reading time.

Third, put in every deadline for this semester.

Make these all day events so they're easy to spot. Put in an alert that tells you a few days before that these are creeping up on you.

Deconstruct what needs to be done for each deadline.

You may want to do your reading a week or two before, and then devote three days straight to nothing else but the assignment.

Or, you may go for the "sala-mi" approach where you do it piece by piece.

For example, you may want to divide a paper into research, writing the introduction, writing



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the literature review, writing your argument, writing your conclusion, organising your references and printing.

However you approach it, put each task into your calendar, blocking the appropriate amount of time.

Now take a moment to breathe because it will look like chaos. It's okay, you can do it.

Next, the trick is to know how

to poke yourself to keep to the schedule.

Decide if you want to just go day by day or if you need timely reminders.

If you need reminders, you have to set these carefully so that you're not jolted out of a class by a notice that says you have to do something the next day.

Tip: give yourself study reminders 10 minutes before

you're supposed to sit down.

That gives you time to excuse yourself from whatever you're up to and to get down to the books.

Finally, get into the habit of reading when you're in a bus, in a queue or having a coffee by yourself.

You'll be amazed how much you can get read in just 15 minutes three times a week.



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Highlight or bold important words. The more visual your notes, the easier they are to remember.

Creating an effective revision schedule

NEED to ace a test? Check out this guide.

properly. Don't just skim. Pay attention.

One month before

Go through your books and notes and identify major themes. List these in detail, each on a new sheet of paper.

If your textbook has learning objectives, use these to guide you. Read through them to make sure you understand it all.

Three weeks before

Take each of your themes and pretend to explain them to someone.

If you understand it well enough to explain it to someone else, you have the bare bones down.

If you miss something, or have questions, this is the time to visit your teacher or look outside your textbook for answers.

Two weeks before

Reorganise your notes into what you need to know. Whenever possible, use lists and diagrams.

Highlight or bold important words. The more visual your notes, the easier they are to remember. Now read over these twice a day.

If you can, read them over three times but more is unnecessary IF you read them

One week before

Test yourself on your notes. Invent mnemonics for the bits you don't remember or chant them over and over until they stick.

The ultimate test is to write yourself exam questions one night, and to sit your test the next morning.

As you master topics, set them aside for a daily refresher only. Focus the bulk of your study on the pages you're still struggling with.

Three days before

Get a friend to help you by testing you on your notes.

Either pick someone from your class or give someone your "test" questions and correct answers. Focus on the questions you don't ace.

On the day

Don't panic! You've got most things down by now.

Keep your cool, read the questions, remember that the points for each section are a guide to the sort of answers expected, and bring an extra pen in case you run out of ink.



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Celebrating stellar A-Level success

KOLEJ Yayasan UEM (KYUEM) has once again taken the spotlight with its outstanding performance in the recently published Cambridge Assessment International Education (CAIE) A-level results for May/June 2023.

It is a time of immense pride as the institution rejoices in the remarkable achievements of its graduating seniors, who joined KYUEM in July 2021 and January 2022.

Additionally, the AS-level results for its new senior students, who embarked on their educational journey in July 2022, indicate a promising start to their academic future.

The release of A-level grade data is not just a mere formality; it is a testament to KYUEM's unwavering commitment to nurturing future leaders destined for the world's top international universities, particularly in the UK and the US.

A remarkable 41% of all A-level grades achieved by its students were A*, the highest grade attainable. A commendable 75% of the grades fell within the A* and A brackets.

Additionally, a noteworthy 91% of grades achieved fell within the A* to B range, reaffirming the institution's profound dedication to academic excellence.

Delving further into the statistics, it becomes evident that 61% of KYUEM's graduating students secured a minimum of 3 A grades at full A level, with an impressive 28% achieving a remarkable 4 A grades.

The academic prowess of its students is further reinforced by the fact that 51% of them achieved the coveted straight A/A* grades, and an astounding 27% reached even greater heights with 3 A* grades or better.

These numbers bear testimony to the unwavering commitment and dedication of KYUEM students to their educational pursuits.

Turning to the AS-level results of its current senior students, who were still juniors in May/June, KYUEM finds yet another reason to celebrate.

An impressive 87% of all AS-level grades achieved by these young talents were either A or B grades, with a remarkable 71% at A grade.

The significance of these A-level grades cannot be overstated; they serve as the golden ticket to the world's most prestigious universities.

In this academic year, three of KYUEM's graduating seniors have earned coveted spots at the University of Cambridge, while three others are set to embark on



Kolej Yayasan UEM's seven outstanding graduates received their respective recognition at the KYUEM Awards Day 2023.

their academic journey at the esteemed University of Oxford.

Furthermore, 61 of its departing seniors will soon commence their academic endeavours at top-tier London universities, including University College London (UCL) (20), Imperial College (12), King's College (10) and London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) (19).

Additionally, 66 of its accomplished graduates will set their sights on renowned institutions like the University of Manchester (29), Warwick (22), Edinburgh (9), and Bristol (6).

In summary, 133 students will depart KYUEM for the top 10 British universities, as per the QS World Ranking for 2023.

It's worth noting that the competition for admission to these institutions, both locally and internationally, remains intense, with grade requirements consistently on the rise.

This trend also holds true for applicants seeking higher education in the US, particularly within the elite universities favoured by KYUEM students.

In a remarkable display of academic excellence, eight KYUEM graduates have received offers for enrolment at Ivy League universities in the United States, including Harvard (2), Yale (1), Cornell (4), and Columbia (1).

Moreover, four of its accomplished

graduates have received offers from the prestigious University of Michigan, while two have earned coveted spots at the distinguished University of Washington.

Additionally, individual graduates have met the stringent grade requirements of esteemed institutions such as Stanford, Johns Hopkins, and Northwestern Universities.

Impressively, five have secured offers from the University of California (UC) at Berkeley, seven from UC Los Angeles, and an impressive 15 from UC San Diego.

To summarise, an astounding 96% of offers received from the United States come from their top 25 universities, according to the QS World Ranking for 2023.

As KYUEM celebrates these remarkable achievements, the institution extends its heartfelt gratitude to the parents of their graduating students and the sponsoring organisations that have entrusted the education of their sons, daughters, and scholars to KYUEM.

These accomplishments stand as a testament to its unwavering commitment to academic excellence and the promising futures of its students.

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Planning your career path

WHEN you're choosing a basic degree, you have a career path in mind.

When you do this, are you looking at starting salaries and the first few jobs you take, or are you thinking about what you think you'll want when you're 30, 40 and 50 years old?

Some people have a driving passion that's lifelong. Like a person who adores the law, will be diving in and out of the theories of justice and courts, all their lives and they'll be happy.

But supposing you just work to earn a living. In that case, what do you want to happen to your career if you plan to have kids? Start up your own business? Or want to retire early? When you chose a basic degree, it's useful to look way beyond the first few years of your life wishes.

The question to ask is not just "what makes me happy now" but "what do I think will make me happy when I'm older?" Then ask, "will this degree allow me to do this? If it doesn't, how difficult would it be for me to retrain?"

In the past it was common for people to have a single career path but nowadays many of us have two or even three



Make a list of what you want and ask the lecturers, graduates and experienced industry leaders what they think.

changes of course.

As such, many universities offer degrees that have some wriggle room.

What you need to look at is the types of specialised units you can take.

There may be an entrepreneur unit in case you want to go it alone or language unit in case you want to travel.

Make a list of what you want and ask the lecturers, graduates and experienced industry leaders what they think.

It also helps to read job advertisements. Explore and use what you find to make the decisions that suit you best.

Making her mark in architecture

ARCHITECTURE has long been a male-dominated field.

According to Lembaga Arkitek Malaysia, female architects stand at just 25% of the industry, despite women making up 41% of registered graduate architects.

Undeterred by the high drop-out rate of female architects, UCSI University alumna Lam Sook Wan decided that she would cut it in the industry, promote the architecture of happiness and break some stereotypes in the process.

She succeeded with some style as she made a name for herself in the industry, Lam even established her own studio – SWdesign Interiors.

Her portfolio is equally impressive having engaged with multiple celebrities to work magic on their residences.

Lam recently designed Seed by Whitegrass – a celebrated spin-off of a Singapore-based Michelin-starred restaurant, as well as Ling Long – a sister restaurant on top of Seed that serves innovative Chinese cuisine.

“As Seed blends French and Japanese culinary techniques, the ambience had to set the right atmosphere for diners,” says Lam, who graduated with a Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Interior Architecture in 2012.

“I wanted it to project the dramatic view of open paddy fields and I implemented a curved counter that represented hills



Lam has designed homes for a number of celebrities and even a Michelin-starred restaurant.

and streams. The cloud-like metal chain ceiling gives the impression of an open space.

“The ambience had to be warm and welcoming to prepare patrons for the gastronomic journey. I wanted the interiors to reflect the inventive menus and the atmosphere also had to be laid-back for people to enjoy the food philosophy.”

Born and raised in Sabah, Lam traces the start of her architectural journey to her Chinese and Filipino heritage.

She appreciated the design

nuances of both cultures and was keen to see the elements come together.

Her father’s career as a contractor also exposed her to the industry.

She was accustomed to building materials, architectural plans, drawings and site visits from a young age, sparking her early interest in the field.

That interest never waned and she enrolled at UCSI after understanding how the interior architecture programme captured the intrinsic correlation between

interior design and architecture.

“I was happy that UCSI had a programme that matched my architectural philosophies,” says Lam.

“I did my best from the start and it was a pretty good decision I made in life. I learnt how to create purposeful spaces that offer delightful environments and nuances that stir the soul. And I had opportunities to apply what I learned, which was enriching.”

Lam is quick to credit her UCSI lecturers for equipping her with firm foundations to chart her career trajectory.

From expanding her architectural perspectives to instilling grit and fostering creativity, they helped her to get to this point.

“At UCSI, I learnt how to prioritise functionality, sustainability and the well-being of people who will use the spaces I design, while working within precise budgetary and regulatory constraints,” she adds.

“My sensitivity to those around me fuels my design philosophy. Through functional patterns, sustainability and aesthetic appeal, I craft spaces that ignite happiness, nurture well-being and foster a sense of community.

“You won’t get very far in design if you don’t understand your users.”

Lam’s journey is another addition to UCSI’s long list of successful alumni.

The university has four Forbes

30 Under 30 Asia inductees, two Prestige 40 Under 40 laureates, serial entrepreneurs, scientists and media personalities in its alumni network.

Annice Lyn, one of the Forbes 30 Under 30 Asia inductees, took the Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Architecture.

The long list of success stories evinces UCSI’s long-standing track record in graduate outcomes.

The university enjoys a 100% graduate employability score in the Higher Education Ministry’s Graduate Employability 2021-2022 survey.

UCSI also stands out as one of Asia’s best private universities in the QS World University Rankings 2024. Classified in the world’s top 1% by virtue of its top 300 ranking, UCSI has improved by around 200 spots since it was first ranked in 2019.

To provide aspiring architects, interior architects and interior designers with clarity on life in the field, UCSI is holding its Architecture Days this coming weekend.

Aspiring students can look forward to campus tours that showcase state-of-the-art facilities, make labs, laser precision cutters and a grand architecture gallery, among others.

■ For more information, visit ucsiuniversity.edu.my or contact 03-9101 8882/ 011-3591 5021.

How to be a good team leader in study groups

WANT to ace your course? Take some tips from the pros and behave like a Premier League player.

Create a team

You can study by yourself and ace it, but it may be a lot of work, especially if you have more than one course to take care of. Create a team to help share the load. Look for strengths and appoint your team: researchers, writers, etc, etc.

When picking your team, remember the rule that the group is only as strong as its weakest link, so pick people who you are sure will do their part – otherwise, you end up being the goal-keeper as well as the centre forward.

Be the captain

Teams thrive when they’re under good leadership. Everyone has to know what they’re supposed to be doing and when they’re supposed to deliver.

As a team leader, your job is to figure out who needs a nudge every now and again to keep on track, and who is better left to themselves.

So don’t be a caretaker manager, analyse your team and be the captain of the team.

Focus on your goal

“Getting an A” may be a goal, but it’s rather a nebulous thing to aim for.



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Concrete goals tend to command better results so you may find it more useful to set your learning objectives as your goals.

If there are a lot of them, divide them into sets, and set timelines for what needs to be done and when.

And remember, every time you make a goal, get everyone back to the centre spot for some motivational self-praise, and a double-check on where you’re going next.

Plan for fouls

If you’re lucky, everything will go smoothly. You’d have to be very, very lucky though. Most of the time there will be a snafu like someone will have the flu, or a teacher will change a deadline.

So when you’re planning, remember that training for the World Cup starts one or even years in advance – and plan for disaster.

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Sign you need a break

IT can be tough to complete a study programme, especially if you're working on the side or enrolled in an all day intensive programme.

Overdoing stress clouds the mind and hurts the body. So how do you know which side of the line you're on?

You can't switch off

Your brain is working, even when the rest of you is trying to sleep, read a relaxing book or cook something.

If that's the case, you're

overdoing it. Try for a longer break or do something totally different.

Losing interest

You've lost interest in all your favourite hobbies and your friends say they've forgotten what you look like. Dedication is admirable but obsession is a problem.

Also, too much focus makes you tired and therefore less efficient. For this, listen to your friends and take time to care for yourself.



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Grooming competent electrical engineers

IN this era of rapid modernisation, technology and electricity are closely connected since they complement each other to function well.

Electrical engineers are at the forefront of devising advanced technologies that facilitate the production, transmission, and distribution of power.

Their mastery of science and mathematics has been applied to tackle problems like energy efficiency, environmental pollution, and integration, contributing to society's lives of fulfilment.

Without appropriate electrical engineering education and a local workforce with electrical engineering competency, a country will suffer from the deprivation of technological revolutions and become dependent on outsourcing technical projects to other nations.

The Universiti Kuala Lumpur British Malaysian Institute (UniKL BMI) strives to produce more world-class entrepreneurial and technopreneurs in electrical, electronics, telecommunication, and medical electronics engineering technologies.

This institution provides graduates with fundamental knowledge, skills, and attitudes, thanks to the curriculum embedded with professional certification, real industry operating on campus, and facilities recognised by the Energy Commission and SEDA Malaysia.

UniKL BMI offers two diploma programmes: the Diploma of Electrical and Electronics Engineering Technology and the Diploma of Electrical Engineering Technology (Telecommunication) that were designed especially for Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia graduates with at least a credit in mathematics and any science or technical subjects.

Through the first programme, students gain in-depth knowledge of electrical and electronic engineering innovations, such as telecommunications, medical technology, and robotics.

The Electrical Engineering Technology (Telecommunication) programme trains students to encode, compress, and encrypt all information in digital and wireless networks and communication.

UniKL BMI also offered six bachelor's degree programmes in Electrical Engineering, Electrical Engineering Technology, Electronic Engineering Technology, Electronic Engineering Technology (Medical Electronics), Telecommunication Engineering Technology, and Electrical Engineering Technology (Sustainable Energy).

A combination of theoretical



Khairul Fahmi attributes his success to UniKL BMI's degree programme.

and practical learning modes allows students to diagnose and design optimum solutions for engineering problems with the ability to consider public health, safety, societal issues, and ecological variables.

The Electrical Engineering Technology programme integrates hands-on theory and applications of electrical circuits, industrial control, instrumentation, renewable energy, power generation, transmission, and system construction.

Besides, the Medical Electronic programme featured a fascinating fusion of engineering concepts, medical knowledge, hospital management, and practical laboratory lessons under the supervision of experienced lecturers.

The hands-on practicals of Radibems-UniKL BMI Teaching Factory were trained directly by industrial experts exposing students to the skills of maintaining, troubleshooting, and repairing medical imaging devices such as ultrasound machines.

This experience will benefit them in pursuing career goals in medical device manufacturers.

The main objective of UniKL BMI's diploma and bachelor's degree programmes is to produce educated, trained, qualified, and innovative leaders for the advancement of electrical, electronic and engineering technology.

UniKL BMI's contributions have elevated Malaysia among the technologically competitive countries such as Germany, Australia, and Canada.

With the establishment of the Sustainable Living Lab at UniKL BMI, Malaysia has been honoured as an internationally prominent party through the implementation of zero-energy building plans.

The utilisation of a passive

energy-efficient design in this project minimises the energy consumption of the building by 51%, allowing it to generate twice as much energy as it consumes by leveraging renewable energy sources.

Owing to the high demand for Internet of Things, cloud computing, and artificial intelligence in the current job market, UniKL BMI offers certifications of Huawei Certified ICT Associate (HCIA) and Cisco Certified Network Academic Certificates to their students upon graduation. Networking (Installer, Field and Network Technician, Network and Security Engineer), fibre optics (Installer Technician, Supervisor, Assistant Engineer, Maintenance), cyber security, and banking are among the promising careers that await graduates.

This is supported by the IPTS Graduate Employability Ranking by the Malaysia Ministry of Higher Education, which ranks UniKL campuses among the top 30 IPTS for graduate employability in 2022.

With a 97.2% graduation employability rate, most UniKL BMI students stand higher chances of securing a job as soon as they graduate.

Diving into the career trajectory of a UniKL BMI alumni, Khairul Fahmi Khushaini, 31, earned his Bachelor of Engineering with Honour (Electrical) in 2016.

After graduating, Khairul Fahmi continued to spread his wings and soar higher, working for Perunding KMN Sdn Bhd as a mechanical and electrical consultant.

Later, in March 2019, he joined Malaysia Airports (Sepang) Sdn Bhd as an executive engineer in the Engineering Control Centre Department, before being promoted to senior executive engineer.

His outstanding achievements and expertise in the electrical engineering profession all paid off when he received the honour of a Professional Engineer (awarded the title 'Ir') in March 2023.

Reminiscing his study journey at UniKL BMI, Khairul Fahmi claims that his degree coursework is a stepping stone that led to his success.

According to Khairul Fahmi, "Nothing is impossible in this life, and all that one needs is a systematic and organised plan, supported by a strong determination to strive towards it."

■ For admission and further information, go to www.unikl.edu.my, or contact its admissions department at 011-7018 8543 or email admission.bmi@unikl.edu.my.

How to be the best in your field

WHEN you choose a career path, do you look to becoming the best in your field? If so, here are some ideas to help you on your journey.

First, read a book by an expert on what it takes to be super successful. There are tonnes of self-help and biographies about so pick up a book by a professional that discusses how they did it.

Second, be prepared to do an awful lot of work.

As the American inventor Edison pointed out, "Genius is 1% inspiration, 99% perspiration." This means that your education should come first. Plan to study between lectures, and don't expect a constant stream of holidays and long weekends. Those come when

you've hit the top.

Third, when you're learning, you might focus just on the goal but with most complex tasks, it's a process. If you learn to analyse the process, and recognise the separate parts, then you can find ways to improve speed and quality. This will make learning more efficient – and less of a strain.

New programmes for high-demand careers



The ICT counter.

IN the age of globalisation, it is crucial for graduates to possess survival skills for the 21st century in both their personal and career lives.

These skills include creativity, problem-solving, communication, technology, and emotional intelligence. There are various ways to hone these skills – one way is through education in creative arts.

Malaysia Digital Economy Corp (MDEC) chief executive officer Mahadhir Aziz has also stated that the demand for creative multimedia talent is predicted to increase at a 7.59% annual pace over the next three years.

Promoting holistic education

Striving to promote holistic education alongside educating young people in pursuing their dreams in the creative field, the University of Cyberjaya recently established its Faculty of Creative Art and Design with a total of six programmes.

These programmes have been designed to help students hone the right skill set for the 21st century.

The programmes include Diploma in Graphic Design, Diploma in Digital Creative Content, Diploma in 3D Animation, Bachelor of Multimedia (Hons) in 3D Animation, Bachelor in Creative Multimedia (Hons), and Bachelor of Art (Hons) in Graphic Design (Advertising).

State-of-the-art facilities

To introduce students to the world of creative art and design, the varsity will soon proudly unveil new state-of-the-art facilities such as Drawing Studios, Design Studios, Mac Labs, Animation Labs, Photo and Videography Studio, Sound Studio, and IT labs to create a dynamic learning environment.

Students will be privy to cutting-edge Mac technology and Wacom tablets for animation and they will also have hands-on access to industry-standard tools such as Creative Cloud and Blender.

Faculty of Art and Design head



Saladin Gelam is committed to fostering innovation and creativity in the realms of design and technology education.

of department Saladin Gelam Mohamed says, “The programmes that were designed for our Faculty of Creative Art and Design focus on preparing students for in-demand careers in the tech industry through cutting-edge design practices and real-world experience.”

“Creative Arts and Design programmes provide students with highly transferable skills that are sought after by employers across various industries. In a world where innovation is paramount, the ability to think outside the box and envision novel solutions is a trait that sets individuals apart.”

The University of Cyberjaya also recognises the need for those who want to upskill themselves in their career.

Thus, the university introduced

its Doctor of Business Administration programme for those who want to become business leaders or experts.

Doctoral students have the opportunity to explore the challenges facing business today, including corporate social responsibility, globalisation and managing change.

Cultivate the right skills to thrive in the 21st century. Register and attend the University of Cyberjaya’s Grand Open Day this weekend.

■ Find out more about the university’s intake, programmes and scholarships at cyberjaya.edu.my/openday or message its education counsellors via WhatsApp at 011-1112 3344 or email studywithus@cyberjaya.edu.my



The impressive multimedia lab.



University of Cyberjaya’s state-of-the-art facilities create a dynamic learning environment for students.



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