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GLOBAL INSIGHTS: NAVIGATING UNIVERSALITY WITH UiTM PULAU PINANG



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This programme is a proposed collaborative project aimed at achieving several objectives with international partners, particularly with Universiti Teknologi MARA Pulau Pinang Branch, in pursuit of UiTM's goal of becoming a Globally Renowned University (GRU) by 2025. Additionally, the MoU with **Universitas Tanjungpura (UNTAN)**, **Universitas Muhammadiyah Pontianak (UMP)**, and **Muhammadiyah Institute of Technology and Health (ITEKES)** was established in 2018, and the relationship and collaboration remain active to this day.

INTERNATIONAL SULAM, MICROCREDENTIALIAL BETWEEN UiTM PULAU PINANG BRANCH AND UNIVERSITAS TANJUNGPURA, PONTIANAK, INDONESIA

***Nor Khadijah Mohd Azhari, Tuan Ahmad Syahmi Tuan Mohd Rosli,
Siti Noraini Sulaiman**



Courtesy visit to **Universitas Tanjungpura**: A group photo with the Deputy Rector of Academic Affairs, university leadership, and the UiTM delegation at the Rector's Building.

Picture at the Malaysia consulate office at Pontianak, Indonesia.



A delegation from UiTM, led by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Siti Noraini Binti Sulaiman, Deputy Rector of Academic and Internationalization; Mr. Amir Heberd Bin Abdullah, Assistant Rector of Bertam Campus; Dr. Nor Khadijah Binti Mohd Azhari, Liaison Officer at the Office of International Affairs; Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rofiza Aboo Bakar; Madam Hanani Binti Ahmad Zubir, Senior Lecturer from the Academic Language Centre; and Tuan Ahmad Syahmi Bin Tuan Mohd Rosli, Assistant Registrar of Academic, attended the visit.

On the first day of the visit, we had a courtesy visit at the Rector's Building, Universitas Tanjungpura. The Deputy Rector of Academic Affairs and four deans from the Faculty of Engineering, Faculty of Education, Faculty of Medicine, and Faculty of Economics and Business attended the meeting. Many programmes were discussed, such as matching grants, exchange students, and international staff and student programmes.

Among the objectives of the visit are:

- To introduce the UiTM brand more widely to the international local community through SULAM activities conducted with community members, teachers, and students there.
- To improve the skills and expertise of lecturers through collaborative projects, providing them with exposure and opportunities to exchange ideas with fellow educators from higher education institutions in Indonesia.
- To promote and increase awareness of micro-credential codes at the international level.

We were also invited to visit the Malaysian Consulate in Pontianak, Indonesia. Several issues were discussed, including suggestions for introducing Malaysian food at selected hotels in Pontianak, promoting the postgraduate programme at the Malaysian Corner, and the renewable energy project. The discussion was led by the Consul himself, Mr Azizul Zekri bin Abd Rahim, **Consul of Malaysia in Pontianak, Indonesia**, along with Assoc. Prof. Ts. Ir. Dr. Siti Noraini Sulaiman, Deputy Rector of Academic Affairs and Internationalization from UiTM.

We proceeded with the main agenda, which is the SULAM programme. This programme not only met the performance index (PI005 - number of academic programmes embedded with new internationally accredited service-learning activities) set by the university but has also succeeded in increasing the network between the two countries, which is seen as a way to enhance skills and research.

Another main agenda for this visit was the Micro-Credential. The courses selected for this micro-credential were Animation and Videos in Microsoft PowerPoint. This course was developed to help students learn how to prepare presentations using animated images and text, as well as to produce audio and video with Microsoft PowerPoint.

From the micro-credential programme that has been carried out, a total of 40 students from the Faculty of Medicine, **Universitas Tanjungpura (UNTAN)** have registered and participated in the courses offered. Of these, 22 students have completed part of the assigned tasks, and it is expected that all students will succeed in completing their assignments within the given period, which is one month after the briefing is held. The performance index (PI104 - Number of new micro-credential modules offered nationally and globally for the current year reported by PTJ to ICEPS) has also been achieved through this programme.

This SULAM programme was conducted in a hybrid format, with 20 lecturers and 30 undergraduate students from nearby Tanjungpura physically present at **UNTAN**, while seven students from the UiTM Electrical Engineering Study Centre participated virtually in the 'Research Room Garden,' monitored by Associate Professor Ir. Ts. Dr. Zainal Hisham Che Soh and two English lecturers, Dr. Isma Noornisa Ismail and Dr. Anis Shaari.



Courtesy visit and discussion at the consulate office, led by Consul En Azizul and Assoc. Prof. Ir. Ts. Dr. Siti Noraini Sulaiman.

The topics chosen for the session were "Elevating Your Pitch" and "Collaborative Writing in the Digital Era." Participants were provided with information and invited to engage through presentations, question-and-answer sessions, and discussions. The lecturers involved in delivering this information were Associate Professor Dr. Rofiza Aboo Bakar and Puan Hanani Ahmad Zubir from the Academy of Language Studies, UiTM Pulau Pinang Branch, Malaysia, and Dr. Gratus Linuber Sutapa and Dr. Yanti Sri Rezeki from the **Faculty of Teaching and Education, UNTAN, Indonesia**. Programmes like this need to continue to ensure we achieve joint success that can be shared.

Hybrid International SULAM Session between **Universitas Tanjungpura** and Universiti Teknologi MARA Pulau Pinang Branch



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