



INDUSTRIAL TRAINING BRIEFING: NAVIGATING YOUR PATH TO PROFESSIONAL SUCCESS

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Briefings on industrial training had become standard practice at the School of Information Science every semester. This was the moment to remind the third-semester students of the significance of the introductory briefing so that they could be well-prepared for the industrial training that was about to start. The students gathered at Bilik Sarjana, UiTM Sarawak, on Friday, June 28, 2024, for a briefing before venturing into the real world for the first time.

The industrial training briefing was held at Bilik Sarjana for all students of the School of Information Science from Semester 3 who would be interning. Puan Nurfaizah Kamarudin and Ms Nor Hayati Kassim briefed approximately forty-four students at 9 a.m. after everyone had gathered. During the briefing, all the necessary information was shared. Details like the organization's address, phone number, email, and contact person were required to locate the vocational training placement. They were also told to create and improve their resumes. A resume was essential for any internship application, as it showcased the candidate's qualifications to potential employers. Furthermore, students can use many Internet applications to create their resumes. Curious and engaged, the students asked thoughtful questions throughout the briefing.

In addition to receiving all the necessary material before their industrial training, students were also instructed on the ethics they had to follow while on the job. There were specific rules they needed to adhere to. They received helpful feedback on their character traits that would help them succeed in the workplace, not just in the classroom. The lecturer imparted knowledge to the class by presenting concepts, theories, research, and personal experiences. However, in the real world, students had to deal with both good and bad situations. Students could then chart their course to professional success through industrial training. Training for industrial purposes was a concept that had been introduced previously. Most lecturers had begun to use it to prepare their students for the real world. Ms. Nor Hayati Kassim also offered guidance to help them focus on what was essential.

As a Diploma in Information Management student, your skills were always in demand in fields where businesses handled, managed, or dealt with information. By volunteering your time and energy, you could demonstrate dedication to your chosen causes, allowing companies to recognize your competence in your role. Participating in an industrial training program would help you refine and enhance your abilities. During the training, it was essential to demonstrate your credibility and take responsibility for your tasks. Adapting your routine to incorporate new knowledge was key to your success.

Before the end of the briefing, students were encouraged to join Telegram and communicate with the industrial training program coordinator if they had any questions regarding the internship. This platform facilitated more effective communication between students and the industrial training program coordinator. The briefing concluded at 11 a.m. with a quiz designed to assess the attendees' understanding of the material. Throughout the session, everyone appeared relaxed and content. Good luck to everyone!



Ms. Faizah providing an introductory briefing on industrial training to students in preparation for their training