

A LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP: THE INSPIRATIONAL JOURNEY OF WAN MUZLAINA WAN MUSTAFA

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Wan Muzlaina Wan Mustafa was born in Paya Bunga, Kuala Terengganu, where the vibrant culture and close-knit community instilled in her a strong sense of belonging and purpose. Growing up in this supportive environment, she was inspired to pursue a career that would allow her to give back to her community.

Wan Muzlaina began her academic journey at UiTM Shah Alam, where she excelled in her studies and earned a Bachelor's degree in accounting. Her passion for learning and dedication to her field propelled her to further her education, obtaining a Master's degree in accounting from the same institution.



With her impressive qualifications and a deep-seated commitment to education, Wan Muzlaina embarked on her teaching career at UiTM Dungun, where she served for three years. Her exceptional teaching methods and genuine concern for her students earned her widespread respect and admiration during this period. After completing her Master's degree, she joined UiTM Kelantan, where her ability to simplify complex accounting principles and foster an engaging learning environment made her a favorite among students and colleagues alike. Her leadership skills and dedication did not go unnoticed. She was appointed as the Head of the Accounting Program at UiTM Kelantan, where she played a pivotal role in shaping the curriculum and enhancing the quality of education offered. Her innovative approach to teaching and unwavering commitment to academic excellence have significantly contributed to the faculty's success.

In addition to her academic responsibilities, Wan Muzlaina has held various important positions including Koordinator Usahawan (MEDEC), Koordinator AC110, Penyelaras Kualiti, Setiausaha Perancangan Strategik UiTM Kelantan, Pegawai Audit Dalam, and Pemantau Propens. Her diverse roles have enriched her experience and broadened her perspective in the academic field.

Wan Muzlaina has been actively involved in a collaboration between the Faculty of Accountancy UiTM Kelantan and Majlis Agama Islam dan Adat Istiadat Melayu Kelantan (MAIK) since 2019. This collaboration, which continues through 2024, focuses on providing financial management and record-keeping training to mosque committees. As a key speaker in these programs, Wan Muzlaina has shared her expertise and insights, helping to improve the financial literacy and administrative capabilities of these committees. Her involvement underscores her dedication to bridging the gap between academia and the broader community, making valuable contributions to the society she deeply cares about.



Wan Muzlaina's contributions extend beyond the classroom and conference halls. She is known for her mentorship, guiding young academics and students alike, fostering a culture of continuous learning and development. Her colleagues describe her as a compassionate leader, always ready to lend a helping hand and provide support when needed.



Her exceptional dedication and service have been recognized through various prestigious awards, including the Anugerah Perkhidmatan Cemerlang in 1999 and 2009, the Anugerah Pensyarah Prihatin (PJiA) in 2021 for the best student network, and the Pengikhtirafan SUFO Terbaik in 2022. These accolades celebrate her outstanding contributions and excellence in service and are a testament to her unwavering commitment to her students, colleagues, and the broader academic community.



Despite her numerous achievements, Wan Muzlaina remains humble and grounded, attributing her success to the support of her family and the collaborative spirit of her colleagues. She often reflects on her journey with gratitude, stating,

"Maybe Allah didn't give you everything you want, but He certainly gave you everything you need."



This philosophy guides her daily interactions and long-term aspirations.

As she looks to the future, Wan Muzlaina is excited about the prospects of furthering her research and expanding her influence in the field of accounting. Her vision includes not only advancing her own knowledge but also inspiring and empowering the next generation of accountants and academics.



Her story is one of dedication, leadership, and a profound commitment to education and community service. Her journey serves as an inspiration to all, highlighting the impact that one individual can have on the lives of many through passion, perseverance, and a genuine desire to make a difference.