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Rector's Remark

Professor Dr. Firdaus Abdullah
Rector
UiTM Sarawak Branch

Salam Sejahtera And Warm Greetings To All Readers,

It gives me great pleasure to extend my heartfelt greetings to all readers of the 85th issue of *Infokampus*. This bulletin is more than a repository of news and achievements; it is a living chronicle of UiTM Sarawak's aspirations, our community's resilience, and the collective journey we share as educators, researchers, staff, students, alumni and partners. As we look outward to a world reshaped by global challenges and opportunities, we also look inward to the campus that nurtures talent and where knowledge is converted into impact.

As we open the pages of this issue, I am reminded of the journey that UiTM Cawangan Sarawak has taken together with our community, partners, and stakeholders. This issue comes at a time when we continue to navigate a rapidly evolving global landscape shaped by the lessons of the pandemic and the necessity of forging stronger partnerships at every level of our operations. Each milestone we achieve is not only a testament to our collective commitment to excellence but also a reflection of our responsibility as an institution of higher learning to make meaningful contributions to society, the nation, and theworld. UiTM Sarawak has always stood as more than just a place of learning; it is a living, breathing ecosystem of ideas, cultures, talents, and aspirations.

The past few years have brought unprecedented challenges. The COVID-19 pandemic reshaped the landscape of higher education, from our ways of teaching, learning, and engaging with the community. Yet, here we are in 2025, not only having adapted but having grown stronger, wiser, and more united in our mission. The lessons learned during those difficult times have now been woven into our long-term vision, aligning closely with Malaysia's Post-COVID Development Strategy 2030 and the global aspirations outlined in the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Our mission is clearer than ever: to equip our students with the skills, values, and vision to thrive in a rapidly changing world, while ensuring that UiTM Sarawak continues to be a driver of sustainable and inclusive development.

As we step into 2025, we remain proud of the legacy and accomplishments recorded in recent years. UiTM Cawangan Sarawak continues to be recognised for its quality education, impactful research, and close engagement with the community. Our position as a trusted partner of the Sarawak State Government, particularly in areas such as digital economy development, smart farming, and talent cultivation, remains central to our identity. In line with the aspirations of the Premier of Sarawak, we are committed to ensuring that UiTM Sarawak is not only a regional centre of excellence but also a globally recognised institution rooted in local relevance. Our past achievements in winning state and national awards, producing high-impact research, and fostering international collaborations are a testament to our capabilities. Most recently, we have successfully advanced to the final stage of the Sarawak State Public Service Quality Award (AKPANS) 2025 under the Statutory Body category. This milestone reaffirms our continuous pursuit of excellence and our commitment to delivering the highest standards in education, research, and service.

In today's world, communication is key, and I have embraced the role of social media in academic leadership. Platforms like Instagram, TikTok, and YouTube are not just

tools for marketing, but they are powerful ways to connect, to share transparently with stakeholders, and to strengthen UiTM's global image. At the same time, I strongly believe that our work must contribute to the wider world. Aligning our programs with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) ensures that our graduates are not only job-ready but also prepared to address social, economic, and environmental challenges. Education, after all, is not just about employment; it is about impact.

Looking ahead, I aspire to position UiTM Sarawak as a global leader in higher education, known for producing graduates who are innovative, resilient, and globally connected. This requires continuous innovation, strong partnerships, and above all, a commitment to excellence. But the road ahead calls for more than maintaining excellence; it demands transformation. Every decision and initiative is driven by a belief in the transformative power of education. Together, with our dedicated lecturers, staff, and students, we are not just keeping up with change. We are helping to shape the future of UiTM Sarawak.

As I close this Rector's remark, I am filled with optimism and gratitude for the people who make UiTM Sarawak what it is. From the lecturers who nurture minds, the researchers who seek solutions, the staff who sustain operations, the students who bring curiosity and energy, the community partners who open their lives and knowledge to us, and to the alumni who carry our name beyond the campus gates. The next five years will be decisive in shaping UiTM Cawangan Sarawak's legacy for the decades to come. Let us move forward together in partnership, with purpose, and with persistent attention to sustainability. Let our campus be a place where knowledge meets action; where students graduate not only with credentials but with a sense of responsibility; and where UiTM Sarawak stands as a model of how regional universities can contribute to national development and global sustainability.

Terima kasih and may our collaborative efforts in the years to come yield outcomes that uplift communities, protect our environment, and advance knowledge for the common good.

Here's to a greener, stronger, and more united UiTM Sarawak.
With warm regards,





Message from Editor-in-Chief

Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh
And Salam Uitm Di Hatiku,

With heartfelt gratitude, we are proud to present the 85th Issue of Info Kampus Bulletin (January-June 2025 Edition). This publication serves as a platform to highlight the achievements of our university community, share the latest information, and strengthen the spirit of togetherness among members of the university.

UiTM Sarawak Branch continues to register commendable positive developments. In efforts to drive excellence, the university has forged strategic partnerships with the state government and received international recognition for several faculties. Additionally, several new academic programs will be introduced to meet industry demands and enhance the competitiveness of graduates.

I would like to express my highest appreciation and thanks to YBrs. Professor Dr. Firdaus Abdullah, Rector of UiTM Sarawak Branch, for his continued leadership and unwavering support in driving the excellence of this institution. His guidance and strategic vision serve as a source of inspiration for us in producing this bulletin.

Not forgetting, my sincere thanks go to the entire editorial team, article contributors, and all parties who have collaborated to make this publication a success. Your commitment and dedication are greatly appreciated.

We hope that this Info Kampus Bulletin can become a dynamic and ongoing platform to disseminate knowledge, strengthen connections among campus residents, and serve as a reference and inspiration for all readers. We trust that this publication will bring meaningful benefits to the UiTM Sarawak Branch community and reflect the university's aspirations in producing quality and competitive graduates.

Thank you and let us continue to progress together through knowledge.

Farhana binti Ghazuddin

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THE GOVERNOR OF SARAWAK HOSTS UiTM SARAWAK BRANCH TO STRENGTHEN STATE-INSTITUTION RELATIONS

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Thursday, 13 March 2025 | Alhamdulillah, praise be to Allah, this morning I, together with the Senior Management Team of UiTM Sarawak Branch, had the honour and privilege of paying a courtesy visit to His Excellency the Governor of Sarawak, Tun Pehin Sri Dr. Haji Wan Junaidi bin Tuanku Jaafar, and Her Excellency Toh Puan Datuk Patinggi Fauziah binti Mohd. Sanusi at the Main Audience Chamber, Astana Negeri Sarawak.

Accompanying me during the visit were Assoc. Prof. Ts. ChM. Dr. Mohammad Isa bin Mohamadin (Deputy Rector for Academic & International Affairs), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Saimi bin Bujang (Deputy Rector for Student Affairs), Prof. Ir. Dr. Juferi bin Idris (Deputy Rector for Research and Industry Networking), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Abdul Razak Abdul Kadir (Assistant Rector, UiTM Samarahan 2 Campus), Mr. Mohd Hasimi Abdullah (Senior Deputy Registrar), and two other officers.





The purpose of this courtesy visit was to strengthen the relationship between UiTM Sarawak Branch and the Astana Negeri Sarawak through potential strategic collaborations, particularly in the areas of knowledge sharing and research development.

During the meeting, I presented an overview of UiTM Sarawak Branch and shared the university's ongoing collaborative initiatives with the Sarawak State Government, specifically in research on algae as a renewable energy source and in agriculture development. In addition, I presented a research proposal titled "The Governor's Contributions to Higher Education and Research in Sarawak" for His Excellency's consideration and consent.

We also took the opportunity to seek advice and insights from His Excellency regarding potential research on the history of Sarawak and the arrival of Islam in the state prior to the colonial era. Alhamdulillah, His Excellency expressed great interest and full support for UiTM to undertake this important study.

Before concluding the visit, I had the honour of inviting His Excellency and Her Excellency Toh Puan to grace the UiTM Sarawak Branch Hari Raya Aidilfitri Celebration 2025 as guests of honour, scheduled to be held in April 2025.



UiTM SARAWAK PAYS COURTESY VISIT TO THE PREMIER OF SARAWAK: DRIVING AGRICULTURAL TRANSFORMATION AND PROPOSING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TUN OPENG HISTORY AND HERITAGE (TOHHa)

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Monday, 10 March 2025 | Alhamdulillah, UiTM Sarawak Branch (UiTMCS) had the honour of paying a courtesy visit to The Right Honourable Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg, Premier of Sarawak, at his office in Wisma Bapa Malaysia this morning.

Accompanying me during the visit were Assoc. Prof. Ts. ChM. Dr. Mohammad Isa bin Mohamadin (Deputy Rector for Academic and International Affairs), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Saimi bin Bujang (Deputy Rector for Student Affairs), and Prof. Ir. Dr. Juferi bin Idris (Deputy Rector for Research and Industry Networking).

We gained many positive insights from the discussion, and it is hoped that more of the proposed initiatives can be realised in the near future. I extend my heartfelt appreciation to the Premier of Sarawak for his trust and confidence in my leadership of UiTM Sarawak Branch, which is an immense responsibility indeed. I would also like to express gratitude to the Sarawak State Government for its continuous support through various research, consultancy, and training grants worth approximately RM1.5 million annually.

During the meeting, I proposed to the Premier of Sarawak that the free education programme introduced by the State Government beginning next year be extended to Sarawakian students studying at public universities (IPTA) under the second phase of the initiative. The Premier agreed in principle, particularly for UiTM Sarawak students, as part of efforts to develop a skilled and competent workforce. UiTMCS is deeply thankful for his openness to this proposal, which, if implemented, will enable UiTM to produce a higher number of Science and Technology (S&T) and Bumiputera professional graduates compared to other higher education institutions.

The Premier of Sarawak also encouraged UiTMCS to assist the State Government in transforming the agricultural sector. He proposed that UiTMCS Mukah Campus, which owns 500 hectares of land, be developed into a modern paddy cultivation hub, adopting advanced technologies and high-quality seed production to achieve up to five harvests per year. UiTMCS will further evaluate this proposal by forming a research task





force to study technological, infrastructural, and productivity aspects of paddy cultivation, including carbon storage potential, given its environmental relevance.

In addition, the Premier recommended that UiTMCS prepare a proposal paper to establish a comprehensive laboratory at Mukah Campus focusing on algae research and development. His initial suggestion for UiTMCS to spearhead algae research as a renewable energy source was made in 2024, during a previous courtesy visit by UiTM's top leadership. UiTMCS has since developed a research collaboration framework on algae and will soon present it to the Sarawak State Government for consideration.

At the same time, UiTMCS presented a proposal to the Premier of Sarawak to establish the Tun Openg History and Heritage (TOHHa) Chair at UiTM Sarawak, to which he agreed in principle. The TOHHa Chair will conduct in-depth studies on Sarawak's history and cultural heritage, particularly pre-colonial Sarawak, as most existing research focuses on the James Brooke era. This new initiative aims to fill the historical and cultural research gaps and provide a more comprehensive understanding of Sarawak's heritage prior to colonisation.





UiTM SARAWAK BRANCH STRENGTHENS STRATEGIC TIES WITH THE FEDERAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE OF SARAWAK

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Tuesday, 18 February 2025 | This morning, my delegation and members of the UiTM Sarawak Branch Executive Management Committee (JKEN UiTMCS) paid a courtesy visit to YBhg. Dato Ahmad Nadzri bin Mohd Hassan, Federal Secretary of Sarawak, at his office in Bangunan Sultan Iskandar, Jalan Simpang Tiga, Kuching.

Accompanying me during the visit were Assoc. Prof. ChM. Ts. Dr. Mohamad Isa Mohamadin (Deputy Rector for Academic and International Affairs), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Saimi Bujang (Deputy Rector for Student Affairs), Prof. Ir. Dr. Juferi Idris (Deputy Rector for Research and Industry Networking), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Abdul Razak Abdul Kadir (Assistant Rector, Samarahan 2 Campus), and Mr. Mohd Hasimi Abdullah (Senior Deputy Registrar).

The one-hour meeting covered various topics, particularly potential areas of collaboration between UiTM Sarawak Branch and the Federal Secretary's Office (SUPS). Among the key discussions was the encouragement for SUPS staff members to further their studies at UiTM Sarawak, as the university offers programmes that can enhance their professional competencies and career advancement.

UiTM Sarawak Branch also expressed its intention to invite YBhg. Dato Ahmad Nadzri to share his vast experience of over 30 years in public service with students, staff, and the local community.

UiTM Sarawak Branch extends its sincere appreciation to YBhg. Dato Ahmad Nadzri bin Mohd Hassan for his warm hospitality and for taking the time to receive our courtesy visit.







COURTESY VISIT TO YB DATUK DR. JERIP ANAK SUSIL: STRENGTHENING EDUCATION AND RENEWABLE ENERGY RESEARCH INITIATIVES

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Tuesday, 18 March 2025 | Recently, my delegation from UiTM Sarawak Branch (UiTMCS) and I paid a courtesy visit to YB Datuk Dr. Jerip Anak Susil, Deputy Minister of Transport (Land & Air), Ministry of Transport Sarawak (MOT) at his official office in Baitulmakmur 1 Building, Kuching.

Accompanying me during the visit were Assoc. Prof. ChM. Ts. Dr. Mohamad Isa Mohamadin (Deputy Rector for Academic and International Affairs), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Saimi Bujang (Deputy Rector for Student Affairs), Prof. Ir. Dr. Juferi Idris (Deputy Rector for Research and Industry Networking), and Mr. Mohamad Hasimi Abdullah (Senior Deputy Registrar).

During the visit, YB Datuk Dr. Jerip was briefed on UiTM Sarawak's programmes, particularly the Pre-Diploma courses, to be promoted to SPM school leavers in the N.19 Mambong constituency, where YB Datuk Dr. Jerip actively conducts youth development outreach initiatives. UiTM Sarawak expressed its full support and readiness to participate in these outreach programmes.

I also shared an overview of UiTM's collaborative plans with the Sarawak State Government, particularly in research on algae as a renewable energy source and high-technology rice cultivation. Alhamdulillah, YB Datuk Dr. Jerip welcomed the initiative and offered to implement a pilot project in Bengoh as a test bed, supported by a research grant.

In addition, YB Datuk Dr. Jerip expressed his hope for UiTM Sarawak's assistance in developing the rural tourism industry in Bengoh through knowledge transfer initiatives focusing on cultural and artistic tourism package development, which could attract both local and international visitors.

At the end of the visit, I had the opportunity to present a research and collaboration proposal titled "Emission and Carbon Reduction Program: Retrofitting Program for Kuching's Public Bus Fleet" to YB Datuk Dr. Jerip for his consideration and approval.

On behalf of UiTM Sarawak Branch, I would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to YB Datuk Dr. Jerip Anak Susil for his time, warm reception, and strong support toward establishing strategic collaborations with UiTM Sarawak.







UiTM SARAWAK & MTCP-MYSED LEAD JOINT INITIATIVE IN EDUTOURISM AND YOUTH ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Wednesday, 19 February 2025 | On Wednesday afternoon, I, together with the Deputy Rectors, the UiTM Global Sarawak Coordinator, and several officers, paid a courtesy visit to YB Dato Sri Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah, Minister for Tourism, Creative Industry and Performing Arts Sarawak (MTCP) and Minister for Youth, Sports and Entrepreneur Development Sarawak (MYSED) at his office in Baitulmakmur II Building, Petra Jaya, Kuching.

The purpose of this visit was to strengthen the existing partnership between the Sarawak State Government and UiTM Sarawak Branch (UiTMCS) through strategic collaborations in knowledge transfer, research, tourism and creative industry development, as well as youth, sports, and entrepreneurship programmes in Sarawak.

Several key matters were discussed during the meeting. Among them were plans to collaborate on the University Intercultural Exchange (UNITE25): "Mapping Sarawak to the World", scheduled to take place from 12 to 21 September 2025 at the Embassy of Malaysia in Dublin, Ireland, and the 9th Borneo Dance Festival in November 2025, which UiTM Sarawak will proudly host. In addition, UiTM Sarawak will also be organising several Edutourism programmes involving participation from local and international university students.

Alhamdulillah, YB Dato Sri Abdul Karim warmly welcomed UiTM Sarawak's proposal and agreed in principle to support the implementation of these upcoming programmes.

It is hoped that this visit will pave the way for more collaborative initiatives between the Sarawak State Government and UiTM Sarawak in advancing the state's tourism industry. Sincere appreciation and gratitude are extended to YB Dato Sri Haji Abdul Karim and the MTCP for graciously receiving UiTM Sarawak's courtesy visit.







EMPOWERING THE STEM GENERATION: UiTM SARAWAK PRESENTS STRATEGIC COLLABORATION PROPOSAL TO YB DATO SRI ROLAND SAGAH WEE INN

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Tuesday, 25 March 2025 | This morning, I led a delegation from Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) Sarawak Branch (UiTMCS) on a courtesy visit to Yang Berhormat Dato Sri Roland Sagah Wee Inn, Minister for Education, Innovation and Talent Development Sarawak (MEITD), at his office in Menara LCDA, Kuching.

Accompanying me on this visit were Associate Professor ChM. Ts. Dr. Mohamad Isa Mohamadin, Deputy Rector (Academic and International Affairs); Associate Professor Dr. Saimi Bujang, Deputy Rector (Student Affairs); Professor Ir. Dr. Juferi Idris, Deputy Rector (Research and Industry Network); and Mr. Mohamad Hasimi Abdullah, Senior Deputy Registrar.

During the visit, I presented a brief report to YB Dato Sri Roland, who is also a UiTM alumnus, outlining the outcomes of UiTM Sarawak's recent courtesy visits to the YAB Premier of Sarawak and several state ministers and deputy ministers. The visits focused on exploring opportunities for collaboration with the Sarawak Government, particularly in the areas of renewable energy, agriculture, history and heritage, and the tourism industry.

In response, YB Dato Sri Roland expressed his full support for UiTM Sarawak to continue strengthening its STEM programmes, aimed at producing graduates equipped with the skills and expertise required by the Sarawak Government. I also reaffirmed UiTM Sarawak's commitment to contribute expertise and collaborate with MEITD in various relevant fields aligned with the university's strengths.

At the end of the visit, I presented several proposals for strategic collaboration, particularly in STEM-related initiatives, for YB Dato Sri's consideration and MEITD's approval. The proposed projects include:

1. STEM Roadshow & Dato Sri Roland Sagah Mathematics Hero Challenge 2025
2. STEM Encouragement Programme: Herb Documentation & Aquascape Exploration for Primary and Secondary Schools
3. Gift of Education Project 2025

At the same time, UiTM Sarawak was honoured to extend an invitation to YB Dato Sri Roland to officiate the STEM Innovation Competition Kota Samarahan 2025 (PINKs@UiTM 2025), scheduled for April.

On behalf of UiTM Sarawak Branch, I would like to express my heartfelt appreciation to YB Dato Sri Roland Sagah Wee Inn for graciously taking the time to meet with us and for his strong support toward forging strategic collaborations with UiTM Sarawak.







UiTM SARAWAK STRENGTHENS EDUCATION AND WELFARE SUPPORT WITH MEITD

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Tuesday, 25 March 2025 | Following our visit to YB Dato Sri Roland, the courtesy call continued with a meeting with Yang Berhormat Datuk Francis Harden Hollis, Deputy Minister II (Talent Development), Ministry of Education, Innovation and Talent Development Sarawak (MEITD), whose office is also located at Menara LCDA, Kuching.

During the visit, I delivered a briefing on UiTM Sarawak and the programmes offered at the branch, particularly the Pre-Diploma Programme, which could be promoted among youth and SPM school leavers in the N.32 Simanggang constituency, represented by YB Datuk Francis himself.

In addition, I shared updates on UiTM Sarawak's recent courtesy visits to YAB Premier of Sarawak and several Sarawak Ministers and Deputy Ministers, during which UiTM Sarawak was invited to collaborate with the State Government in several strategic areas, including algae and hydrogen research as renewable energy sources, large-scale high-technology paddy cultivation, STEM education at primary and secondary school levels, and the Sarawak tourism industry.

At the same time, UiTMCS proposed collaboration with YB Datuk Francis in organizing the Gift of Education 2025 Project and the STEM Encouragement Programme: Herb Documentation and Aquascape Exploration for primary and secondary students in rural areas. As an UiTM alumnus, YB Datuk Francis responded positively and expressed his full support for these initiatives.

At the end of the visit, UiTMCS also sought financial support from YB Datuk Francis to further strengthen the Food Bank and Dapur HEP initiatives, which have greatly benefited B40 students. These initiatives, established by the Student Affairs Division (HEP) of UiTM Sarawak Branch, aim to assist students from low-income families by providing food aid throughout their studies.

Such efforts help alleviate the financial burden and cost of living faced by students, ensuring they have access to nutritious meals and can remain focused on their studies without worrying about daily living expenses. This reflects UiTM's ongoing commitment to the well-being and holistic development of its students.









INTEGRATED STRATEGY BETWEEN UiTM SARAWAK BRANCH AND YB DATUK JEFFERSON JAMIT UNYAT TO DRIVE EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Thursday, 24 April 2025 | Alhamdulillah, yesterday evening I led a delegation from UiTM Sarawak Branch (UiTMCS) on a courtesy visit to Yang Berhormat Datuk Jefferson Jamit Unyat, Deputy Minister in the Premier's Department (Law and Native Customs) and State Assemblyman for N.63 Bukit Goram, at his office in Baitul Makmur 1, Petra Jaya.

I was accompanied by Assoc. Prof. ChM. Ts. Dr. Mohamad Isa Mohamadin (Deputy Rector, Academic and International Affairs), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Saimi Bujang (Deputy Rector, Student Affairs), Prof. Ir. Dr. Juferi Idris (Deputy Rector, Research, Industry and Community Network), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Abdul Razak Abdul Kadir (Assistant Rector, UiTMCS Samarahan 2 Campus), and Mr. Mohamad Hasimi Abdullah (Senior Deputy Registrar).

We would like to extend our sincere appreciation to YB Datuk Jefferson for graciously welcoming our visit. He highly valued this meeting as a platform for idea exchange, strategic discussions, and partnership building, all aimed at advancing higher education and mutual development.

He also acknowledged UiTM's significant role in national human capital development, expressing deep appreciation for the university's continued contributions and initiatives. The meeting opened up broader opportunities for strategic collaboration, particularly in higher education, research, and youth talent development.

During the courtesy visit, several proposals were presented to YB Datuk Jefferson, including UiTMCS's plan to prepare a Tourism Development Proposal for Kapit, an area with immense potential for tourism growth.

In addition, UiTMCS will also prepare a research proposal in the field of agriculture, focusing on paddy cultivation, particularly hill paddy, in response to a suggestion by YAB Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari Bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg, Premier of Sarawak, during UiTMCS's courtesy visit to him last month.

UiTMCS will also support the strengthening of STEM education among students in the Kapit area by collaborating to establish STEM corners or learning spaces in both primary and secondary schools. This initiative aligns with the Ministry of Education, Innovation and Talent Development (MEITD) Sarawak's focus on STEM advancement. As a start, YB Datuk Jefferson has agreed to identify one secondary and one primary school to serve as pioneers for the project.

We also briefed YB Datuk Jefferson on the programmes offered at UiTMCS, particularly the Pre-Higher Education (PPT) and Diploma programmes for SPM graduates. We welcome future collaboration with his office in conducting outreach programmes to promote these educational opportunities.

May this courtesy visit pave the way for stronger cooperation between the Sarawak Government and UiTM Sarawak Branch, both now and in the future, Insha'Allah.





UiTM SARAWAK BRANCH COMMITTED TO EXPLORING CLEAN ENERGY AND INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES WITH YB DATUK DR. HAJI HAZLAND

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Monday, 17 March 2025 | This morning, I led a delegation from UiTM Sarawak Branch (UiTMCS) on a courtesy visit to Yang Berhormat Datuk Dr. Haji Hazland bin Haji Abang Hipni, Deputy Minister for Energy and Environmental Sustainability Sarawak, at his official office in Baitul Makmur 1 Building, Kuching.

Accompanying me were Assoc. Prof. ChM. Ts. Dr. Mohamad Isa Mohamadin, Deputy Rector (Academic and International Affairs); Assoc. Prof. Dr. Saimi Bujang, Deputy Rector (Student Affairs); Prof. Ir. Dr. Juferi Idris, Deputy Rector (Research and Industry Network); and Mr. Mohamad Hasimi Abdullah, Senior Deputy Registrar.

During the meeting, YB Datuk Dr. Hazland encouraged UiTMCS to nurture more talent among students and lecturers and to introduce academic programmes in hydrogen and clean energy alternatives for Sarawak. This aligns with the Sarawak Government's mission to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2050, in line with the state's sustainable development agenda.

He also encouraged UiTMCS to establish research collaborations with strategic industry partners, such as SEDC Energy, Sarawak Energy Berhad (SEB), and the Natural Resources and Environment Board (NREB), particularly in research and development of algae as a renewable energy source.

During the visit, I also presented a proposal to collaborate on developing a prototype of the Integrated Coanda and Waterwheel System (InCWaS), aimed at providing electricity to rural communities.

UiTMCS highly values and will take into consideration all suggestions made by YB Datuk Dr. Hazland, as the university remains committed to advancing industry@campus initiatives, one of the seven key focus areas of the Ministry of Higher Education (KPT), to be in line with the 2025 Rector's Address that I recently delivered to the UiTMCS community.





EXPANDING GLOBAL COLLABORATION: UiTM AND GXMZNU SIGN STRATEGIC MOU

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

20 May 2025 | Today, the Vice-Chancellor of Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), accompanied by myself and the Rector of UiTM Kelantan Branch, received a courtesy visit from a delegation of Guangxi Minzu Normal University (GXMZNU), China, aimed at strengthening academic collaboration between the two renowned institutions.



In conjunction with the visit, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signing ceremony was held between GXMZNU and both UiTM Sarawak Branch and UiTM Kelantan Branch, signifying the shared commitment of both parties to advancing global educational excellence.

The MoU marks the continuation of previous initiatives that have laid a strong foundation for expanding academic cooperation, research collaboration, and cultural exchange. As a follow-up initiative, students from GXMZNU are invited to participate in the Come Discover Bumi Kenyalang 2025 (CDBK25) programme in August 2025.

The week-long programme will be held at UiTM Sarawak Branch and several iconic locations in both Kuching and Samarahan districts. In addition to GXMZNU students, the programme will also involve participants from 15 of UiTM's international partner universities, fostering intercultural understanding and strengthening UiTM's global academic network.





EXCELLING ON THE ACADEMIC INNOVATION STAGE: UiTM SARAWAK BRANCH WINS THREE AWARDS AT MeTIC 14 ICAN 2025

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

I am truly proud to share that the excellence of UiTM Sarawak Branch's academics and researchers continues to be recognised through their remarkable achievement of winning three major awards at the MeTIC 14 ICAN Awards Ceremony, held at The Putra Regency Hotel, Kangar, Perlis, from 18 to 20 June 2025.

I had the honour of attending the ceremony alongside Dr. Muhamad Hafiz Hassan, Coordinator of Branding and Strategic Media, Centre for Communication; Pn. Nurul Lizzan Kamarudin, ICAN Coordinator, Research and Industrial Networking Division; and Puan Lenny Yusrina Bujang Khedif, Community Networking Coordinator, Research and Industrial Networking Division, UiTM Sarawak Branch.

The outstanding achievements include:

1. 1st Place – High-Impact International Networking Award through the ERASMUS+ Smart City ASEAN Learning Network (SCALe) project.
2. 2nd Place – Highest Alumni Contribution 2024 Award, with a total contribution value of RM50,500.00.
3. Graduate Employability 2024: Highest Premium Salary for First-Degree Graduates, with a remarkable achievement of 7.1%.

These accomplishments reflect the unwavering dedication and commitment of UiTM Sarawak's academic community in strengthening collaborations with industry, community, and alumni partners.

The recognition also underscores the institution's capability in producing high-quality graduates and fostering strategic partnerships that deliver real-world impact.

Heartiest congratulations to the entire UiTM Sarawak Branch community!
May this success continue to inspire us to strive for even greater excellence in the future.



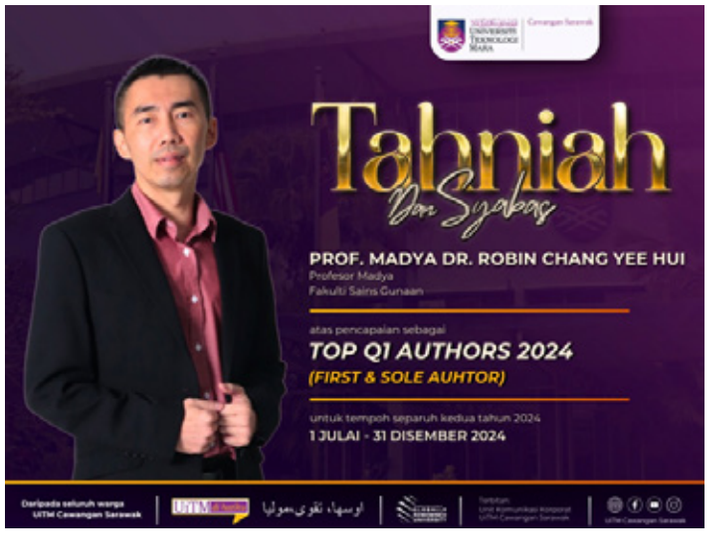
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE: PROF. DR. CORINA AND ASSOC. PROF. DR. ROBIN RECOGNISED AS UiTM'S TOP Q1 & Q2 AUTHORS

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Heartiest congratulations to Assoc. Prof. Dr. Robin Chang Yee Hui and Prof. Dr. Corina Ak Joseph for being recognised as UiTM's Top Q1 & Q2 Authors for the second half of 2024.

This remarkable achievement reflects their dedication to impactful research and scholarly excellence.

Wishing both continued success and academic distinction!











UiTM SARAWAK BRANCH WINS THREE AWARDS AT AKPU 2024

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Alhamdulillah, UiTM Sarawak Branch has proudly received three awards at the University Performance Excellence Awards, also known as "Anugerah Kecemerlangan Prestasi Universiti" (AKPU) 2024, organised by the University Transformation Office (BTU) and the Office of the Vice-Chancellor, held on 14 March 2025 at the Institute of Leadership and Development (ILD).

The awards are as follows:
1. SAP Performance Leap Award – 1st Place (Branch Category)
2. Excellence Transformation in Income Generation Award 2024 – 3rd Place (Branch Category)
3. Performance Excellence Achievement (Branch)

The AKPU is an annual event that recognises and celebrates the dedication and outstanding performance of PTJs, faculties, colleges, UiTM branches, and centres of excellence that have successfully achieved their targeted KPIs and PIs.

Heartfelt appreciation goes to all UiTM Sarawak Branch staff for their collective effort and commitment in realising this success.

Congratulations and well done to everyone!







UITMCS DEBATE TEAM CROWNED OVERALL CHAMPION AT LENSA DEBAT FOSH 2025

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

28 May 2025 | This morning at my office in UiTM Sarawak Branch, Samarahan Campus, I had the pleasure of receiving a courtesy visit from the UiTMCS Debate Team, who emerged as the Overall Champion of the Lensa Debat FOSH 2025 competition held at the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS) from 14 to 15 May 2025.

The team was led by their coach and advisor of the UiTMCS Debate Club, Mr. Mohamad Syafie bin Hamdin, Assistant Registrar at the Research and Industrial Networking Division (PJI), accompanied by Ms. Nur Aleeyah Fatin Mazlan, a student from the Faculty of Accountancy who was also named Best Debater in the final round. The winning team also comprised three other outstanding debaters: Mr. Jimsie Justin, Mr. Wesley Sipang anak Robert Limbai, and Ms. Nurul Izza Abdullah, all of whom are also students from the Faculty of Accountancy.

Heartiest congratulations to the entire debate team for this remarkable achievement, which has once again brought honour and pride to UiTM Sarawak Branch. Their success not only reflects the intellectual strength and eloquence of UiTMCS students but also showcases the university's capability at the intervarsity level.

The UiTMCS management remains fully supportive of our students' active participation in various co-curricular and intellectual pursuits such as debate and other activities that cultivate critical thinking, effective communication, and strong self-confidence, which are all essential traits of future leaders.











CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE MATHEMATICS HERO COMPETITION – DATO SRI ROLAND SAGAH TROPHY 2025

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Alhamdulillah, after attending the Student Parliament Conference at the Sarawak State Legislative Assembly (DUN Sarawak), I made my way back to the Samarahan Campus to attend the Closing Ceremony of the Mathematics Hero Competition – Dato Sri Roland Sagah Trophy 2025, officiated by YB Datuk Annuar Rapa'ee, Deputy Minister I (Innovation and Higher Education), representing YB Dato Sri Roland Sagah Wee Inn, Minister for Education, Innovation and Talent Development (MEITD) Sarawak, at Dewan Jubli, UiTMCS.

This year marks the fourth edition of the competition since its inception in 2015, 2018, and 2022, with an impressive record of participation of nearly 1,500 pupils from 111 primary schools across Kuching, Samarahan, and Serian Divisions, who took part in the online preliminary round beginning 26 April 2025. From this number, 255 pupils from 85 schools successfully advanced to the final round, a testament to the strong enthusiasm among students towards Mathematics.

The organisation of this competition stands as clear proof of UiTM Sarawak Branch's commitment to advancing grassroots education, nurturing interest in Mathematics, and fostering critical thinking and problem-solving skills among young learners, all of which are essential values in STEM and the digital economy. Our readiness to share our expertise with the community, including teachers and primary school pupils, is part of the university's responsibility as a catalyst for Bumiputera and Sarawakian human capital development.

Our heartfelt appreciation goes to YB Dato Sri Roland Sagah Wee Inn for his generous sponsorship and unwavering support towards this meaningful programme. Special thanks also to YB Datuk Annuar Rapa'ee for graciously attending and officiating the closing ceremony on behalf of the Minister.

Special gratitude is also extended to our collaborative partners and sponsors, including Yayasan Sarawak, Bank Rakyat, Sarawak Energy Berhad (SEB), the Sarawak State Education Department, the Sarawak Branch of the National Association of Headmasters Malaysia, the District Education Offices, and all participating schools for their continuous support and cooperation.

May we continue to uphold the spirit of excellence and meet again in the next edition of this inspiring competition, Insha'Allah.









YB DATUK AMAR DOUGLAS UGGAH EMBAS OFFICIATES THE JKR SARAWAK–UiTM SARAWAK BRANCH STUDENT ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMME

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Friday, 2 May 2025 | Betong, I managed to attend the Opening Ceremony of the JKR Sarawak–UiTM Sarawak Branch Student Engagement Programme 2025, which was officiated by The Right Honourable Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas, Deputy Premier, Minister for Finance and New Economy II, and Minister for Infrastructure and Port Development Sarawak, held at Rumah Panjang Mendit, Penom Ulu Paku, Spaoh, Betong.

This programme is a strategic initiative aimed at strengthening the synergistic relationship between the Sarawak Public Works Department (JKR) and institutions of higher learning, particularly in nurturing a new generation of competent and capable young engineers.

In addition to bringing students closer to understanding the role of JKR as the main implementing agency of the state's development projects, the programme also seeks to advance the department's vision of becoming "The Leading Engineering Agency in Sarawak" through the active involvement of students in the fields of engineering and technical studies.





OPENING CEREMONY OF THE KOTA SAMARAHAN STEM INNOVATION COMPETITION (PinKS@UiTM 2025)

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Tuesday, 15 April 2025 | Alhamdulillah, the Opening Ceremony of the Kota Samarahan STEM Innovation Competition (PinKS@UiTM 2025), officiated by Yang Berhormat Dato Sri Roland Sagah Wee Inn, Minister for Education, Innovation and Talent Development (MEITD) Sarawak, was successfully held at the Dewan Jubli, UiTM Sarawak Branch, Samarahan Campus.

I was truly delighted to witness the wide array of innovative products produced by participants, comprising secondary school students from around Kuching and Samarahan, as well as UiTM Sarawak (UiTMCS) undergraduates.

This first-ever competition organised by UiTMCS received an overwhelming response from secondary school students, attracting 37 teams from Form 1 to Form 5, representing SMK Kota Samarahan, SMK Muara Tuang, SMK Sungai Tapang, Sekolah Tunku Putra HELP, and SMB St. Joseph. These teams showcased 15 impressive innovation projects.

Meanwhile, 22 teams competed in the pre-university category, representing various academic programmes from UiTM Sarawak Branch, each presenting their own creative and impactful innovation products.

The two-day competition, held under the theme "Developing Creative Human Capital Through STEM Innovation", reflects UiTM Sarawak's continued commitment to supporting the development of highly skilled human capital in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) in Malaysia.

Among those present at the ceremony were Tuan Haji Adana bin Haji Jed, Permanent Secretary of MEITD; Puan Leong Chin Chin, Assistant Director of the Student Development Sector, Sarawak State Education Department (JPNS), representing the Kuching District Education Officer; Cikgu Aziah Samsudin, representing the Samarahan District Education Officer; Puan Nor Intan binti Pamin, Director of the Sarawak Branch of the Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia (MyIPO); Dato Ir. Janang anak Bungsu, Managing Director of Konsortium Bumi Consultants and Services Sdn. Bhd.; members of the State Executive Committee (JKEN) UiTM Sarawak Branch; and other distinguished guests.

On behalf of UiTM Sarawak Branch, I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to all parties involved, especially the Ministry of Education, Innovation and Talent Development (MEITD) Sarawak, for their financial support and collaboration in ensuring the successful implementation of this programme. Special thanks also go to JPNS and the teacher advisors for guiding and assisting their students in transforming their innovative ideas into reality.

I sincerely hope that this competition can be expanded to higher levels and eventually organised across all divisions in Sarawak, as part of our continuous effort to empower students with creative, relevant, and high-impact innovation skills for the future.



















UiTM SARAWAK BRANCH TRANSFORMATION PLAN 2025: LEADING CHANGE THROUGH SPECIAL PROJECTS & STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Tuesday, 25 February 2025 | Alhamdulillah, the 2025 Rector's Address Ceremony has been successfully held at the Dewan Jubli, UiTM Sarawak Branch, Samarahan Campus. This event served as an important platform for me to share with all staff the achievements, plans, aspirations, and direction of UiTM Sarawak Branch (UiTMCS) in alignment with UiTM's mission and vision to become a Globally Renowned University.

The initiatives are also in line with the key priorities set by the Ministry of Higher Education (MOHE) and consistent with the Post COVID-19 Development Strategy (PCDS) Sarawak 2030 launched by the Sarawak Government.

In line with this year's Rector's Address theme, "Continuing UiTM Sarawak's Excellence", I presented 8 Rector's Special Projects (UiTMCS Transformation Agenda) and 20 Key Initiatives and Targets (Planning 2025 & Beyond).

The ceremony was made even more meaningful with the presence of YBhg. Datuk Haji Abdul Wahab Aziz, Pro-Chancellor of UiTM, and his wife, Datin Dayang Rosnah binti Haji Abang Drashid, along with Dr. Abdul Rahman Deen, former Director of UiTM Sarawak Branch; Tuan Haji Mohd Sapawi Jamain, President of the UiTM Sarawak Retirees Association (PERASA); members of the PERASA Committee; and members of the UiTM Sarawak Alumni Association (MITSA).

I sincerely hope that all members of UiTM Sarawak Branch will continue to work hand in hand to realise these aspirations towards a more distinguished and dynamic UiTMCS. My heartfelt thanks go to all UiTMCS staff for their unwavering support and commitment in ensuring the success of this meaningful event.



MoU BETWEEN UiTM SARAWAK AND CENTEXS STRENGTHENS ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH COLLABORATION

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Wednesday, 26 February 2025 | Alhamdulillah, today I had the honour of representing Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) Sarawak Branch at the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) Exchange Ceremony between the Centre for Technology Excellence Sarawak (CENTEXS) and UiTM, held at the CENTEXS Multipurpose Hall, Kuching.

The MoU exchange ceremony was held in conjunction with the 9th CENTEXS Convocation Ceremony, officiated by The Right Honourable Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg, Premier of Sarawak.

The key focus of this MoU is the mutual agreement between both parties to promote and enhance academic and collaborative activities between faculties and staff. This includes joint organisation of symposia, conferences, short courses, research discussions, and exchange of information related to developments in teaching, student development, and institutional research.

At the same time, both parties have also agreed to explore further collaboration in other relevant areas from time to time, as mutually determined.

I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to the Student Affairs Division, the Research & Industry Network Division, and Ms. Dayang Hummida binti Abang Abdul Rahman, Lecturer at the Faculty of Management and Business, Mukah Campus, for their contributions in realising this MoU. I sincerely hope that this collaboration will progress successfully and yield positive outcomes for both institutions.





MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU) BETWEEN UiTM SARAWAK BRANCH AND KONSORTIUM BUMI CONSULTANT & SERVICES SDN. BHD.

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Tuesday, 15 April 2025 | The launching ceremony of the Kota Samarahan STEM Innovation Competition (PinKS@UiTM 2025) also witnessed the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between UiTM Sarawak Branch (UiTMCS) and Konsortium Bumi Consultant & Services Sdn. Bhd.

This partnership marks a strategic collaboration between academia and industry, expected to pave the way for various high-impact initiatives that will benefit both parties, particularly in enhancing human capital development and strengthening local technical expertise.





CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE KOTA SAMARAHAN STEM INNOVATION COMPETITION (PinKS@UiTM) 2025

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Wednesday, 16 April 2025 | Alhamdulillah, this morning I had the honour of officiating the Closing Ceremony of the Kota Samarahan STEM Innovation Competition, or PinKS@UiTM 2025, held at the Dewan Jubli, UiTM Sarawak Branch, Samarahan Campus.

Congratulations and well done to all the winners in each competition category. To those who were less successful this year, encourage you to try again next year with even better and more impactful innovative products. As organisers, we believe that every product presented in this competition had the potential to win. However, it all depended on the judges' selection and each participant's good fortune.

This competition stands as a testament to the potential and talent that exist among our students. It also reflects our vision to make Sarawak a state driven by knowledge, creativity, and innovation.

I hope this competition has inspired everyone to continue progressing on your journey of innovation and creativity. Let us work together to nurture a young generation in Sarawak who are ready to lead in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). We also strongly encourage schools to collaborate with universities, as their students will one day become university students themselves.

Remember that innovation is a journey, not a destination. Whether or not you win an award, the experience gained from this competition will remain with you for life.

Once again, my heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to all.





CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY PROGRAM BY UiTM CAWANGAN SARAWAK IN COLLABORATION WITH STRATEGIC PARTNERS UNIVERSITAS SEBELAS MARET, UNIVERSITAS INSAN PEMBANGUNAN, AND POLITEKNIK HARAPAN BERSAMA INDONESIA

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

May 15, 2025 | I had taken the time to attend the closing ceremony of the international mobility program for lecturers and students organized by UiTM Cawangan Sarawak in collaboration with strategic partners Universitas Sebelas Maret, Universitas Insan Pembangunan, and Politeknik Harapan Bersama Indonesia. This program began as early as October 2024 with the conduct of an international academic webinar involving lecturers and students themed "Financial Inclusion in Sustainability." This program was followed by the "SDG13 Video Pitching Competition," which involved students from all four of these educational institutions. This international mobility program was led by Professor Dr. Corina Joseph from the Faculty of Accountancy, UiTM Sarawak.

The closing ceremony was also attended by Dr. Muhammad Bagus Sistriatmaja, Assistant Dean of Academic Affairs UNS, Dr. Heru Nur Cahyo, Director of POLBER, Mdm. Deviana Novitasari (UNIPI), along with lecturers and students. The collaboration between UiTMCS and these higher education institutions is a fulfillment of the signed MOU aimed at enhancing cooperative programs not only in the fields of academics and research but also involving community activities.



Sustainability and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) play a crucial role in ensuring balanced and resilient economic, social, and environmental development. In this context, higher education institutions (HEIs) have a significant responsibility in realizing the SDG 2030 agenda. Higher education institutions (HEIs) not only play a role in producing knowledgeable and skilled graduates but also act as agents of change in fostering awareness and implementing sustainable practices at the campus and community levels. Through research, innovation, and sustainability-based educational programs, higher education institutions can contribute to solving global issues such as climate change, poverty, and social inequality.

In addition, strategic collaboration with industry and government can also accelerate the achievement of SDG goals in a holistic and high-impact manner. Therefore, the commitment of higher education institutions (HEIs) in supporting the SDG 2030 agenda is critical to ensuring inclusive and sustainable development for future generations.



CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE ENGLISH ESCAPADES PROGRAMME

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

22 June 2025 | Alhamdulillah, this morning I had the opportunity to attend the Closing Ceremony of the English Escapades Programme, officiated by Yang Berhormat Dato' Sri Hajah Nancy binti Shukri, Minister of Women, Family and Community Development and Member of Parliament for P193 Santubong, held at Dewan Perdana, SMK Bandar Samariang.

My heartfelt thanks to Dr. Majelan Sulong, District Education Officer, PPD Kuching; Mr. Kamel Haji Achong, Principal of SMK Bandar Baru; Pn. Siti Nur Aishah Jaafar, Chairperson of PEWANI UiTM Sarawak Branch; Tn. Haji Mohd Kamaluddin Mohd Effendie, Political Secretary to YB Dato' Sri Hajah Nancy; Mr. Mohd Ali Taib, Deputy Director of the Department of Social Welfare; as well as all teachers and students from SMK Bandar Samariang (SMKBS).

Thank you to the organisers for the invitation, and special appreciation to YB Dato' Sri Hajah Nancy for graciously taking the time to officiate the closing ceremony despite her busy schedule attending various other programmes.

The English Escapades Programme was organised by lecturers and students of UiTM Sarawak Branch (UiTMCS) enrolled in the co-curriculum courses HGD111 (Public Speaking) and HGD133 (Community Service), in collaboration with UiTM Sarawak Branch, the Women's Association of UiTM Sarawak (PEWANI), and with the support of YB Dato' Sri Hajah Nancy herself.

What made this programme particularly special was that almost the entire organisation and execution were carried out by UiTMCS students. This aligns with our vision to provide students with real-world exposure through event organisation, preparing them for professional experiences after graduation. My sincere appreciation goes to the lecturers who guided and mentored the students throughout the process.

I am confident that such initiatives will continue in the future as we strive to strengthen the relationship between UiTM Sarawak Branch and the local community.









"SISWA KAMPUS I-ZAKAT WAKALAH" PROGRAMME BY THE ISLAMIC WELFARE BODY (BAKIP) PETRONAS SARAWAK

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page







23 May 2025 (Friday) | The Zakat Handover Programme was contributed by the Badan Kebajikan Islam (BAKIP) PETRONAS Sarawak through the "Siswa Kampus i-Zakat Wakalah Programme" held at Tun Abdul Razak Library (PTAR), UiTMCS Samarahan 2 Campus. A total of RM200,000.00 was donated by BAKIP, while the Tabung Baitulmal Sarawak (TBS) contributed "Meal Ready to Eat" (MRE) packs to the asnaf recipients.

Present to hand over the contribution was Puan Norazibah binti Md Rabu, General Manager of PETRONAS Sarawak and Patron of BAKIP Sarawak, together with Encik Nor Azam bin Abang Zawawie, Senior Manager of PETRONAS Sarawak, and Puan Hafizah M. Naim, Manager of PETRONAS Sarawak who also serves as the Chairperson of BAKIP Sarawak. Also in attendance were Encik Mohamat Shukri bin Samor, Head of Distribution Division, TBS; Encik Norzahan binti Bahani, Head of TBS Samarahan Division; Encik Zainal Abidin bin Abdul Rahim, Head of Asnaf Outreach Unit, TBS Kuching; Assoc. Prof. Dr. Saimi Bujang, Deputy Rector of Student Affairs; Assoc. Prof. Dr. Abdul Razak Abdul Kadir, Assistant Rector of UiTMCS Samarahan 2 Campus; the asnaf student recipients, and other invited guests.

The contribution from PETRONAS enabled a total of 200 UiTMCS asnaf students to receive assistance, comprising 78 students from Samarahan Campus, 96 students from Samarahan 2 Campus, and the remaining recipients from UiTMCS Mukah Campus, each receiving RM1,000.

This programme represents the welfare initiative and commitment of BAKIP and TBS in supporting those in need, thereby helping to ease the burden of students, especially in ensuring they have sufficient food supplies while pursuing their studies on campus.

It is hoped that the close collaboration established throughout this programme will lead to the organisation of more initiatives in the future, ultimately benefiting all asnaf students.

May all our efforts continue to facilitate the educational journey of asnaf students as we strive to produce more underprivileged students who attain higher education.



STRATEGIC LINKAGE BETWEEN UiTM SARAWAK BRANCH AND NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY (NIU): DRIVING GLOBAL EXCELLENCE

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

9 May 2025 | Last Friday morning, I received a courtesy visit from Professor Melissa E. Lenczewski, Assistant Director of the Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Northern Illinois University (NIU), United States, at my office in Samarahan 2 Campus. I warmly welcomed Prof. Melissa and her delegation to UiTM Sarawak Branch (UiTMCS) and thanked them for taking the time to visit.

Throughout the meeting, we discussed various interesting topics and issues. Among them, Prof. Melissa shared that her team is currently researching groundwater resources. The study was initiated because groundwater sources are often overlooked due to their invisibility, despite being a major source of water in this country. Moreover, it rarely becomes the focus of scholarly research in the state, even though it plays a crucial role in climate resilience, economic development, and human health.

Prof. Melissa also expressed concern about the growing presence of contaminants of emerging concern (CEC), which has become an increasing issue not only in Malaysia but also throughout Southeast Asia. This is mainly due to high population density and inadequate sanitation infrastructure, making groundwater pollution a critical environmental issue. Additionally, the widespread presence of microplastics (MP) today further contributes to the contamination of groundwater sources, oceans, and the agricultural sector.

In relation to this, Prof. Melissa mentioned that NIU is working to establish a Midwest Research Center focusing on advancing microplastic science research, while also emphasizing standardization, community engagement, and policymaker involvement.

According to her, this research will bring together experts from various fields, including geology, biology, environmental science, public health, and Southeast Asian studies, demonstrating the need for cross-disciplinary collaboration. The research will span from Thailand to Malaysia, extending even to Mexico, to explore how microplastics affect different groundwater environments across the world.

It is hoped that more academics will take up groundwater research as their focus in the future. UiTM Sarawak Branch also hopes that the research conducted by NIU will have a positive global impact on groundwater resources.





UiTM SARAWAK STUDENT PARLIAMENT CONFERENCE 2025 - THIRD SESSION, SERIES 1

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

25 June 2025 | Alhamdulillah, this morning I had the opportunity to attend the UiTM Sarawak Branch's Student Parliament's Third Session Series 1, which for the first time was held at the Sarawak State Legislative Assembly (DUN). Accompanying me were Assoc. Prof. Dr. Saimi Bujang, Deputy Rector of Student Affairs; Assoc. Prof. Dr. Abdul Razak Abdul Kadir, Assistant Rector of UiTMCS Samarahan 2 Campus; Mr. Mohamad Hasimi Abdullah, Senior Deputy Registrar; Farzi bin Harni, President of the Student Representative Council (MPP) Session 2024/2025 UiTMCS; as well as other staff from the Student Affairs Division.

The keynote address was delivered by The Honourable Tan Sri Datuk Amar Mohamad Asfia Bin Awang Nassar, Speaker of the Sarawak State Legislative Assembly. He expressed excitement and appreciation for UiTMCS's initiative to bring students to debate at the DUN, noting that he had long awaited university participation in using the State Assembly as a platform. According to him, such opportunities serve as a foundational step in shaping leaders who are eloquent and prepared to engage in the political arena.

A total of 155 students, comprising presidents and vice-presidents of various associations, participated in this Student Parliament session. The primary objective of the programme is to provide students with insight into the structure and procedures of parliamentary proceedings.

Furthermore, it aims to empower students annually, especially those in the Student Representative Council (MPP), who are fully responsible for the success of this Student Parliament programme.

This initiative not only has a significant impact on the development of human capital capable of contributing to society in the future, but also broadens students' understanding of the importance of the national parliamentary system in preparing them for life after graduation. May this programme help shape students into knowledgeable leaders and future politicians as they step into the world of politics.

I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the Sarawak State Legislative Assembly, especially the Honourable Tan Sri Datuk Amar Mohamad Asfia bin Awang Nassar, Speaker of the Sarawak State Legislative Assembly, and two UiTM alumni, namely En. Nur Azhar bin Bujang, Secretary of the Sarawak State Legislative Assembly, and En.. Abang Mohammad Adib bin Abang Sallehhadin, Acting Deputy Secretary of the Sarawak State Legislative Assembly, for their willingness to accept the presence of our students.







UiTM SARAWAK STUDENT PARLIAMENT CONFERENCE 2025 - THIRD SESSION, SERIES 1 (CLOSING SESSION)

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

26 June 2025 | Alhamdulillah, I once again had the opportunity to attend the Student Parliament Conference, Third Session, Series 1 of UiTM Sarawak Branch, for the closing session held at the Sarawak State Legislative Assembly (DUN). A total of five motions were debated over the two-day course of this inaugural Student Parliament conference held in the DUN Sarawak building.



It is evident that almost all of the more than 150 student representatives, comprising members of the Student Representative Council as well as presidents and vice-presidents of associations, debated the motions presented exceptionally well. This demonstrates that they seized the opportunity to engage in debates within a genuine parliamentary environment.

I have pledged that we will carefully review and study each of the motions debated, as there are strong foundations to do so. However, everything depends on our capabilities, particularly in terms of resources, funding, and other factors.



Nonetheless, I would like to extend my congratulations and appreciation to all the representatives who successfully realised our primary goal, which is to expose students to the setting and processes within Parliament so that they may experience a real-life debate atmosphere. Without a doubt, this programme serves as a crucial platform for shaping leaders who are skilled in debate as they step into the political arena. Such experiences are particularly significant today, especially in the context of the lowered voting age to 18, which places young people at the heart of determining the country's future.



Once again, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Sarawak State Legislative Assembly, especially to The Honourable Tan Sri Datuk Amar Mohamad Asfia bin Awang Nassar, Speaker of the Sarawak DUN, and two UiTM alumni - En. Nur Azhar bin Bujang, Secretary of the Sarawak DUN, and En. Abang Mohammad Adib bin Abang Sallehhadin, Acting Deputy Secretary of the Sarawak DUN, for graciously welcoming our students.

May programmes such as this receive support from the Sarawak Government, particularly from The Honourable Speaker, so that it becomes an annual initiative, allowing students to immerse themselves in the real-world parliamentary debate environment.



LETTER OF APPOINTMENT CEREMONY FOR THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (MPP) SESSION 2024/2025 AND THE MPP APPRECIATION CEREMONY FOR SESSION 2023/2024

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page







28 June 2025 (Sabtu) | Alhamdulillah, last night I had the opportunity to attend the Letter of Appointment Ceremony for the Student Representative Council (MPP) Session 2024/2025 and the MPP Appreciation Ceremony for Session 2023/2024, held at the Dewan Jubli, UiTMCS Samarahan Campus.

Thank you to the Student Affairs Division (HEP) for kindly inviting me to the event. Although I arrived a bit late due to attending two other events earlier, I made every effort to be present and show appreciation for the MPP's contributions and efforts.

Also in attendance were Assoc. Prof. Dr. Saimi Bujang, Deputy Rector of Student Affairs (HEP); Farzi bin Harni, President of the Student Representative Council (MPP) for the 2024/2025 session; Muhamad Nursaiful Idham Abdullah, Former President of the MPP for the 2023/2024 session; heads of HEP units; and other guests.

We truly recognise the role played by the MPP as a bridge between the students and the university administration. Therefore, they must set a good example for other students in terms of actions, achievements, and behaviour.

The MPP has also significantly assisted us in achieving Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) as outlined by the university management through the organisation of various inbound and outbound programmes.

On behalf of UiTMCS management, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the former MPP committee members who have made significant contributions to the progress and achievements of UiTMCS.

Congratulations also to the current MPP committee members for consistently prioritising student welfare.

I hope this current line-up of MPP members will grow into dedicated and respected leaders in the future.



THE GAWAI-RAYA POSTGRADUATE DINNER 2025

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

28 June 2025 (Saturday) | Alhamdulillah, last night I had the opportunity to attend two dinner events celebrating outstanding students. The first event I attended was the 2025 Gawai-Raya Postgraduate Dinner organised by the Centre for Graduate Studies (CGS), held at a hotel in Kuching city. Also present were Assoc. Prof. Dr. Abdul Razak Abdul Kadir, Assistant Rector of UiTM Sarawak Branch Samarahan 2 Campus; Dr. Abdul Jabbar Abdullah, Assistant Rector of UiTM Sarawak Branch Mukah Campus; Dr. Johari Abdullah, Head of the Centre for Graduate Studies, along with lecturers, coordinators from CGS, students, and alumni.

Thank you to CGS for inviting me to present the Best Postgraduate Faculty Awards to MBA and DBA students for the 20244 semester. Congratulations to the award recipients and I hope you will continue to strive for excellence and complete your studies within the stipulated period.











APPRECIATION & PRE-GRADUATION DINNER 2025 INSTITUTE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES (iCEPS) UITM CAWANGAN SARAWAK

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

28 June 2025 (Saturday) |After the first event, Gawai-Raya Postgraduate Dinner, I rushed to the iCEPS 2025 Appreciation and Pre-Graduation Dinner, which was also held at a hotel in Kuching city. This inaugural event was officiated by YBhg Datuk Haji Abdul Wahab Aziz, Pro-Chancellor of UiTM, who also delivered the keynote speech. The event was also attended by YBhg Datin Dayang Rosnah Bt Haji Abang Drashid, the Pro-Chancellor's wife; Professor Dr. Faizah Binti Abd Majid, Chief Executive of the Institute of Continuing Education and Professional Studies (iCEPS) UiTM; Assoc. Prof. Ts. Chm. Dr. Mohammad Isa Mohamadin, Deputy Rector of Academic and International Affairs UiTMCS; Dr. Azlina Bujang, Head of iCEPS UiTMCS; Mr. Fabian bin Henry, Chief Executive of SATT College; and other guests.

A total of 98 students successfully received the Dean's Award, a proud achievement that proves commitment and hard work truly pay off. Congratulations to all the award recipients and future graduates. This achievement is not just an individual success, but also a reflection of the support system around them, including family, colleagues, lecturers, and this institution.

I encourage all students to continue seeking opportunities to enhance their academic qualifications through lifelong learning. iCEPS UiTMCS has indeed played a vital role in this by providing ample opportunities, especially for working individuals, without having to neglect their responsibilities to work and family. This is a prime example of how flexible education supports inclusive human capital development to meet industry demands in Sarawak, particularly in rapidly growing sectors like digital technology, entrepreneurship, healthcare, and tourism.

iCEPS graduates are expected to fill key roles in this ecosystem and make meaningful contributions to the state's development.

Congratulations once again to all students on your achievements. May this success serve as the foundation for even greater accomplishments in the future.







GRAND IFTAR CEREMONY 2025 WITH THE RIGHT HONOURABLE PREMIER OF SARAWAK

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Alhamdulillah, the Grand Iftar Ceremony 2025 with The Right Honourable Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg, Premier of Sarawak, held at Masjid Al-Qarawiyyin, UiTM Sarawak Branch, Samarahan Campus, was carried out smoothly and with many blessings.

The Premier of Sarawak was represented by The Honourable Dato Sri Haji Julaihi bin Haji Narawi, Minister for Utilities and Telecommunications, Sarawak.

This ceremony was organised to celebrate the asnaf (eligible zakat recipients) students and staff of UiTM Sarawak Branch (UiTMCS) and to help ease their financial burdens in preparation for Ramadan and the upcoming Syawal celebrations. At the same time, it aimed to strengthen the relationship between the university, state government leaders, and the local community during the holy month of Ramadan, reflecting UiTM Sarawak's commitment to fostering the spirit of giving and sharing.

During the event, YB Dato Sri Julaihi also presented contributions to 55 asnaf recipients, consisting of underprivileged students, single mothers, UiTMCS staff, and new Muslim converts from Kampung Plaie (the converts' village) in Kota Samarahan.

The contributions were channelled through the Zakat and Waqf Unit (ZAWAF) of UiTMCS, with funds from the Zakat Fund for student beneficiaries, while the Charity Fund was used for UiTMCS staff and asnaf from Kampung Plaie. Contributions for the single mothers were provided by the Women's Association of Universiti Teknologi MARA (PEWANI).

Following the presentation ceremony, YB Dato Sri Julaihi witnessed the handover of zakat mock cheques and corporate contributions to UiTM Sarawak Branch, as follows:

1. Maybank Islamic Berhad, represented by Mr. Abang Jamili bin Abang Julai, Regional Director of Maybank Sarawak Region, presented a contribution of RM115,105.00 to the UiTMCS Zakat Fund.
2. Rafulin Holdings Sdn. Bhd., represented by Ms. Ivy Molly Luhat, Branch Manager of Rafulin Sarawak, on behalf of YBhg. Dato' Mohamed Raffe Chekku, Managing Director of Rafulin Holdings Sdn. Bhd., presented a contribution of RM75,450.00 to the UiTMCS Zakat Fund.

More than 400 attendees, including students, UiTMCS staff, and invited guests, were present at the event. The evening began with iftar (breaking of fast), followed by Maghrib congregational prayer and the presentation of contributions to the asnaf recipients. The ceremony continued with Isyak and Tarawih prayers, and concluded with moreh (light supper).

Also in attendance were YBhg. Datuk Haji Abdul Wahab bin Aziz, Pro-Chancellor of UiTM, and his wife, YBhg. Datin Dayang Rosnah binti Haji Abang Drashid, members of the UiTM Sarawak Branch State Executive Committee (JKEN), Heads of Departments, community leaders from nearby villages in the Samarahan District, as well as students and members of UiTM Sarawak Branch.

Heartfelt appreciation and sincere thanks to The Honourable Dato Sri Haji Julaihi for graciously taking the time to attend this event.

A special note of appreciation is also extended to all corporate organisations for their generous contributions, and not forgetting the organising committee members for their dedication, commitment, and effort in ensuring the success of this event.









UITM SARAWAK BRANCH GRAND AIDILFITRI CELEBRATION 2025

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Wednesday, 9 April 2025, Alhamdulillah, the UiTM Sarawak Branch Grand Aidilfitri Celebration 2025, held last night at Dewan Jubli, UiTMCS Samarahan Campus, was filled with joy and harmony as it brought together more than 600 members of the UiTMCS community, including staff and students.

This year's celebration was made even more special and festive with the first-ever attendance of His Excellency the Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, Tun Pehin Sri Dr. Haji Wan Junaidi bin Tuanku Jaafar, and Her Excellency, Toh Puan Datuk Patinggi Fauziah binti Mohd Sanusi.

Words cannot fully express our deep gratitude and appreciation to His Excellency Tun and Her Excellency Toh Puan for their gracious presence at the event. It was indeed a moment of great joy for the entire UiTMCS community and a testament to the kindness and humility of Their Excellencies in engaging with the people of Sarawak, regardless of rank or status.

Heartfelt thanks are also extended to YB Dato Sri Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah, Minister for Tourism, Creative Industry & Performing Arts, who is also the Minister for Youth, Sports, and Entrepreneur Development Sarawak, and his wife YBhg. Datin Sri Zuraini Abdul Jabar, as well as YBhg. Datuk Haji Abdul Wahab bin Aziz, Pro-Chancellor of UiTM, and his wife YBhg. Datin Dayang Rosnah binti Haji Abang Drashid, along with other distinguished guests for taking the time to attend the celebration.

During the event, His Excellency Tun and Her Excellency Toh Puan also graciously presented Study Assistance Grants (Bantuan Awal Pengajian – BAP) to 20 UiTMCS students, each receiving RM1,000. This financial aid was contributed by Yayasan Bank Rakyat (YBR), which donated RM100,000 to UiTMCS to support students from the B40 income group. We sincerely thank YBR for their generosity and concern, as this initiative helps ease the financial burden faced by students as they begin a new semester.

The evening also celebrated the winners of the Best Attire Awards, won by Mr. Mohamad Isa bin Edi Wahab, Senior Operations Assistant, Research and Industry Networking Division, and Dr. Azlina binti Bujang, Senior Lecturer at the Faculty of Computer and Mathematical Sciences, for the male and female categories respectively.

In the Best Booth Competition, the Research and Industry Networking Division, together with the Infostructure Unit, emerged as Champion, followed by the Farm Management Unit in collaboration with the Faculty of Business Management in second place, while the Facilities Management Division took third place.

Congratulations to all winners, and heartfelt appreciation to the Organising Committee, led by Mr. Mohd Hasimi Abdullah, Senior Deputy Registrar, Administration Division, for their dedication and hard work in ensuring the smooth success of this meaningful event.









FOOD BANK & STUDENT AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT (HEP) KITCHEN CONTRIBUTION CEREMONY AND THE SINAR KASIH AIDILFITRI PROGRAMME FOR ASNAF STUDENTS 2025

Source:
UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page

Friday, 28 March 2025, Alhamdulillah, on this blessed Friday, the Food Bank & Student Affairs Department (HEP) Kitchen Contribution Ceremony and the Sinar Kasih Aidilfitri Programme for Asnaf Students 2025 were successfully officiated by YB Dato Fazzrudin bin Haji Abdul Rahman, Political Secretary to the Premier of Sarawak and State Assemblyman (ADUN) for N.6 Tupong, at Masjid Al-Qurawiyyin, UiTM Sarawak Branch, Samarahan Campus.

During the event, YB Dato Fazzrudin presented a mock cheque worth RM20,000.00 as a contribution to support the Food Bank and HEP Kitchen initiatives. He then officiated the Food Bank premises, located at the Administration Building of UiTMCS Samarahan Campus, through a symbolic ribbon-cutting ceremony.

This Food Bank initiative was established to assist students, especially those from the B40 income group, by providing them with food supplies throughout their studies. It aims to ease their financial burden, reduce the cost of living, and ensure that they can stay focused on their academic pursuits without worrying about daily necessities.

In addition, YB Dato Fazzrudin also presented Aidilfitri gift packages to 20 selected students through the UiTM Sarawak Zakat, Sedekah, and Waqf Unit. This gesture is hoped to bring cheer and lighten the financial load of the students as they prepare for the upcoming festive season.

At the same event, he launched the Waqf Project for the Construction of the Al-Qurawiyyin Mosque Parking Area. The total estimated cost for the upgrading project, including the creation of dedicated access for persons with disabilities (OKU) is RM240,000.00. Once completed, the improved parking facilities will provide greater convenience not only for the UiTMCS community but also for nearby residents and worshippers, including the OKU community.

Also present were Assoc. Prof. Dr. Saimi Bujang, Deputy Rector for Student Affairs, UiTM Sarawak Branch; representatives from the Premier's Office Political Secretaries Delegation; recipients of the contributions; and other invited guests.

Heartfelt appreciation is also extended to YB Dato Fazzrudin and the Premier's Political Secretaries Delegation for taking the time to attend and officiate the ceremony at UiTMCS. May Allah SWT reward all those involved abundantly and bless every effort made in supporting the welfare and well-being of our students.









RETREAT & BENGKEL PERANCANGAN STRATEGIK 2025 PADA 19-21 FEBRUARI 2025

Disediakan oleh:
Siti Nurfarahine binti Minggu

UiTM Cawangan Sarawak telah mengadakan Retreat & Bengkel Perancangan Strategik 2025 pada 19 hingga 21 Februari 2025 bertempat di Yes Union Retreat Lundu, Sarawak. Bengkel ini bertujuan untuk merangka pelan strategik serta hala tuju setiap Pusat Tanggungjawab (PTJ) bagi mencapai sasaran prestasi yang telah ditetapkan oleh Bahagian Transformasi Universiti (BTU), selaras dengan aspirasi menjadikan UiTM sebagai sebuah Universiti terkemuka di peringkat Global. Dalam masa yang sama, YBrs. Profesor Dr. Firdaus Abdullah , Rektor UiTM Cawangan Sarawak telah memperkenalkan Agenda Transformasi UiTM Sarawak bagi merialisasikan visi menjadikan UiTMCS sebagai pusat kecemerlangan yang gemilang.

Bengkel ini telah dihadiri oleh Rektor, Ahli Jawatankuasa Eksekutif Negeri (JKEN), para pensyarah dan pentadbir yang bertanggunjawab merancang strategi PTJ masing-masing. Sesi perbincangan interaktif telah diadakan untuk mendapatkan input daripada peserta, dan hasilnya diterjemahkan kepada Pelan Tindakan Strategik (SAP) PTJ. Pemetaan SAP turut dibuat berdasarkan penunjuk aras di peringkat KPT, GRU2025, PCDS2030, dan Agenda Transformasi UiTMCS. Bagi bahagian Hal Ehwal Akademik & Antarabangsa (BHEAA), perancangan telah dipimpin oleh Prof. Madya Ts. ChM Dr. Mohammad Isa Mohamadin, Timbalan Rektor BHEAA, dengan fokus kepada pengukuhan kualiti akademik dan pencapaian antarabangsa.



LAWATAN UNIVERSITAS PANCA BHAKTI KE UiTM CAWANGAN SARAWAK

Disediakan oleh:
Siti Nurfarahine binti Minggu

UiTM Cawangan Sarawak telah menerima kunjungan hormat daripada delegasi pengurusan tertinggi Universitas Panca Bhakti (UPB) pada 6 Februari 2025 bertempat di Kampus Samarahan 2. Delegasi tersebut diketuai oleh Rektor UPB, Dr. Purwanto, dan turut disertai oleh Dr. Ir. Agusalim Masulili (Timbalan Rektor I UPB), Ir. Arif Parabi (Timbalan Rektor II UPB) serta barisan ahli pengurusan tertinggi universiti berkenaan.

Tujuan kunjungan ini adalah untuk memperkukuh hubungan kerjasama antara UPB dan UiTM, yang telah lama terjalin melalui Memoranduam Persefahaman (MoU) dan pelaksanaan pelbagai program mobility melibatkan kedua-dua universiti.

Delegasi UPB telah disambut mesra oleh Prof. Madya Ts. ChM. Dr. Mohammad Isa bin Mohamadin (Timbalan Rektor Hal Ehwal Akademik & Antarabangsa), Prof. Madya Dr. Abdul Razak bin Abdul Kadir (Penolong Rektor Kampus Samarahan 2), Dr. Wan Juliana Emeih Wahed (Penyelaras UiTM Global Sarawak), serta staf jemputan yang lain.

Pertemuan ini diharapkan dapat memberikan impak positif dan mewujudkan jalinan kerjasama dua hala yang lebih erat, selaras dengan aspirasi UiTM untuk muncul sebagai universiti terkemuka di peringkat global.







PEPERIKSAAN AKHIR SARJANA, SARJANA MUDA DAN DIPLOMA SEMESTER OKTOBER 2024 – FEBRUARI 2025 (20244) UITM CAWANGAN SARAWAK

Disediakan Oleh:
Sharifah Noraini Binti Wan Mustapa

Peperiksaan Akhir Semester Oktober 2024 – Februari 2025 (20244) Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) telah berlangsung serentak di seluruh kampus cawangan pada 3 Februari 2025, melibatkan pelajar program Diploma, Sarjana Muda dan Sarjana.

Seramai 16,514 orang pelajar telah menduduki peperiksaan kali ini, terdiri daripada 7,991 pelajar di Kampus Samarahan, 6,191 pelajar di Kampus Samarahan 2, dan 2,332 pelajar di Kampus Mukah.

YBrs. Profesor Dr. Firdaus Abdullah, Rektor UiTM Cawangan Sarawak, bersama Profesor Madya Ts. ChM Dr. Mohammad Isa bin Mohamadin, Timbalan Rektor Bahagian Hal Ehwal Akademik & Antarabangsa (BHEAA), turut meluangkan masa meninjau lokasi-lokasi pelaksanaan peperiksaan akhir bagi memastikan kelancaran operasi.

Peperiksaan akhir ini dijadualkan berakhir pada 20 Februari 2025 bagi Kampus Samarahan, manakala 18 Februari 2025 bagi Kampus Mukah.

"Kepada semua pelajar UiTM, semoga dipermudahkan segala urusan dan beroleh kejayaan yang cemerlang"







BENGKEL PENGENALAN KECEMERLANGAN ORGANISASI (OE) UNTUK STAFF BAHAGIAN HAL EHWAL AKADEMIK & ANTARABANGSA KAMPUS SAMARAHAN UiTM CAWANGAN SARAWAK BAGI TAHUN 2025

Disediakan oleh:
Atikawati Ahmad Razali

Bahagian Hal Ehwal Akademik dan Antarabangsa (HEA&A) telah menganjurkan Bengkel Kecemerlangan Organisasi (OE) 2025 pada 10 Mac 2025 bertempat di Bilik Sarjana, Kampus Samarahan. Bengkel yang julung kali diadakan ini menghimpunkan 74 warga HEA&A daripada pelbagai unit termasuk Unit Am, Unit Penilaian Akademik, Unit Prasarana, Unit Pembelajaran dan Pengajaran, Unit Makmal, Unit Ladang, HEA Mukah, serta Unit Rekod/Pengambilan Pelajar. Penganjuran bengkel ini bertujuan untuk mengkaji semula dan menambah baik Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) dari aspek kecemerlangan operasi, memberi pendedahan mengenai konsep dan manfaat OE keoada semua staf untuk diaplikasikan dalam fungsi dan skop tugas harian, serta menambah nilai kepada SOP dan senarai tugas agar selaras dengan universiti ke arah penjimatan kos dan penjanaan pendapatan. Bahagian HEA&A memegang peranan penting dalam pengurusan pengajaran dan pembelajaran universiti secara keseluruhannya, justeru itu penambahbaikan berterusan adalah penting bagi menyokong aspirasi Naib Canselor untuk mengangkat UiTM ke persada dunia.

Kecemerlangan Operasi (OE) merupakan pendekatan penambahbaikan proses kerja secara sistematik dan berterusanuntuk meningkatkan kecekapan, keberkesanan dan kualiti perkhidmatan, disamping mengurangkan pembaziran serta meningkatkan nilai kepada pihak berkepentingan. Pelaksanaan OE turut membentuk budaya kerja yang focus kepada penambahbaikan berterusan dan menjadi salah satu inisiatif utama UiTM bagi memperkukuhkan amalan kerja yang lebih efektif di seluruh UiTM. Melalui bengkel ini, warga HEA&A berpeluang meningkatkan Kemahiran dalam mengaplikasikan prinsip OE, selain membuka ruang perbincangan bagi penambahbaikan sistem pengurusan di Bahagian HEA&A serta merangka inisiatif yang menyokong penjimatan dan penjanaan pendapatan universiti.

Hasil daripada bengkel tersebut, sebanyak enam projek OE telah berjaya didaftarkan untuk pemilihan ke pertandingan OE di peringkat UiTM. Bengkel ini juga diharapkan dapat menjadi pemangkin kepada pembudayaan OE dalam semua proses gerak kerja di Bahagian HEA&A, seterusnya menyumbang kepada keberkesananoperasi dan pengukuhan reputasi UiTM di peringkat global.







BENGKEL PERANCANGAN STRATEGIK BERSAMA PENGURUSAN AKADEMIK 2025

Disediakan oleh:
Sharifah Noraini binti Wan Mustapa

Bengkel anjuran Bahagian Hal Ehwal Akademik dan Antarabangsa (HEA&A) UiTM Cawangan Sarawak ini telah oleh 32 orang peserta yang terdiri daripada Ketua Pusat Pengajian (KPP), Koordinator/Penyelaras Program, Ketua Unit, serta Penolong Pendaftar dan Pegawai Eksekutif Bahagian HEA&A.

Prof. Madya Ts. ChM. Dr. Mohammad Isa Mohamadin, Timbalan Rektor HEA&A, telah menyampaikan kata-kata aluan semasa sesi pembukaan bengkel yang berlangsung pada 17 Mac 2025 bertempat di Bilik Sarjana, Kampus Samarahan.

Objektif utama bengkel ini adalah untuk menyediakan dan mendaftarkan Strategic Action Plan (SAP) bagi setiap program di Dashboard Pemantauan SAP, yang merangkumi semua Performance Indicators (PI) berkaitan. Selain itu, bengkel ini turut membincangkan hala tuju Bahagian HEA&A serta pelaksanan *Rector Transformation Project & Initiative* bagi memastikan keselarasan dengan matlamat strategik universiti.







UiTMCS ANJUR BENGKEL PENULISAN LAPORAN EPSRR/IQA04

Disediakan oleh:
Profesor Madya Ts. ChM Dr. Mohammad Isa bin Mohamadin

Prof. Madya Ts. ChM. Dr. Mohammad Isa Mohamadin, Timbalan Rektor Hal Ehwal Akademik dan Antarabangsa telah hadir menyempurnakan Majlis Penutupan Bengkel Penulisan Laporan ePSRR/IQA04 yang berlangsung pada 4 Februari 2025 bertempat di Ruai Pengawa, Kampus Samarahan.

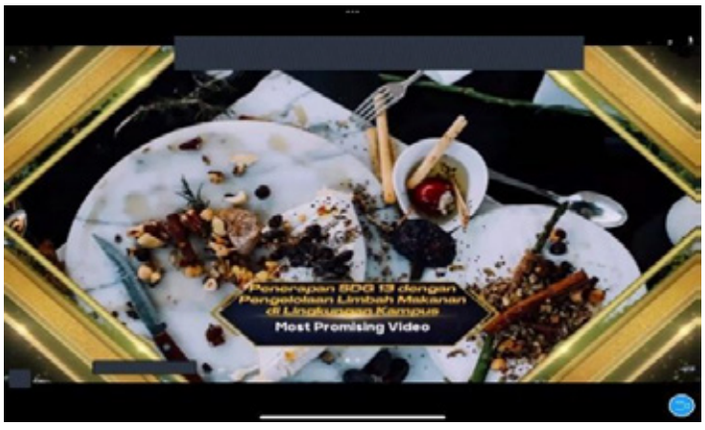
Bengkel anjuran Unit Kualiti dan Akreditasi UiTMCS ini telah dihadiri oleh 85 orang peserta terdiri daripada para penulis dan juruaudit ePSRR/IQA04, termasuk Ketua Pusat Pengajian (KPP).- Objektif penganjuran bengkel ini adalah untuk memberi penerangan terperinci mengenai template pelarasan penulisan laporan ePSRR/IQA04 serta memperjelaskan peranan dan tanggungjawab KPP bersama para penulis dalam memastikan setiap laporan disediakan dengan tepat, lengkap, dan mematuhi keperluan InQKA bagi tujuan Audit Penilai Luar di bawah sistem iQMS.

Sesi taklimat utama telah disampaikan oleh Dr. Siti Nor Ain Seri Masran, Koordinator Unit Hal Ehwal Kokurikulum (UHEK) UiTMCS, yang berkongsi panduan teknikal dan amalan terbaik dalam penyediaan laporan.

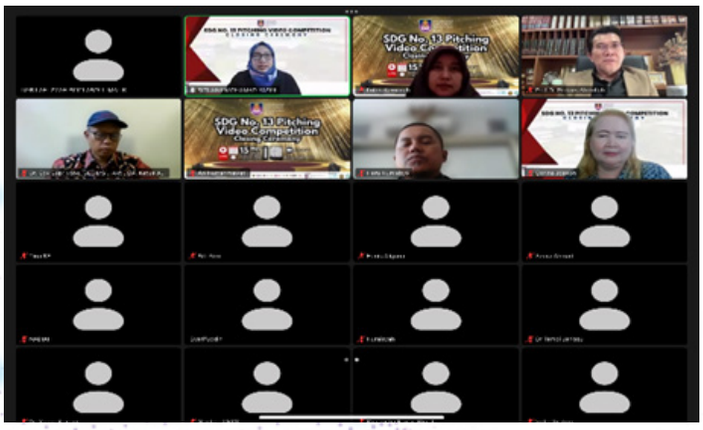












CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE 'SDG NO. 13 PITCHING VIDEO COMPETITION' PROGRAMME

By: Mariam Rahmat and Saifulrizan Norizan

On 15 May 2025, the Faculty of Accountancy, UiTM Samarahan Campus, successfully held a virtual closing ceremony for the 'SDG No. 13 Pitching Video Competition' programme. This initiative was a collaboration between the Faculty of Accountancy, UiTM Samarahan Campus, and two Indonesian universities, namely Universitas Sebelas Maret (UNS) and Politeknik Harapan Bersama (POLBER). The competition saw a total of 41 entries from accounting students of UiTM, UNS, and POLBER. The closing ceremony was officiated by the Rector of UiTM Sarawak, Professor Dr. Firdaus Abdullah, and attended by representatives from UNS, Dr. Lulus Kurniasih (Head of the Master of Accounting Programme), and Dr. Apt Heru Nur Cahyo (Director of POLBER).

The competition aimed to raise awareness among students about SDG 13, which addresses the impacts of global climate change and the actions that should be taken in response. The competition details were announced by Professor Dr. Corina Joseph, the programme coordinator, during a mobility programme on October 11, 2024. The winning videos were as follows:

1. UiTM: "Powering a Greener Future: Accelerating Electrification Programme and Geothermal Energy Use for Climate Action"
2. UNS: "Our Home, Our Responsibility: Climate Action on Our Earth"
3. POLBER: "Together Towards a Green Campus"

Additionally, the organizers presented a special award for "The Most Promising Video" to the entry titled "3 Minutes SDG's Competition: Supporting SDG 13 through Food Waste Reduction and Management in Campus Environments", created by UNS students. It is hoped that this programme will help produce graduates who are environmentally conscious and enhance collaborative efforts between UiTM and international universities.

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