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Talk Series at Politeknik Sultan Azlan Shah, Behrang, Perak By: Rofiza Aboo Bakar

On October 4, 2024. Politeknik Sultan Azlan Shah, Behrang, Perak, organised a talk series aimed at enhancing students' academic and professional skills. Associate Professor Dr. Rofiza Aboo Bakar, from the Academy of Language Studies, Universiti Teknologi MARA Cawangan Pulau Pinang, was invited as a guest speaker for the event. The sessions, attended by engineering undergraduates and their supervisors, focussed on three crucial topics: Introduction to Literature Review, Elements Needed in Abstract Writing, and Presentation Skills for Engineering Undergraduates.

The first session, Introduction to Literature Review, introduced students to the fundamentals of analysing and synthesising academic resources. It was emphasised that identifying gaps in research, organising information effectively, and maintaining a critical approach to literature were essential. The session provided participants with a structured framework to approach this important academic task.

The second session, Elements Needed in Abstract Writing, highlighted the key components required for a well-written abstract. Participants learned how to craft concise and precise abstracts that capture the gist of their research. Practical examples were shared to demonstrate how clarity, coherence, and relevance contribute to abstract writing.

The final session, Presentation Skills for Engineering Undergraduates, focussed on equipping students with techniques to deliver effective presentations. Topics included structuring content, engaging the audience, and utilising visual aids appropriately.

Feedback from attendees was positive, with many expressing appreciation for the practical knowledge and strategies shared. By bridging the gap between academic preparation and practical application, the talk series aimed to improve the writing skills of polytechnique engineering students for their final year projects.

Politeknik Sultan Azlan Shah extends its gratitude to Dr. Rofiza Aboo Bakar for her contributions to the success of this programme.



