## UCSI graduates assured of global competitiveness via Co-Op programme

**KUCHING:** UCSI University has been aggressive in ensuring its graduates are equipped with cross cultural and global thinking skills.

Under its industry placement arrangement, Co-operative (Co-Op) education, students are exposed to real working environment related to their study disciplines and career goals.

"Universities are tasked with producing competent global employees who excel beyond knowledge boundaries.

"Since the introduction of Co-Op in our hospitality programmes in 2011, many UCSI students have found themselves embracing new opportunities overseas," the university said in a statement.

Co-Op combines both class-based learning and structured and supported workplace activity with

opportunities to reflect on learning and seek timely feedback on performance. Through industrial placement, students' employability are greatly enhanced.

Recently, the university sent 44 of its Hotel Management and Culinary Arts students to various hotels across Malaysia on its industrial placement programme. Most of the students were accepted by five-star hotels in Kuala Lumpur and Johor such as the Traders Hotel and Concorde Hotel.

This complemented the university's other efforts that included sending students for internship in countries like Japan, New Zealand and Singapore.

"UCSI continues to approach and engage Co-Op partners in more countries to elevate its international internship profile," the university said.

UCSI University Sarawak Campus houses the Faculty of Hospitality Management (FHTM) and Centre for Pre-U Studies (CPU).

FHTM offers three degree programmes namely, BA (Hons) in Commerce, BA (Hons) in Event and Tourism Management and BA (Hons) in Hospitality Management.

FHTM also offers three diploma programme namely, Diploma in Hotel Management, Diploma in Culinary Arts and Diploma in Leisure and Recreation.

For those interested to further their studies in Medicine and Health Sciences, Pharmacy, Architecture, Engineering, Social Sciences and Applied Science programmes, the Centre for Pre-U Studies (CPU) of Sarawak Campus gives options for them to study their Foundation Studies both in Arts and Science.

Registration for its May intake is now in progress. Students interested in registering for the programmes are reminded to bring along their academic transcripts or result slips,

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