

Strong foundation in IT

IN this digital era, the need for skilled manpower in information technology is wide open, but the world's foremost work in the near future is almost entirely related to that field.

Accordingly, Universiti Kuala Lumpur Malaysian Institute of Information Technology (UniKL MIIT) has introduced a new programme – the Foundation in Computer Technology (FICT), whose second intake will be in June.

UniKL MIIT Technical Foundation Section head Dr Yasmin Yahya said FICT was introduced to provide students with Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM) and O-Level qualifications a chance to pursue a bachelor's degree in information technology. It is open to local and international students.

Besides fresh SPM and O-Level school-leavers, those in the government or private sectors looking to further their study to the



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FICT comprises a combination of academic skills and content-specific modules, providing an introductory grounding in computer technology as well as challenging work on critical thinking, academic literacy and communication skills.

It helps in increasing the uptake of computer science and technological courses at the tertiary level to meet industry talent needs.

“The one-year and two-months-with-three-semester foundation programme is the right pathway for these students as they will be directly absorbed into the degree programmes offered by UniKL MIIT, except for the animation programme,” Dr Yasmin said.

She added that by enrolling in this programme, students could save a lot of time compared to a diploma programme, which takes almost three years before they can move on to degree programmes.

Since UniKL MIIT prioritises quality, each class has not more than 20 students.

The degree programmes available are Computer System Security, Software Engineering, Computer Engineering,

Computer Entrepreneurial Management and Networking System. These programmes feature both theoretical and practical elements.

The essential part of studying fields related to information technology is the practical element, which offers the opportunity to create things. Knowledge and practical experience blended together make these programmes unique and of high quality.

FICT is aimed at preparing students with basic knowledge and skills in computing and technology.

Students can utilise computing tools and techniques by applying their knowledge and interpreting information to solve problems. They will also develop communication, team and interpersonal skills.

UniKL MIIT offers special rates for tuition fees at RM5,500 (only for Malaysian citizens). To apply for the FICT programme, students are required to have five credits, including Mathematics for both SPM and O-Level.

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