

# Guiding future specialists to success

HAVING technical know-how is essential in so many industries, professions and careers, but growth and development throughout the entire lifespan of one's chosen career often requires extras.

For some, those extras come in the form of communication or organisational skills; in other professions, additional competency may take the form of managerial or leadership abilities.

It is this requirement for highly competent personnel who possess the skills, values and character needed to be more than just technically proficient that educational institutions emphasise in the need for full development and teaching, beyond the nuts and bolts of technical knowledge.

The Universiti Kuala Lumpur Malaysian Institute of Marine Engineering Technology (UniKL Mimet) was born of a collaboration between Majlis Amanah Rakyat and the Australian government via the organisation International Training Australia.

Established in 2004 and located in the coastal town of Lumut, Perak, UniKL Mimet helps students be part of a conducive learning environment that encourages the development of technical competence and creativity, but also with the intention to create a learning experience that strikes the right balance when cultivating the growth of students as individuals. The institute focuses on the balance between knowledge, skills, values and character.

## Tailored for industry

UniKL Mimet's location in Lumut is ideal as the town is the home base for the Royal Malaysian Navy and also serves as the site for the biggest naval shipbuilder in Malaysia, the Boustead Naval Shipyard. The location is

ideal for an institute that specialises in offering industry-specific programmes aimed at producing highly competent personnel for the marine and maritime industries. The line-up of academic courses includes ship design, ship construction, and boatbuilding – courses that uniquely integrate theoretical teaching with practical application.

Graduating students are given the chance to expand their horizons with career options in various fields including boatbuilding, shipbuilding, welding and fabrication (ferrous/non-ferrous), project planning, naval architecture, technical design/draught person, CAM programming, ship maintenance, hydraulic and pneumatics, CNC machining, steel and aluminium fabrication, woodworking and fibreglass.

## Next-level education

In response to the wider need for skilled human capital required by Malaysian and international shipyards/boatyards and marine engineering companies, UniKL Mimet has developed programmes that produce graduates with the desired skills and attributes. It now offers additional courses designed to fill this need, namely four diploma and four bachelor's programmes such as Naval Architecture and Ship Building, Marine Engineering, Marine Electrical and Electronics, Maritime Operation, Ship Construction and Ship Design.

UniKL Mimet also offers training programmes for technicians who wish to upgrade their skills and acquire merit recognition and certification.

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