

# Building a sound digital foundation

THE global pandemic has resulted in increased demand for an IT-skilled workforce. More people are opting to work from home offices, which requires integrating existing technologies into their daily work routines.

Universiti Kuala Lumpur via the Malaysian Institute of Information Technology (UniKL MIIT) offers the Foundation in Computer Technology (FiCT) on top of its other existing academic programmes.

FiCT aims to provide a fast-track opportunity for those who wish to pursue a bachelor's degree in information technology.

Therefore, it is hardly surprising to see close to 300 students enrolling in the one-year programme ever since it was introduced in November 2018.

"Who could resist the opportunity to be directly absorbed into any of the degree programmes offered by Universiti Kuala Lumpur after just a year of study?" said Wan Suriyani



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Che Wan Ahmad, UniKL MIIT Foundation Centre head.

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modules, providing an introductory ground to computer technology as well as developing one's critical thinking, academic literacy and



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communication skills."

Irfan Badzlin Badrul Hisham, 21, a participant of WorldSkills Asia 2021 (Online Friendly Skills Games) and competitor in the Global Cybersecurity Camp 2022 Taiwan, says he owes his success and newfound confidence to his FiCT experience.

"The programme shaped me into who I am now. During our FiCT year, we were encouraged to mingle with students from different programmes and of different nationalities.

"We were given tasks that required exploration and challenged our critical thinking. That was when I discovered my passion for cybersecurity," he said.

Irfan is currently pursuing the Bachelor of Information Technology (Hons) in Computer System Security programme at UniKL MIIT, where he vows to excel in both his studies and co-curricular activities.

Being one of the leading IT institutions in Malaysia and linked with numerous high-profile industries and university partners from South Korea,

UniKL MIIT is the place where cutting-edge technologies such as machine learning, artificial intelligence, big data and virtual and augmented reality are introduced as students enrol in their degree programmes.

Emirul Iskandar Haris Leong, another 21-year-old FiCT alumni, won the Silver Award in the International Virtual Expo of Innovation Product and System Design 2021 (In-ViDE 2021) with the virtual reality games project his team developed during their Foundation programme.

In-ViDE is a competition where innovation products and systems related to various science and technological fields are exhibited as a solution for presented problems.

Just like Irfan, Emirul is enrolled in the Bachelor of Information Technology (Hons) in Computer System Security programme.

Other programmes that await FiCT students as they venture into their undergraduate degree year include Computer Engineering, Computer Animation, Interactive Multimedia Design, Networking System, Software Engineering, and UniKL MIIT's latest offering – the Internet of Things.

It is time to become part of the Universiti Kuala Lumpur global family. Come study at UniKL MIIT with credits in any five subjects (including Mathematics) in both SPM and O-Level, and get ready to enjoy a discounted tuition fee of RM5,500 per entire programme from its original amount of RM15,000.

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