

INFOSYS

FOUNDATION PROGRAM-BATCH 9

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Simmering away in DKP10 at UMS, 100 students from institutions of higher learning all over Malaysia came to Sabah to attend the Infosys Foundation Program (FP). This FP is the ninth batch since the inception of this programme in 2007. This FP lasted for 35 days, starting from the 30th of June and ending on the 3rd of August.

Infosys FP is a joint-collaboration between Infosys Technologies Ltd. India, Ministry of Education (MOE, previously Ministry of Higher Education), and Multimedia Development Corporation (MDec). Infosys Technologies Ltd is a world-renown company specialised in consulting, technology, and outsourcing solutions. With a company profile as one of the companies in the top tier of Forbes' 100 most innovative companies, and with annual revenues of \$7.4b and more than 155 thousands employees, Infosys Technologies Ltd started the Infosys FP with the aim to help in training and developing graduates with skills and ability to compete in the field of Information and Communication Technology (ICT).

During this period, students will 'refresh' their memory on the ICT-related subjects that they have learned in their respective institutions ranging from Introduction to Computers Systems, Operating Systems, Problem Solving Techniques, Programming and Testing, Object-Oriented Concepts, to Relational Database Management System. Thus, students who join this programme would have already been exposed to those topics and are able to re-learn the same topics but from the perspective of the ICT industry.



OPENING CEREMONY

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Organising an event for 100 students with different background is truly a challenging task. What is more daunting is that we are all novice and it is our first-ever! The Single Point of Contact (SPOC) for this programme is Ms. Norhayati Daut. Under her coordination, staff from the two Information Technology (IT) programmes (i.e., HC00 and HC05) are assigned to different committees to take on their respective responsibilities. There are people in-charge of finance, registration and closing ceremony, promotion and programme book, food and accommodation, students' activities, transportation and safety, logistics and ICT, and industrial relation. Thankfully, the event has so far been successful with positive feedbacks from the students, instructors, and Infosys-MOE committee members.