## Academic and Industrial Training Visit to South Korea



Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology is one of the well known research institution in South Korea where Universiti Malaysia Sabah has long foster research collaboration with, Several of SST's academic staffs have also been attached at GIST for research collaboration. The MoU between UMS and GIST again has given the opportunity to UMS's students which were four

students from School of Science and Technology and one student from School of Engineering and Information Technology to carry out the industrial training in GIST in 2010. For the industrial training visit this year to GIST, South Korea, Miss Farrah Anis Fazliatul Adnan was given the responsibility by UMS to visit and at the same time evaluate the performance of UMS's students that were carrying out their 10 weeks industrial trainingin GIST. The visit was conducted on 21 - 26 July 2010. She also had the opportunity to meet student's supervisors and researchers and discussed opportunities for students to further their studies in Masters of Science and Doctor of Philosophy in GIST. Issues and potential research collaboration were also discussed. During the 10 weeks industrial training, UMS students were exposed to various research projects and were very lucky to be given the opportunity to work in research laboratories in



which GIST has amongst the best equipped and managed laboratories in the region. Trips to various local places were also organised for these students by GIST. These students were also the first batch of industrial trainees that were given the opportunity to undertake Korean language classes. Although there were some minor difficulties in terms of language barriers and differences in food and culture, the students really enjoyed their stay in GIST. The attachment of these industrial training students should be continued so that the interest for research can be cultivated amongst researchers and students in UMS.



During the Korean language class.

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UMS students and their Korean lecturer.