

LE-CHATEAU RESTAURANT (TRAINING RESTAURANT) GIVES IMPACT TO HOTEL MANAGEMENT STUDENTS



Training is the foundation of the hospitality and tourism industry yet too many hoteliers are ambivalent about its importance" writes Suzieana Uda Nagu, NST Sept 16, 2007. The establishment of the Hotel Management program (HE 08) in 1997 saw the program started with 10 students as their first intake. Now after 10 years, the program has become popular and the school sees the needs for better training for future workforce in the industry. Slowly, the school has upgraded the restaurant, reception, mock guestroom and kitchen facilities to give a better training ground for the students majoring in the Hotel Management course.

The nature of the industry is very unique whereby the industry looks into skills and experiences to perform the task. "This training could enhance students' confidence when serving the industry. I can see the school really committed to upgrade the facilities from time to time, this is really good" said student Anderson Zhu Tao, international student hailed from Fujian, China. With the commitment by Malaysia to boost the tourism sector, the country needs skilled workforce to serve the tourists that mainly stay in hotels. In Sabah itself, with many hotels coming up, there are many opportunities for hotel and tourism students to join the market.

