



New UMS faculty

UMS has set up a new faculty, Sekolah Pertanian Lestari (Smart School of Agriculture)

Disclosing this in his address at the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between RTM and UMS for the setting up of a digital radio station at the campus, Vice-Chancellor Datuk Dr Mohd Noh Dalimin said the first intake (2006/2007) would comprise 46 students.

Three programmes are offered – Crop Production, Horticulture and Landscape and Livestock Production.

The school would presently have to share premises, as there is no building yet. However, they have applied for the infrastructure in the Ninth Malaysia Plan, he said.

Meanwhile, Dr Mohd Noh said UMS since its establishment in 1995 as the country's ninth public university currently has 13,000 students, including their international campus in Labuan. The 2006/2007 session involving 4,208 students would commence on July 3.

To date, UMS has churned out 11,796 first-degree graduates, 372 post-graduates and 18 Doctors of Philosophy.

"The industry-university smart-partnership concept to create as many 'teaching factories' within the campus had influenced a mechanism shift from purely academic to physical. This is timely considering the glaring development in science and technology including ICT and which necessitated UMS to be on the front line in equipping its graduates with the relevant skills," he added. – EM

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