

UMS student allowed to defer registration fee payment

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) has allowed Crisnanalina Jumis from Kampung Dalamas, Pitas to defer paying her RM3,000 registration fee.

The 20-year-old girl has applied for one-off financial assistance through the website [https://](https://www.ums.edu.my)

www.ums.edu.my, before the Oct 14 deadline.

She failed to complete the application process due to the poor internet connectivity in her village.

UMS Vice-Chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Kasim Mansor said

that he had instructed the Student Welfare and Finance Division of the UMS Student Affairs Department to contact Crisnanalina to facilitate her university admission registration.

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"UMS is very concerned about the financial difficulties faced by Crisnanalina, and we will ensure she receives adequate assistance when registering at this university. The Student Welfare and Finance Division will also ensure that her needs are met while on campus, in addition to helping her apply for related financial aid," he said in a statement on Wednesday.

Crisnanalina has been accepted into UMS after completing her Form 6 at SMK Pitas.

Her aunt, Jacinta Rukiah Japri, has pleaded to the public to help her niece pursue her higher education.

Crisnanalina is the eldest in the family. Her father is a farmer and mother is a housewife.

Kasim also assured new UMS students that they need not worry about paying university registration fees, as UMS has implemented various initiatives, including the option to defer registration fees, to ensure students can complete their registration without financial concerns.

"In addition, the university provides various forms of assistance that students, especially those from low-income backgrounds, can apply for, such as financial aid (MyCare), food baskets, and zakat contributions.

The Student Welfare and Finance Division is also prepared to assist students in applying for educational financial aid, such as from the National Higher Education Fund Corporation (PTPTN), as well as scholarships like State Government Scholarships, Yayasan Sabah Scholarships, Mara Scholarships,

and others," he said.

Kasim added that these initiatives reflect UMS' commitment to prioritising student welfare, enabling them to pursue higher education regardless of their economic background. Those who want to help Crisnanalina can bank into her Bank Simpanan Nasional account 1299541100609551. UMS students can contact the Student Welfare and Finance Division, UMS Student Affairs Department, at 088-320 060 or email bkkp@ums.edu.my for any information regarding welfare assistance.