

# UMS students urged to master English Language

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**LABUAN:** Universiti Malaysia Sabah Labuan International Campus (UMS-KAL) students must master the English Language to enable them to secure employment soon after they graduate from studies.

UMS-KAL director Professor Dr Shariff Abdul Kadir Omang said among the reasons why graduates could not secure employment even though they had the academic qualifications was due to their poor proficiency in English.

"Most of the important positions, especially in the private sector, are given to those who are able to communicate well in that language with their international clients.

"Therefore, students must work hard to master the international language, including conversing with their friends in English daily.

"English is used during most of the lectures here. Likewise,



Dr Shariff (standing at fifth right) and UMS-KAL deputy registrar Zamri Mohamad Tuah (standing fifth left) with course facilitators.

the books are also printed in English.

"They are supposed to urge the students to master the language," he said during the closing ceremony of the Students Leadership Course 2012/13 at

Theatrette Hall on June 26.

Ninety-eight students comprising year one and sophomore took part in the three-day and two-night course to prepare them to help the campus administration to

register new students to UMS-KAL in September.

They were exposed to several activities including lectures, group training, physical activities and cultural performances.