



A demonstration by an uniformed unit during the official launch of UMS uniformed bodies yesterday.

# UMS undergraduate aspires to be policeman

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**KOTA KINABALU:** For as long as he could remember, Ramlan Marjan has always wanted to be a policeman.

And his passion remains even though he pursued a different field at Universiti Malaysia Sabah.

The 23-year-old, who is pursuing a degree in Financial Economic, hopes to fulfil his dream to be a member of the police force when he graduates.

“Back in my secondary school years, I joined the Police Cadet

Unit. I have always had high respect for policemen and have always been fascinated with the profession,” he said.

“They have great responsibilities, protecting the people and maintaining the existing peace and harmony in the country.

“As I grew older, I began to understand the profession better and, of course, my passion grew stronger. Taking a different course now will not dampen my passion, as I believe it will come in handy one day,” he said.

Ramlan’s fascination with the profession was obvious when he joined the UMS’ Kor Sukarelawan Polis Siswa Siswi (Police Undergraduate Voluntary Corp), or SUKSIS, in short.

SUKSIS is an undergraduate police volunteer organisation in Malaysia, where its members undergo periodic training for three years at their respective universities and will be commissioned as Inspector by the Inspector General of Police upon completion.

Ramlan was met at the official launch of six uniformed bodies at UMS by the Vice Chancellor Professor Datuk Dr Mohd Harun Abdullah, yesterday.

Apart from SUKSIS, the other bodies comprise three Pasukan Latihan Pegawai Simpanan (Reserve Officer Training Unit), or PALAPES in short for the Land, Sea and Air units; Kor Siswa-Siswi Pertahanan Awam (Undergraduates Students Civil Defence Corp), or SISPA; and the Fire and Rescue Services Unit.

“The uniformed bodies are an important element in instilling discipline among the undergraduates. It is also through such programme that we are able to produce quality leaders.

“Normally those with leadership qualities will be appointed to head their respective organisations. As such, we are able to nurture them to be the nation’s future leaders, while instilling values such as the sense of responsibility, confidence, dedicated, trustworthy and ability to communicate with their subordinates,” said Mohd Harun.

He added that the launching ceremony is a symbol of recognition to the uniformed bodies, as well as its members that worked hard towards achieving UMS excellence, besides offering them the opportunity to showcase the teams’ identities.



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