



Tan (left) and Lee.



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Kudos to UMS from international students

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) has won kudos from international students who picked it as their first choice of university.

Some 136 international students comprising 133 from China, one from Turkey and two from Korea registered for the International Student Foundation Programme in UMS, here, Tuesday.

"Malaysia is a beautiful country. Besides UMS is well known to offer the best major in Economics, which is the course I wanted to choose," said Tan Pei Jie, a student from Hunan Province in China.

"I think choosing to study in UMS would offer me more chances of choosing the course I like," said the 17-year-old.

Her friend, Li Wei Hao, chipped in: "I know UMS has a big library with many research and academic books. This has influenced me to choose UMS since I enjoy reading.

"The best part of studying in UMS is, I can spend more time in the library because I don't have to think of the travelling gap.

"I plan to undertake a course in biotechnology when I complete my International Student Foundation Programme in UMS," said Li.

Another Chinese student, Qin Shao Yun, said Malaysia is well known for its better environment and rapid economic development.

"The people here are very friendly and the culture is very beautiful and strong. In this modern world, UMS is considered among the most beautiful universities in the world, with good quality education to go with it," said Qin who comes from a Muslim family.

"I think this country has a very linguistic environment which has influenced me to pick UMS as my choice of university. UMS is undeniably among the best places to enhance and practise my verbal and listening skills in the English language," she said.

Meanwhile, UMS second year student Abdurrahman Berak Gecik from Turkey said: "I chose to study in UMS simply because I like the people, culture and environment. I believe that the International Student Foundation Programme in UMS can make me have better proficiency in the English language."

Meanwhile, father of two, Shin Hyeng Wook, from Korea expressed his wish of migrating to Malaysia and contributing to the Malaysian community, especially Sabah after completing his studies.

"UMS is located in a place with very good weather. I'm a full-time student taking the International Student Foundation Programme in UMS with hopes of improving my language skills.

"I plan to migrate to Sabah someday, that's why I need to improve my English language as well as Bahasa Malaysia.

"After I complete this International Student Foundation Programme, I wish to continue until I achieve my Masters' degree in Economics.

I already have my Masters' in Economics from Korea but I want to study Malaysian economics and learn something different from my culture.

"My wife is a middle school teacher. She lives in Korea with our son and daughter. I plan to stay here for three years and after that my family will join me here," said the 43-year-old.



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