

UMS students visit Indonesian universities

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KOTA KINABALU: The Students Welfare Committee (JAKMAS) of College Dynamic Excellence Residential (CD), Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) visited Jakarta, Indonesia through the 'Road to Success' program recently.

The 'Road to Success' delegates were led by CD Residential College principal Dr Mohamad Nizam Nazarudin and also participated by program director Mohammad Radfizul Radzali with two fellows and nine from JAKMAS.

Nizam said the main objective of the visit to the foreign university was to compare patterns of learning in Indonesia with the learning system in the Malaysian education system.

He said the delegation visited two universities in Indonesia, namely Mercu Buana University and the State Islamic University of Syarif Hidayatullah. The visit to Mercu Buana was the first time and there was a lot of synergy between the School of Psychology and Social Work Faculty of UMS and Psychology University of Mercu Buana.

Previously, he said two exchange students from the Faculty of Psychology of the University of Mercu Buana had lived in CD. They contributed in terms of arts and culture.

"The delegation was received by the deputy dean of the faculty and student leaders of the Psychology University of Mercu Buana.

"The Mercu Buana University also encourages students from UMS CD Residential College to become part of an exchange student program to the University of Mercu Buana in the future. This is undoubtedly a tribute to UMS as it was specially invited by the University of Mercu Buana.

"In addition, students from the University of Mercu Buana



The UMS delegation in a group photo in front of the State Islamic Syarif Hidayatullah University, Indonesia.



Nizam (left) with Dr Juzhar Jusoh during a meeting at the Malaysian Embassy in Indonesia.

involved in a student exchange program with UMS could stay in the CD Residential College. Through this visit, various

processes in learning and ideas can be shared," he said.

The tour continued to the Syarif Hidayatullah State Islamic

University which awarded an Honorary Doctorate to former Prime Minister of Malaysia, Tun Abdullah Ahmad Badawi.

"This is a tribute to the UMS students who visited the State Islamic University for the first time," he said.

According to Nizam, the delegation had the opportunity to visit the Malaysian Embassy in Jakarta. Among those present at the function were the Malaysian education director at the Malaysian Embassy, Associate Professor Dr Juzhar Jusoh, and Malaysian student education officer in Indonesia, Maximillian Conrad.

Nizam said the trip was successful in developing educational relationship with foreign universities which had a different educational system.