

# UMS plans to have more debates

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) may take debates more seriously to help students develop their sense of confidence and competitiveness.

Deputy Vice Chancellor (Student Affairs and Alumni), Associate Professor Ismail Ali, said plans to organise more debates will be made including within residential colleges.

“Skills in debating are important to form the characters of students to be more confident and highly-competitive. Those who have shown talents can represent the university at the national and international level,” he commented.

Dr Ismail said this after UMS took fourth place in the Debat Perdana Gender 2014 competition, which was held in Universiti Putra Malaysia recently.

More than 60 teams competed in the competition in the Malay language category, where UMS made it to the semis to bag fourth place.

The local university team took home RM1,500 for their effort.