



Freshies registering for their courses of study at UMS yesterday.

UMS welcomes 4,593 freshies

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) yesterday welcomed 4,593 freshies, with the number of females at 3,107 more than double the number of males.

In welcoming the new students, UMS vice-chancellor Professor Datuk Seri Panglima Dr Kamaruzaman Ampon assured their parents that the university has matured since its inception 17 years ago and has produced quality graduates despite being one of the youngest universities in the country.

"UMS has been named one of the beautiful universities in Southeast Asia. We have great track records for our friendliness and warmth, and I believe you (parents) have made the right choice to pick this university to make yours and your children's dreams a reality," he said.

Kamaruzaman also assured parents that the university is among the fully-equipped institution of higher learning in the country, offering students among other things the feeling of living in a second home.

"We have in-house clinic, 24-hour security service and if they need to do shopping, the next shopping complex is just a walking distance away," he said.

"As a parent myself, I understand the need to provide the best for our children and that is what we offer.

"In fact, we have also set up a special department to oversee the needs of our students, namely the Student Affairs Department. It operates as a one-stop-centre and students are welcome to refer to them should they face any problem," he said.