

UMS vows to uphold academic standards

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) is committed to becoming a centre for dissemination of academic knowledge so as to produce quality higher education to students and scholars, globally and locally.

Its Vice-Chancellor Prof. Datuk Dr. D Kamarudin D Mudin said UMS aims to provide guidance and learning opportunities in a conducive environment that give emphasis to innovation and talent.

"Since its inception, UMS has been giving consistent efforts by providing academicians whom are versatile, can develop infrastructures and come up with modern mechanisms which are also supported by management that provides effective policies toward inculcating critical thinking among the young generations.

"We do not want to look back, we have to unite and mobilize together so that we can succeed heading to a destination where no one is left behind," he said, when closing the Science Foundation Session 2019/2020, Center of Science and Technology Preparation (PPST), Thursday.

UMS Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic and International) Prof Dr Rasid Mail delivered Dr D Kamarudin's speech.

He called on UMS staff and students to instil values of honesty into their heart and set one's mind to accomplish their goals to keep on moving forward.

He also advised the new university students taking the Science Foundation to grab the opportunities and to look at campus life as valuable experience when they are entering the real world of employment.

"Apart from their academic transcripts that they will show upon entering the labour force, they should consider to be involved university activities that can boost their level of self-confidence.

"I pray that all of you (Science Foundation students) reinforce your commitment and realize efforts to pursue knowledge in the pursuit of securing brighter future," said Dr D Kamarudin.

Meanwhile, PPST Director, Professor Madya Dr. Sazmal Effendi Arshad said a total of 240 Malaysian students have been selected to pursue their studies in UMS Science Foundation this year.

He said that PPST will continue to shoulder responsibility and trust to continuously advance the university's agenda in a science-based programme aimed at providing a solid scientific base exposure



Some 240 students taking the Science Foundation programme made their pledge during the closing of their orientation week.

to students in line with the facilities provided by the university.

"We hope that PPST could continue its mission to provide more students to take up the science program at undergraduate level in the future," Dr Sazmal said.