

Emphasis on language at USIM

THE Faculty of Major Language Studies in the Islamic Science University of Malaysia (USIM) was established in 2004.

Its inaugural intake was for the Bachelor of Arabic Language and Communication in the 2005/2006 academic session. Its establishment was in accordance with its mission and vision to explore issues and challenges, as well as finding solutions to improve the quality of life among Malaysians.

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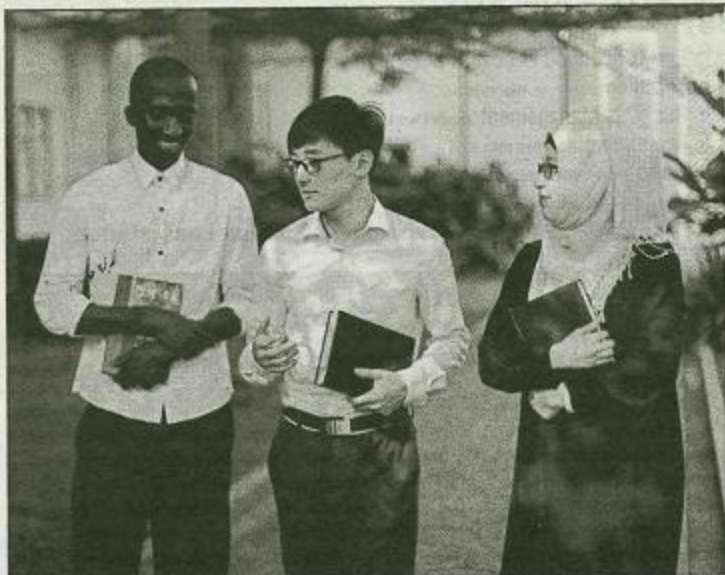
Language studies can open up opportunities for researchers and educators to study and disseminate knowledge in many forms, thus, enabling USIM to produce graduates who are confident and competitive in the global arena.

It also encourages its students to take up and be proficient in more than one language. Being multilingual enables students to study many cultures and civilisations, thus producing a tolerant, dynamic, visionary and high-minded nation. This is in accordance with the government's aspiration to make Malaysia a developed and competitive country.

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"Apart from the desire to produce knowledgeable and far-sighted graduates, multilingualism is also important in spearheading national development in accordance with international development," says faculty dean Dr Noor Azizi Ismail.

He adds that, along with the process to produce graduates who are able to master multiple languages in an integrated and balanced manner, multilingualism can serve as a tool to obtain various knowledge in science.

The faculty also aims to train USIM students to become ethical, capable, highly-competitive and professional in

leading the modern community today.

Since its inception, the faculty has accomplished a lot, such as winning runners-up of the 2009, 2010 and 2011 Vice-Chancellor Trophy Inter-Faculty Debate (Arabic Language); becoming champion of the Arabic Language choral speaking contest organised by the Library Department; winning first place in the Muslimah clothing competition organised by the Secretariat of Vice-President of Students and; clinching runners-up in the Grooming Programme (PEKA).

For more information on the courses at USIM's Faculty of Major Language Studies, visit www.usim.edu.my



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