Students give Ausmat thumbs up

At Sunway, academic programmes are not the only things which are stressed. Students are encouraged to take part in extra-curricular activities to enhance their educational experience to be a well-rounded person, writes

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THE Australian Matriculation programme (AusMat) at Sunway College is a pre-university programme that will qualify students for entry into universities in Australia and to most universities in Britain, Canada, New Zealand and United States, upon successful completion.

One distinct advantage of the AusMat programme is that it is structured in such a way that it allows good students to excel and at the same time boost the ability of the weaker ones.

The final examination makes up half of the overall grade while the other half is the coursework, rewarding students who work well throughout the year.

To ensure that students obtain wide knowledge, they are required to take five subjects from the sciences and humanities fields.


The AusMat programme lately has served as an option for further education for scholars of many local corporations like Petronas.

Petronas scholar Faris Ibrahim said; "The AusMat programme is a thorough foundation of academics and social orientation to university life.

"Although it is tougher than the SPM, the level of academics and the excellent attention we (students) receive from our lecturers make it all manageable," he said.

The future engineering student said he also appreciates the fact that grades are determined through constant appraisals and one final examination instead of just the latter alone.

"Dedicated lecturers also make the AusMat programme at Sunway enjoyable," said Faris.

"I had always disliked and feared physics until I came to Sunway and met my lecturer Alagarajah, who incorporates creativity in his teachings.

"Thanks to him, I am now more confident in the subject," he said.

At Sunway, students are encouraged to take part in extra-curricular activities with the college offering excellent sporting facilities within its campus grounds.

For admission into Sunway's AusMat programme, students are expected to meet one of the following minimum prerequisites — five credits in the SPM examination, 'O'-Levels or Senior Middle III or their equivalent.

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