High Achievers: Sunway students passing rates for ACCA are higher than the world averages

Sunway girl on top of world

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Sunway College added another name to its list of best performers. Yee Mei Hui became the World Prize Winner for an accounting paper for the Association of Chartered and Certified Accountants course early this year.

Yee scored the highest mark – 93 per cent for Accounting Framework (Paper 1) in the December 1998 examinations. She was the best student for the paper worldwide, beating ACCA students from the Britain, Singapore, Hong Kong, India and other countries.

Yee was not the only chart-topper. Student Tamarai S. Marimuthu scored 92 per cent while Hiew Pau Yee scored 90 per cent for the same paper.

The college also had an excellent passing rate of 85 per cent for paper in the foundation stage of the ACCA. The worldwide passing rate is 51 per cent.

Sunway’s passing rates for other papers were also higher than the world averages. Among them were 55 per cent for Paper 2 on Legal Framework compared to 39 per cent worldwide and 63 per cent for Paper 3 on Management Information compared to the world average of 43 per cent.

Yee, 18, attributed her success to her family and also to her lecturer Lim Geok Heng, who she said had worked very hard to prepare her students for the examination.

"You must be willing to make sacrifices and allocate your time properly when you study ACCA," says the former student of Sekolah Menengah Seaport.

"Work hard, be dedicated and never give up. My classmates too have done exceptionally well with many scoring 80 per cent and above. We are very happy indeed," says Yee.

Founded in 1904, the ACCA is one of the largest professional accountancy bodies in Britain. Students with the qualification and a period of working experience can gain recognition from the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA).

To apply, one must have at least two A-Level passes, three LCC Higher stage passes and two O-Level credit passes including English and a numerate subject.

Candidates with a degree from recognised universities, or mature candidates above 21 can also apply for this programme.

Students with the Canadian Matriculation or the Australian Matriculation may be admitted if their results meet the entry requirements.

Another way for students to gain entry into the programme is the ACCA Accounting Technician Programme – a vocational qualification from the ACCA to produce support staff for professional accountants.

This programme accepts students aged 16 and above and those with the qualification can enter directly into the Certificate stage of the ACCA.

Sunway College was the first in the world to conduct the computer-based level examinations for the ACCA Accounting Technician programme in September 1998.

The college also offers the Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM), Association of Business Executives (ABE), Diploma in Executive Secretariats (DES) and the London Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI) professional courses.

Sunway College, a MSC status institution, also offers certificate and degree level courses in Information Technology and short term basic certificate courses. Students who complete these subjects are eligible for entry into the Diploma in Information Technology course.

The diploma course offers four areas of specialisation – Software Development, Internet, Engineering and Multimedia.

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