Learning through model United Nations

Delegates of the simulated United Nations Human Rights Council raising their placards to be recognised by the Chair. PICTURES COURTESY OF SUNWAY MODEL UNITED NATIONS

It definitely proved we have the potential and provided us with great motivation to work and harness it even further.”

UNHRC co-chair Tahsin Fuad Hasan, 22, from IIUM, said it was the third consecutive win for the IIUM MUN team this year:

“Our members are motivated and dedicated in diplomacy and policymaking. We hope with this momentum, we can make our own conference in November a success too,” said Tahsin Fuad.

Through SUNMUN, students learnt invaluable skills and lessons which are applicable in their studies and future workplace.

Shah Nizam said: “The conference was highly educational. I was able to peer into the processes involved in diplomacy, lobbying, and lawmaking among others in a council simulating the national parliaments.

“It was a great insight into the hows and whys of governance in general.”

Sim, who has a passion for Politics, History and World Affairs said that he has learned to manage his time well with MUN.

“I can now better plan out my schedules in order to balance my studies and MUN career. I have also become more confident in asking questions and speaking to others.

In addition, MUN has taught me the ability to do research and learn things on my own as delegates have to research their own stances and learn topics by themselves,” said Sim, who aspires to be a civil servant upon graduation.

Being one of the older delegates, Low knew that retiring from MUN is an inevitable future.

“Throughout my time delegating, I have learnt that you cannot accomplish anything alone and you need a team.

“You lead, nurture and guide, but you should not dominate. My experiences in SUNMUN have taught me to give credit where it is due, be humble, always strive to be better, innovate, show leadership, be creative, and help others.”

International Islamic University Malaysia student Shah Nizam Mazlan (left) with other delegates of the simulated Dewan Rakyat debating on important Malaysian issues.

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