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Catherine
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teachers
at the
workshop

Language barrier among students

THE language barrier is a major problem that many Malaysians faced while studying abroad. Visiting lecturer from the University of Western Australia (UWA) Catherine da Silva Rosa, recently shed some light on common difficulties faced by students in writing academic English at a recent English writing workshop at Sunway College.

She also gave a brief review of the expectations that academicians have of students at Australian universities, text analysis of the writing of accounting and finance students at the UWA and the features of what is considered to be good academic writing.

The workshop was run for the benefit of English teachers from the various programmes such as the Western Michigan University programme, Canadian Matriculation programme, Western Australian Matriculation programme as well as the Language Department.

The Language Department at Sunway conducts a full spectrum of English language courses namely GCE O level English 1119, intensive English programme, TOEFL and IELTS.

The workshop participants found the exchange of views refreshing.

Sunway College frequently conducts such workshops to enhance the professionalism of its staff and maintain standards.

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