

## EDUCATION SPECIAL

# More varsities in twin pacts



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SUNWAY College aims to be the region's premier private institution for pre-university and tertiary education – and to produce a new generation of youths to meet the nation's industrial goals.

In its diversification exercise it has added two more universities to its twinning programmes bringing the total number to eight.

The new RM120 million, 22-acre campus consists of a five-storey academic block and four blocks of hostel apartments.

The academic block is designed to house 3,500 students and comprises 60 lecture rooms and seven lecture halls, 10 laboratories (for physics, chemistry/biology, engineering and computer practicals).

There is also a state-of-the-art language laboratory with audio-visual equipment and a bookshop.

A special feature at Sunway is its 20,000 sq feet library occupying two floors. It has 7,000 titles, 17,000 volumes, 131 serials as well as 1,000 audio-visual and other materials.

The eight universities with which it has twinning arrangements are:

Leicester University in the United Kingdom has a prestigious Law school and an engineering department of high repute.

Western Michigan University is recognised as a comprehensive multi-purpose university in the United States.

It offers five degree courses to Sunway College graduates – Business Administration, Computer Science, Mass Communications, Engineering and Applied and Natural Sciences.

University of Waikato is located in Hamilton, New Zealand's largest inland city. It offers 21 departments in seven schools of studies with emphasis on interdisciplinary co-operation.

One of the most sought-after business courses offered through Sunway College is the Bachelor of Management Studies, which gives complete academic exemptions from the chartered accountancy professional qualification.

University of Western



Aerial view of the new Sunway College campus



Michael Yeoh

Australia offers six degree courses through Sunway College: Economics, Economics/Laws, Commerce, Commerce/Laws, Computing, and Computer and Mathematical Sciences.

Monash University has a student enrolment of 10,000 in 19 faculties, offering courses through Sunway College in Commerce, Commerce/Laws, Economics, Economics/Laws, Laws, and Computing. Sunway College is twinned with the original Clayton Campus.

Flinders University of South Australia has established a reputation for research achievement and excellence.

Through Sunway College it offers courses in Economics and Commerce.

Greenwich University in UK offers degree courses in Quantity Surveying, Building Surveying and Estate Management.

Melbourne's Victoria University of Technology whose Bachelor of Business programme include Tourism and Recreation, and Hotel Management.

Sunway College offers three pre-university programmes whose qualifications are recognised by universities in UK, US, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and other countries.

The General Certificate of Education ('A' Level) avail-

able at Sunway is awarded by the University of Cambridge Examination Board (UK).

Then there is the Western Australian Matriculation (TEE) programme.

Sunway is the only college to offer this final-year (year 12) secondary school programme.

Students who have completed this programme will qualify for entry into all Australian universities as well as most overseas universities in US, Canada, UK and New Zealand.

The Canadian Matriculation Programme offers undergraduate entry into Australia, Canada, New Zealand, UK and US.

Sunway College was launched in 1987 with only 200 students in a campus built to accommodate 800 students. The number has since multiplied more than 10-fold.

Says Datuk (Dr) Jeffrey Cheah, founder of the college and president of the Sungei Way Group: "We are mindful that education is not a product to be treated lightly as the future of our students is dependent upon its quality."

"Throughout the years, many of our students have done us proud by charting outstanding performances."

"They have received prestigious awards from parent universities and in some programmes, passing rates of 95 percent to 100 percent have been achieved. This will continue to be the tradition in Sunway College and it remains our commitment to quality education."

As captain of the Sunway College flagship, Executive Director Michael Yeoh has always emphasised the value of the overall development of students.

Sunway College strives to cultivate more than just an academic education. Under his guidance, the college has provided the infrastructure for a well-rounded and happy college campus life.

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