

# Getting a taste of Malaysia

TASTY hawker fare and good ol' Malaysian hospitality won the hearts of Japanese students who were on a local private university's student exchange programme.

Kotono Tanaka said her favourite places to go in Kuala Lumpur were Times Square and Chinatown where there was a lot of food.

The 19-year-old from Okinawa who loves to eat, added that her favourite local food was chicken rice, which she had in Penang.

"The lecturers and classes are

good and the people are nice. I would like to visit Malaysia again," she said.

As for Kagari Kobayashi, 19, she loves the *pan mee* – a popular noodle dish – and coconut shake.

Although she is from Kyoto, she has become smitten with Malaysia during the programme.

"I am seriously thinking of furthering my studies in hospitality or communications here at Sunway University," she said.

Kotono and Kagari are just two of the 13 second-year students from Kansai Gaidai University in

Osaka, Japan, who came here for two months to do the intensive English Programme at Sunway University's Centre for English Language Studies.

The immersive exchange programme aimed to give the students a boost in their communication skills and learning of English.

This exchange was part of the university's Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Japanese institution, which was signed last year.



**Konichiwa:** The visiting students were smitten by Malaysian food and hospitality.

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