

Kolej RISDA plants seeds of success

KOLEJ RISDA offers diploma, certificate and Malaysian Skills Certificate courses to all SPM students, regardless of their background, focusing on the agricultural sector, in line with the Economic Transformation Programme.

With more than 25 years of experience in agricultural training programmes, Kolej RISDA provides SPM leavers the opportunities to gain higher education and so that they can develop more agriculture and plantation-related activities.

Among the programmes being offered are in the fields of agriculture, plantation, agribusiness, landscaping as well as support programmes in accounting, entrepreneurship, computer science

and business management.

The Malaysian Skills Certificate addresses the shortage of skilled workers in agriculture and plantation sectors.

New programmes such as the Diploma in Agricultural Science, Diploma in Plantation Management and Diploma in Electronic Business and degree programmes in agriculture will be introduced in the 2013/2014 academic session.

The campus offers a suitable and conducive environment for learning with its natural green landscape, complete with space for practical agricultural area.

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Kolej RISDA aims to churn out well-rounded graduates and with the focus on the agriculture sector.

Collaboration with varsities to boost quality of programmes

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In addition, to meet educational requirements, the management of Kolej RISDA also collaborates with local universities such as Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM) and Universiti Malaysia Kelantan (UMK) to enhance the quality of academic programmes offered as well as to secure experts in specialised fields as needed.

After more than a decade since its establishment, it has produced more than 3,500 graduates, with a majority of them serving in government agencies, statutory bodies and private bodies while others have successfully ventured into the field of entrepreneurship.

This achievement proves that the college's graduates have been well received by the community and industry.

There are now plans to add new programmes to the first degree and

Master's list.

The college may also initiate collaborations with leading universities in Southeast Asia, Asia and even in Europe.

This is in line with the aspirations of Kolej RISDA's management, chaired by Datuk Wan Mohamad Zuki, that college students are able to gain knowledge from every angle.

The graduates' ability to compete internationally is not impossible as long as they are prepared mentally, physically and spiritually.

The college's chief executive, Datuk Dr Faridah Mohd Rashid Hanam, said: "Our hope is for Kolej RISDA is to produce graduates who are well-established, versatile, confident, knowledgeable, enthusiastic and able to put themselves in line with other graduates within and outside the country."

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