## UPM STUDENT FOUND DEAD IN HOSTEL ROOM

29-year-old last seen 2 days before discovery of body, no criminal elements detected

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FINAL-YEAR varsity student was found dead in a room of a residential college at Universiti Putra Malaysia on Tuesday.

Serdang district police chief Assistant Commissioner A.A. Anbalagan said they received an emergency call on the discovery of the male student's body at 7.45pm.

"Initial investigation found that the 29-year-old was a semester six (final-year) master's student of the Modern Languages and Communication Faculty, who lived alone in the residential college room.

"The body was found without a shirt, wearing long pants and lying on the floor next to the bed," he said.

"The body was found at 4.30pm by a witness, who had not seen the victim for a long time. The witness detected a foul smell coming from the victim's room at that time.

"The witness then informed the college's fellow, and a university staff used a duplicate key to open the door to the victim's room."

The investigation also found that the victim was last seen two days prior to the discovery of his body.

He said forensic and investigation teams found no criminal elements near the scene.

Anbalagan said the case was classified as sudden death, and the body was sent to the Serdang Hospital for postmortem.