GOT: A WAKE-UP CALL

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WHAT IS GOT?

Graduate On Time (GOT) refers to students who completed their study within normal duration

DEFINITION OF GOT (FOR PHD)

GOT-MYRAII/UTM
- 42 MONTHS
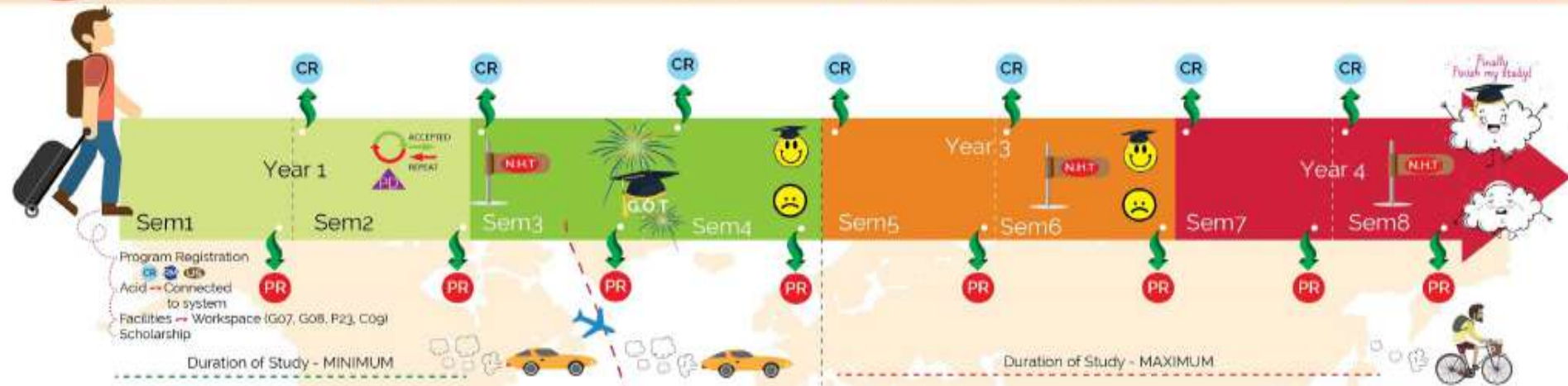
GOT-MOE
- 48 MONTHS

GOT RATE
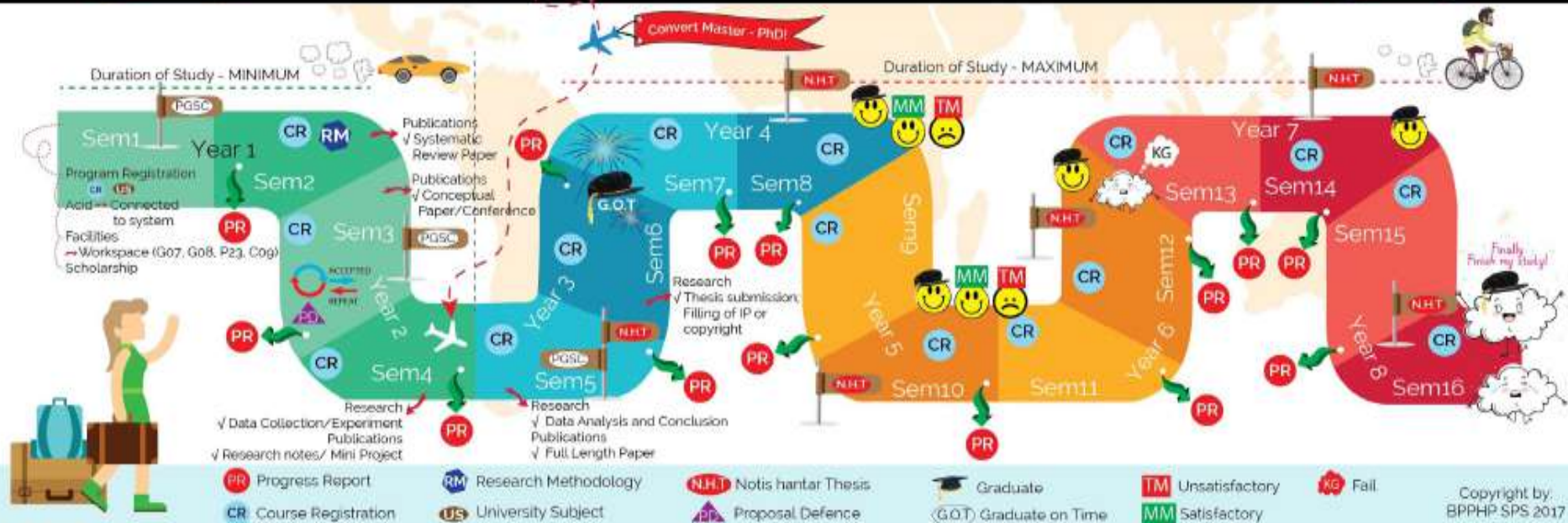## Faculty of Science 2018

- GOT MyRA II (PhD)

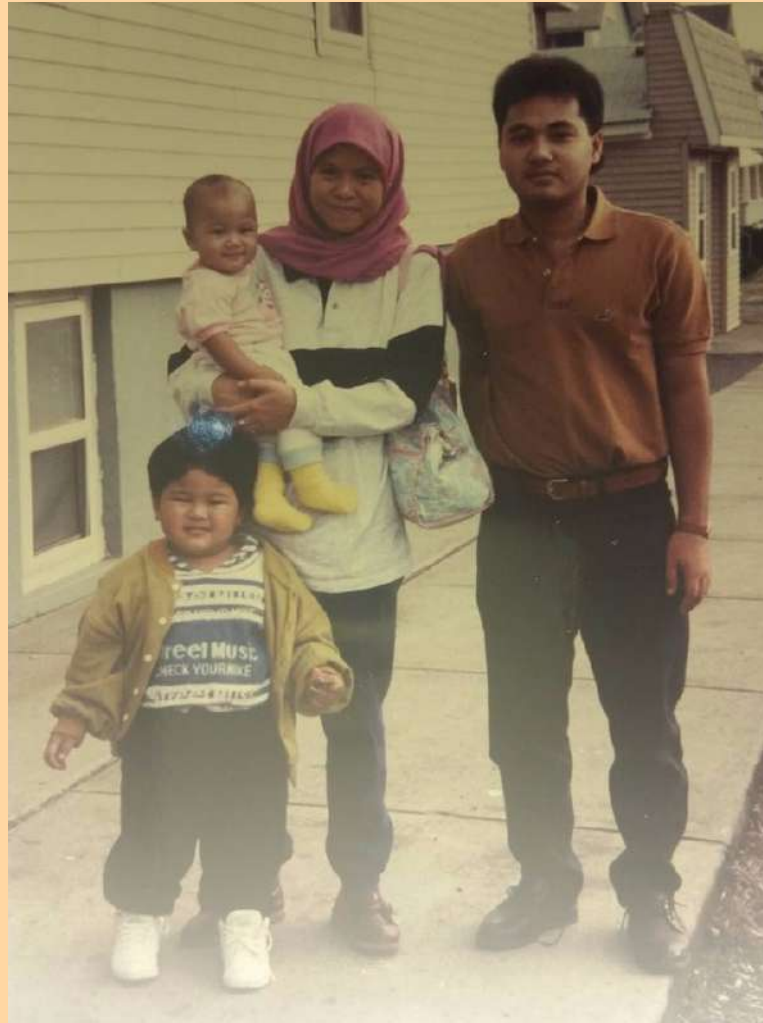| Graduates	77
Local Graduates	56
International Graduates	21
GOT	14 (18.2% from FS graduates)
GOT (Local)	6 (42.9%)
GOT (International)	8 (57.1%)

- GOT (Master by Research)

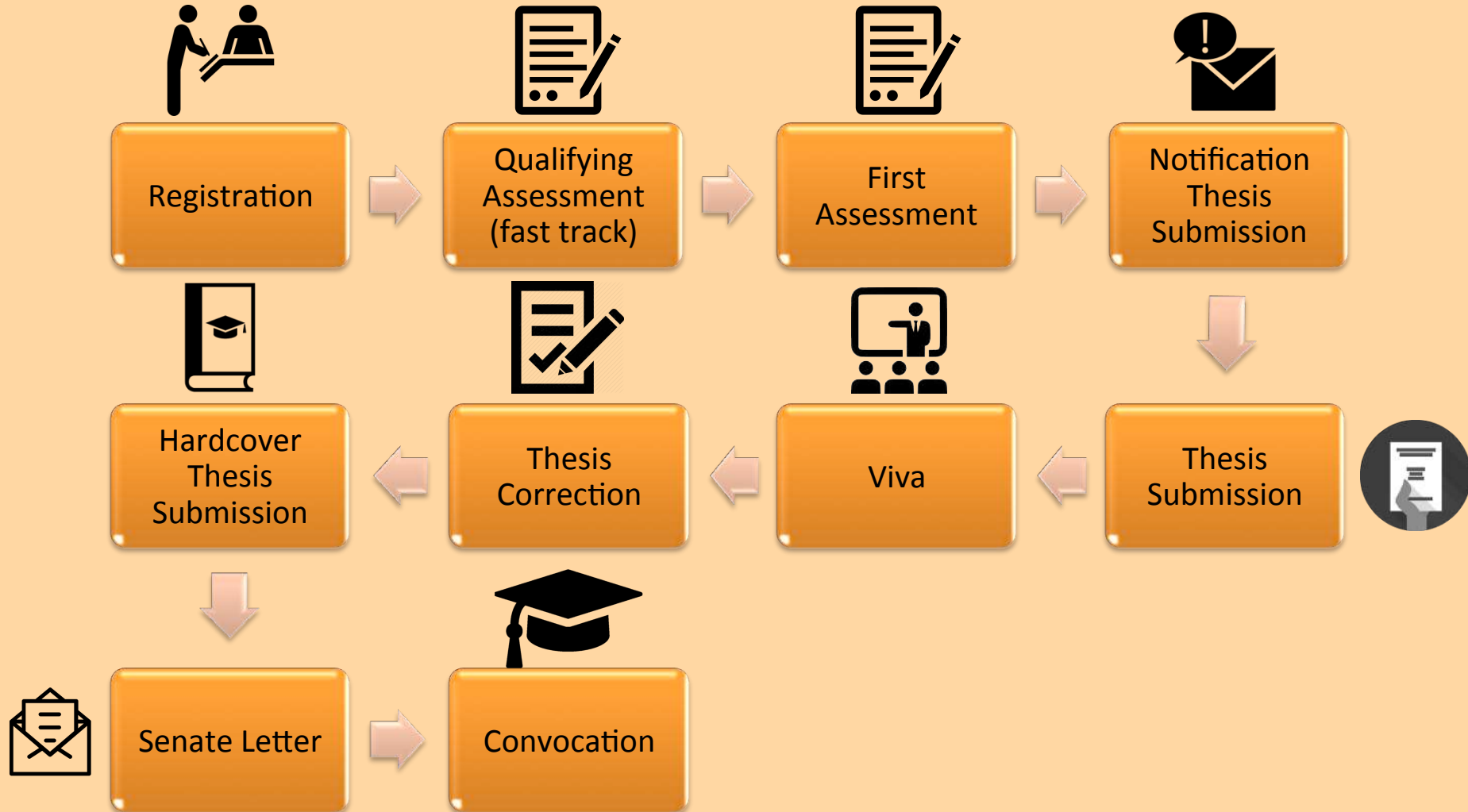| Graduates	32
Local Graduates	31
International Graduates	1
GOT	3 (9.4% from the total of GOT FS)
GOT (Local)	3 (100%)
GOT (International)	0 (0%)

POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH JOURNEY

MY PHD JOURNEY STARTS HERE

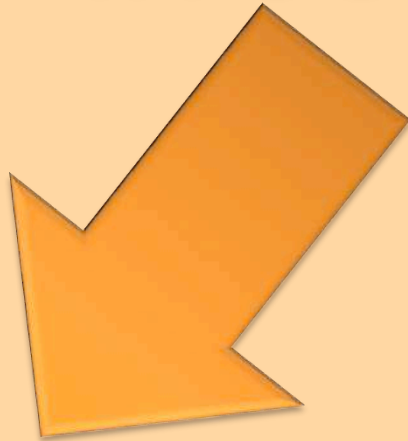

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RESEARCH PLANNING

Registration → Qualifying Assessment (fast track) → First Assessment → Notification Thesis Submission

Hardcover Thesis Submission ← Thesis Correction ← Viva ← Thesis Submission

Senate Letter → Convocation

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FACTORS CONTRIBUTE TO TIMELY COMPLETION (JIRANEK (2010))

EXPECTATION IN SUPERVISION

SUPERVISOR

STUDENT

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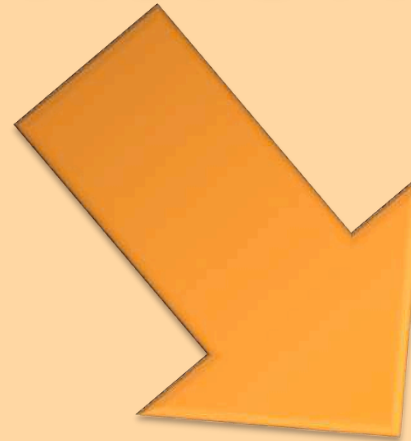
SUPERVISORS' EXPECTATION FROM THEIR STUDENTS?

- Always be around
- Always check and reply emails
- Do not mix personal problems with research
- Always update their research progress
- Able to share problems with the supervisor
- Keep up the good attitude
- Show some appreciations to supervisor
- Come to appointments on time and fully prepared
- Do more than what is asked
- Able to work independently (not to rely on supervisor)
- Understand that the supervisors have many other responsibilities

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STUDENTS COMMON PROBLEMS & HOW TO SOLVE THEM?

- What if I don't like my supervisor?

- Can I get help from other(s)?

- Can I change my supervisor?

- What if my supervisor doesn't approve my holiday?

- What if the supervisor expects more than the student can give?

- My supervisor seems very laidback and unconcerned with my research

- My supervisor gave me a very general problem and I don't know where to start

- Supervisor is very busy and cannot have frequent meetings with student

- Supervisor is very strict and do not give the students the freedom to decide

- The supervisor is not understanding

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STUDENTS COMMON PROBLEMS & HOW TO SOLVE THEM?

TIME MANAGEMENT

HARMONY SITUATION

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HOW TO MANAGE OUR TIME?

- Time for research
- Time for family
- Time for self?
  - Do I have time for extra-curricular activites?

How much time do we have in a day?

SCHEDULE PLANNING
(SUPERVISOR ACTION)

Niza Sarmin
23 November at 21:28

My Schedule for Week 11 & 12

Sunday 25 November 2018 :-
On leave

Monday 26 November 2018 :-
8 am :- Amira Fadina at UTM-i
9 am :- Nabilah Najmuddin at UTM-i
10 am :- Rabiha Birkia at UTM-i
11 am :- Atyra Farhana Zai & Nurhidayah Zaid at UTM-i
12 pm :- Ibrahim Gambo at UTM-i
2 - 4:30 pm :- Group Theory 1 Class at LR1, T05

Tuesday - Sunday 27 November - 2 Dec 2018 :-
SKSM26 in Kota Kinabalu

Monday 3 December 2018 :-
12 pm :- Ibrahim Gambo at UTM-i
2 - 4:30 pm :- Group Theory 1 Class (Test 2) at LR1, T05

Tuesday 4 December 2018 :-
10 am :- Athirah Zulkarnain at UTM-i
11 am :- Nurhidayah Zaid & Atyra Farhana Zai at UTM-i
2 - 3 pm :- First Assessment - Nuridayu Alimon at Viva Room 4, T05

Wednesday 5 December 2018 :-
9 am :- Nuridayu Alimon at UTM-i
10:30 am :- Ibrahim Gambo at UTM-i
12:30 :- Meeting in Immigration JB
2 - 3 pm :- First Assessment - AqilahFarhana Abdul Rahman at Viva Room 4, T05
3 - 4 pm :- First Assessment - Nurul Izzaty at Viva Room 4, T05
4 - 5 pm :- UTM TMC Meeting at UTM-i

Thursday 6 December 2018 :-
12 pm :- Amira Fadina at UTM-i
2 - 3:30 pm :- Progress Report Presentation at UTM-i
3:45 - 6 pm :- UTM TMC Meeting in D05

Saturday 8 December 2018 :-
Invitation - The XX Congress of Indonesian Student Association Malaysia (PPIM)

* Please take note that i am taking leave from 23 Dec 2018 - 3 Jan 2019

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SCHEDULE PLANNING
(STUDENTS' RESPOND)

RESEARCH PROGRESS
(DISCUSSION IN GROUP WHATSAPP)
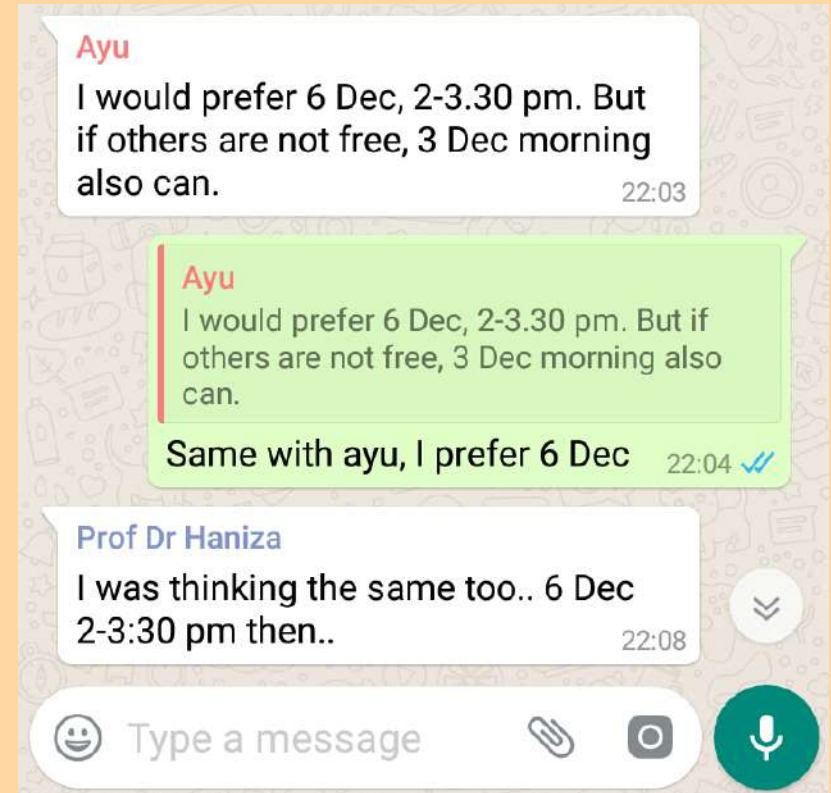
PRESENT RESEARCH PROGRESS
(WEEKLY ACTIVITY)

RESEARCH PLANNING (GANTT CHART)

No.	Research Activities	2017 S O N D	2018 J F M A M J J A S O N D	2019 J F M A M J J A S O N D	2020 J F M A M J J
1.	Literature review on concepts of DNA, splicing systems and formal language theory.	■	■■■■■■■■■■■■	■■■■■■	
2.	Generalise the splicing languages resulting for DNA splicing systems with palindromic and non-palindromic restriction enzymes.	■	■■■■ •		
3.	Develop a graphical user interface for DNA splicing system with palindromic and non-palindromic restriction enzymes by using C++ visual programming.		■■■■■■ •		
4.	Construct the graphical representation for the generalisations of DNA splicing systems with palindromic and non-palindromic restriction enzymes via automata and graph theory.		■■■	■■■ •	
5.	Verify the model of DNA splicing system with palindromic and non-palindromic restriction enzymes through in vitro experiments.			■■■■■■■ •	
6.	Thesis writing, presentation and submission		■ ■■	■■■■■	•

Technology Transfer Activities

No.	Research Activities	2017 S O N D	2018 J F M A M J J A S O N D	2019 J F M A M J J A S O N D	2020 J F M A M J J
1.	Papers for conference proceedings		1,2 / 3 / 4 / 5,6 ... 7	(M)	(M)
2.	Publication of research paper(s) in indexed and non-indexed journals		8,9 ... 8	(M)	(M)
3.	Exhibition	10	11		

Key: Completed ■   To be completed ■   Milestone •

1 ESCon2018   2 AIMC 2018   3 ICAAMM2018   4 JWGEA2018   5 IGCESH2018   6 ITES2018   7 SKSM26   8 MATEMATIKA   9 MJFAS   10 INATEX 2017
11 INATEX 2018

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RESEARCH PLANNING
(ACADEMIC CALENDAR)

SEMESTER I, 2018/2019 SESSION		Remarks
5 – 21 Sep 2018	Registration of Research/Course for Semester I, 2018/2019 Session (ONLINE)	*Birthday of His Majesty Seri Paduka Baginda Yang Di – Pertuan Agong 9 September 2018 (Sunday)
9 Sep 2018 – 25 Jan 2019	Student start & continue their Research	*Birthday of His Majesty Seri PadukamBaginda Yang Di – Pertuan Agong (KL Only) 10 September 2018 (Monday)
9 Sep – 1 Nov 2018	Application for Reduction and Exemption Tuition Fees	*Maal Hijrah 1440 11 September 2018 (Tuesday)
23 – 27 Sep 2018	Late Registration of Research/Course (WITH PENALTY)	*Malaysia Day 16 September 2018 (Sunday)
30 Sep – 5 Oct 2018	Amendments of Research/Course Registration (ONLINE)	*Malaysia Day (KL Only) 17 September 2018 (Monday)
7 – 11 Oct 2018	Amendments of Research/Course Registration (WITH PENALTY)	*Hol Almarhum Sultan Iskandar (JB Only)
14 Oct – 8 Nov 2018	Course/Research Withdrawal (TD)	15 October 2018 (Monday)
14 – 18 Oct 2018	AMD Issues Reminder Letter For Students Who Did Not Register Any Courses	*Deepavali 6 November 2018 (Tuesday)
21 Oct – 20 Dec 2018	Application for Deferment or Withdrawal From Programme	*Birthday of Prophet Muhammad S.A.W (JB Only) 20 November 2018 (Tuesday)
6 – 8 Nov 2018	Mid Semester Break, Semester I, 2018/2019 Session	
11 Nov – 10 Dec 2018	Submission of Progress Report	*Christmas Day 25 December 2018 (Tuesday)
10 Dec 2018	Final date for Submission of Progress Report	*New Year (KL Only) 1 January 2019 (Tuesday)
10 – 24 Dec 2018	Evaluation of Progress Report by Supervisor	
24 Dec 2018	Deadline for evaluation of Progress Report by Supervisor	
24 Jan 2019	Final date for submission of Thesis	
*Application for Notification Thesis Submission are THREE (3) months before the Expected Date of Thesis Submission		

HARMONY SITUATION

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Together at convocation ceremony

Have lunch together

Attend seminars and conferences together

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Hari Raya Celebration

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Birthday celebrations

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SO, WHAT TO DO?

GET TO KNOW YOUR SUPERVISOR

- What are the things that he or she likes/doesn't like

- Listen and understand him/her very carefully

- Learn of his/her personality

- Try to think of him/her as your family

- Follow what he/she asked because there must be reasons behind it

TIPS FOR BEING A GOOD PG STUDENT

- Know how to manage time efficiently
- Always be around
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- Always plan and update the research progress
- Able to share problems with the supervisor
- Keep up the good attitude
- Not just work hard, but work smart!
- Try to understand others so that people will understand you

TIPS FOR BEING A GOOD PG STUDENT (CONT.)

- Be more independent and believe in what you can do
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TIPS ON PUBLICATIONS

Plan for publication

- of at least a review paper during the first semester

- in conferences (once a year/ every semester?)

- in SCOPUS journals

- in ISI journals

Plan for

- attending a publication workshop

IN SUMMARY

- Not just work hard, but work smart!
- Time management is important
- Try to understand others so that people will understand you
- Be more independent and believe in what you can do
- Believe in yourself…. you are indeed brilliant!
- **YOU will be THE EXPERT in your area of research!**

Follow your dreams, believe in yourself and don't give up.
Rachel Corrie
BrainyQuote

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MY VIVA

21 April 1998

MY VIVA (CONT.)

21 April 1998

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MY CONVOCATION

24 May 1998

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ALWAYS REMEMBER THIS

Life is not always easy.
Success is not an easy thing to achieve.
There is no short cut.
You need to sacrifice.
But try to enjoy life while doing it.
While you can.
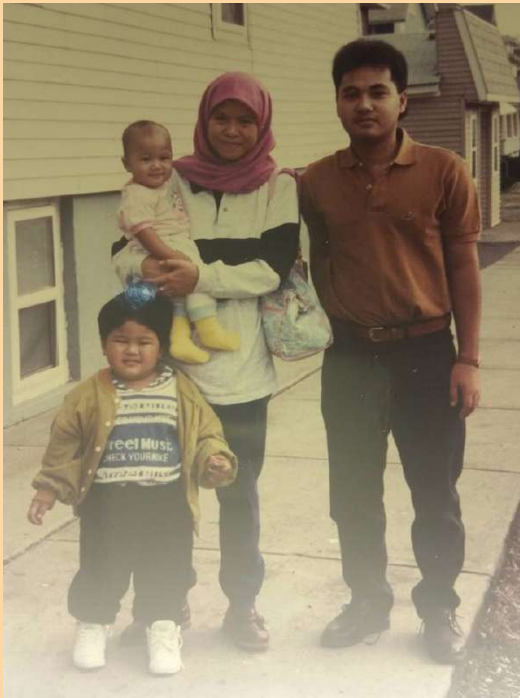And always pray for a better future.

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GOOD LUCK & ALL THE BEST!!!

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THANK YOU!