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HOW TO INCREASE PRODUCTIVITY?

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1 July 2019

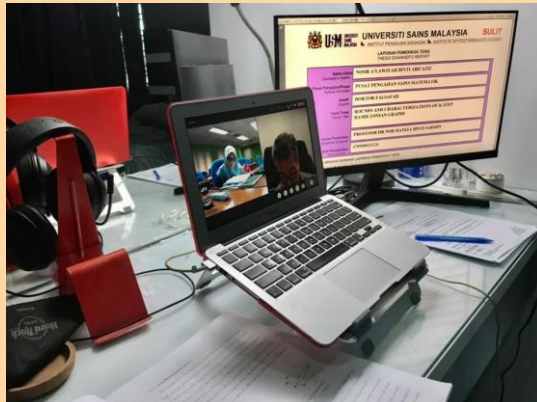
WHAT IS PRODUCTIVITY?

Productivity describes various measures of the efficiency of production. Often, a productivity measure is expressed as the ratio of an aggregate output to a single input or an aggregate input used in a production process, i.e. output per unit of input, typically over a specific period of time.



WORKPLACE PRODUCTIVITY

When we talk about **workplace productivity**, we are referring largely to how much **work** is accomplished in a particular work environment, over a particular **period of time**.



HOW DO YOU MEASURE YOUR PRODUCTIVITY AS A STUDENT?

MY BACKGROUND



- B.Sc (Hons) Math (Minor in Economics) 1986-1989 (3 ½ years)
- MA Math 1989-1990 (3 semesters)
- PhD Math 1995-1998 (40 months)

from State University of New York at Binghamton (now known as Binghamton University), New York, USA

<https://people.utm.my/nizararmin/>

ADMIN IN UTM



- Joined UTM on 2 May 1991
- Head, Dept of Postgraduate Studies, FS (Nov 2007 - July 2012)

ADMIN IN UTM



Deputy Dean, SPS
(1 August 2012 - 31 March 2016)

ADMIN IN UTM



- Director (Global Education & Student Experience), UTM International (1 April 2016 - 31 March 2018)
- Associate Director (Student Services & Global Education Experience) , UTM International (1 April 2018 – 14 August 2019)

ADMIN IN UTM

GLOBAL STRATEGY AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISION UTM INTERNATIONAL

International Relations



International Alliances



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Associate Director (Global Strategy & Engagement) , UTM International
(15 August 2019 – 31 March 2021)

Acting Associate Director (Global Strategy & Engagement) , UTM International
(1 April 2021 - ?)

30 years in UTM
50% ADMINISTRATOR,
50% ACADEMIC STAFF
from 2007 until now

GRADUATED UNDERGRADUATE FINAL YEAR PROJECT STUDENTS

83

GRADUATED MASTER STUDENTS



26 students

GRADUATED PHD STUDENTS



35 students
(since 2008)

ACTIVE PHD STUDENTS



12 students

FAST TRACK STUDENTS

(First Class Undergraduate to PhD)



11 students

THE YOUNGEST PHD HOLDER

Malaysia Book of Record 2014

24 years and 2 months old



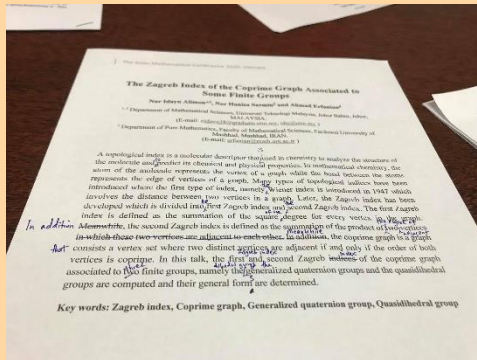
Dr. Hazzirah Izzati Mat Hassim



Seven Habits of Highly Effective People

by Stephen R. Covey

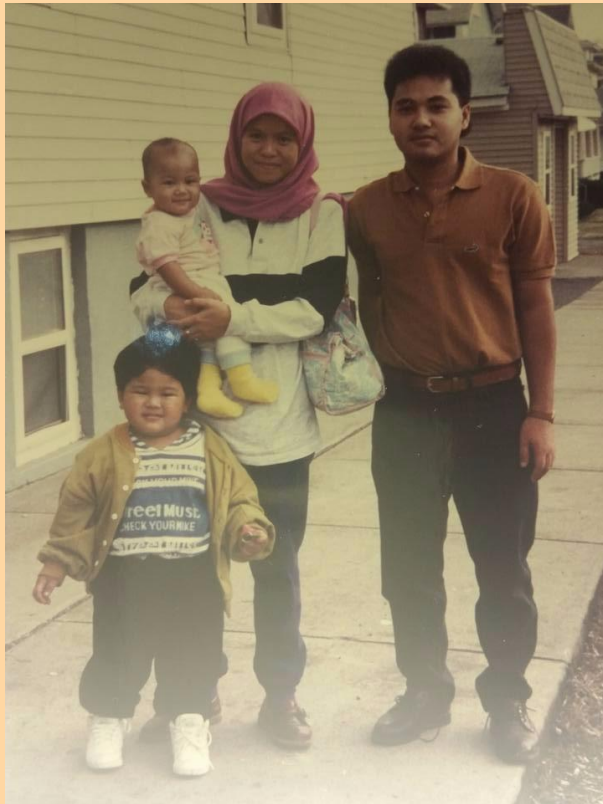
1. Be proactive



Seven Habits of Highly Effective People (Cont.)

2. Begin with the end in mind

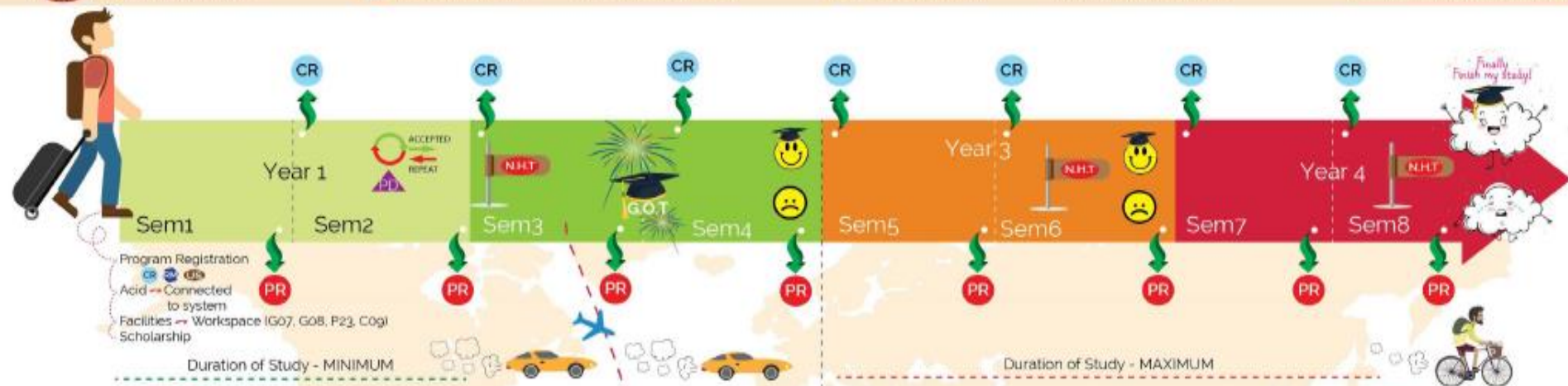
- We decide the direction of life.



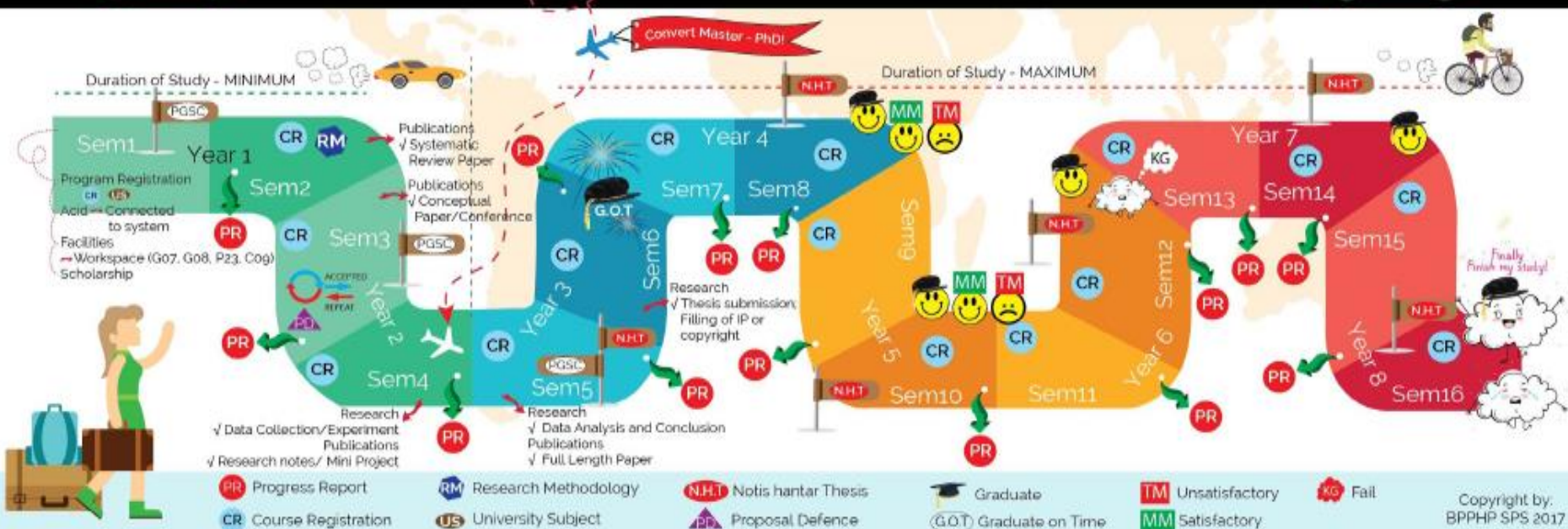
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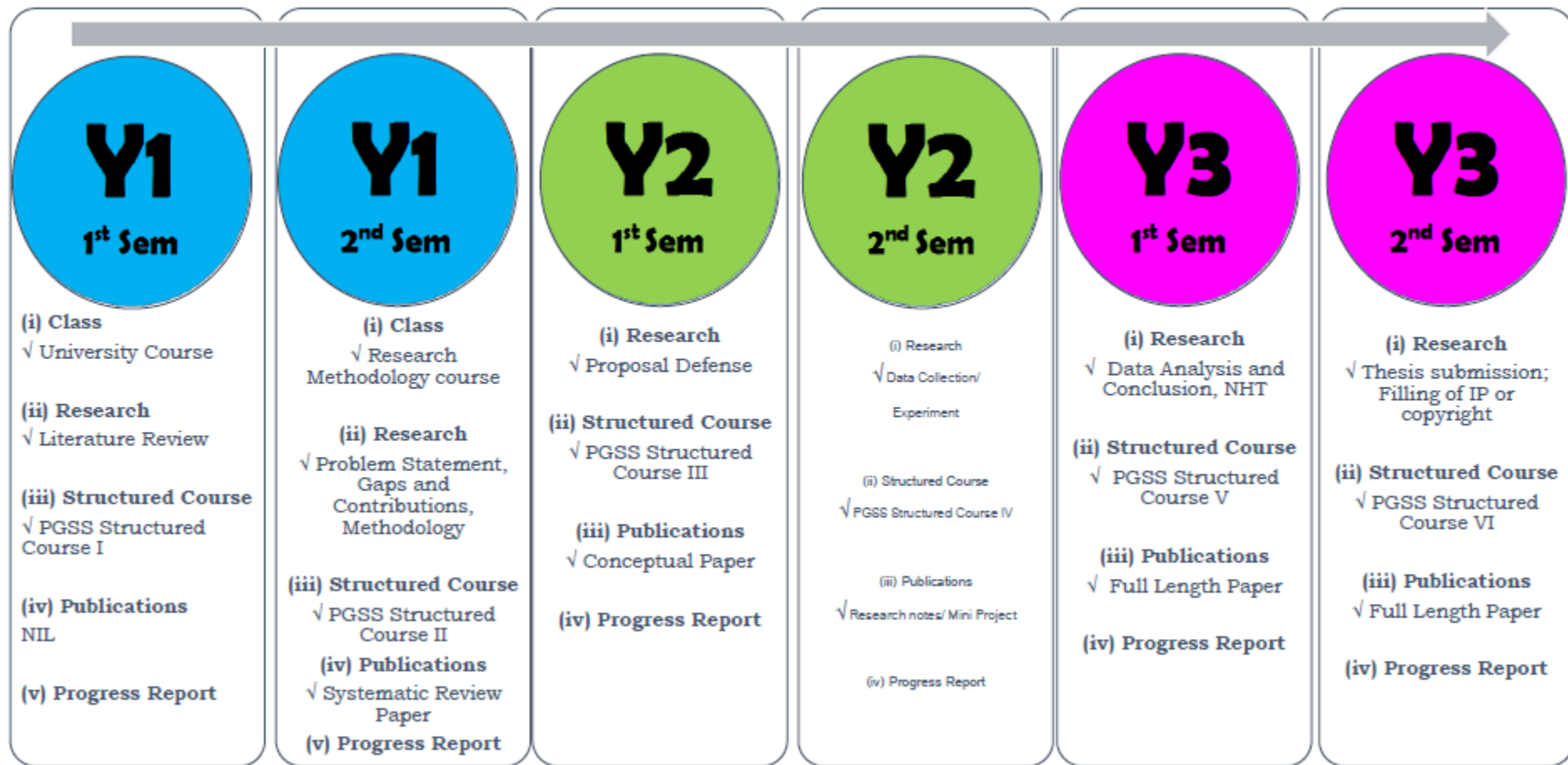
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POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH JOURNEY

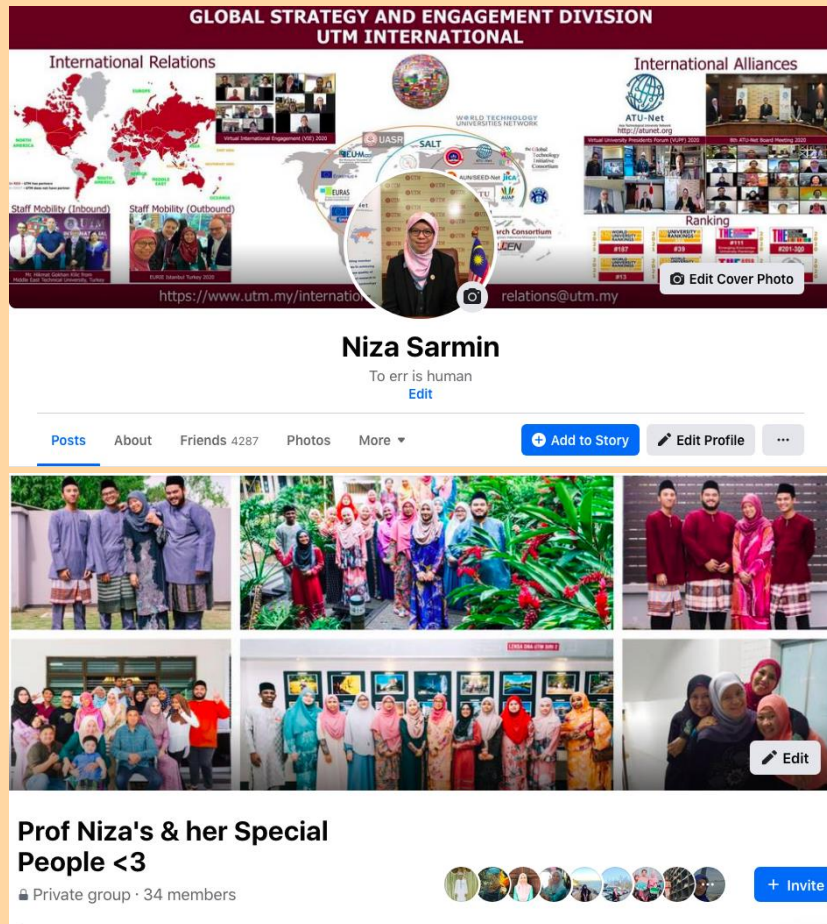


TIMELINE FOR GOT



3. Put first things first – prioritize

- Discipline + management



Niza Sarmin
Admin · 20 February at 10:44 · 🌐

My schedule for this week (Final Exam Week 3):

Sunday 21 February 2021 :-
8:30 am :- [Atyra Farhana Zai](#) at UTM-i
9:30 am :- Dr Julie [Thuy Van Nguyen](#) at UTM-i
11:30 am - 1 pm :- SEATUC Meeting via Zoom
2:30 - 4 pm :- Meeting on EURIE via Zoom

Monday 22 February 2021 :-
8:30 am :- [Nurhidayah Zaid](#) at UTM-i
10 - 11 am :- VIE with Univ. Atma Jaya Yogyakarta, Indonesia via Zoom
11:30 am :- [Nurul Izzaty](#) via Zoom
2 pm :- [Hassan Mudaber](#) & Dr [Ibrahim Gambo](#) via Zoom
3:30 - 4:30 pm :- VIE with University of Isfahan, Iran via Zoom

Tuesday 23 February 2021 :-
9 am - 12 pm :- JKDEU Meeting at VC Meeting Room
2:30 pm :- Viva (UPM) via Zoom

Wednesday 24 February 2021 :-
9 - 12:30 pm :- Senate Meeting via Webex
12:30 - 1:30 pm :- ICARMS Keynote Speaker
3 - 4 pm :- [Nurul Ain Mazlan](#), Dr Hazzirah [Izzati Hassim](#) & Dr Sanhan via Zoom
4 pm :- [Amira Fadina](#) via Zoom

Thursday 25 February 2021 :-
8:30 am :- Faculty of Science 64th Online Convocation via Webex
9:30 am - 11:30 am :- SEATUC 2021 Opening Ceremony & Keynotes Session
11 am :- [Athirah Zulkarnain](#) at UTM-i
12:15 - 1 pm :- Perbincangan Persediaan EURIE Summit 2021 via Zoom with [Norhayati Abdullah](#) and [Ahmad Hilman Borhan](#)
2 - 4 pm :- SEATUC Presidential Meeting

*will most probably WFO everyday next week 😊

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Weekly Schedule

How much time do we have in a day?



3. Put first things first – prioritize (Cont.)

- Time for research



3. Put first things first – prioritize (Cont.)

- Time for family



3. Put first things first – prioritize (Cont.)

- Time for self?
 - Leisure
 - Ibadah
 - Other activities



RESEARCH PLANNING (GANTT CHART)

Project Activities	Semester 1				Semester 2				Semester 3				Semester 4				Semester 5				Semester 6															
	Year 1								Year 2								Year 3																			
	2018				2019								2020								2021															
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1. Literature study on the fundamental concept of ring theory, probability theory and graph theory																																				
2. Obtain the zero divisors of some ring of matrices over finite rings																																				
3. Calculate the zero product probability for some ring of matrices over finite rings and construct its zero divisor graph																																				
4. Calculate the commuting zero product probability and construct the commuting zero divisor graph for some ring of matrices over finite rings																																				
5. Determine the perfect codes for the zero divisor graph and commuting zero divisor graph																																				
6. Determine the general formula of zero product probability, commuting zero product probability, zero divisor graph and commuting zero divisor graph																																				
7. Writing thesis report and submission for viva																																				
Technology Transfer Activities																																				
Presentation in conferences / seminars and publication in proceedings								1			2																								5	
Publication in journals																																				



Completed



To be completed



Milestone

1. SGTA2019 2. 5BIGTC2019 3. ICOWOBAS2019 4. IGCESH2020 5. SKSM28

KNOW YOUR PRIORITY

Eisenhower Decision Matrix

	URGENT	NOT URGENT
IMPORTANT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deadlines• Meeting with sv• Classes• Emergencies/Crises	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Relationship building• Weekly/longterm planning• Academic activities• Exercise and health
NOT IMPORTANT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Some emails/calls• Interruptions• Some meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Excessive TV/Game• Pleasant Activities• Time wasters

Seven Habits of Highly Effective People (Cont.)

4. Think win-win

- Habit of mutual benefit – “give and take”.
- Value and respect people by understanding a “win” for all.



PGSSUTM POSTGRADUATE STUDENT SOCIETY UTM UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MALAYSIA

HOW TO INCREASE PRODUCTIVITY
procrastination

Date: 25 April 2021
Time: 9 AM - 11 AM

productivity

Pre-Registration Link: 

Venue: 

Speaker Info:
Prof. Dr. Nor Haniza Sarmin
Acting Associate Director (Global Strategy and Engagement)

Research Interest:
Group Theory, Graph Theory, Formal Language Theory, DNA Computing and Their Applications

5. Seek first to understand, then to be understood

- habit of communication

- With your supervisor
- With your friends
- With your family
- With your co-researchers



6. Synergize – habit of creative cooperation



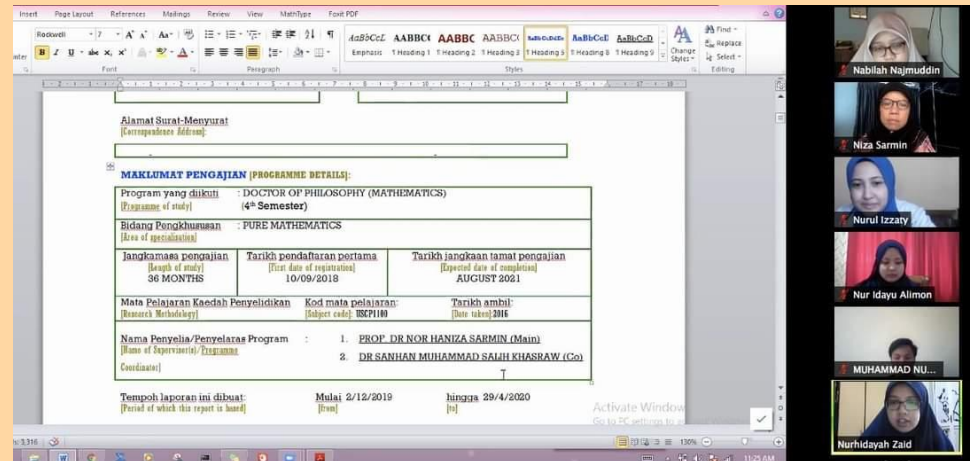
GAP Workshop



Seminar at Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM)



Discussion with Nurhidayah, Dr. Ibrahim (UTM) and Dr. Sanhan from Iraq



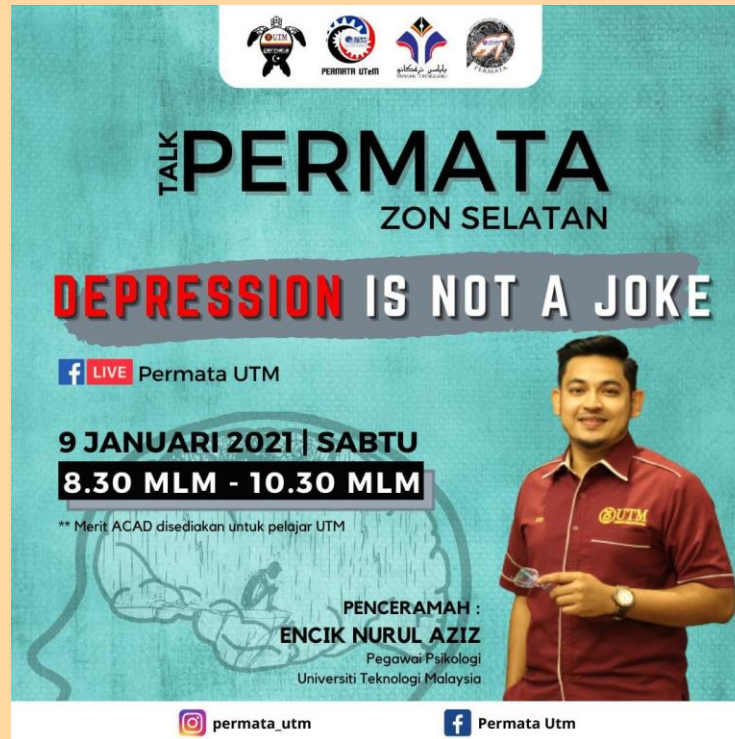
Progress Report Presentation

7. Sharpen your saw

- Physical, mental/emotional, spiritual



Physical



Mental



Spiritual

7. Sharpen your saw (Cont.)

PGSS activities

College activities

Toastmasters Club

Culture Corner

Global Buddies

Outbound Mobility-
Research Attachment

International Student
Society (ISS)

PGSS Faculty of Science



- Nur Athirah Farhana Zai (2020/2021)
- Syiham Razak (2019/2020)
- Nur Idayu Alimon, Nurhidayah Zaid (2018/2019)
- Amira Fadina ahmad Fadzil (2017/2018)
- Siti Norziahidayu Amzee Zamri (2016/2018)
- Siti Afiqah Mohammad (2015/2016)



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- Nur Idayu Alimon (2018/2019)
- Siti Afiqah Mohammad (2015/2016)



7. Sharpen your saw (Cont.)



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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SOCIETY



PRODUCTIVITY VS EFFECTIVENESS

Productivity is about getting things done.

Effectiveness is about getting the right things done.

OTHER TIPS

1. Set your goals

S

Specific, Significant

M

Measureable, Meaningful,
Motivational

A

Achievable

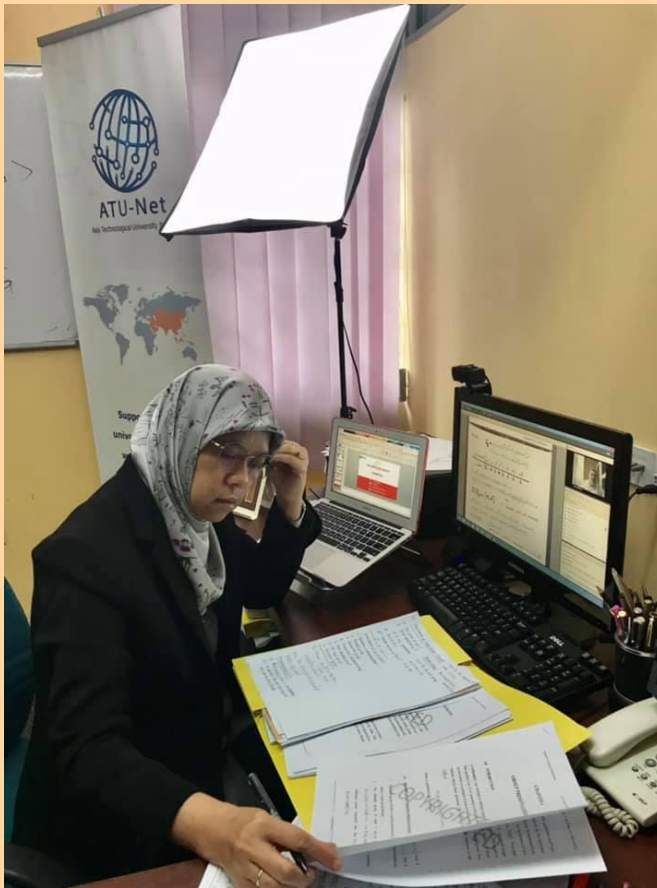
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Realistic, Reasonable,
Relevant

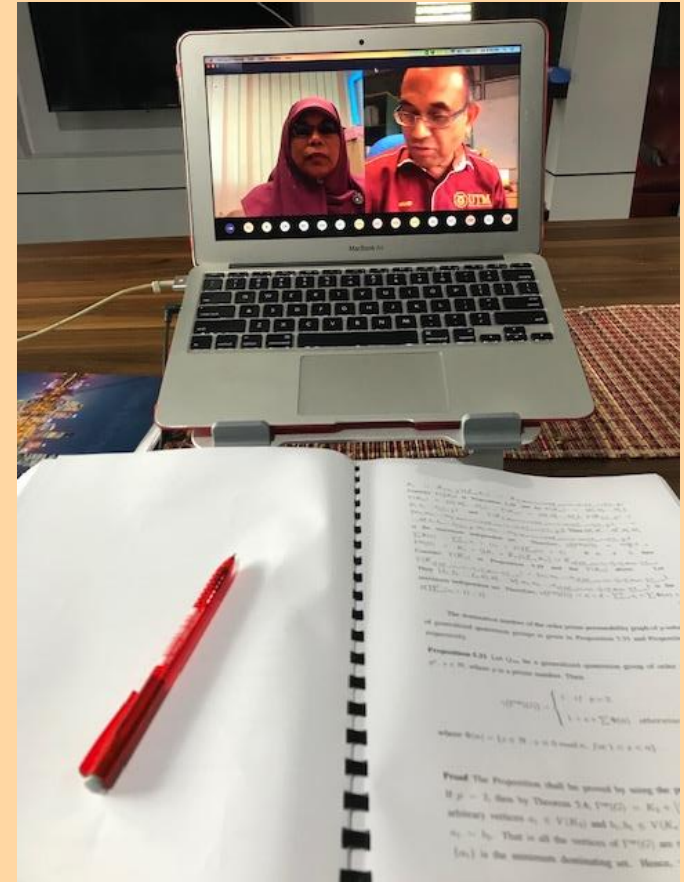
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Time-based

2. Do heavy work when we are at our best – find our productive hour (we have more energy)



3. Don't be too multi-tasking



4. Prepare to-do-list each night/each week

“think ahead”

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8 AM					
9 AM	SPEAKER INVITATION FOR PGSS STRUCTURAL 9 - 11am	Pitch Perfe How Ace Phd Vivar 9am - 11am	Mesyuarat MOU/MOA 9am - 1pm	Mesyuarat Senat Bil 07/2020/2021 9am - 1pm	
10 AM		TBC: Mesy at UT 9:30	Dr. Diana's Class 9am - 12p		
11 AM		TBC: Mesy at UT 9:30			
12 PM	Mesyuarat Pro-Naib 11:30am - 1pm Bilik Mesyuarat UTM International UTM				
1 PM					
2 PM	Dr. Diana's Class 2 - 5pm	Dr. Dian Class 2 - 5pm	MESYUARAT JKDEU BIL 2:30 - 5pm Bilik Mesy Naib Cans Jabatan Canseleri	Prof Niza's Class 2 - 4pm vroom. c.lr/erf	UTM V 2 - 3pm
3 PM		Prof N Class 2 - 4pm vroom. c.lr/erf		Prof Niza's Class 2 - 4pm vroom. c.lr/erf	UTM V 2 - 3pm
4 PM				Pindaa n: Mesy Penge 2:30 - webex	UTM V 2 - 3pm
5 PM					



Niza Sarmin
Admin · Just now · 🌐

My schedule for this week (Week 7/14) :

Sunday 25 April 2021 :-
 9- 11 am :- PGSS SKA Structured Course via Webex
 11: 30 am - 1 pm :- GSE Meeting with Pro-VC (I)

Monday 26 April 2021 :-
 9:30 - 11:30 am :- UTM-i Meeting with HEK via Zoom
 2 - 4 pm :- Group Theory 2 Class (Prof Ahmad Erfanian) via Adobe Connect

Tuesday 27 April 2021 :-
 2:30 - 5 pm :- JKDEU Meeting No. 2/2021 via Webex

Wednesday 28 April 2021 :-
 9 am - 1 pm :- Senate Meeting via Webex
 2 - 4 pm :- Group Theory 2 Class (Prof Ahmad Erfanian) via Adobe Connect

Thursday 29 April 2021 :-
 Annual Leave

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5. Delegate properly

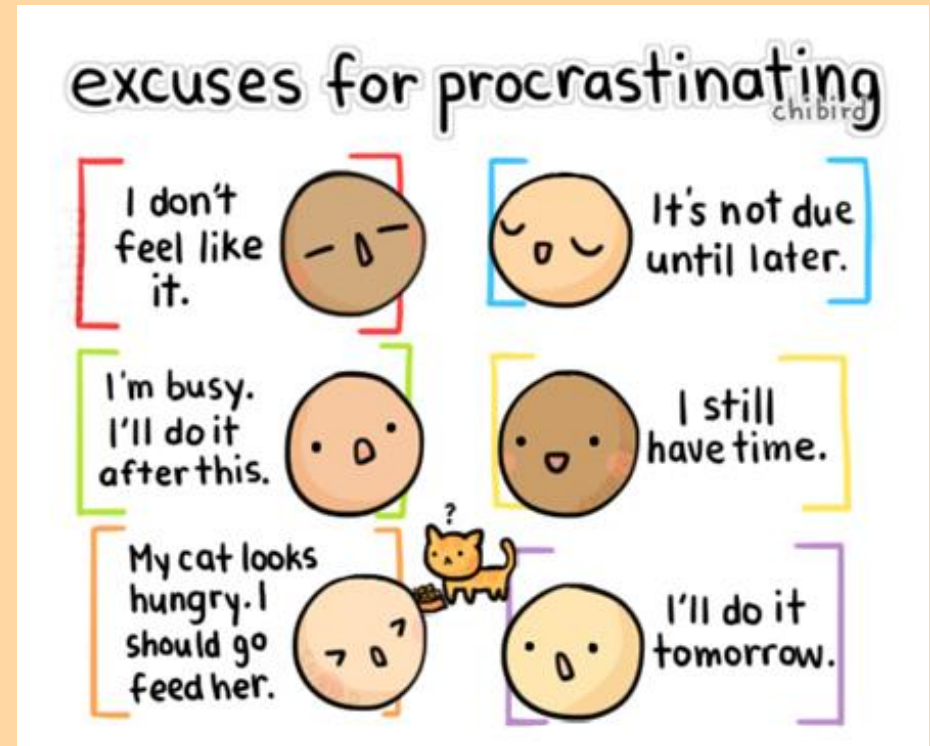
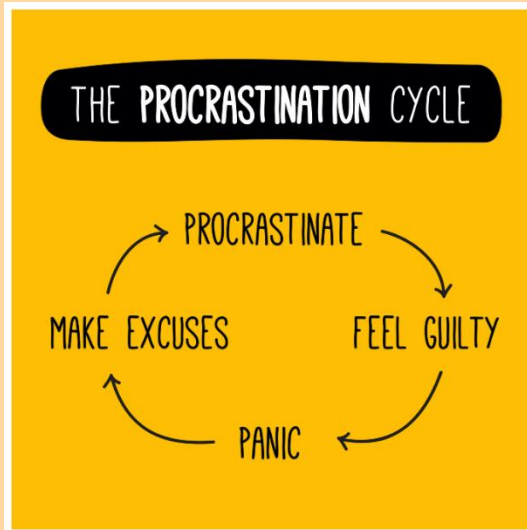


6. Eliminate distraction



7. Avoid procrastination

- Productivity is inversely proportional to procrastination.



HOW TO STOP PROCRASTINATING ?

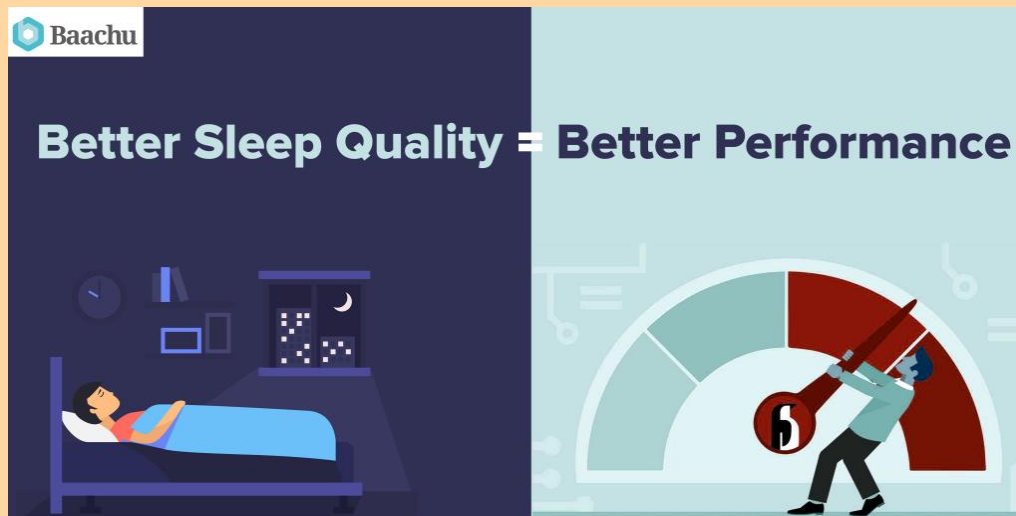
1. Make **rewards** for taking action more immediate.
2. Design your actions - You can stop wasting time on your phone by deleting **games** or social media apps.
3. Make the task more achievable.
4. Consistent & **discipline**.



OTHER TIPS (Cont.)

8. Get enough sleep

9. Wake up early



BENEFITS OF WAKING UP

EARLY



WILLPOWER

Your willpower decreases over the course of the day (meaning it's highest in the morning)



FOCUS

In the morning you have nothing on your mind because you've just woken up. This gives you plenty of wiggle room to focus hard on the task at hand without getting derailed by distracting thoughts.



MORE TIME

It all comes down to prioritization, if there's a task you're not doing, it's not because you don't have the time—it's because that task isn't important enough for you to make the time. Add an hour to your day by waking up an hour earlier.



SELF-DISCIPLINE

If you want to increase discipline in your own life then work on getting up earlier every morning. This helps you be more disciplined AND gives you all the other benefits of waking up early, talk about killing two birds with one stone!



BETTER SLEEP

You absolutely cannot wake up early every morning if you've been staying up late every night. Your goal of waking up early will force you to get a better sleep each night, and that in itself is a benefit of its own in your life.

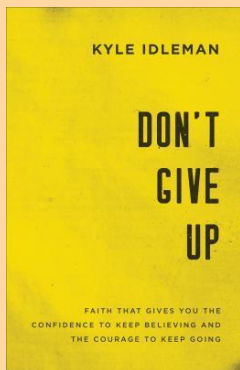
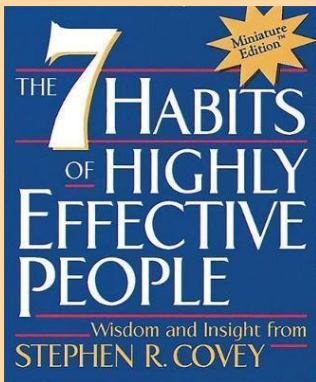
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www.collegeinsightboost.ca/benefits-of-waking-up-early/

10. Drink a lot of water & eat healthy



11. Always read motivational books/ attend good webinars

The poster is for a 'Morning Talk with Our Invited Speaker' event. It features a photo of the speaker, P.M. Dr Agus Arsad, a man in a white shirt and glasses. The event is organized by PGSS SCEE (Postgraduate Student Society of UTM) and is titled 'Active Learning Strategies to Ace in PG Study Route'. The text describes the goal: 'Explore how to become an independent thinker and good scholar along the pathway of PG study.' The speaker's name is listed as 'Speaker: P.M. Dr Agus Arsad'. The event details are: Sunday, 25 April 2021, 9.00 am – 11.30 am. The platform is 'Webex Meetings'. The link is provided: 'https://utm.webex.com/utm/j.php?MTID=m510c4d7ad3f699c1c6615fa4cc254489'. The meeting number is '184 819 5951' and the password is 'apAy3eYPa29'. A QR code is also present. The event is organized by PGSS SCEE.

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The poster is for a 'PhD Oh PhD!' webinar. It features a photo of the host, Amira Salzihan, a woman in a grey hijab and patterned top. The event is titled 'MY 3-YEAR SMOOTH PHD JOURNEY: TIPS & TRICKS' and is presented by 'PROF. TS. DR. ZAIDATUN TASIR'. The event is a Facebook Live session on Wednesday, 28 April 2021, from 2.00 PM to 2.30 PM. The location is 'FB Humanities UTM Kuala Lumpur'. The poster also includes the UTM logo and the text 'EDUCATING & HUMANIZING'. At the bottom, there are three circular icons: '5 Star QS Overall Rating', 'TOP 40 Best Universities in Asia', and 'TOP 20 Best Universities in the World'. The website 'www.utm.my' is also listed.

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PhD Oh PhD!

MY 3-YEAR SMOOTH PHD JOURNEY: TIPS & TRICKS

PROF. TS. DR. ZAIDATUN TASIR

28 APRIL 2021 - WEDNESDAY - 2.00-2.30PM

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Amira Salzihan Host

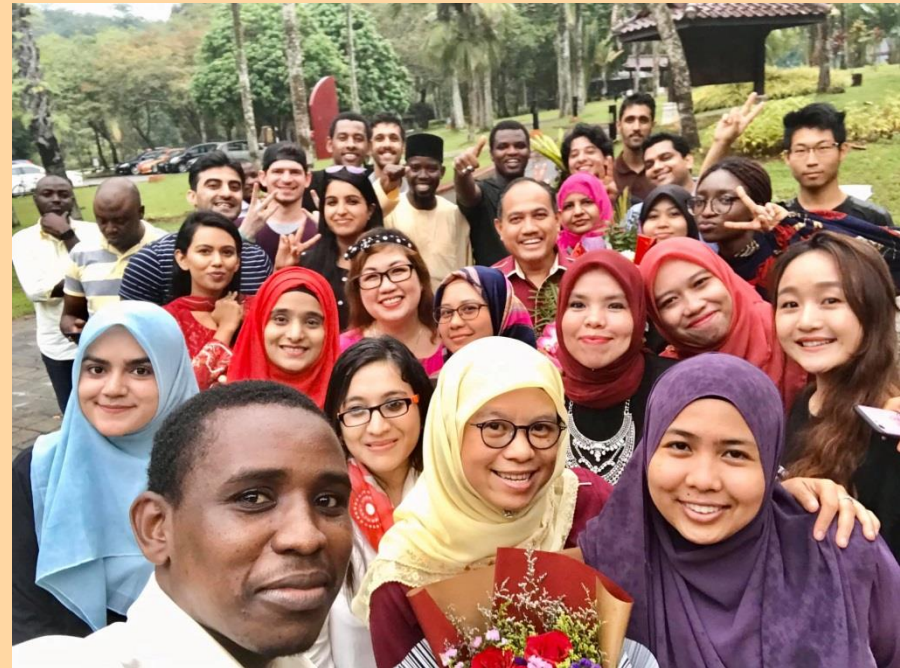
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12. Be around “good, positive” people/friends



SOME MOTIVATIONAL PEOPLE

1. Dr. Hazzirah Izzati Mat Hassim

Universiti Teknologi Malaysia

Graduated in 48 months (2014) at the age of 24 years and 2 months.



**Youngest PhD Holder
Malaysia Book of Records, 2014**



**Research Attachment at Ferdowsi
University of Mashhad, Iran.**



**Research Attachment at Università'
Degli Studi Di Palermo, Italy.**



**Research Attachment at
Universidade de Brasilia, Brasil.**



**Conference at Sabzevar Tarbiat
Moallem University, Iran.**



**Research Attachment at Dogus
University, Istanbul, Turkey.**

1. Dr. Hazzirah Izzati Mat Hassim

Universiti Teknologi Malaysia



Conference at Institut Teknologi Bandung, Indonesia.



Global Outreach Program at Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam.



Global Outreach Program at Beijing, China.

1. Dr. Hazzirah Izzati Mat Hassim

Universiti Teknologi Malaysia

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2. Asst. Prof. Dr. Gan Yee Siang

Feng Chia University, Taiwan

Graduated in 40 months (2015).



Pro-Chancellor award

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13.	Fong, W. H., Gan, Y. S. and Turaev, S. Weighted Sticker Systems. Recent Advances in DNA Sticker System and Watson-Crick Automata.	Book chapter
14.	Sarmin, N. H, Gan, Y. S. Relation of Watson-Crick Finite Automata with Groups. Recent Advances in DNA Sticker System and Watson-Crick Automata.	Book chapter

Non-academic activities

Committee, Festival Tun Razak
III, 2008

Committee, Malam
Kebudayaan & Pesta Tanglung

President, Wushu Group
Persatuan Kesenian Citra
Daksina, Unit Kebudayaan
UTM 2010



Research attachment at Universidade de Brasilia, Brasilia, Brasil

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Postdoctoral in Universiti Teknologi Malaysia

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Alumni Award



Publications

1	Ibrahim Gambo , Nor Haniza Sarmin, Hidayat Ullah Khan and Faiz Muhammad Khan. The characterization of regular ordered Gamma semigroups in terms of fuzzy Gamma ideals Malaysian Journal of Fundamental and Applied Sciences . 2017. 4 (13): 576-580.	WOS
2	Ibrahim Gambo , Nor Haniza Sarmin, Hidayat Ullah Khan and Faiz Muhammad Khan. New fuzzy generalized bi ideals of the type in ordered semigroups. Malaysian Journal of Fundamental and Applied Sciences . 2017. 4(13): 666-670.	WOS
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Achievements and some activities

Awards

- **Alumni Academic Award** Prize (PhD Category), Universiti Teknologi Malaysia, 2019.
- **Best Postgraduate Student Award** (PhD). School of Graduate Studies UTM, 2019.
- **Competent Communicator Award**, Toastmasters International, 2018.
- **Competent Leader Award**, Toastmasters International, 2018.
- **Award Recipient on Public Speaking and Leadership** both at University, District, National and International (Gold, Silver and Bronze) level, 2016-2019.
- **UTM International Doctorate Fellowship Award**, 2018.

Leadership activities

- **Vice President**, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia International Students Society (Central), 2017/2018.
- **Sergeant At Arms**, UTM Toastmasters Club, 2016/2017.
- **Panel**, Local and International Postgraduate sharing, 5 July 2018.
- **Director**, Speak like a Champion Public Speaking workshop, 20 April 2018.
- **Secretary II**, International Graduate Conference on Engineering, Science and Humanity, 2016.
- **Sarawak International Cultural Exchange** at Universiti Teknologi Malaysia, 2018.
- **Committee**, Public Speech challenge and workshop for students, 6-8 May 2018.
- **Committee**, How to publish in a high impact factor journal workshop, 12 March 2018.

HOW WAS MY MASTER?

3 semesters

- Classes
- Seminars
- Working

HOW WAS MY PHD?

40 months

- Classes
- Seminars
- Conferences
- Publications
- Working
- Family
- Thesis Writing
- Viva
- Corrections
- Submission

FUTURE PLANNING

- Seminars/Conferences
- Publications
- Notice of Submission of Thesis
- Thesis Write-Up (Table of Contents)
- Thesis Writing
- Viva
- Corrections
- Submission

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 WOS journals



Plan for

- attending a publication workshop

WHAT IS GOOD PRODUCTIVITY?

A **Good Productivity** is getting important things done consistently. And no matter what you are working on, there are only a few things that are truly important. Being **productive** is about maintaining a steady, average speed on a few things, not maximum speed on everything.



HOW TO INCREASE PRODUCTIVITY?

1. Workplace
2. Health
3. Technology
4. Environment
5. Punctuality
6. Strong Will



HAPPY ENDING 😊



Convocation

Viva



TO ALL STUDENTS, 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.



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