

SYNERGISTIC EFFECT BETWEEN STUDENT AND SUPERVISOR FOR A SMOOTHER POSTGRADUATE JOURNEY

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All Lecturer and Student Are Welcome to Join This General Talk



My Background



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

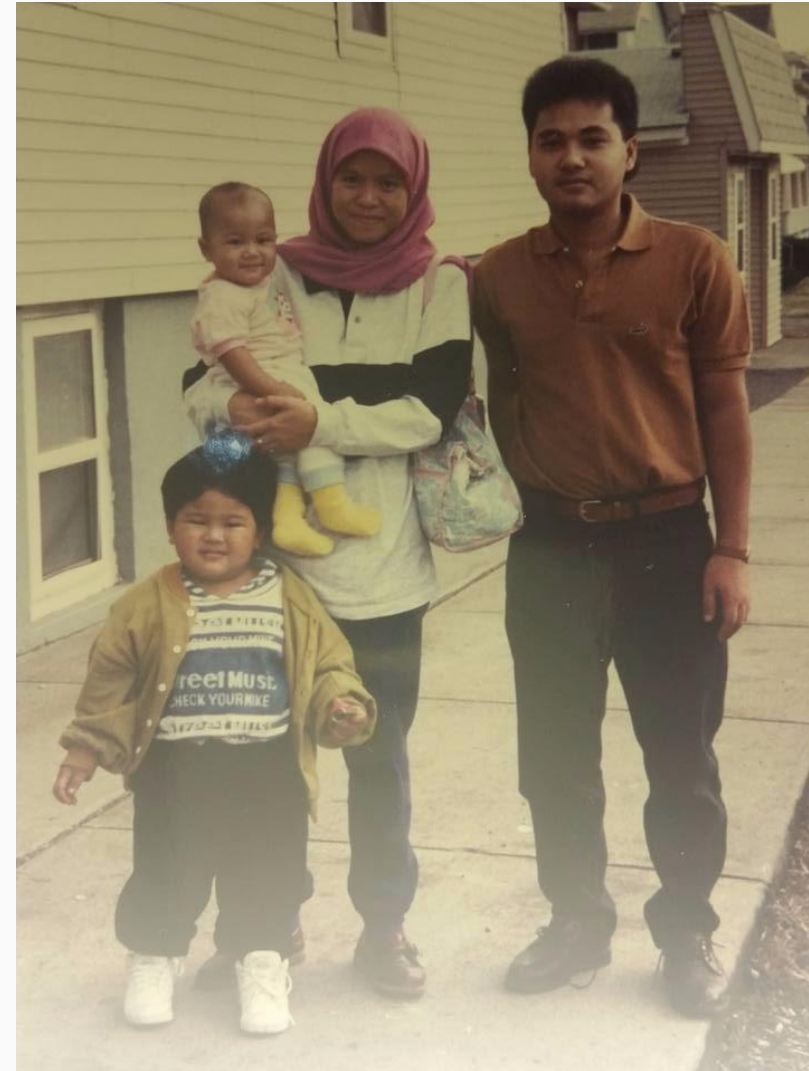
from State University of New York at Binghamton
(now known as Binghamton University), New York,
USA

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Starting My PhD



Binghamton, New York, USA



26 Dec 1994

Admin in UTM



Joined UTM on 2 May 1991

Head, Dept of Postgraduate Studies,
Faculty of Science
(Nov 2007 - July 2012)

Admin in UTM



Deputy Dean, School of Graduate Studies (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



Staff Mobility (Inbound)



Staff Mobility (Outbound)



International Alliances



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Asia Technological University Network
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8th ATU-Net Board Meeting 2020



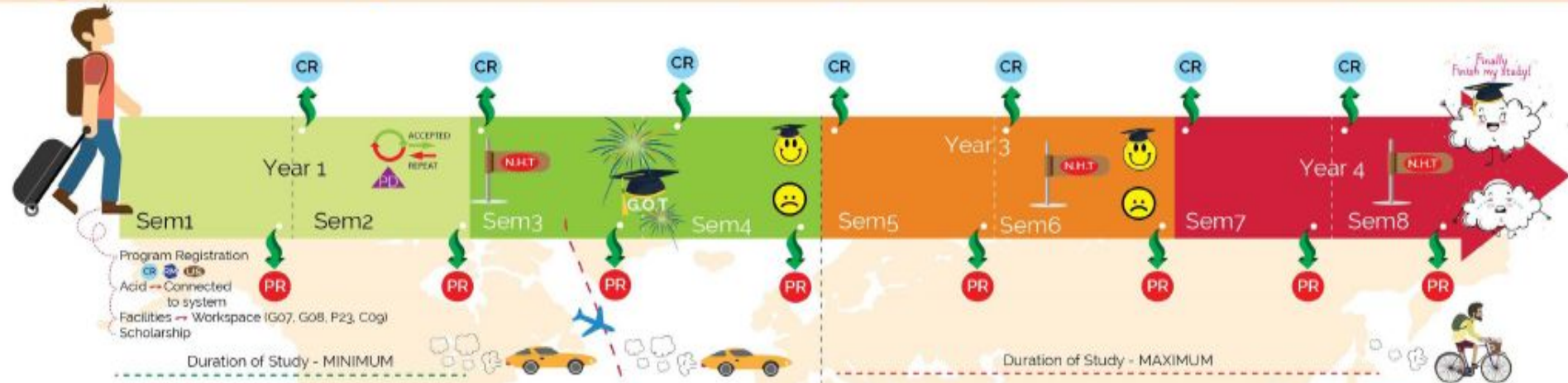
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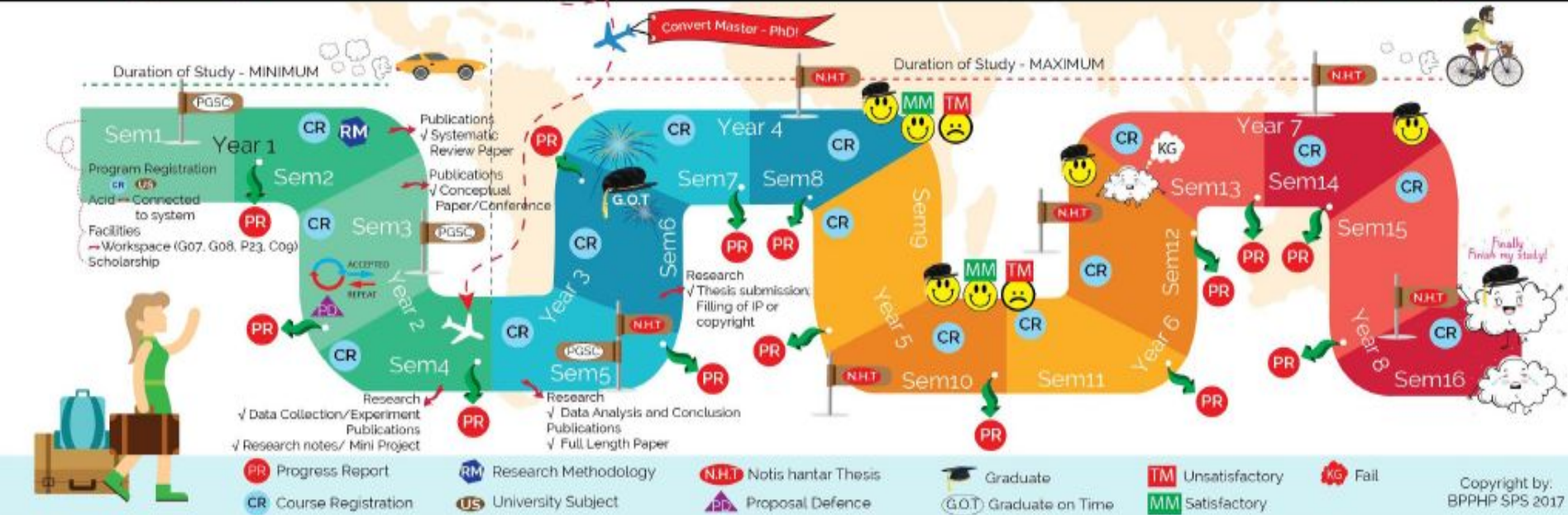
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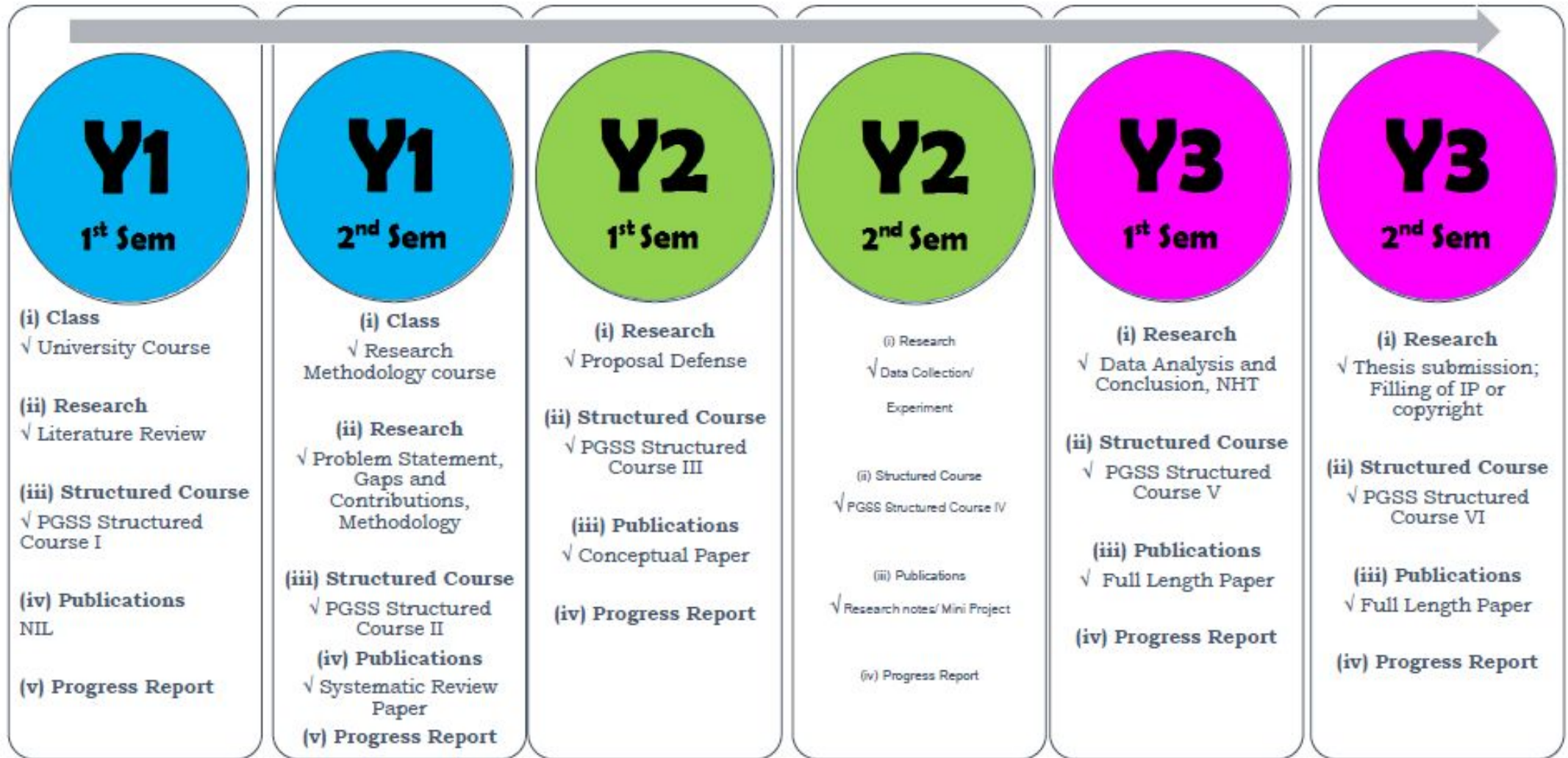
Associate Director (Global Strategy & Engagement), UTM International
(15 August 2019 – 31 December 2021)



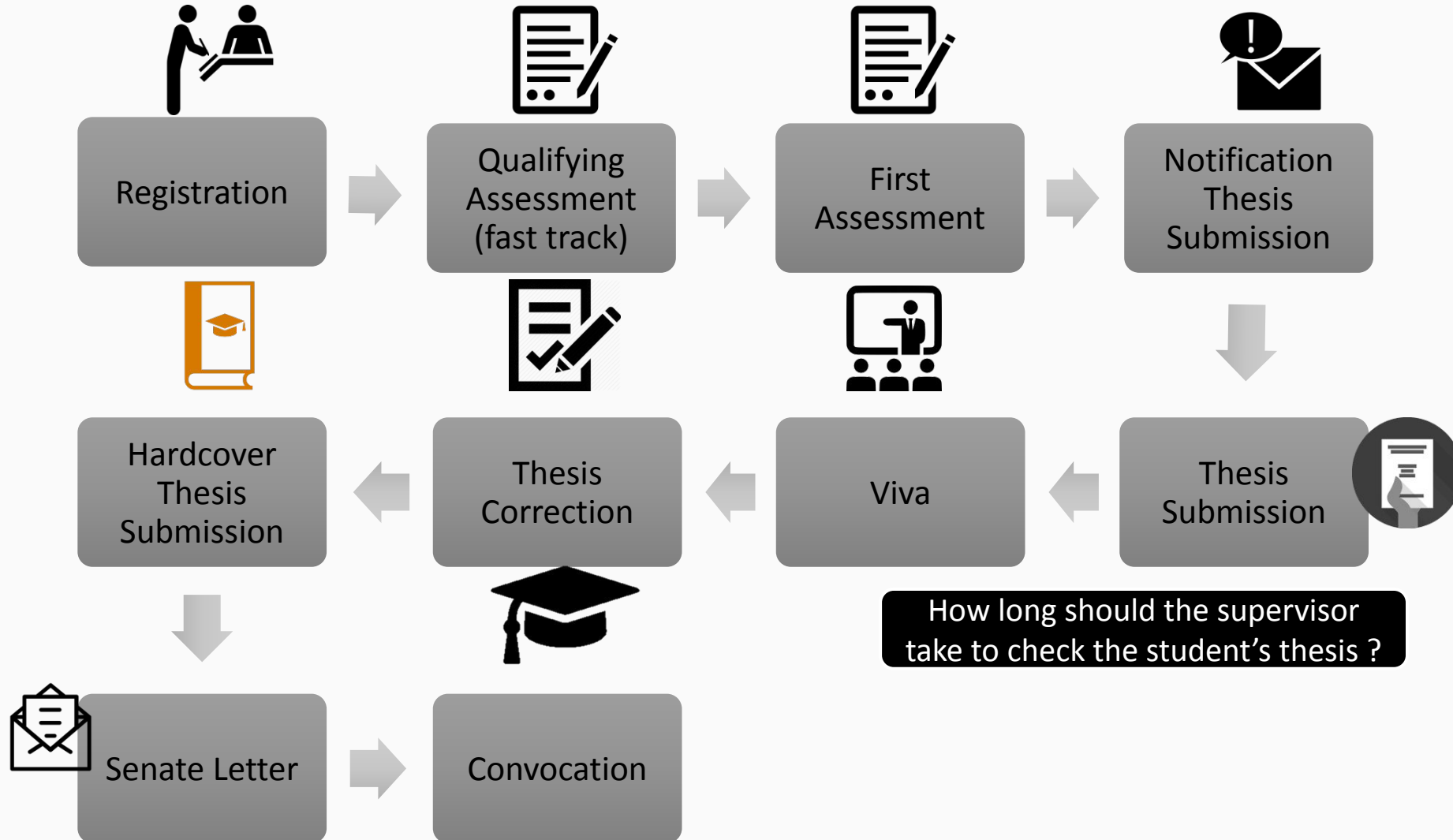
POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH JOURNEY



Timeline for GOT



Research Planning



What is a supervisor?

A **supervisor**, is the job title that is primarily based on **authority** over a worker or charge of a workplace.

A **supervisor** can also be one of the most senior in the staff at the place of work, such as a Professor who oversees a PhD dissertation. Supervision, on the other hand, can be performed by people without this formal title, for example by parents.

Wikipedia, 07042021

What is a supervisor? (UKM)

- Supervisor

An academic staff from the University or an academic staff from outside the University or an expert from outside the University appointed to supervise research, thesis/dissertation preparation and to guide and assess student's studies and may consist of a Main Supervisor and/or Co-supervisor or a Supervisory Committee as specified under Regulation 34.

- Main Supervisor

An academic staff from the University appointed individually or to lead a group of two or more supervisors to supervise research, thesis/dissertation preparation and to guide as well as evaluate the studies of a student.

- Co-Supervisor

An academic staff from the University or an academic staff from outside the University or an expert from outside the University appointed together with the Main Supervisor (if applicable) to supervise research, thesis preparation and to guide as well as evaluate a student's studies.

<http://www.ukm.my/siswazahfst/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Buku-Peraturan-Dwibahasa.pdf>

What is a supervisor?

- Industrial Supervisor

A supervisor appointed by the industry where he provides supervision, support services and ensures the proper facilities or equipment that can assist the development of student research in line with the needs and plans of the company or organisation.

- Long distance supervision

A supervisory mode involving local and international students conducting research outside UTM campus either inside or outside the country.

Roles & Responsibilities of Supervisor

- i. Provide **guidance** on the **expected forms** and **quality of research**. This includes research planning, literature and resources, attendance in coaching classes and necessary techniques, including arranging lectures if necessary.
- ii. **Assist** in the **implementation** of **fieldwork/surveys** that need to be done outside of the University.
- iii. Ensure students **follow** the **development** of their **area of research**.
- iv. **Advise** on the dates regarding all phases of research work to ensure all milestones can be achieved on time.

<https://sps.utm.my/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/KAPS-10.pdf>

Roles & Responsibilities of Supervisor

- v. **Revise** research **papers** produced by student and **return** it with **constructive comments** within a **reasonable time**.
- vi. **Encourage** students to **present** their work in seminars and **publish** in journals.
- vii. Make **assessments** and **submit progress reports** to SPS through JKA at the appointed time for each semester.
- viii. **Ensure** the **safety procedures** are followed by the students in the laboratory and while doing fieldwork in organization.

Roles & Responsibilities of Supervisor

- ix. **Schedule, hold and record the regular meetings** with students under supervision.
- xi. **Encourage** students under supervision to **submit** thesis within the normal period of study (**GOT**).
- xii. The **main** supervisor must **work along** with **co-supervisor(s)** when supervision is involving more than one supervisor.
- xiii. Supervisor must **maintain good relationships** with the students under supervision and **avoid any conflicts** that could affect the students' research progress.

Roles & Responsibilities of Supervisor

- xiv. **Nominate** the **internal** examiners and **external** examiners.
- xv. **Ensure** students are **aware** of all university **rules** and **information** that is related with **registration**.
- xvi. **Revise** and **ensure** the **thesis** has reached the **level of award** before the students submit their thesis to SPS for viva.

Roles & Responsibilities of Research Student

- i. Actively **register** for studies in **every semester**.
- ii. Ensure that **tuition fees** for every semester are **paid** before the end of the semester.
- iii. Students may **apply** for the **addition of supervisor** with the **consent** of the **main** supervisor.
- iv. Submit a **progress report** as stipulated by the Academic Regulations of the School of Graduate Studies, UTM.

Roles & Responsibilities of Research Student

- v. **Comply** with **applicable current regulations** at Universiti Teknologi Malaysia.
- vi. Students are required to **follow** the **courses prescribed** in the research program to **qualify** for the **award**.
- vii. Get the **supervisor's approval** for the **submission of thesis** as provided in Article 15 (2) of the Academic Regulations, School of Graduate Studies.
- viii. Research students should:-
 - a. Discuss **schedule of meetings** with supervisor to be **mutually agreed upon**.

Roles & Responsibilities of Research Student

- b. **Maintain** the **progress of works** according to the phase of work that has been agreed with the supervisor, especially the research progress presentation need to be done at any suitable time to allow any comments and discussions to be implemented before ~~move~~ moving to the next phase.
- c. **Decide** the date of **thesis submission** based on the **opinion** and **approval** of the **supervisor**.
- d. **Complete** and **submit thesis** within the **usual period of study**.

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Graduated Master Students



26
Students

5
Research
(Thesis)

21
Mixed-Mode
(Dissertation)

Graduated PhD Students



37

Students

27

Main Supervisor

10

Co-Supervisor

Graduated PhD Students



37
Students

12
International

25
Local

4
Iran

2
Pakistan, Libya

1
Yaman, Nigeria,
Sudan, Saudi Arabia

Active PhD Students



10
Students

7
Main Supervisor

3
Co-Supervisor

Active Master Students



1

Research
(Thesis)



2

Mixed-Mode
(Dissertation)

Fast Track Students (First Class Undergraduate to PhD)



11
Students

The Youngest PhD Holder

Dr. Hazzirah Izzati Mat Hassim
Malaysia Book of Record 2014
24 years and 2 months old



Expectation in Supervision



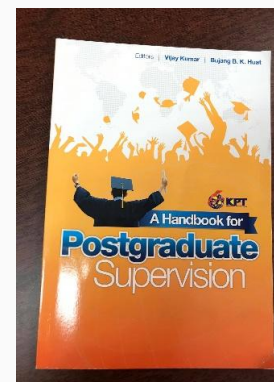
SUPERVISOR



STUDENT

Survey on Supervision Expectation

Vijay Kumar and Bujang B.K. Huat. A handbook for Postgraduate Supervision
https://sgs.upm.edu.my/dokumen/92225_supervision.pdf



Average marks for graduated students
Average marks for active students

It is the supervisor's responsibility to select a research topic.	1	2	3	4	5	The student is responsible for selecting her/his own.
The supervisor should insist on regular meetings with the student.	1	2	3	4	5	The student should decide when she/he wants to meet with the supervisor.
It is the supervisor who decides which theoretical framework is most appropriate.	1	2	3	4	5	Students should decide which theoretical framework they wish to use.
The supervisor should check regularly that the student is working consistently and on task.	1	2	3	4	5	The student should not have to account for how and where they spend their time.
The supervisor should develop an appropriate program and timetable of research and study for the student.	1	2	3	4	5	The supervisor should leave the development of the program of study to the student.
The supervisor is responsible for providing emotional support and encouragement to the student.	1	2	3	4	5	Students should have their own support networks and this is not the responsibility of supervisor.
The supervisor is responsible for ensuring that the student is introduced to the appropriate services and facilities of the department and the university.	1	2	3	4	5	It is the student's responsibility to ensure that she/he has located and accessed all relevant services and facilities for research.

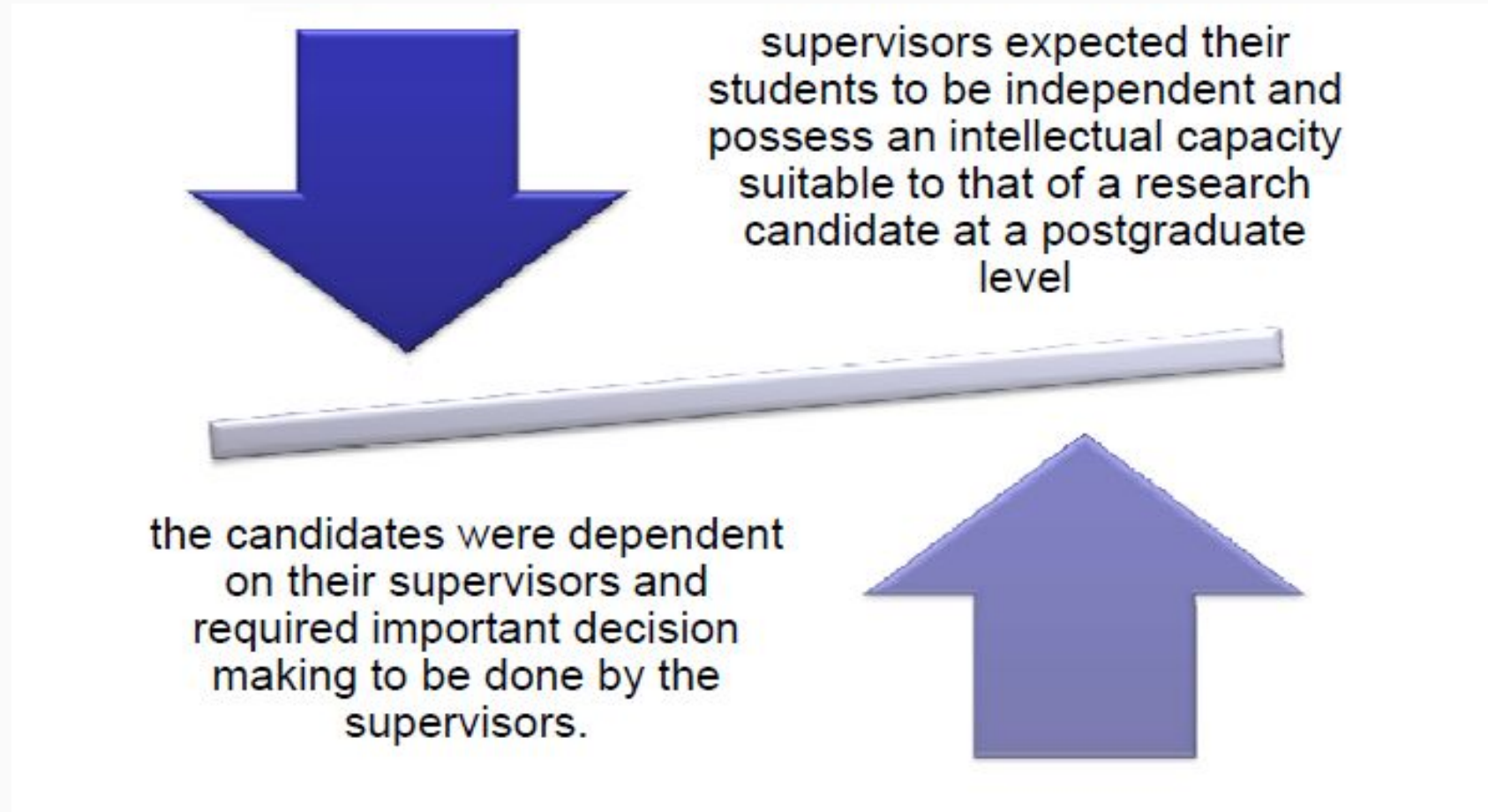
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The supervisor should insist on seeing all drafts of work to ensure that the student is on the right track.	1	2	3	4	5	Students should submit drafts of work only when they want constructive criticism from the supervisor.
Supervisor should only accept students when they have specific knowledge of the student's chosen topic.	1	2	3	4	5	Supervisors should feel free to accept students, even they do not have specific knowledge of the student's topic.
The supervisor should take over the final writing-up of the thesis if the student is having difficulty.	1	2	3	4	5	The writing of the thesis should only ever be the student's own work.
A warm, friendly relationship between supervisor and student is critical for successful candidature.	1	2	3	4	5	A warm, friendly relationship is inadvisable because it may obstruct objectivity for both student and supervisor during candidature.
The supervisor is responsible for decisions regarding the standard of the thesis.	1	2	3	4	5	The student is responsible for decisions concerning the standard of the thesis.

●	Average marks for graduated students
●	Average marks for active students

MISMATCH!



What Do Students Expect from Their Supervisor?

- Always be around for them
- Know everything that they asked
- Always reply their emails
- Always ready for any help
- Friendlier with them (not only student-supervisor relationship)
- Show some appreciations for what they did
- Be understanding when they have personal problems
- Understand when students cannot complete the tasks given to them on time
- Able to motivate
- Allow students to make decisions with some useful advice

Seven Habits of Highly Effective Graduate Students

1. Be proactive

- Take responsibility
- Learn as much
- Ask questions

2. Begin with the end in mind

- Define the mission and goals of our research
- Why do I do this/ further my studies ?

3. Put first things first – prioritize



Seven Habits of Highly Effective Graduate Students

4. Think win-win

- Have an “everyone can win” attitude

5. Seek first to understand, then to be understood

- Listen to people sincerely

6. Synergize – work together

7. Sharpen your saw

- Renew yourself regularly



TIPS #1

Know Your Student/Supervisor



TIPS #2

Time Management (Supervisor)

Things to consider

- Time
- Students
- Colleagues
- Grants
- Health
- Work environment
- Skill development



TIPS #2

Time Management (Supervisor)

SCHEDULED PLANNING (SUPERVISOR'S ACTION)



Niza Sarmin

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Niza Sarmin

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My schedule for this week (Final Exam Week 1)

Sunday 4 July 2021 :-

9:30 - 11:30 am :- Ge4 & APAIE2022 Meeting via Zoom

2 - 5 pm :- Final Exam MSCM1273

Monday 5 July 2021 :-

9 - 10 am :- UTM-i Ranking Meeting via Zoom

11 am - 12 pm :- Syiham Razak & Dr Fong Wan Heng via Zoom

12 pm :- Hassan Mudaber via Zoom

2:30 - 3:30 pm :- SEATUC 2022 Internal Meeting via Zoom

3:30-6:30 :- FS JKA Meeting via Webex

Tuesday 6 July 2021 :-

9:30 - 11 am :- Sustainable Meeting via Webex

1 - 2 pm :- MOU Signing via Webex

2:30 - 3:30 pm :- Meeting in UTM-i via Zoom

Wednesday 7 July 2021 :-

9 am :- Atyra Farhana Zai & Nurhidayah Zaid via Zoom

10 am :- Meeting with UTMAlumni

2 pm :- Nabilah Fikriah via Zoom

3 pm :- Athirah Zulkarnain via Zoom

4 pm :- Nurul Ain Mazlan & Dr Hazzirah Izzati Hassim via Zoom

Thursday 8 July 2021 :-

10 - 11 am :- Webinar

11 am - 12 pm :- ATU-Net Sub SIG Meeting via Zoom

2 - 4 pm :- UTM-i Meeting via Zoom



Athirah Zulkarnain and Thuy Van Nguyen

12 Comments Seen by 24

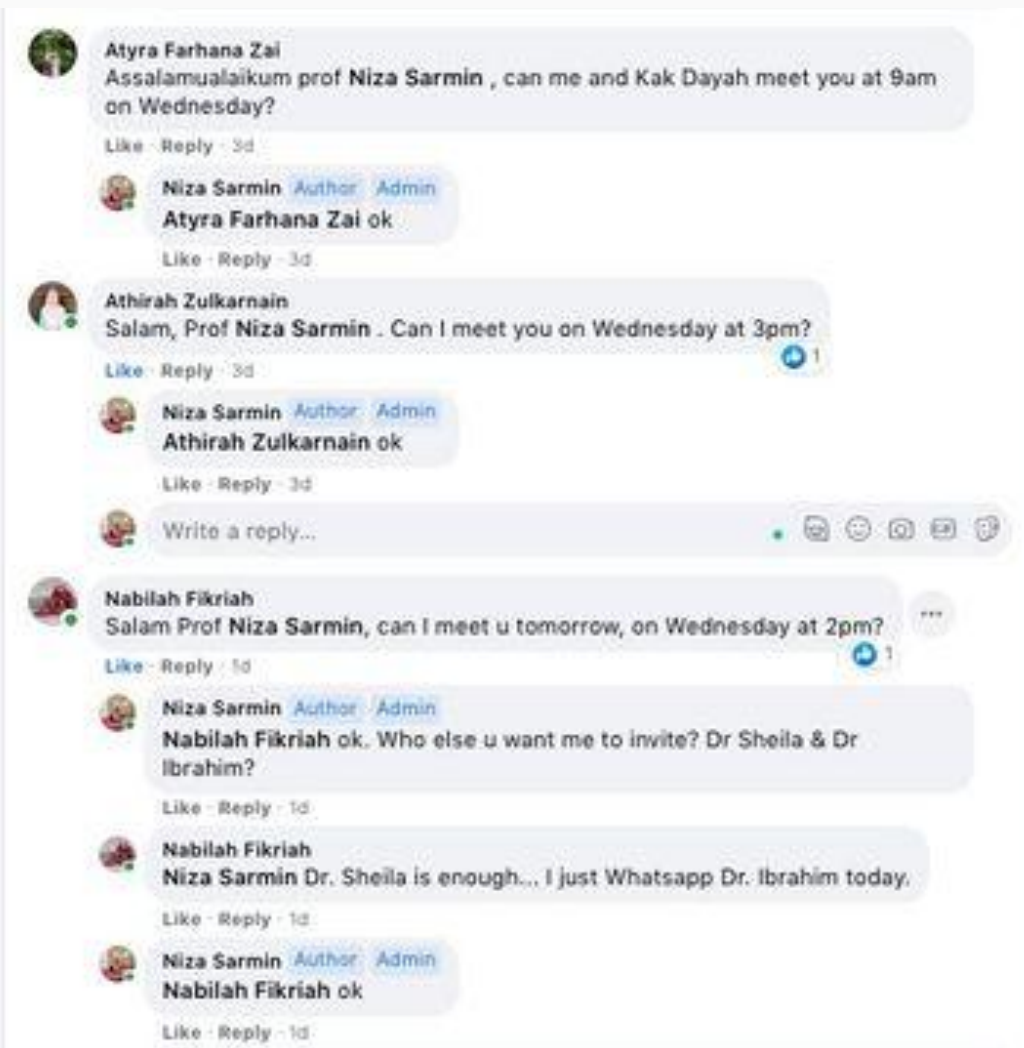
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Time Management (Supervisor)

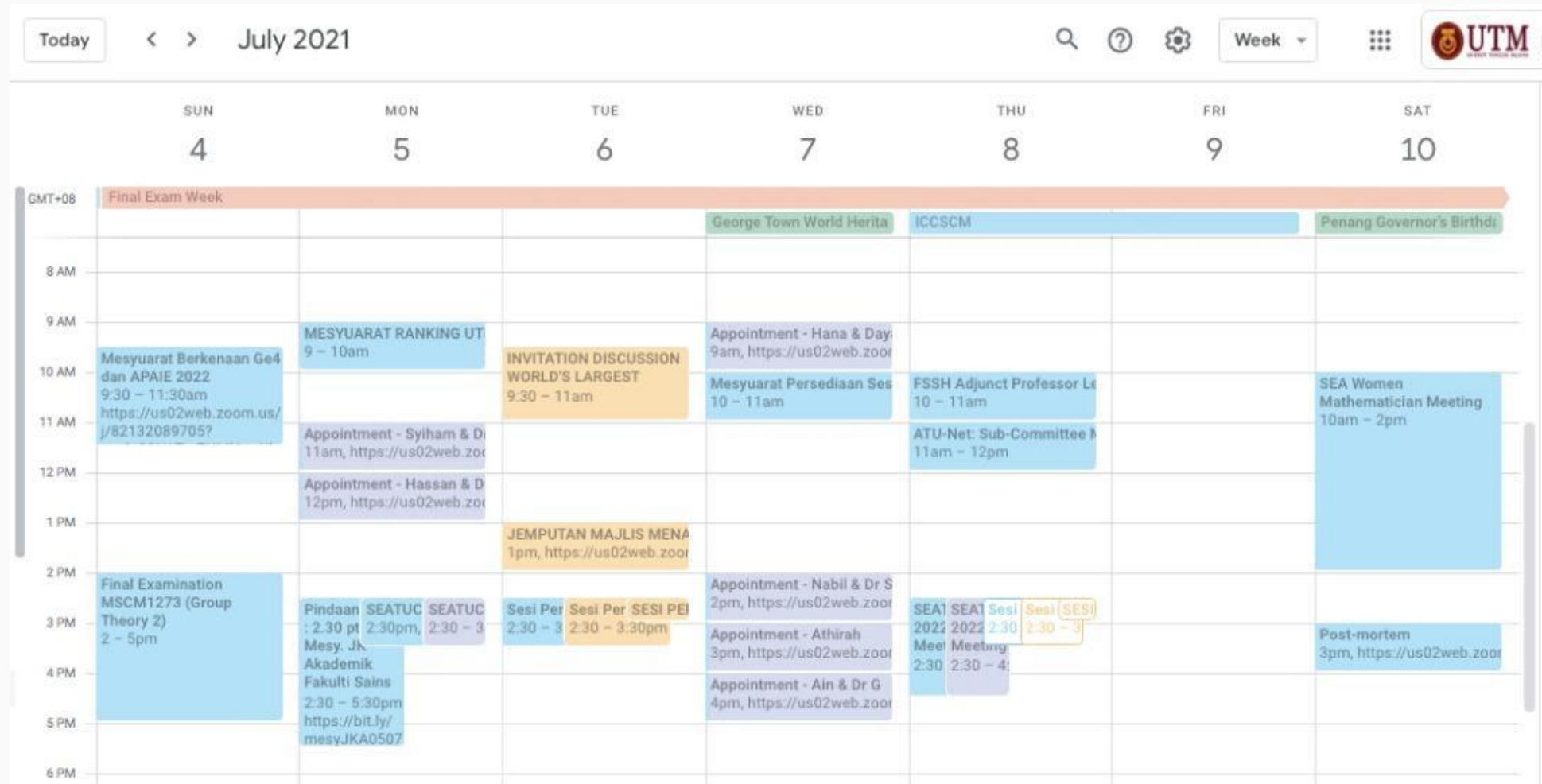
SCHEDULED PLANNING (STUDENTS' RESPONSES)



TIPS #2

Time Management (Supervisor)

SCHEDULED PLANNING (GOOGLE CALENDAR)





Discussion with Nur Idayu



Discussion with Dr Fong & Aqilah



Discussion at Laboratory with Izzati



Discussion with Dr Ibrahim, Hidayah & Hana

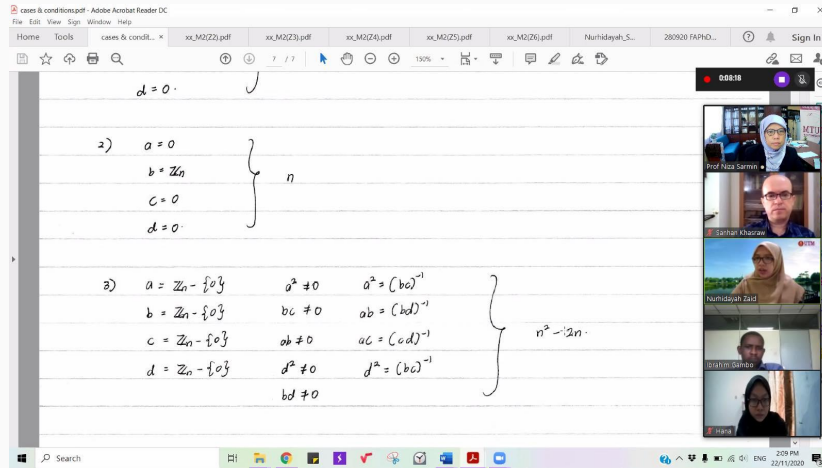


Discussion with Athirah

TPS #2

Time Management (Supervisor)

SCHEDULED PLANNING (during pandemic COVID-19)



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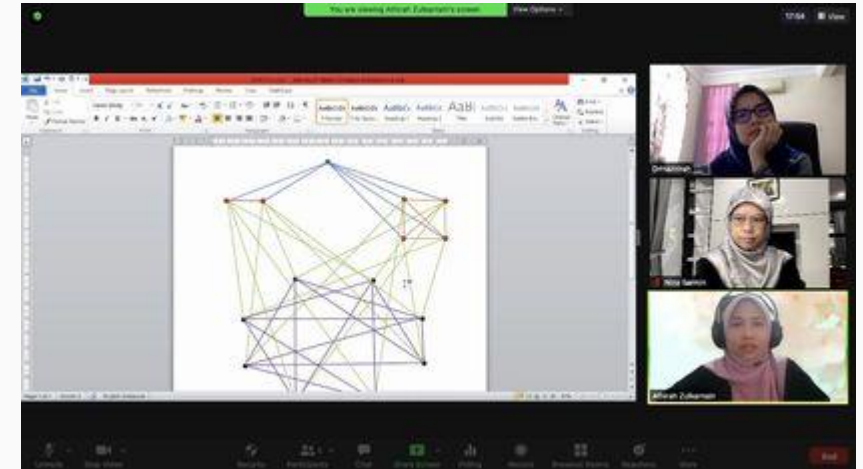
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Discussion with Hidayah, Hana, Dr Ibrahim & Dr Sanhan from Iraq

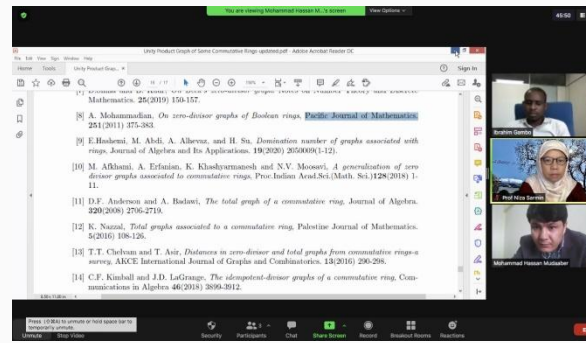
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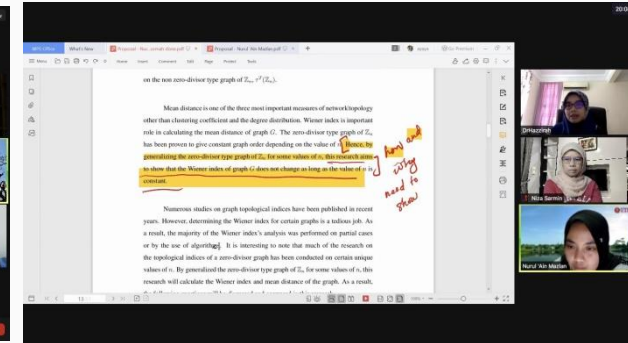
Discussion with Athirah and Dr Hazzirah



Discussion with Syiham & Dr Fong



Discussion with Dr. Ibrahim from Nigeria and Hassan from Afghanistan



Discussion with Ain and Dr Hazzirah

TIPS #2

Time Management (Supervisor)

UNSCHEDULED PLANNING



TIPS #2

Time Management (Student)



Things to consider

- Time
- Financial
- Spouse/family
- Visa

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KALENDAR SESI AKADEMIK 2021/2022 - ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2021/2022 SESSION
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PRASISWAZAH (KAMPUS INDUK BANGI, FFAR, FSK) & SISWAZAH (KAMPUS INDUK BANGI, FFAR, FSK & FPER (kecuali Program Doktor Pakar)
UNDERGRADUATE (MAIN CAMPUS BANGI, FFAR, FSK) & POSTGRADUATE (MAIN CAMPUS BANGI, FFAR, FSK & FPER-except Master Clinical)

Fakulti/Institut/Pusat Faculty/Institute/Centre	Perkara/ Items	Semester 1		Semester 2		Semester 3	
		Tarikh/ Dates	Tempoh/ Duration	Tarikh/ Dates	Tempoh/ Duration	Tarikh/ Dates	Tempoh/ Duration
Fakulti/Faculty Ekonomi dan Pengurusan/ <i>Economics & Management</i> Farmasi/ <i>Pharmacy</i> Kejuruteraan dan Alam Bina/ <i>Engineering & Built Environment</i> Pendidikan/ <i>Education</i> Perubatan/ <i>Medicine</i> Pengajian Islam/ <i>Islamic Studies</i> Sains dan Teknologi/ <i>Science & Technology</i> Sains Kesihatan/ <i>Health Science</i> Sains Sosial dan Kemanusiaan/ <i>Social Sciences & Humanities</i> Teknologi dan Sains Maklumat/ <i>Information Science & Technology</i> Undang-Undang/ <i>Law</i>	Pendaftaran Diri Pelajar Baharu (Pascasiswazah)/ <i>Registration for New Students (Postgraduate)</i>	1 - 7 Okt. 2021 1 - 7 Oct. 2021	1 minggu 1 week	19 - 24 Mac 2022 19 - 24 March 2022	1 minggu 1 week		
	Pendaftaran Diri Pelajar Senior (Pascasiswazah)/ <i>Registration for Current Students (Postgraduate)</i>	27 Sept. - 10 Okt. 2021 27 Sept. - 10 Oct. 2021	2 minggu 2 weeks	21 - 27 Mac 2022 21 - 27 March 2022	2 minggu 2 week	-	-
	Lapor Diri Pelajar Baru dan MMM (Prasiswazah)/ <i>Registration for New Students & MMM (Undergraduate)</i>	3 - 9 Okt. 2021 3 - 9 Oct. 2021	1 minggu 1 week	-	-	-	-
	Lapor Diri Pelajar Baru di Fakulti (Pascasiswazah)/ <i>Registration for New Students at Faculty/Institute (Postgraduate)</i>	8 Okt. 2021 8 Oct. 2021	1 hari 1 day	25 Mac 2022 25 March 2022	1 hari 1 day	-	-
	Sesi Pembelajaran/ <i>Lectures</i>	11 Okt. - 28 Nov. 2021 11 Oct. - 28 Nov. 2021	7 minggu 7 weeks	28 Mac - 15 Mei 2022 28 March - 15 May 2022	7 minggu 7 weeks	8 Ogos - 25 Sept 2022 8 Aug. - 25 Sept 2022	7 minggu 7 weeks
	Majlis Konvokesyen UKM ke-49 <i>The 49th UKM Convocation Ceremony</i>	27 Nov. - 1 Dis. 2021 27 Nov. - 1 Dec. 2021	5 hari 5 days	-	-	-	-
	Outi Pertengahan Semester/ <i>Mid Semester Break</i>	29 Nov. - 5 Dis. 2021 29 Nov. - 5 Dec. 2021	1 minggu 1 week	16 - 22 Mei 2022 16 - 22 May 2022	1 minggu 1 week	-	-
	Sesi Pembelajaran/ <i>Lectures</i>	6 Dis. 2021 - 23 Jan. 2022 6 Dis. 2021 - 23 Jan. 2022	7 minggu 7 weeks	23 Mei - 10 Julai 2022 23 May - 10 July 2022	7 minggu 7 weeks	-	-
	Ujian CBET (Tahun 2)/ <i>CBET Test (Year 2)</i>	11 Dis. 2021 11 Dec. 2021	1 hari 1 day	-	-	-	-
	Minggu Ulangkaji/ <i>Revision Week</i>	24 Jan. - 6 Feb. 2022 24 Jan. - 6 Feb. 2022	2 minggu 2 weeks	11 - 17 Julai 2022 11 - 17 July 2022	1 minggu 1 week	-	-
	Peperiksaan/ <i>Examinations</i>	7 - 27 Feb. 2022 7 - 27 Feb. 2022	3 minggu 3 weeks	18 Julai - 7 Ogos 2022 18 July - 7 Aug. 2022	3 minggu 3 weeks	26 - 30 Sept. 2022 26 - 30 Sept. 2022	1 minggu 1 week
	Outi Semester/ <i>Semester Break</i>	28 Feb. - 27 Mac 2022 28 Feb. - 27 March 2022	4 minggu 4 weeks	8 Ogos - 9 Okt. 2022 8 Ogos - 9 Oct. 2022	10 minggu 10 weeks	-	-
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UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MALAYSIA
WORK SCHEDULE FOR COURSE REGISTRATION, APPLICATION FOR AWARD OF DEGREE AND EXAMINATION
FOR FULL RESEARCH STUDENTS
FOR 2020/2021 ACADEMIC SESSION

SEMESTER I						
18 OCTOBER 2020 – 11 MARCH 2021 (UTM JB) 19 OCTOBER 2020 – 12 MARCH 2021 (UTM KL)						
NO.	PROGRAMME	DURATION	WEEK	CAMPUS		REMARKS
				JOHOR BAHRU	KUALA LUMPUR	
1.	Registration of Research/Course for Semester I, 2020/2021 Session (ONLINE)	3 weeks	-	1 – 23 Oct 2020		https://my.utm.my
2.	Student start & continue their Research	21 weeks	Week 1 – 21	18 Oct 2020 – 11 Mar 2021	19 Oct 2020 – 12 Mar 2021	
3.	Application for Reduction and Exemption Tuition Fees	8 weeks	Week 1 – 8	18 Oct – 10 Dec 2020	19 Oct – 11 Dec 2020	Birthday of Prophet Muhammad S.A.W 29 Oct 2020 Deepavali 14 Nov 2020
4.	Deadline for Registration of Courses (ONLINE)	1 week	Week 2	23 Oct 2020		https://my.utm.my
5.	Amendments of Course Registration (ONLINE) 1 st phase	1 week	Week 2	24 – 30 Oct 2020		https://my.utm.my
6.	Deadline of Amendments of Course Registration (ONLINE) - 1 st phase	-	Week 4	30 Oct 2020		https://my.utm.my
7.	Late Registration of Courses (WITH PENALTY)	1 week	Week 3	1 - 5 Nov 2020	2 - 6 Nov 2020	A penalty of RM100.00 for each course will be imposed for late registration/amendments
8.	Deadline for Late Registration of Courses (WITH PENALTY)	-	Week 3	5 Nov 2020 3.30 pm	6 Nov 2020 5.00 pm	
9.	Amendments of Course Registration (ONLINE) 2 nd phase	1 week	Week 4	8 – 13 Nov 2020		https://my.utm.my
10.	Deadline of Amendments of Course Registration (ONLINE) – 2 nd phase	-	Week 4	13 Nov 2020		https://my.utm.my
11.	Amendments of Courses Registration (WITH PENALTY)	1 week	Week 5	15 - 19 Nov 2020	16 - 20 Nov 2020	A penalty of RM100.00 for each course will be imposed for late registration/amendments
12.	Deadline for Amendments of Courses Registration (WITH PENALTY)	-	Week 5	19 Nov 2020 3.30 pm	20 Nov 2020 5.00 pm	
13.	Course Withdrawal (TD)	4 weeks	Week 6 – 9	22 Nov – 17 Dec 2020	23 Nov – 18 Dec 2020	
14.	Faculty Check and Remind Students Who Did Not Register Any Courses	5 weeks	Week 6 – 10	22 Nov – 24 Dec 2020	23 Nov – 24 Dec 2020	Christmas 25 Dec 2020

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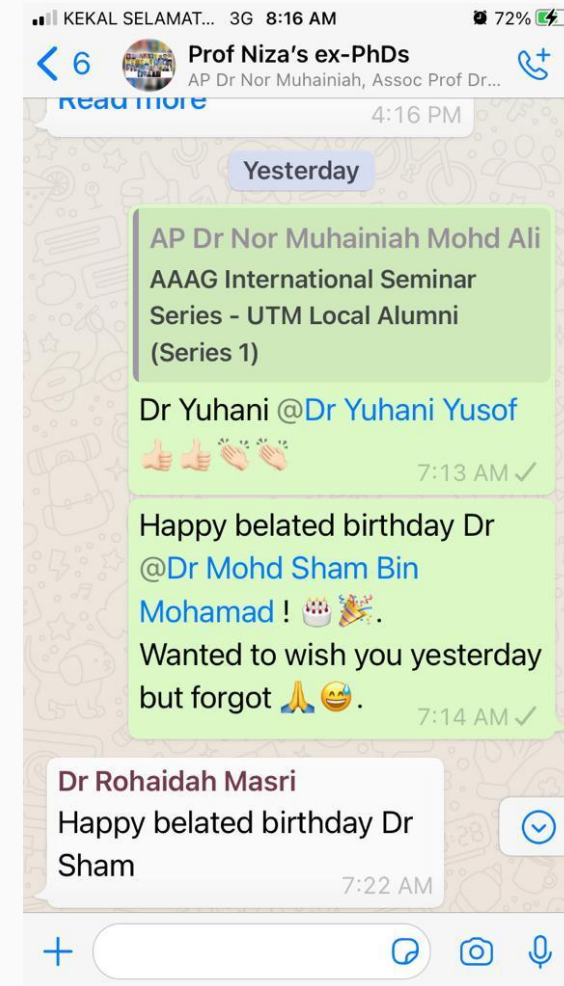
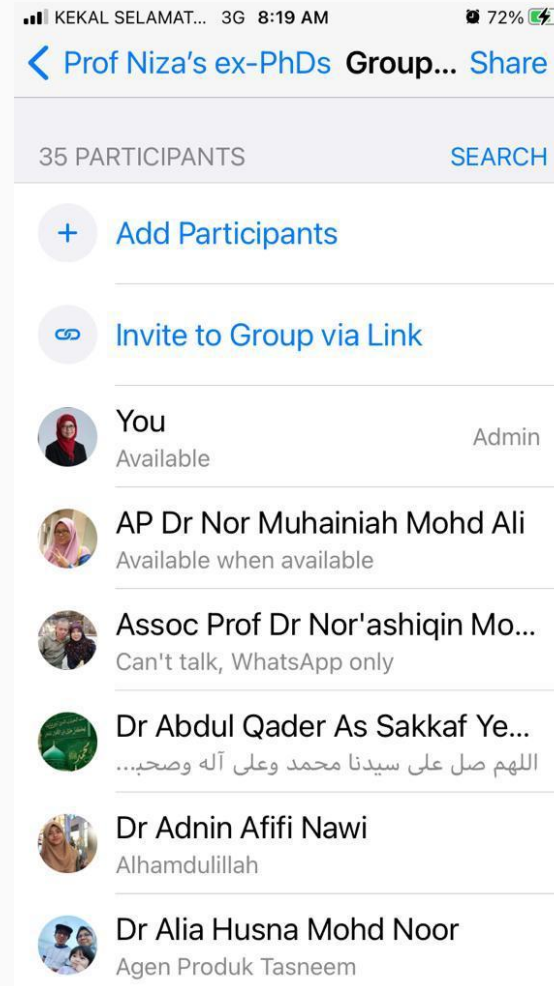
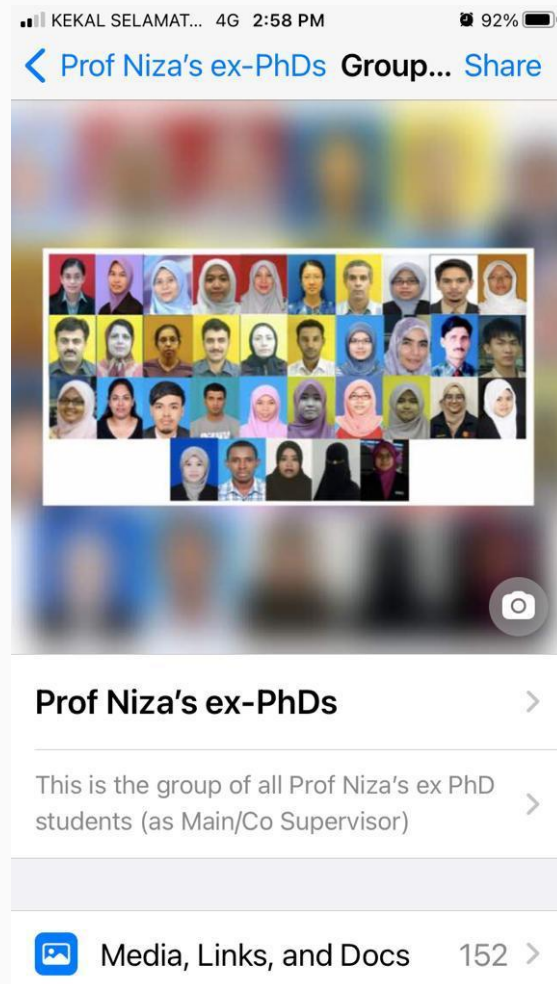
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				JOHOR BAHRU	KUALA LUMPUR	
15.	Application for Deferment or Withdrawal From Programme	9 weeks	Week 7 – 15	29 Nov 2020 – 27 Jan 2021	30 Nov 2020 – 29 Jan 2021	New Year (KL Only) 1 Jan 2021 Thaipusam 28 Jan 2021 Federal Territory Day (KL Only) 1 Feb 2021
16.	Mid Semester Break, Semester I, 2020/2021 Session	1 weeks	Week 8	6 – 10 Dec 2020	7 – 11 Dec 2020	Chinese New Year 12 - 13 Feb 2021
17.	Deadline for Application of Reduction and Exemption Tuition Fees Deadline	-	Week 8	10 Dec 2020 3.30 pm	11 Dec 2020 5.00 pm	Applications will not be accepted after this date.
18.	Deadline for Course Withdrawal (TD)	-	Week 9	17 Dec 2020 3.30 pm	18 Dec 2020 5.00 pm	Applications for course withdrawal will not be accepted after this date. A penalty of RM100.00 for each course will be imposed for TD.
19.	Submission of Progress Report	4 weeks	Week 10 – 13	20 Dec 2020 – 15 Jan 2021		Application for Notification Thesis Submission are THREE (3) months before the Expected Date of Thesis Submission
20.	Final date for Submission of Progress Report	-	Week 13	15 Jan 2021		
21.	Evaluation of Progress Report by Supervisor	2 weeks	Week 14 – 15	17 – 29 Jan 2021		
22.	AMD Issues Termination Letter For Students Who Did Not Register Any Courses	1 week	Week 15	24 – 29 Jan 2021		Thaipusam 28 Jan 2021
23.	Deadline for evaluation of Progress Report by Supervisor	-	Week 15	29 Jan 2021		
24.	Deadline for Application for Deferment or Withdrawal From Programme	-	Week 15	27 Jan 2021 5.00 pm	29 Jan 2021 5.00 pm	
25.	Final date for submission of thesis/dissertation	-	-	11 Mar 2021		

Updated: 22 October 2020

Prepared by:
 Academic Management Division (AMD)
 Academic Registrar Office (UTM ARO)
 Department of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic & International)

TIPS #3

Communication WHATSAPP GROUP



Wishing birthday

Communication

EMAIL

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **NURHIDAYAH BINTI ZAID** <nurhidayah57@graduate.utm.my>

Date: Thu, Apr 1, 2021 at 9:25 AM

Subject: Fw: Second Announcement: 2021 Zassenhaus Groups & Friends Conference (Virtual) – May 28-29 and June 4-5, 2021

To: azrin@ump.edu.my <azrin@ump.edu.my>, Dr. Hidayat Ullah Khan <hidayatullahkhan@uom.edu.pk>, Muhamad Nur Syiham Abdul Razak <mnsyiham2@graduate.utm.my>, Nur Idayu Alimon <nidayu38@graduate.utm.my>, DR SITI AFIQAH MOHAMMAD <sitiafiqah@uitm.edu.my>, MOHD SHAM BIN MOHAMAD . <mohdsham@ump.edu.my>, Dr Siti Norziahidayu Amzee Zamri <sitinamzee@unisza.edu.my>, Alia Husna <mylife_syafia@yahoo.com>, Dr Adnin Afifi Binti Nawi . <adnin@uthm.edu.my>, y_b53@yahoo.com, <y_b53@yahoo.com>, alsakkaf@yahoo.com <alsakkaf@yahoo.com>, Dr.Mathuri A/P Selvarajoo <mathuri@tmsk.uitm.edu.my>, rabiha birkia <rabihabirkia@gmail.com>, zainabyahya90@gmail.com <zainabyahya90@gmail.com>, Nur Athirah Farhana Omar Zai <nafarhana24@graduate.utm.my>, Aqilah Farhana <aqilahfarhana2@graduate.utm.my>, kayvan.moradi@tvu.ac.ir <kayvan.moradi@tvu.ac.ir>, nurhidaya.mj@usim.edu.my <nurhidaya.mj@usim.edu.my>, muhanizah.maths@gmail.com <muhanizah.maths@gmail.com>, fk.karimi@gmail.com <fk.karimi@gmail.com>, Nurul Izzaty Ismail <nizzaty26@graduate.utm.my>, Dr Faiz Muhammad Khan <faiz_zady@yahoo.com>, Nabilah Fikriah Rahin <nfrahin@graduate.utm.my>, Amirafadina Ahmadfadzil <afadina2@graduate.utm.my>, mohamedsana51@yahoo.com <mohamedsana51@yahoo.com>, suadareheli@hotmail.com, <suadareheli@hotmail.com>, Dr Ibrahim Gambo <igambo@utm.my>, slloh@utem.edu.my <slloh@utem.edu.my>, Norarida Abd Rhani <arida.ar@gmail.com>, Dr Mustafa El-Sanfaz <kabeto_sanfaz@yahoo.com>, Mohammad Hassan Mudaber <hassan1986@graduate.utm.my>, fnormahia87@gmail.com <fnormahia87@gmail.com>, Athirah Zulkarnain <athirah5@graduate.utm.my>, Dr Hazzirah Izzati <hazzirah@utm.my>, Nabilah Najmuddin <nabilah68@graduate.utm.my>, NURUL 'AIN BINTI MAZLAN A16SC0216 <nain389@graduate.utm.my>, azhana@usm.my <azhana@usm.my>, rosita@usim.edu.my <rosita@usim.edu.my>, SHEILA ILANGO VAN <sheila.ilangovan@yahoo.com>, Dr Rohaidah Masri <rohaidah@fsm.ups.edu.my>, yuhani@ump.edu.my <yuhani@ump.edu.my>, samadrashid47@iaus.ac.ir <samadrashid47@iaus.ac.ir>, Nurfarahzulkifli <nurfarah3@graduate.utm.my>, Muhammed Bello <mbatap560@gmail.com>, Surajo Ibrahim Isah <suribmaths@gmail.com>, mnsyiham2@graduate.utm.my <mnsyiham2@graduate.utm.my>, Aqilah Farhana <aqilahfarhana_13@yahoo.com>, Nurul Izzaty Ismail <iamnurulizzaty1112@gmail.com>, Firdaus Yosman <afirdaus49@graduate.utm.my>

Cc: Prof Dr Nor Haniza Sarmin <nhs@utm.my>, fwh@utm.my <fwh@utm.my>, normuhainiah@utm.my <normuhainiah@utm.my>

Greetings from UTM International!

Assalamu'alaikum wbk! & Salam Sejahtera

Dear all,

The information on 2021 Zassenhaus Groups & Friends Conference (Virtual) is as forwarded.

Thank you.

Take care and Stay safe!

From: "Karatas, Zekeriya (karatazy)" <karatazy@ucmail.uc.edu>

Date: 30 March 2021 at 5:45:04 AM MYT

Subject: **Second Announcement: 2021 Zassenhaus Groups & Friends Conference (Virtual) – May 28-29 and June 4-5, 2021**

Dear Colleagues,

As emailed before, 2021 Zassenhaus Groups and Friends Conference will take place online (virtual) this year. We will have two rounds of talks on May 28-29 and June 4-5, 2021. This conference series was initiated by Professor Hans Zassenhaus in the mid-1960's and is currently held on an annual basis, rotating locations during the even-numbered years. We invite you, and your colleagues and especially graduate students, to join us and consider giving a research presentation.

The website for the conference is at: (http://www2.math.binghamton.edu/p/zassenhaus/zassenhaus_2021/home). Registration page is open now at http://www2.math.binghamton.edu/p/zassenhaus/zassenhaus_2021/registration. You can submit your abstract through the registration page if you plan to give a talk.

If you know someone who would like to receive announcements about the Zassenhaus Groups and Friends Conference and related events, please direct them to the link (<https://sites.google.com/a/oswego.edu/zassenhaus/>) where they can find the email list registration form. Additionally, if you wish to no longer receive such announcements, you can unsubscribe from the email list at the same address.

We hope that you can accept our invitation and look forward to seeing you at the conference.

Sincerely,

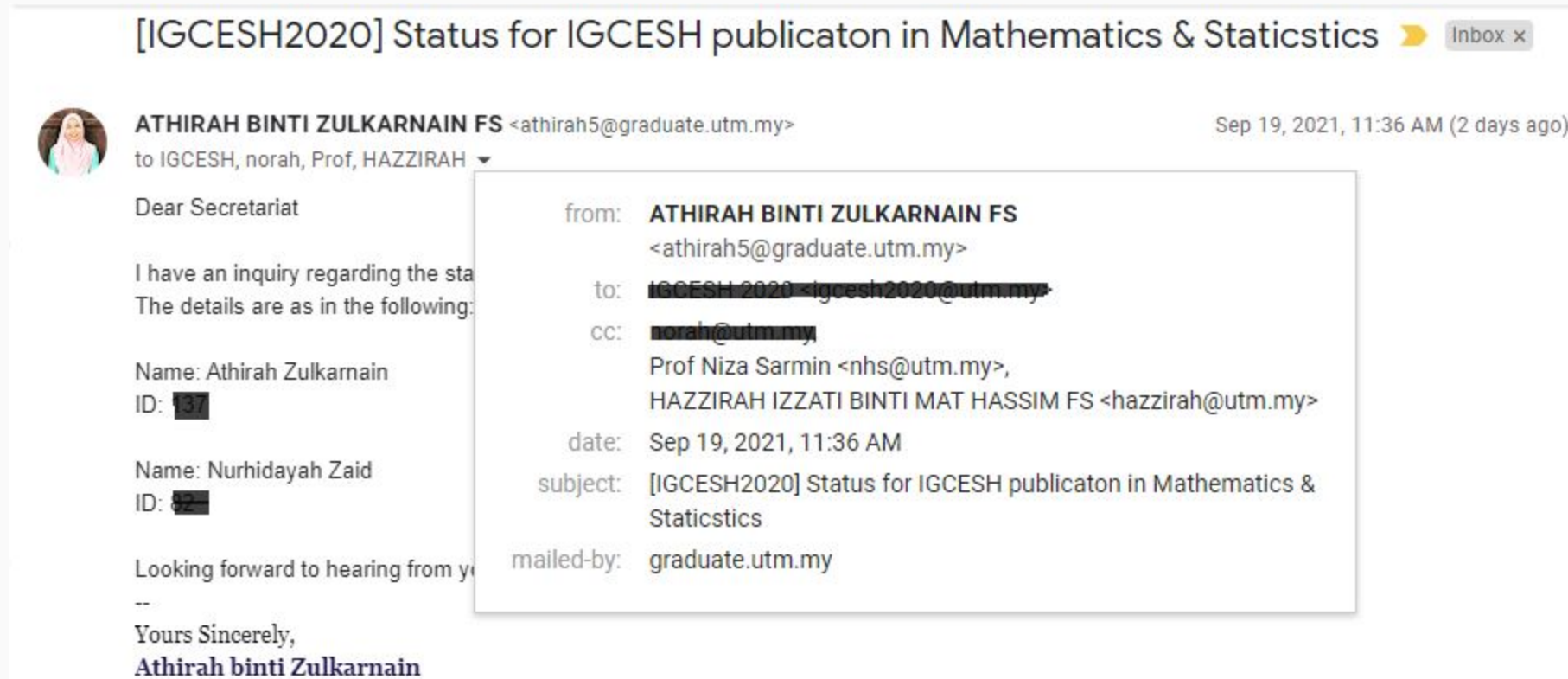
The Organizing Committee:

Fernando Guzman

Luise Kappe

Communication

EMAIL (CC SUPERVISOR & CO-SUPERVISOR)



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8. Yuhani Yusof (2011)	9. Mohd Sham Moha...	10. Fadila Normahia (...)	11. Fariba Karimi (2012)	12. Sheila Ilangovan (...)	
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23. Siti Norziahidayu ...	24. Rabiha Birkia (2018)	25. Ibrahim Gambo (2...	26. Suad Al-Rehali (20...	27. Alia Husna Mohd ...	
28. Nuridayu Alimon (...)	29. Nabilah Najmuddi...	Photos			

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Nabilah Najmuddin

Nurul Izzaty Ismail

Maryam Fahd

Nur Athirah Farhana bi...

Photos

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Plan for publication

- of at least a review paper during the first semester
- in conferences
(once a year/ every semester?)
- in SCOPUS journals
- in Qi/WOS journals

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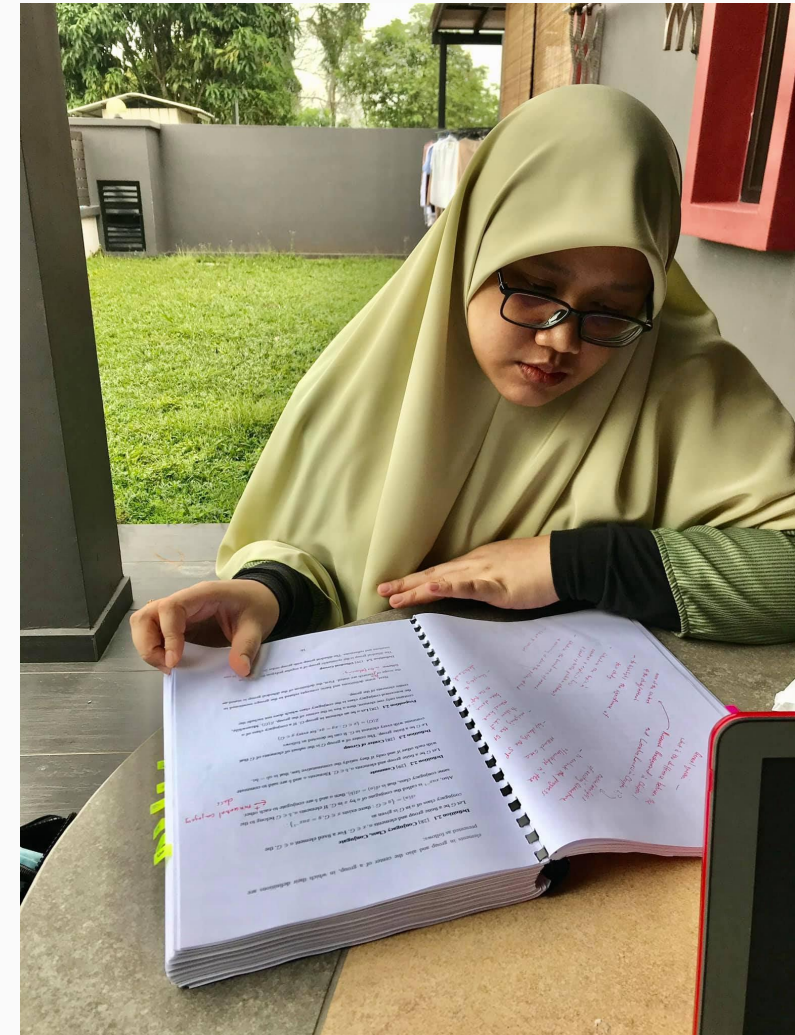
- attending a publication workshop

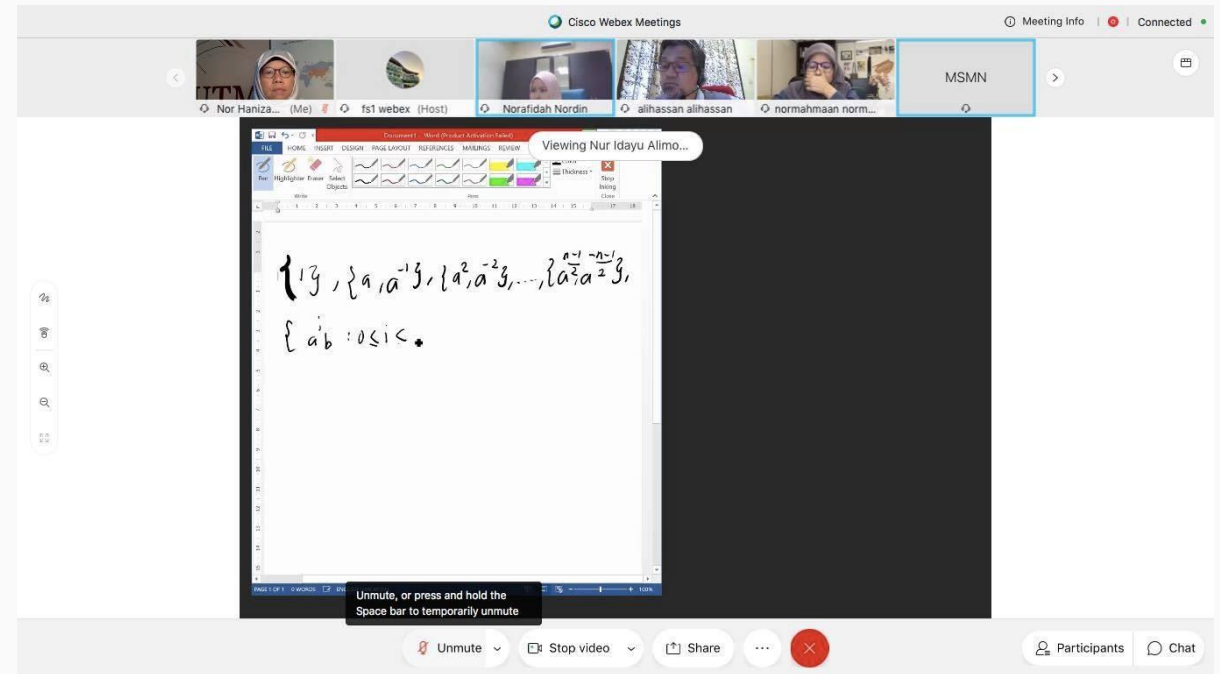
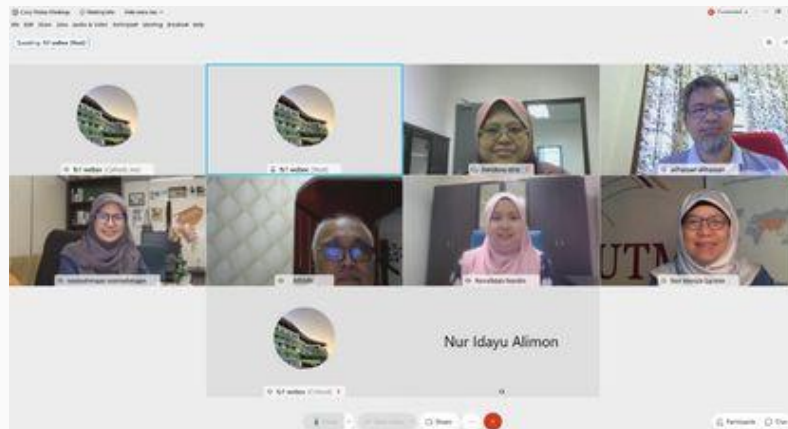




TIPS #7

Thesis Submission







- In research groups
- In conferences
- Authors' of references
- Research attachment



TIPS #10

Networking with Other Researchers CONFERENCES



Conference in Istanbul
(22 June 2012)



Conference in Istanbul
(ICAAMM 2018)



AMC Korea



BIGTC 2011



Conference at Institute Technology of Bandung



Seminar at Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM)



AAAG Meeting

Networking with Other Researchers

ROLE OF RESEARCH GROUP

Seminars for Students



UTM LOCAL ALUMNI
AAAG INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR SERIES 1
 Organized by Applied Algebra and Analysis Group (AAAG)

7 April 2021 | Wednesday | 2:00 - 4:00 PM | MYT GMT+8

ASSOC. PROF. DR. YUHANI YUSOF
 Centre for Mathematical Sciences
 Universiti Malaysia Pahang
 "Applications of Graph Theory: An Introduction"

DR. AMIR SYAFIQ SYAMIN SYAH B. AMIR HAMZAH
 Malaysia-Japan International Institute of Technology
 Universiti Teknologi Malaysia
 "How Company Manages Intellectual Assets in Open Innovation Era?"

Pre-registration
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 or scan the QR code

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Online Global Classroom
VIRTUAL VISITING PROFESSOR

Speaker :
Professor Dr. Ahmad Erfanian
 Professor
 Department of Pure Mathematics,
 Faculty of Mathematical Sciences,
 Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, Iran
 19, 21, 26, 28 April 2021

Speaker :
Dr. Sanhan Muhammad Salih Khasraw
 Lecturer
 Department of Mathematics,
 College of Basic Education,
 Salahaddin University-Erbil, Iraq
 3, 5, 17, 19 May 2021

Speaker	Date	Time	Topic
Prof. Dr. Ahmad Erfanian	19 April 2021	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Free Groups and Group Presentation (Part 1)
	21 April 2021	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Free Groups and Group Presentation (Part 2)
	26 April 2021	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Some Graphs Associated to Rings (Part 1)
	28 April 2021	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Some Graphs Associated to Rings (Part 2)
Dr. Sanhan Muhammad Salih Khasraw	3 May 2021	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Fields and Integral Domains (Part 1)
	5 May 2021	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Fields and Integral Domains (Part 2)
	17 May 2021	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Rings of Polynomials (Part 1)
	19 May 2021	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Rings of Polynomials (Part 2)

Main Organizer: **UTM** Jointly organized by: **UTM INTERNATIONAL**



UTM GLOBAL ALUMNI
AAAG INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR SERIES
 Organized by Applied Algebra and Analysis Group (AAAG)

1 March 2021 | Monday | 2:00 - 4:00 PM | MYT GMT+8

ASST. PROF. DR. SANAA MOHAMED SALEH OMER
 Dept. of Mathematics, University of Benghazi, Libya
 "Some Graphs and Their Generalizations"

ASST. PROF. DR. FAIZ MUHAMMAD KHAN
 Dept. of Mathematics and Statistics, University of Swat,
 Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan
 "Applications of Soft Sets in Decision Making Problems"

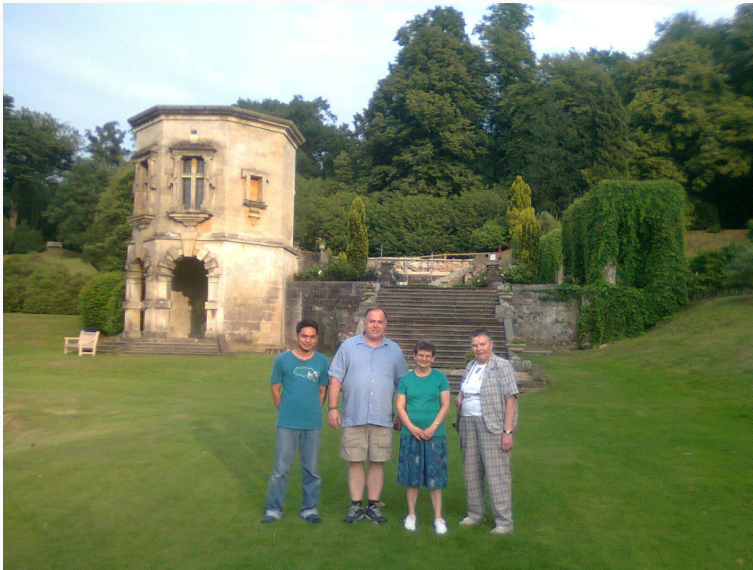
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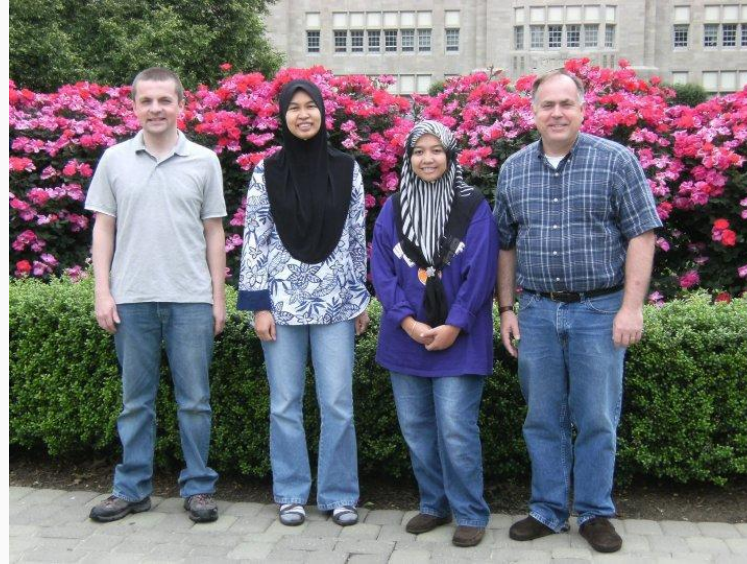
TIPS #10

Networking with Other Researchers

**RESEARCH
ATTACHMENT
(ABROAD)**
(Binghamton University, USA)



RESEARCH ATTACHMENT (ABROAD) (University of Evansville, USA)





University of Leed, UK

RESEARCH ATTACHMENT (ABROAD)



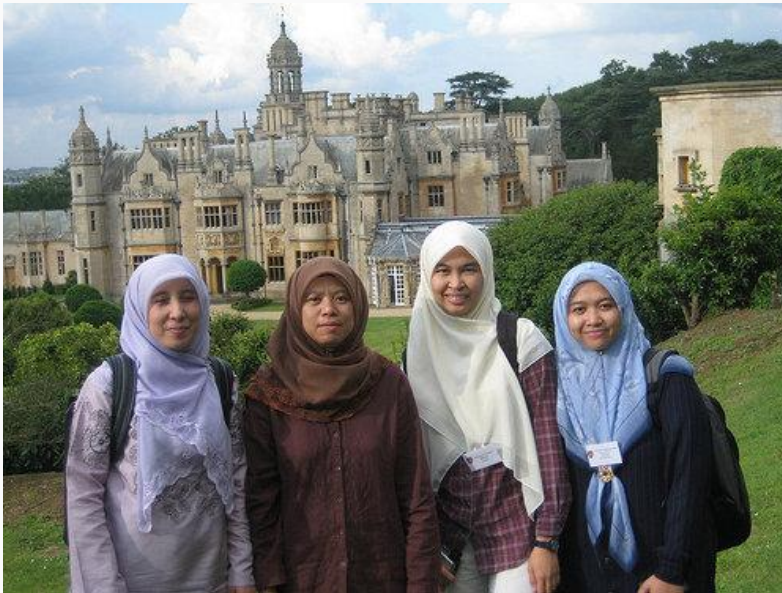
Universidade de Brasilia, Brasilia, Brasil



Research Attachment in Towson University, USA

Networking with Other Researchers

RESEARCH ATTACHMENT (ABROAD)



Harlaxton College, University of Evansville, UK



SUNY Binghamton, USA

TIPS #10

Networking with Other Researchers **RESEARCH ATTACHMENT (LOCAL)** (Universiti Pendidikan Sultan Idris)



12 April 2012



17 April 2015



9 April 2013

TIPS #11

Harmony Situation between Supervisor & Student **RAYA CELEBRATION**



TIPS #11

Harmony Situation between Supervisor & Student **HAVE LUNCH TOGETHER**



TIPS #11

Harmony Situation between Supervisor & Student

BOWLING & BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION



POSTGRADUATE STUDENT SOCIETY

● PGSS FACULTY OF SCIENCES

- Nur Athirah Farhana Omar Zai (2020/2021)
- Athirah Zulkarnain, 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)

● PGSS UTM

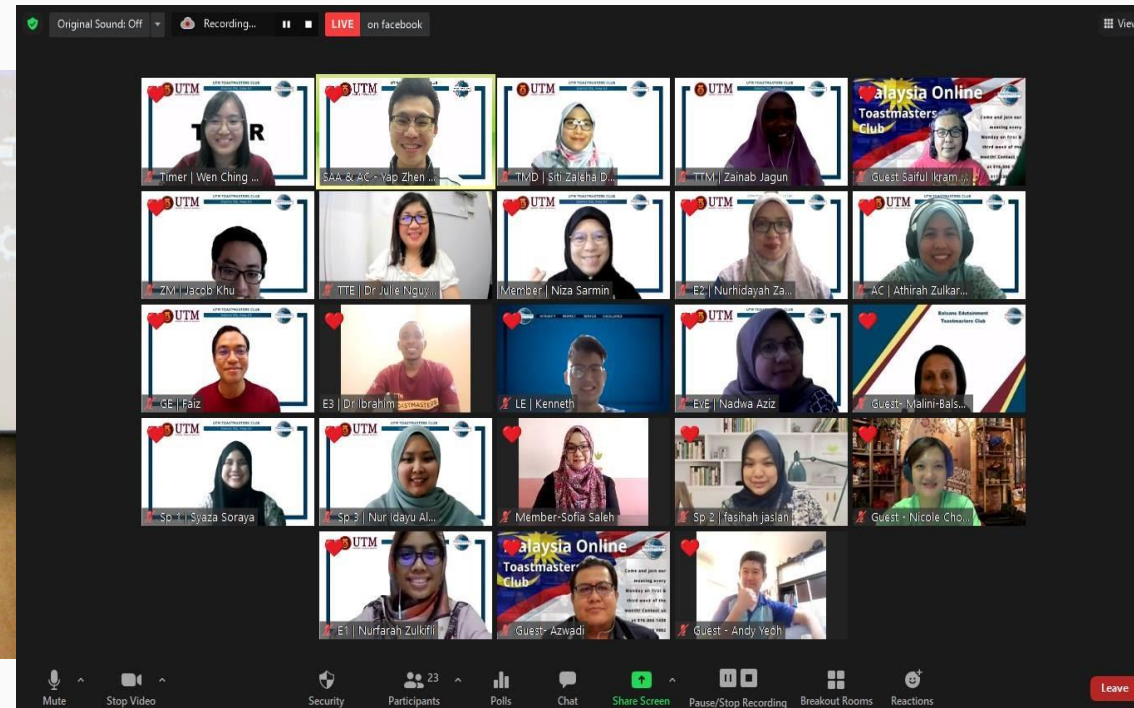
- Nur Idayu Alimon (2018/2019)
- Siti Afiqah Mohammad (2015/2016)

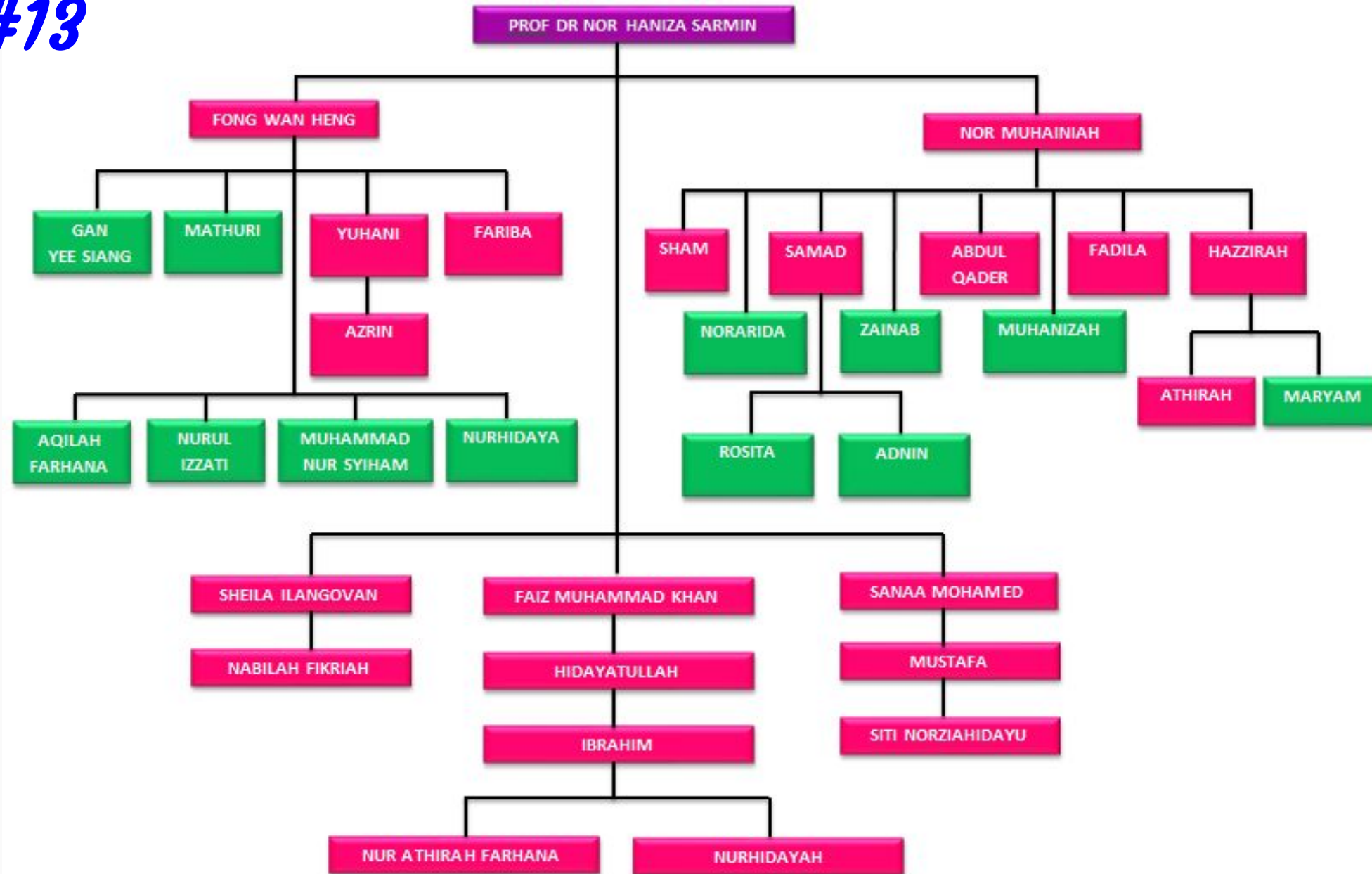


TIPS #12

Student Activities

UTM TOASTMASTERS CLUB





RESEARCH ACTIVITIES


(Alumni as invited speakers)

AAAG Workshop:

Introduction to Groups, Algorithms and Programming (GAP) Software


What is GAP software?

GAP is a system for computational discrete algebra, with particular emphasis on Computational Group Theory. GAP provides a programming language, a library of thousands of functions implementing algebraic algorithms written in the GAP language as well as large data libraries of algebraic objects. GAP is used in research and teaching for studying groups and their representations, rings, vector spaces, algebras, combinatorial structures, and many more areas of studies. Visit <https://www.gap-system.org/> for more info.



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UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MALAYSIA



Registration Fee:

- RM30 for AAAG members
- RM60 for non AAAG members (UTM)
- RM100 for non UTM


Fee includes all meals, workshop materials and certificate.


Open to:


- Lecturers/ researchers,
- Students (undergraduates/postgraduates)
- Professionals

by Dr Sheila Ilangovan

Assistant Professor,
University of Nottingham,
Malaysia Campus.


 **Sunday, 7 April 2019**
(8:00 am - 5:00 pm)

 **C22, Main Meeting Room,**
Faculty of Science, UTM JB

 **Contact person: +6013 7389 564 (Ms Amira Fadina)**

Register Now!

Deadline:
5 April
2019

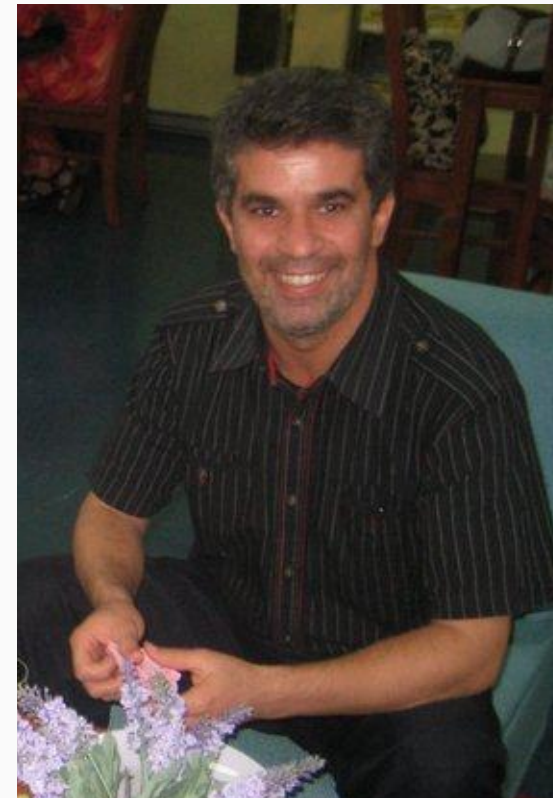


GAP Workshop

Mentor Mentee POSTDOCTORAL



Dr. Ibrahim Gambo



Dr. Samad Rashid

Mentor Mentee

LOCAL COLLABORATION WITH GRADUATED STUDENTS



Dr Mohd Azrin Ahmad (UMP)

“A Fundamental Research On Characterisation Of Second Order Limit Language Using Automata Theory In Dna Splicing System”

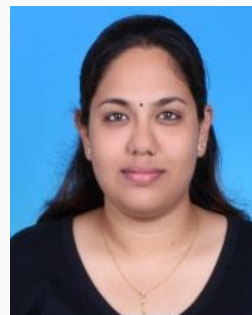
FRGS, 1 January 2019- 31 December 2020, RM 56,600.00



Dr Adnin Afifi Nawi (UTHM)

“The Relative Prime Order Product Probability of a Subgroup of Some Finite Groups and Its Graph”

RACER, 1 September 2019 – 31 August 2021, RM 40,000.00



Dr Mathuri Selvarajoo (UiTM Shah Alam)

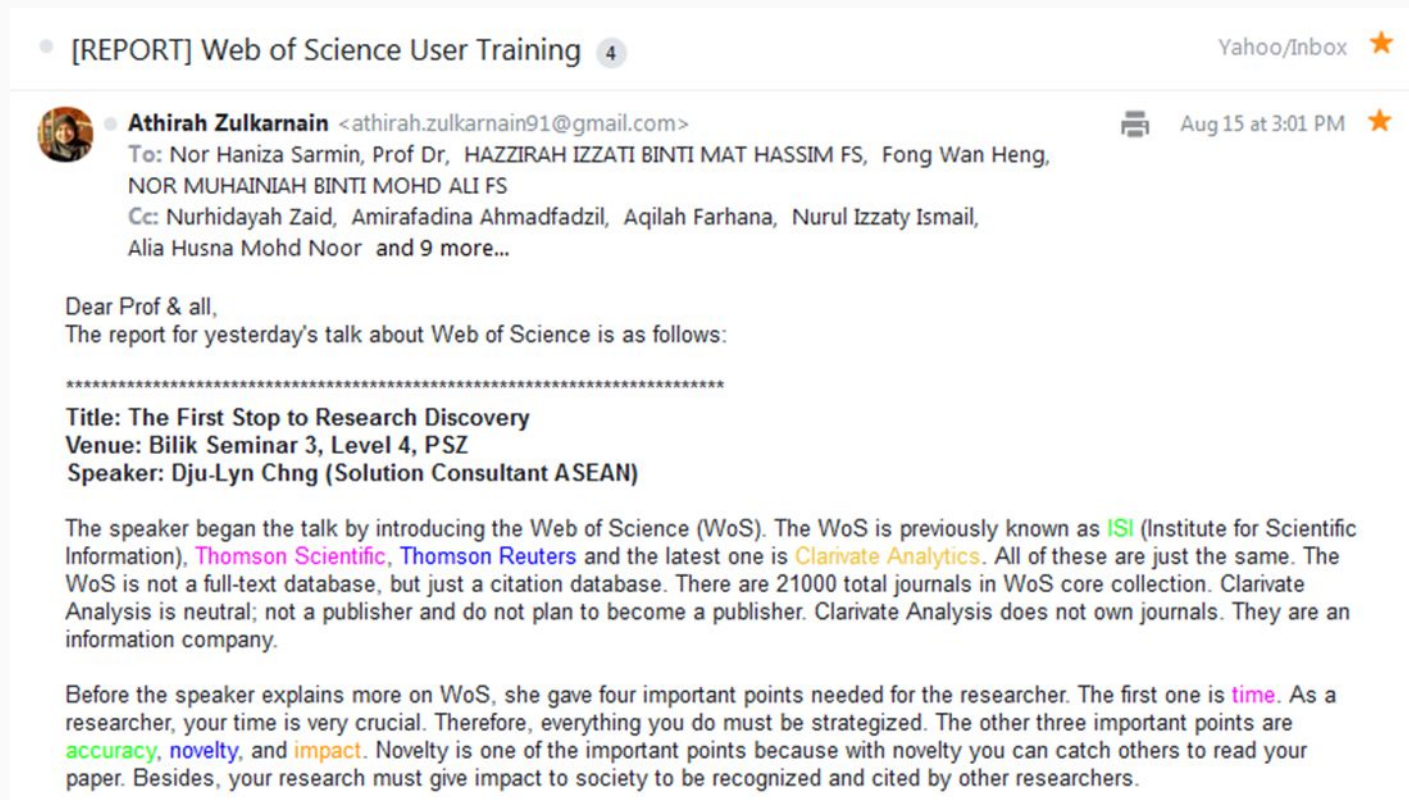
“A theoretical DNA based computer model for food authentication process”

RACER, 1 September 2019 – 31 August 2021, RM 51,200.00

STUDENT'S COMMON PROBLEM & HOW TO SOLVE THEM?

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All students need to write a short report whenever they go to a workshop or talk.



Other

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Short Report on the Structured Course: Facing Your Viva Voce 8th August 2019 Yahoo/Inbox 3

Amira Fadina Ahmad Fadzil <amirafadinaahmadfadzil@yahoo.com>
To: Prof Dr Nor Haniza Sarmin
Cc: Nurhidayah Zaid, Nabilah Najmuddin, Nabilah Fikriah Rahin, Athirah Zulkarnain, Nur Idayu Alimon and 4 more...

Aug 8 at 12:25 PM

Assalamualaikum wbkt,

Dear Prof,

A structured course was held today. The talk was on Facing Your Viva Voce by Prof Azman Hassan from Faculty of Engineering at SPS. The following is the short report for the course.

What is Viva?
Viva = an oral defence of our research and our knowledge of the academic area in which our research has been carried out.

Duration: 1.5 to 4 hours

Student need to explain and defend:

- What we have done.
- What we know about the subject area.
- Other research that has been carried out.
- Foundation of knowledge on that topic.

Types of examiners:

- Friendly.
- Adversarial - They will challenge our views in order to hear our argument.

Report on High Publication Workshop organized by UTMCIAM 2 Yahoo/Inbox

Nur idayu Alimon <nuridayualimon@yahoo.com>
To: Prof Dr Nor Haniza Sarmin
Cc: HAZZIRAH IZZATI BINTI MAT HASSIM FS, NOR MUHAINIAH BINTI MOHD ALI FS, Dr Fong Wan Heng

Aug 1 at 10:12 AM

Assalamualaikum & Salam Sejahtera,

Dear Prof,

On 18th July 2019, I have attended a High Publication Workshop which has been organized by UTM CIAM. The workshop is divided into two sessions and conducted by two different speakers.

The first session is conducted by Prof Graham Sander. Here are the tips to publish in high impact journals.

1. Know the editors' expertise.
The main reasons for rejecting the papers are the scope, quality of writing of the contribution, novelty, and significance of contribution.
2. The abstract must be clear and state what is the importance of the research.
3. Literature review
 - Not simply a list of papers stating which problem they solved.
 - Need to provide some sense of historical narrative and what are their contributions to scientific understanding.
 - Identify gaps of knowledge.
 - Conclude the literature review section by stating which of the gaps that your manuscript is addressing and how this will be achieved.



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

Graduate on Time (GOT) DEFINITION OF GOT (FOR PHD)

- GOT-MOHE
 - 48 MONTHS
- GOT-MYRA
 - 42 MONTHS



Number of GOT Students by Year of Study Completion

■ GOT UTM
 ■ GOT KPT
 ■ NOT GOT



%	LOCAL	INTERNATIONAL
Graduated students	65	35
GOT UTM	48	75
GOT KPT	80	92

WHY GOT IS IMPORTANT?

- On-time graduation signals that the applicant is organized, focused, responsible, and meets deadlines.
- The University and Country's aspiration.
- Scholarship/Study Leave.
- University Award.



Publication

WHY PUBLICATION IS IMPORTANT?

- Being able to publish shows that you actually know what you are doing and that you have the potential of advancing your field.
- Thesis Submission requirement.
- Bonus for being hired.
- PhD by publications.
- University Award.



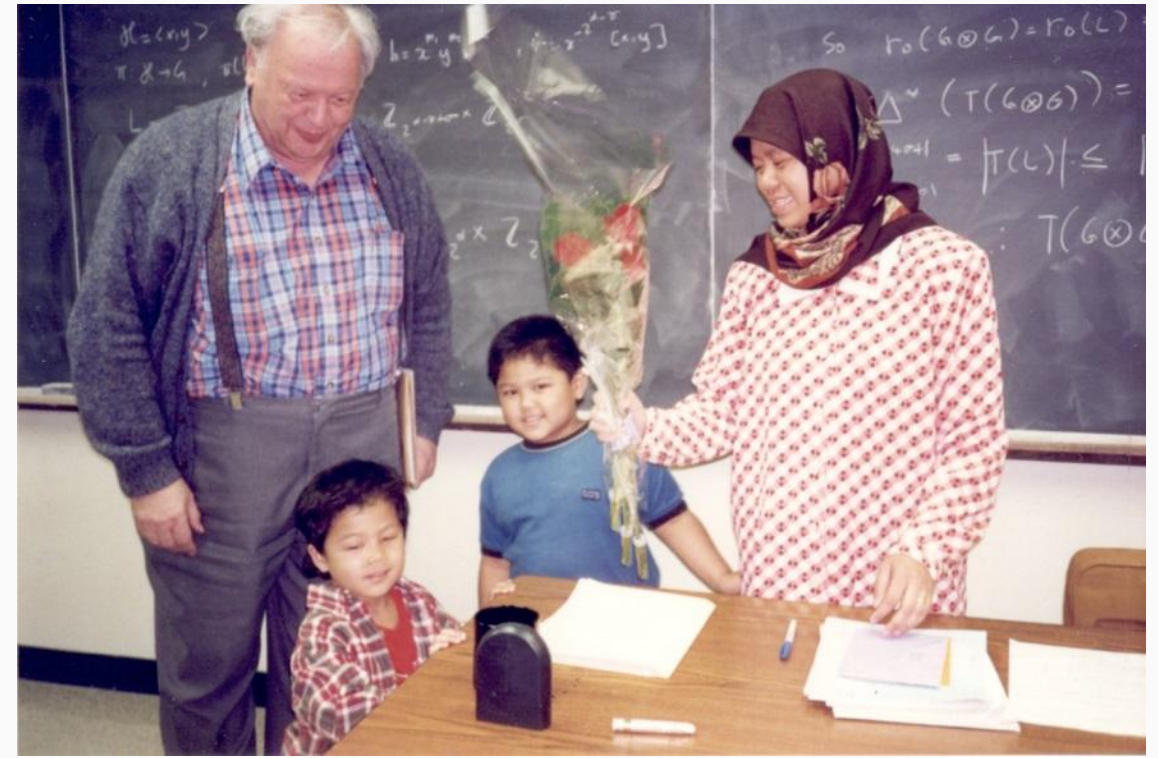
Alumni Award



Pro-Chancellor Award



The Moment of Truth (PhD Viva)



21 April 1998

Convocation



Special Dedication ❤️

My family and my PhD Supervisor, Prof Dr Luise-Charlotte Kappe



1998

After Viva



2015

Trip to NY



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