Alumni of Aston University to spend RM40,000 on 1st batch of sponsorship

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MALAYSIA’S Aston University alumni plans to spend RM40,000 on sponsorship for the Aston International Summer University Programme in the UK.

The sponsorships were given to two students from local universities for a three-week course. The students would be exposed to English language and presentation skills.

In addition, the students would also undergo intensive English tuition classes, specialist courses which includes British cinema, creative writing, culture and cities, social media marketing and teaching English to speakers of other languages.

The alumni’s president Datuk Dr Mohamed Al Amin Abdul Majid said the sponsorship covers the course fees, accommodation, return flight tickets, and subsistence allowances.

"The purpose of the sponsorship was to provide guidance to local students on the English language, in particular, speech and writing, and also to expose them to the environment of studying overseas. We believe that it will provide good exposure for Malaysian students," said the alumni president Dr Mohamed Al Amin, after handing over the mock cheque to the two students in Kuala Lumpur, yesterday.

The selected students were Mohamad Asri Ab Jani from Universiti Malaya and Nurhidayah Mukhtar from Universiti Malaysia Terengganu. It is learned that the alumni also plans to extend its sponsorship programme for another three years.

The alumni, formed in July 2005, aims to further professional standards and management practices amongst local corporations.

"The alumni is proud to provide full sponsorship to the qualified students as part of our (corporate) social responsibility," Dr Mohamed Al Amin said. The students were selected together with the Ministry of Higher Education based on their co-curricular activities and academic achievements.


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