

UCTS strives to be Sarawak's apex of technical education

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An artist's impression of the modern, world-class UCTS' green campus.

KUCHING: University College of Technology Sarawak (UCTS) is the culmination of the state's vision and commitment to establish a world-class institution of higher learning to spearhead the development and production of technical human capital for the Sarawak Corridor of Renewable Energy (SCORE).

UCTS is committed to facilitate students' access to an affordable world-class university education that nurtures creative and entrepreneurial leaders through a broad education in science and technology while combining the career benefits of an applied approach for SCORE-related research and career opportunities.



The ground-breaking ceremony for UCTS' green campus was held on Sept 16, 2012 and was officiated at by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

UCTS campus will cover an area of more than 95 acres when fully developed. Phase 1 is now ready.

UCTS campus incorporates planning, design and green architecture simultaneously and effectively to create a fully integrated, comfortable, user-friendly and conducive teaching and learning environment.

In addition, UCTS will be complemented by its own Science and Technology Park, which will bring about vast research and entrepreneurial opportunities.

The main campus, when fully completed will have a capacity to host a total of about 5,000 students.

The first intake of UCTS Foundation in Science and Foundation in Arts programmes commenced in early June last year. The one-year foundation programmes prepare school-leavers for entry into the degree programmes at UCTS.

UCTS currently offers four honours degree programmes in Civil Engineering, Quantity Surveying, Engineering Technology in Electrical and Electronics and Business Administration.

In September this year, UCTS plans to introduce additional degree programmes including accounting, architecture, mechanical engineering, electrical engineering (power), food technology, computer science (software engineering) and computer science (network computing).

Students with recognised and suitable diploma qualifications either from government or private institutions or colleges can be considered for Year 2 entry into the degree programmes.

Research-based postgraduate programmes will also be introduced this year.

UCTS assigns at least one recognised Master or PhD holder to teach the degree students. It also works closely with the industry, adopting a broad-based specialisation curriculum and an applied approach towards teaching and learning.

UCTS degree programme students are eligible to apply for full study loans from PTPTN, while Bumiputera students can apply for Mara and Yayasan Sarawak study loans. For needy outstation students or rural students with outstanding SPM or STPM results, they can apply to UCTS which will provide assistance on a case-to-case basis.

UCTS is now open for enrolment for its one-year foundation studies (Science and Arts) for the April intake. All SPM and UEC students are invited to apply.

After the foundation studies, the Foundation in Science students can pursue a degree in either engineering or health sciences while Foundation in Arts students can pursue a degree related to social science or business as well as the built environment.

Full scholarships will be offered to foundation students, on the condition that the student must pass the foundation programme and qualify for entry into any of the degree programmes offered at UCTS.

UCTS will be participating in The Borneo Post International Education Fair at Borneo Convention Centre Kuching from March 22-23, 10am -6pm.

Students can walk in to UCTS to apply, apply online www.ucts.edu.my or call UCTS at 084-367300 (Esther at 013-8636626, Juita at 013-8556626, Shawn at 017-8020127 or Shah at 013-8656626).

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