

English Language Enrichment Programme (ELEP)

The English Language Department organised an English Language Enrichment Programme (ELEP) on the 16th of November 2018 for 42 Diploma students and staff from President College, Kuala Lumpur. The ELEP was carried out to expose students to communicate in English in a fun manner. One of the ways this was done was through entertaining the students and staff with a musical performance entitled *Prom Night*. Not only did they have a good time watching the musical, students from President College were also exposed to the art of performing a musical using English. It was led by the students from the Bachelor English programme.



Students and staff from President College, Kuala Lumpur with ELD students

Visit from Universitas Negeri Yogyakarta (UNY), Indonesia

Prof. Dr. Protomo Widodo and his colleagues from the German Division of Universitas Negeri Yogyakarta visited our faculty on 8th November 2018. The original aim of the visit was to discuss possible student mobility programmes for the German Language Programmes at both universities. Later, the visit included discussions on possible academic collaboration at undergraduate and postgraduate levels.



German Language lecturers with the delegation from UNY

English Camp for *Program Adik Angkat Bersama SMK Bangsar*

On the 2nd of November 2018, the English Language Department organised an English camp as part of the *Program Adik Angkat* school project with SMK Bangsar. An excerpt from Dr. Tai Soo Shong's blog regarding her students' experience:

The English Camp, with its 21 Century skills (particularly collaboration and teamwork, creativity and imagination, critical thinking and problem solving) was indeed a great success as it really helped my students to better understand and speak English particularly when they were given the opportunity to interact with members of the English Department of the Faculty of Languages and Linguistics who were so engaging. I am glad to see that students who used to be rather passive in class suddenly participated so actively in all the activities designed for them throughout the English Camp. Some of them even told me that they have developed an interest in the subject now even though they did not like the subject earlier.



Student participation during the English Camp

Congratulations to the Graduates of 2018 !

The long-awaited convocation ceremony was finally held from 20 - 23 October 2018 at Dewan Tunku Canselor, University of Malaya. This year, the Faculty of Languages and Linguistics (FLL) is proud to share the joy of 204 graduates (14 PhD, 74 Master's and 116 Bachelor's) who received their much-deserved scrolls.



Faculty of Languages and Linguistics Master's Graduates 2018



Tun Fatimah Bt Hj. Hashim Gold Medal Award 2018

Nik Nur Ainin Soffiya binti Nik Mat from the Bachelor of Languages and Linguistics (English Language) programme was the proud recipient of the *Tun Fatimah Bt Hj. Hashim Gold Medal* award, given in recognition of her academic as well as non-academic excellence. Well-done Soffiya!



University of Malaya Academic Icon Award 2018

Muhammad Irsyad Zaini, third year undergraduate student from the English language programme, was awarded the *Anugerah Ikon Akademik Universiti Malaya 2018* on 23rd October 2018. Organised by the University of Malaya Student Affairs and Alumni Division, this award comes with a RM2000 cash prize sponsored by Yang Berbahagia Tan Sri Dato' Seri Lee Oi Hian, an alumnus of the University of Malaya. Congratulations Irsyad!

ELD Language Production Workshop

On the 19th October 2018, final year students from the English Language Department ran a workshop for the third-year students of the department. It is traditional for senior students to prepare their juniors for the Language Production course. The third-year students were given basic ideas about producing a play, organising a production, and vocal and physical exercises for actors. The workshop brought the fourth and third-year students together.

Voluntary Work in SK Solob, Sipitang, Sabah

The Faculty of Languages and Linguistics would like to commend Muhammad Irsyad Zaini, a third year undergraduate from the English Language programme, for his work with the community of Kampung Solob, Sabah on 9th October 2018. Irsyad was amongst the 15 volunteers in the *Misi Sukarelawan Siswa* organised by Yayasan Sukarelawan Siswa (YSS). Through this programme, he helped villagers and students from Kampung Solob to learn English. They took part in activities in which they were encouraged to use only English. The Faculty is extremely proud of him and hopes that many more will follow his footsteps and carry out similar community engagement programmes.



Volunteers with villagers from Kampung Solob, Sabah

English Language Department Welcoming Session

The English Language Department welcomed the new students in the English programme on the 5th of October 2018 with two activities to ensure they got to know their seniors as well as the staff and faculty. First, a treasure hunt, related to the Faculty of Languages and Linguistics (FLL) buildings and staff, was carried out in small groups. The second activity was *The Human Library*, in which 'human books' shared information with others through their personal narratives on a range of topics.



ELD Lecturers with Students from the English Programme

Welcome Party for First Year German Language Programme Students

On 28th September 2018, the German Language Programme organized a welcome party for its first year students. This is the first time such a party has been organized for first year students at the beginning of the semester. The party started off with an ice breaking activity, in which each person introduced him- or herself. The first year students then were given the chance to ask their seniors about the German Language Programme, the faculty, colleges and the university. They talked in small groups.



German Language Programme Photo Session: lecturers and students



Voluntary Excursion with Konstanz Exchange Students

On 21st September 2018, 8 second year students from the German Language Programme volunteered to go on an excursion to Sekinchan with two Konstanz exchange students (Joel and Sofie), and everyone enjoyed themselves tremendously. !

Visit from the University of Applied Sciences Konstanz (HTWG Konstanz), Germany

On 14th September 2018, Prof. Dr. Konstantin Hassemer and Prof. Dr. Christian von Lübke from the University of Applied Sciences Konstanz (HTWG Konstanz), Germany visited the Faculty. Since 2013, the German Language Programme has been sending students who have passed HTWG Konstanz' Entrance Exam to the two-year Double Degree Programme (Tourism Management and Business German) in Konstanz. We have sent 13 students and 8 have graduated. 5 are currently pursuing their studies there. Students from Konstanz have been coming to our faculty to take special Bahasa Malaysia classes offered by the Department of Malaysian Languages and Applied Linguistics (DMLAL).



German Language Programme lecturers and Professors from HTWG Konstanz

Visits from Mahidol & Maharakham Universities, Thailand

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In September 2018, the Faculty of Languages and Linguistics was pleased to welcome delegates from two universities in Thailand - Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia, Mahidol University, and Faculty of Humanities and Social Science, Maharakham University. Both universities are leading higher education institutes in Thailand. The discussions involved possible initiatives and partnerships, specifically student and staff mobility programmes as well as joint conferences.



Delegates from Mahidol University with FLL staff

Orientation Week: 2018/2019 Intake

The Faculty of Languages and Linguistics welcomed the new undergraduate students during the Orientation Week from 2nd to 7th September 2018. On the 6th of September, students were briefed by the faculty's Senior Assistant Registrar before they registered for university courses and set up email accounts. Students then met their respective heads of departments and academic advisors. Later, the Dean, Assoc. Prof. Dr Hajah Jariah Mohd Jan, welcomed the students to UM and urged them to excel and achieve their dreams.



Academic and non-academic staff with first-year students

FLL Merdeka Walk

To celebrate Merdeka Day, Nadi FLL organised the FLL *Merdeka* Walk on 28th August 2018. The event started with the registration of staff members at 4.00 p.m. The Dean of Faculty of Languages & Linguistics flagged off the walk at the Faculty's main entrance at 4.30 p.m. Organisers stationed themselves along the route around the campus lake. Participants were required to complete *Merdeka* related tasks at each station, including answering quizzes and singing *Merdeka* songs. The walk officially ended at the Faculty's main entrance at 5.30pm. A short ceremony was held with prizes given to the best *Merdeka* themed clothing and the highest points for station tasks.



Staff members getting ready for the walk!

FLL Mural Launching Ceremony

The Faculty of Languages and Linguistics (FLL) is now more vibrant with a phenomenal, colourful abstract mural. We thank the famous Colombian artist, Diana Ordóñez (LeDania), for diligently painting the mural in rain and shine between 18th and 24th August 2018. Her nature-inspired mural entitled “Habitat de lenguajes” symbolizes the diversity of languages and forms of knowledge in the world. The roots represent the importance of personal development. This unique mural was generously donated by the Embassy of Columbia in Malaysia and the Colombian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, under their ‘Promotion Plan of Colombia Abroad’ programme. The mural was officially launched by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Development of UM, Professor Dr. Faisal Rafiq Mahamd Adikan on 27th August 2018 at Angsana Hall, FLL.



From left: Associate Professor Dr. Hajah Jariah Mohd Jan, Professor Dr. Faisal Rafiq Mahamd Adikan, Diana Ordóñez and H.E. Mauricio González Lopez

6th International German Language Camp Vietnam 2018 (in Danang)

Two of our students, Phoebe Vithya Arasu and Nur Iffah Najat Bt Mat Shawal, received scholarships to take part in the 6th International German Camp, 2018, which was held in Danang, a coastal city in Vietnam. It was organized by the Vietnamese German Teachers Association with the cooperation and sponsorship of DAAD Vietnam and Goethe-Institut in Vietnam. It was held from 7th August till 11th August 2018 at the Star Da Nang Hotel. There were 85 participants from Vietnam, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand, Laos and Myanmar. The lecturers / invited speakers were from Germany and Vietnam.



A group photo with students from other countries after cultural night