

FADILLAH URGES STUDENTS TO LEARN SOCIAL SKILLS

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KUCHING: Students, especially from higher learning institutions, should always look at engaging with the society so as to provide them with the necessary communication and social skills.

Public Works Minister Datuk Seri Fadillah Yusuf said by engaging in programmes which enables them to blend in with the society, they can better understand real life working situation which would be useful for their future.

Fadillah, who is also the Petra Jaya Member of Parliament said such programme or activity would help to equip the students with knowledge in dealing with public.

“These are life skills which are useful experience before the students enter the working world,” he said.

Fadillah, who is also UNIMAS Mentor Minister was speaking at the G-Experience 2.0 organised by the Cempaka College Welfare Club (PEKA) of Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS) here on Friday night.

“In our bid to become a modern nation, the youths must be ready with the necessary skills and not just to be business minded, but also to be ready with the right sort of skills.

“Programmes such as today, which provides students of form six with an exposure of university and campus life is a smart move to lure in interests to study here in UNIMAS,” said Fadillah.

He later announced a grant worth RM50,000 to the Students Affairs Department of UNIMAS to finance its activities.

Earlier, UNIMAS Students Development Centre Dean Professor DrSitiRaudzahGhazali in her speech called for more active participation from the students to involve in both academic or non-academic activities.

“Programme such as this is a great platform for students to involve in welfare and community projects and we at UNIMAS welcome such initiative,” she said.

The programme saw 58 students from SMK BatuLintang, SMK Sejingkat, SMK TunAbang Haji Openg and SMK Samarahan spending two days from March 17 to 19 to learn about courses offered by UNIMAS and also took part in a community welfare programme at KampungSegedup in BatuKawa.