

Undergraduates reminded of responsibilities

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KOTA SAMARAHAN: New undergraduates pursuing tertiary education at Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (Unimas) this year are reminded to make full use of the opportunities provided to become outstanding individuals.

The university's chairman of the board of directors Tan Sri Datuk Amar Bujang Mohd Nor said having been selected to further their studies in the university, the undergraduates must realise that they were among the lucky ones given a chance to prepare themselves to face future challenges.

"About 67,000 applications to enter public higher learning institutes have been received this year, but only about 40,000 candidates are selected," he said at the student oath-taking ceremony here Thursday evening, adding that Unimas received 1,583 new undergraduates this year, 68 per cent of whom were female.

He hoped the students would explore all available knowledge portals in the university and grab every opportunity given to be outstanding in all ways, especially in academics. Bujang also reminded students to be wise and responsible in making use of their rights to voice their opinions.

"Given the right, students must think critically to be able to deliver new thoughts and ideas."

Unimas vice-chancellor Professor Dr Khairuddin Abdul Hamid and deputy vice-chancellor Professor Mohd Azib Salleh were among those present.