INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WEEK

International Students Week was held from 21st January to 16th February 2019 which involved 69 students from Temasek Polytechnic (Singapore), Providence University (Taiwan) and Yangtze University (China). Various activities were conducted such as leadership training, effective English communication class, intercultural activities, and homestay at Batu Pahat, Johor where students stayed with their foster parent and experienced the local culture.
Students dressed up in Malay traditional costumes during the cultural night at the homestay.

Students are enjoying traditional games.
COURTESY VISIT TO MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION KURDISTAN AND VALIDATION VISIT TO QAIWAN INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (QIU)

On 11th February 2019, delegation from UTM and UTSPACE led by Prof. Datuk Ir. Dr. Wahid Omar, Vice Chancellor of UTM had a courtesy visit to Dr. Yusuf Goran, Minister at the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research Kurdistan in Erbil. Dr. Yusuf welcomed UTM to offer its programs in Kurdistan and supported the joint venture between UTM and QIU. Gradually, UTM planned to offer more programmes at QIU such as Bachelor of Engineering, Masters and PhD.

Validation visit was conducted at QIU by UTM audit panel to evaluate the readiness of QIU to offer Engineering programmes.

Delegates from UTM and QIU with Dr Yousof Goran at his Ministry.
UTM Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahid together with Prof. Azraai and Prof. Habibollah as panels for the Education Forum at Qaiwan International University.
UTM validation audit panel at QIU campus
THE SIGNING OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN UNIVERSITY FOR SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY BEIJING (USTB), CHINA

A Memorandum of Understanding between UTMSPACE and University for Science & Technology Beijing (USTB), China was signed on 25th January 2019. USTB would like to offer UTM Foundation programme in Beijing, China starting July 2020. Prior to the MOU signing, audit panel conducted validation visit to determine USTB readiness to offer UTM program.
The Boards of Directors of UGC visited UTM and UTMSPACE on 5th March 2019. The visit was a follow up after the signing of MOU between UGC and UTMSPACE on 2nd November 2018. UGC is responsible in managing higher education institutions in Bangladesh. During the visit, they had a brief discussion with UTM Vice Chancellor, Prof. Datuk Ir. Dr. Wahid Omar on potential collaborations between UTM-UGC especially in teaching and learning and research activities.
UTMSPACE attended the APAIE 2019 Conference at KLCC, Kuala Lumpur on 26th – 28th March 2019 with the main objectives of expanding the international network and promote UTM TNE programmes to the higher institutions abroad.
Prof. Jun Hyun Hong, Vice President (International) Chung-Ang University Korea with Prof. Dato’ Ir. Dr. Mohammed Rafq, Dean of Faculty of Engineering, UTM.

Gaziantep University, Turkey visiting UTM booth
QUALITY AUDIT FOR SEMESTER II 2018/2019 AT QAIWAN INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, KURDISTAN, IRAQ

On 16th – 19th April 2019, a team from UTM conducted academic quality audit at Qaiwan International University (QIU) to ensure that QIU follow the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP). Part of the auditing processes involved meeting with QIU top management, lecturers and students; reviewing documents and visiting facilities and teaching and learning support services. Panel were satisfied with the overall results and recommended some minor improvements for future.
VISIT FROM OMAN MILITARY ATTACHÉ

On 18th April 2019, Captain Sultan Al Battashi visited UTMSPACE to meet Royal Air Force of Oman (RAFO) officers who are attending training at UTM. He was satisfied with the overall training program and took the opportunity to visit UTM’s Aeronautic Lab and Marine Technology Centre.
WEIFANG ENGINEERING VOCATIONAL COLLEGE, CHINA VISITED UTMSCAPE

On 24th May 2019, Weifang Engineering Vocational College, China visited UTMSCAPE and discussed on the possible collaboration in academic and professional development activities. As a start, they would like to send five of their staff for short term training at UTMSCAPE in August 2019.

Weifang Engineering Vocational College, China attended the training on Innovation conducted by Assoc.Prof.Dr.Abdul Rahman of UTM Razak Faculty of Technology and Informatics.
MARKETING VISIT TO JINGZHOU & SHANGHAI, CHINA

Mr. Elvin Tan Geok Pin, Regional Manager TNE Division UTMSpace, visited Yangtze University (YU) on 9th – 11th June 2019. The visit was a follow up after the study abroad programme involving YU students which was held on 21st January 2019 in Kuala Lumpur. Mr. Elvin also had a discussion with Mr. Weigang in Shanghai on academic collaboration between UTMSpace and Zhejiang, China.
VISIT FROM BEIJING HUATEC INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CO. LTD., CHINA

On 21st June 2019, Beijing Huatec Information Technology Co. Ltd., China (BHIT) visited UTMSPACE. BHIT plans to join venture with UTMSPACE to set up computer laboratory and Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Information Technology (IT) showroom. BHIT also would like to offer UTM Academic Programs under TNE and professional programs in China. They welcome training participants from Malaysia to attend IT trainings in China under their various companies.

VISIT FROM YUNNAN BRAND PROMOTION COUNCIL, CHINA.

On 9th July 2019, a representative from Yunnan Brand Promotion Council (YBPC) visited UTMSPACE to discuss on the establishment of China-Malaysia Education, Economics, Technologies, Cultural Industry, Enterprise Research and Training Centre. They would like to collaborate with UTMSPACE in offering training and consultation for entrepreneurs in China and Malaysia especially on 3D medical printing field, technical trainings and on TNE. YBPC and UTMSPACE plan for further discussion and sign a MOU before the end of the year.
VISIT FROM DEFENCE STUDIES CENTER, MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, OMAN

On 18\textsuperscript{th} July 2019, Defence Studies Centre, Ministry of Defence, Oman led by Squadron Leader Khalid Hamed Nasser Al-Nabhani and four research officers. The main purpose of the visit was to understand the implementation of OFFSET agreements in Malaysia especially in the transfer of military technology. UTMSPACE also proposed various training courses for the Ministry of Defence officers.

VISIT FROM YIWU NO.2 AND NO.3 HIGH SCHOOL, CHINA

On 14\textsuperscript{th} August 2019, Ms. Nora, a representative from the Department of Education, Yiwu district of China visited UTMSPACE. She proposes UTMSPACE to offer IELTS preparatory courses as well as two social science subjects at their high school.
VISIT FROM UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MARA (UiTM) SHAH ALAM

On 12th September 2019, UiTM delegates led by Assoc.Prof.Dr Azizah Abdullah, Director of Internal Quality Assurance, InQKA visited UTMSPACE Kuala Lumpur. Prof Azlan Ab Rahman, CEO and Managing Director of UTMSPACE welcomed the visit and chaired the meeting. Among matters discussed were on the implementation of Transnational Education and the lifelong learning programs.
TNE Workshop – Self-Assessment Report

TNE had conducted Self-Assessment Report workshop on 8-10th October 2019 in Melaka. Among the participants were Chairs and Associate Chairs from SPACE, School of Chemical and Energy Engineering, School of Civil Engineering, School of Biomedical, School of Mechanical Engineering, School of Biomedical and Health Sciences and Deputy Director of UTM Quality and Risk Management Center. Representatives from Qaiwan International University, Iraq were also present. Assoc. Prof.Ir.Abdul Aziz, Director of Engineering Accreditation Department, Engineering Accreditation Council of Malaysia was the guest speaker. He explained on the accreditation processes for engineering programs in Malaysia.

From left: Assoc. Prof.Ir.Abdul Aziz receiving a token of appreciation from Prof.Othman Che Puan, Chair, SPACE, UTM.
ASEAN-CHINA EDUCATIONAL COOPERATION CONGRESS, SUZHOU, CHINA

The ASEAN-China Educational Cooperation Congress was held in Suzhou, China on 27th – 29th October 2019. TNE Division was represented by Mr. Elvin Tan Geok Pin. The Congress aims to build good relationships among participating colleges and universities. Several colleges and universities have expressed their interest on transnational education collaboration.

ATTENDING 28TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

On 5th November 2019, Uzbekistan embassy celebrated 28th Anniversary of Uzbekistan independence. Uzbekistan Ambassador, H.E. Mr. Ravshan Usmanov officiated the gracious event in attendance of dignitaries and diplomats. Mr. Zulkifli and Mr. Ashraf attended the event. The embassy of Uzbekistan has close working relationship with UTMSPACE. They are very active and helpful in introducing UTM and UTMSPACE to higher education institutions in Uzbekistan. As a result, a number of MOU on academic collaboration had been signed.

Mr. Ashraf and Mr. Zulkifli with Mr. Shiraz Abdullaev, First Secretary, Tourism, Cultural, Humanitarian and Education Division, Uzbekistan Embassy.
VISIT FROM SECRETARY FOR MEDICAL EDUCATION & FAMILY WELFARE DIVISION, MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (MOHFW) BANGLADESH.

On the 5th November 2019, 13 top officials led by Secretary, Shaikh Yusuf Harun visited UTM and UTMSPACE. A discussion was held in Menara Razak, UTM. The purpose of the visit was to obtain the feedback on the training programmes conducted in 2019 and discuss on the upcoming programmes for 2020.
Officials from Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MOHFW) Bangladesh at UTMSPACE KL

VISIT FROM BEST FUTURE AND GUANGDONG LINGNAN MODERN TECHNICIAN COLLEGE

On 6th November 2019, representatives from Best Future and Guangdong Lingnan Modern Technician College visited UTMSPACE. A brief discussion was held especially in offering E-Commerce courses.
QUALITY AUDIT VISIT FOR SEMESTER I 2019/2020 – QAIWAN INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (QIU) KURDISTAN, IRAQ

Quality Audit at Qaiwan International University (QIU) was held on 6th – 9th November 2019 to ensure QIU complies with the regulations set by UTM. In general, QIU adhered to the rules and regulations. The panel also recommended a few approaches for improvements.
ATTENDING OMAN’S NATIONAL DAY

On 20th November 2019, Mr Zulkifli and Mr Ashraf attended Oman’s National Day celebration at JW Marriot Hotel, Kuala Lumpur. The event was hosted by His Excellency, the ambassador of Oman. There were diplomats and dignitaries present during the event. We met the Oman Cultural Attache’ and Oman Military Attache’. Both of them visited UTM early this year.

From left: Mr Wan Zawawi Md Zin- Senior Director MIMOS Berhad, Mr.Ashraf, Captain Sultan Al Battashi-Oman Military Attache’, Captain Faris Al Rasbi and Mr.Zulkifli.
VISIT FROM SHIJIAZHUANG POSTS AND COMMUNICATIONS COLLEGE

Shijiazhuang Posts and Communications College visited UTMSPACE on 26th November 2019 as a follow-up visit from the ASEAN-China Educational Cooperation Congress in Suzhou, China. The college is interested to collaborate on technical training, E-Commerce, entrepreneurship, and IT courses.
PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND STUDENTS MOBILITY PROGRAMS

In 2019, TNE division has successfully conducted 33 professional trainings and student mobility programs involving 475 participants. Some of the trainings were highly technical and conducted by experienced professionals and practitioners. We were also organized Passage to ASEAN (P2A) programs which involved students and staff from several universities across ASEAN. The students were able to learn through experiential learning.
Participants of Annual Performance Agreement organised by University Grants Commission Bangladesh.
Below are some of the training courses and students mobility programs conducted in 2019.

- Management and Electronic Communication
- Passage to ASEAN (P2A) Program
- Winter School Program
- Study Abroad Program
- Project Management Information System (PMIS)
- Information Technology Management
- Routine Health Information System (RHIS)
- Training Annual Performance Agreement (APA)
- Training on APA and Strategic Management
- Training on Innovation
- Training on Human Resource Management in Health Administration
- Training on Health and Population Sector – Program Impact Assessment
- Training on Spine Surgery
- Training on Procurement Management for Works, Good and Services
- Training on Operational Research on Child TB
- Training on Intervention Cardiology
- Training on Establishment of Skilled Medical Lab
- Training on Clinical Approach Geriatric Medicine
- Advanced Administrative Training on Leadership and Governance for Development of Human Resource Management
- Training on Human Resource Management in Health Administration
- Exposure Visit on Accreditation of Medical Institutes (Challenges, Future and Media Development)
Training on Health and Population Sector – Program Impact Assessment
Prof. Azlan is delivering one of the topics in the Annual Performance Agreement training.
Students from BINUS University, Indonesia visited Putrajaya under P2A programme

Students from Duy Tan University, Vietnam visited UTM under P2A programme
UTM has successfully launched its first Transnational Education program with Qaiwan International University, Kurdistan, Iraq. As a start, 4 programs are being offered with total enrolment of 121 students.

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UTMSPACE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT RECRUITMENT

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