

4 MECHATRONIC UNDERGRADUATES OFFERED PLACES IN GERMANY



Four out of 16 mechatronic engineering dual-degree programme undergraduates were offered to undergo industrial training in Germany for six months beginning September.

They were 23-year-olds Wan Nurul Farah Liyana Razali, Chew Yen Ying, Mohamad Redzuan Samad and Fathi Zaidan Jamaludin.

They were part of Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP)'s first batch pursuing their studies in the German engineering dual-degree programme.

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Wan Nurul Farah Liyana and Yen Ying were placed at Robert Bosch GMBH while Mohamad Redzuan at Watlow GmbH and Fathi Zaidan at Infineon, Regensburg, Bavaria.

According to German Academic and Career Centre (GACC) Director, Brian Trenaman, UMP was the first public university in the country to offer the dual degree programme at the bachelor's level in automotive and mechatronic since 2010.

UMP signed an agreement with Hochschule

Karlsruhe, University of Applied Sciences (HsKA) that paved the way for the programme being conducted in the Gambang campus.

GACC also played a role in assisting undergraduates in getting industrial placements in German companies, be it locally or abroad.

"The undergraduates can benefit from working in Germany, a country known for its high technology. They can learn and gain as much experience and knowledge to fulfil their academic requirements," he said.

Trenaman added that he was proud with the four undergraduates who managed to land industrial placements overseas.

He also said they had received offer letters to undergo the industrial training in Germany while others would be doing their stints in German companies in Malaysia.

Trenaman said, GACC invited HsKA's advisory board president, Professor E. H. Wernwe Vogt to supervise several programmes especially those involving communications and work culture in German companies.

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Wan Nurul Farah Liyanas said, she was now more confident and was also lucky to be picked for the industrial training in Germany, adding it was something she had dreamt about since the first day she stepped into UMP.

Her friend, Fathi Zaidan said, she was so excited after getting offers from three companies –two in Germany and one in the country.

Although she was reluctant to be away from her family, Fathi Zaidan was firm with her decision to choose a company in Germany so she could gain some insight and experience in doing something she had been interested all this while.