

## **Convocation**

## Disability did not prevent Nor Shafiqah and Nabil Lutfi from achieving their dreams

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PAYA BESAR, 8 November 2022 – Being disabled and possessing a Person With Disability (PWD) card do not prevent students from pursuing further education at the university or having a career.

For Nor Shafiqah Nor Mizan, 22, the most important thing is to give one's best.

As a Diploma of Computer Science graduand, she received a scroll from the UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Ts. Dr. Yuserrie Zainuddin at the UMP 17th Convocation Ceremony.

"I've been physically disabled since birth, having leg length discrepancy and I have a PWD card.

"Don't make disability a weakness, instead turn it into a morale booster to keep improving," she said.



Even though she has physical disability, she remained active during her time at the university by engaging in theatre activities.

In her view, for those who have a PWD card, don't think too much about what is lacking but prove that we can also achieve what others can.

"When tasked with an assignment, do your best to finish it.

"I would like to thank the supervisors during the industrial training (IT) session, among them Associate Professor Ts. Dr. Mazlina Abdul Majid, Associate Professor Ts. Dr. Awanis Romli and Ts. Aziman Abdullah who constantly guided and encouraged me throughout my study at UMP," she said.

Nabil Lutfi, 28, a graduand of Bachelor of Computer Science, is also a PWD UMP student with a learning disability, said that the catalyst for his success was his mother, Haslina Musa.

"I have always held on to my mother's advice as my life principles.

"She said disability does not hinder me from success.

"Continuous effort without not giving up will surely result in success," he added.

He also shared a tip which is to ask the lecturer or friends for a clearer understanding and not be shy in learning for the sake of knowledge.

He is grateful for his parents who have always encouraged him all this while.

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