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Fatini Nasuha, recipient of UMPSA Royal Education Award, wins PSWM Outstanding Female Student Award

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KUALA LUMPUR, 16 May 2025 – Fatini Nasuha Ahmad Puad, a graduate with a Bachelor of Technology in Manufacturing Engineering (Pharmaceuticals) with Honours from the Faculty of Chemical and Process Engineering Technology (FTKKP), Universiti Malaysia Pahang Al-Sultan Abdullah (UMPSA), was recently named the recipient of the 2025 Outstanding Female Student Award by the Malaysian Graduate Women Association (Persatuan Siswazah Wanita Malaysia, PSWM).

The award ceremony brought together outstanding female students from various public universities across the country.

Fatini was one of 12 students recognised for their exceptional achievements in academics, character, and leadership.

Even more special, she was also the recipient of the Royal Education Award (Pingat Jaya Cemerlang) at the 19th UMPSA Convocation Ceremony and had previously been announced as the Promising Student Icon at the 2024 Mercu Sanjung Awards.

The award was presented by PSWM Patron, YBhg. Toh Puan Dato’ Seri Hajah Dr. Aishah Ong, as a recognition of the student’s all-round excellence in academics, participation in character development programmes, co-curricular activities, and active contributions to the community.

She received a cash prize of RM2,000 along with official PSWM membership.

Fatini also expressed her gratitude and emotion upon receiving the recognition.

According to her, this achievement would not have been possible without the unwavering support of her family, lecturers, fellow students, and the UMPSA community, who continuously supported her in many ways.

“This award is not just a personal honour but also a symbol of the struggle of a young person from an ordinary family who dares to dream big,” she said.

During her studies, Fatini actively served as President of Resident Student Representative Council 3 (PEKA 3), leading various international mobility programmes and humanitarian missions in places such as Sarawak, Sabah, Kashmir, and Vietnam.



To her, the experience of leading a mission in the rural areas of Sarawak had a profound impact, making her realise the importance of empathy-driven leadership.

“Seeing for myself the lives of underprivileged rural communities made me more grateful and determined to make education and leadership tools to amplify the voices of the marginalised,” she said.

Fatini also demonstrated strong potential in research through her involvement in a pharmaceutical innovation project on “Riboflavin Gastroretentive Floating Tablets”, a formulation with high potential in drug delivery systems and benefits to public health.

However, behind her achievements, Fatini acknowledged that her academic journey was filled with challenges, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Managing time between academic responsibilities, student organisation duties, research, and community work was a major test for her.

“I’ve learned that success doesn’t come by chance.

“It requires meticulous planning, self-discipline, and strong determination.

“I always hold on to the principle of giving my best, no matter the circumstances,” she added.

Fatini also considers her parents as her main source of inspiration.

“The values of modesty, sincerity, and steadfastness that they instilled in me from a young age have

become my life principles.

“Success is not about who is the greatest, but who is the most sincere and consistent in their journey,” she added.

Leaving a message for the UMPSA community, Fatini urged students not to be afraid to dream big and to strive beyond their comfort zones.

“Don’t wait for opportunities to come to you, but create those opportunities yourself.

“Believe that every small step taken today can create a big impact tomorrow,” she said.

Fatini also shared her hopes of continuing to contribute in the fields of industry, research, and community work.

She aspires to be living proof that background is not a barrier to achieving success that brings meaning to others.

“This journey I began not to be the best, but to keep giving my best.

“I believe true success doesn’t belong to those who start at the top, but to those who dare to make their dreams soar as high as the stars to bring light to others,” she added.

UMPSA is extremely proud of Fatini Nasuha’s achievements, which serve as an inspiration not only to the campus community but also to the younger generation nationwide.

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