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# **Daughter of Felda Settler presented with Royal Academic Award (Excellence Award)**

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Seeing how dedicated her parents were to see to it that she got the best education although they themselves were not highly educated was the defining moment for Umi Zaidatul Azeera Mohd Nawi to not to take her studies lightly.

Their dedication and her perseverance paid off when Umi Zaidatul Azeera was named as the Royal Academic Award (Excellence Award) recipient during Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) 13th Convocation Ceremony that was held on November 10, 2018.

Seeing her parents, Mohd Nawi Abdul Latif, 55, and Sabariah Anang, 55, toiled with sweat and tears to raise her and her siblings continued to spur her to change their lifestyle for the better, elevate the prestige of Felda children and for them to be successful in various fields.

She also attributed her success to her lecturers and friends.

Umi Zaidatul Azeera is the holder of Bachelor of Computer Science (Computer Systems & Networking) with Honours from Faculty of Computer Systems & Software Engineering (FSKKP). Her CGPA is 3.75.

She was also in the Dean's List for every semester throughout her study years in UMP and named Personality of Faculty in 2017.

The third in a family of four siblings, Umi Zaidatul Azeera was born in Dungun and raised at Felda Kerteh 4, Ketengah Jaya in Terengganu.

She was also an active person while in UMP and was involved in various programmes and associations which helped to hone her leadership skills and build up her character to become a more confident, courageous and competitive person.

Among the important posts that she had held were Secretary of the Environment and Sustainability (EcoSiswa – 2016/2017), Deputy Director for Earth Week Programme 2017, Secretary of ICT Forum – Towards Greenery, Secretary of Programme Away from Keyboard 2016, an exco member for Hiking in [Style@Broga](#) Hills 2017, an exco member for Semaian Budi programme (Pendang, Kedah) and an exco member for ICT class for special students 2015.

She was also a volunteer in the Candy Pencil Project in Sarawak and a participant in the National Park Exploration and Environmental Forum with Sultan Ahmad Shah Environmental Trust (SASET).

Umi Zaidatul Azeera now works as an IT Analyst at Event Monitoring (Network) in Intel Corporation

According to Umi Zaidatul, the syllabus in UMP did not only emphasise on theories but also on hands-on approach that helped to mould a graduate who was armed with knowledge, technical skill and sound understanding of the theories.

“These workability skills have helped graduates to be competitive in putting themselves in the workforce,” she said, adding that she was proud that UMP had been ranked as 188th best in Asia.

She was also grateful with UMP for all the opportunities provided and responsibilities tasked to her that contributed to her success and landing a job with one of the most prominent companies in Malaysia.

She viewed that the work scope work now was in accordance with the syllabus that had been taught.

And, her hope now is to be someone that is constructive and able to serve the community and becomes a role model for the younger generation.

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