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UMPSA's Business and Economics subject ranked among the world's top 300

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PEKAN, 22 January 2024 – Universiti Malaysia Pahang Al-Sultan Abdullah (UMPSA) continues to excel as four of its subjects have been listed among the world's best in the recently announced Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings by Subjects 2025.

Even more remarkable is that, for the first time, the Business and Economics subject has been ranked within the 251–300 category in the world.

Other subjects listed include Physical Sciences, ranked 501–600, Computer Sciences, ranked 601–800, and Engineering, also placed within the 601–800 category globally.

According to the Vice-Chancellor of UMPSA, Professor Dr Yatimah Alias, as one of the top universities within the Malaysian Technical University Network (MTUN), UMPSA is consistently committed to creating innovation and uniqueness in academic programme offerings through strategic international collaborations.

“This achievement reflects UMPSA’s continuous efforts to realise excellence through academic empowerment, internationalisation, and high-impact research outcomes while producing outstanding graduates as quality human capital to drive national development.

“The ranking evaluates teaching, research environment, research quality, industry engagement, and international outlook.

“The university offers a variety of technical programmes based on Engineering and Technology, enriching the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) ecosystem in the country,” she stated.

She further highlighted that the dual degree collaboration programme with Karlsruhe University of Applied Sciences (HKA), Germany, which is now in its 15th year, serves as a benchmark for universities in Malaysia.

The university also appreciates the dedication and commitment of its entire academic and research staff in fostering excellence in line with the UMPSA Strategic Plan 2021–2025.

Currently, UMPSA remains the only public university (UA) that has implemented 11 dual degree programmes in collaboration with strategic partners, including Karlsruhe University of Applied Sciences (HKA) and Mannheim University of Applied Sciences (HMA) in Germany, Beijing Jiaotong University (BJTU) and Tianjin University in China, Kazakh National Agrarian Research University (KazNARU) in Kazakhstan, and most recently, Hanyang University Erica Campus in South Korea.

The ranking success of the Business and Economics subject is also supported by a holistic approach that integrates academic programmes and research based on management and technical elements.

This approach not only strengthens UMPSA’s position as a leading technical institution but also highlights its capability to enhance strategic management elements that align with global industry needs and current developments.

Furthermore, the Bachelor of Project Management with Honours, offered by the Faculty of Industrial

Management (FPI), has received international recognition, obtaining full accreditation from the Project Management Institute, Global Accreditation Center (PMI GAC).

This recognition serves as solid proof of UMPSA's commitment to offering high-quality programmes that meet global standards, further strengthening the international competitiveness of its graduates.

Additionally, international recognition has also been granted to other programmes, such as the Master of Business Administration, accredited by The Alliance on Business Education and Scholarship for Tomorrow, A 21st Century Organization (ABEST21), and the Bachelor of Business Analytics with Honours, accredited by the Institute of Analytics (IOA UK), further elevating UMPSA's academic reputation on the global stage.

UMPSA is also home to Malaysia's first Graduate School in the TVET Ecosystem, known as the Graduate Engineering & Technological Business School (GET-BS).

This institution integrates technology, engineering, management, and business elements in its mission to develop future business leaders capable of driving technological transformation innovatively while maintaining sustainability and social responsibility goals.

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