ExCel Activity Report

CGMA Boxtrolls'21

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1. **Justification in joining the activities**

    Computer Graphics and Multimedia Association(CGMA) held an activity called Boxtrolls'21 on 27th March 2021. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Boxtrolls is held online through Google Meets and Discord. I joined the activity as a participant. The program started at 8.00 am and ended at 5.00 p.m. All the CGMA members are invited to join the activity. The committee members include the members from the second year and also the third year. The purpose of this activity is to share the technical knowledge and senior internship experience as well as strengthen the relationships among the CGMA members. This program also involves Q&A sessions to enable the junior to get to know more about the evolution of new technology.

2. **The Graduate Attributes that are focused on**
    a. **Communication Skills**

        The communication skill is developed through the participation in this program. From the sharing session, I realized the importance of communication skills in the industry when the seniors are sharing their internship experience. Effective communication is very important in the industry as we are required to work with others in order to complete the task. Besides, the participants are divided into groups to have a discussion on the Discord server. The juniors are given a chance to ask the seniors and discuss the topics about the industry training and the evolution of the technology. In the sharing session, I learned to respect in the communication process. We need to polite, avoid distractions and focus on the communication process.

    b. **Thinking Skills**

        In the technology sharing session on the Discord server, we are given a chance to think about the topics that we are going to discuss. We need to have creative thinking to create new ideas to discuss and make sure the sharing session can be run smoothly. From the experience of the industry training sharing by the seniors, I realize the importance of thinking skills in the career. Critical thinking skills are needed in the industry to solve the problems we met on the job. It is also important to aid us to improve the thinking way and develop effective solutions.

c. Adaptability

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the program is transformed from an offline to an online program. As the world changes from time to time, we need to adapt to the change and move on. I felt grateful that I can join the Boxtrolls program held by CGMA even we cannot meet each other face to face. Besides, adaptability is also one of the soft skills that should be implemented especially in the industry. We need to keep ourselves get ready for the unusual circumstances that we cannot expect. Moreover, we also need to learn from our mistakes.

3. Content of the activities

The program started at 8.30 am with the registration process. Next, the program is continued with the opening ceremony. After that, we have an internship talk with the seniors. Some seniors share their experience in the industry training and give us some useful advice in the talk. We are also given the opportunity to ask some questions to the seniors about their experiences. Next, Dr. Zuraifah is invited to give us some speech and advice for the internship. The program is continued with the technology sharing session. The participants are divided into a small group at Discord and discussed the topics related to the technology. At 1.00 p.m, we have a lunch break for one and a half hours. We continued the program at Google Meets at around 2.30 pm. Several participants are invited to share their reflections on the event. The reflection sharing session is carried out for about one hour. The program is then continued with the senior Q&A session for the 4th year students. The topics discussed are related to the future technology trend and the career in computer graphics and multimedia. After the Q&A session, the program is ended with the closing ceremony. At around 5.00 p.m, the program dismiss.