

# Industrial Talk 3.0

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Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> of December 2020

## Inspiring Work experience & Covid19 Pandemic Challenge

### General Introduction of meeting

On Tuesday on 29<sup>th</sup> of December from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Alumni sharing session from school of computing was conducted by Dr Johanna Ahmad. She is a senior lecture school of computing UTM. The session was about inspiring work experience and covid-19 pandemic challenge.



The session three speakers are fresh graduates from the school of computing UTM. Dr Johanna Ahmad interviewed freshly graduate students and asked them questions about their study experiences, work and challenges during the pandemic.

The first speaker is Batrisyia Binti Azman Shah and her job as a social media data analyst. The second speaker is Mohamad Zammarul Akmal, and he is a data engineer.

The third speaker is Tan Yong Keong, and he is a data science engineer.

### Purpose of the meeting

Industrial Talk 3 was intended to inspire students through an interview with former UTM students. Each speaker shared an inspiring story about how and when they got their job. It is a spark, and it will drive many students to try to get what they want.

### What Happened In the meeting

Firstly, the online meeting started by speakers which they introduced themselves. Also, Dr Johanna Ahmad advised junior students to experience as much as they can during their study in UTM. She gave a brief about her educational background and motivated students to complete a postgraduate degree. However, Dr Johanna started a bachelor's degree from 2008 to 2010. She also worked as Database administrator from 2010 to 2015. She also completed a PhD degree from 2015 to 2018 and currently became senior lecture from 2019 until now.

Secondly, Dr Johanna started to ask questions, and she began with Tan Yong, which the first question was how the speaker secure their job? Tan Yong said he loves to participate in competitions, and he gains a lot achievement from competitors and proves his communication skills. Tan also shared experience with an interview during his internship; he said the type of questions would be about what projects have you done or

Fourthly, lecture asked Batrisyia Binti Azman same question for Mohammed, and she said she got her job during internship until now, she joined real-life projects. Batrisyia also said her supervisor wants here to continue her career and join TM one project.

Finally, DR Johanna began a Q&A session where the students asked some of the questions the participants raised.

What CGPA did the seniors get in their bachelor's degree?  
What do the speakers do in their free time?  
What is programming language mostly used in real life jobs?  
Is there a chance that we might end up working in a career different from the one we studied in the university?  
What was their experience in the first year at the university?  
After the seniors answered most of the students' questions, Dr Johanna marked the end of the talk and asked each of the seniors to give their last words.



The speakers work in different companies.

final year project.

Thirdly, the lecture asked Mohamad Zamarul, and the question was how he managed to get a job? He said he got the job during his industrial training company and he got the offer by pay pro-active and proposed to the company to create a monitoring dashboard. His proposal became his final year project, and he also brings attention to his supervisor in an internship. Mohamad said that he became a friend with the supervisor.



## Summary

The talk was beneficial as it gave a scope of how life is after graduation. Sometimes, people talked during the interview, so it was hard to concentrate on some talk parts.

The speakers urged us to gain experiences in our field and work on ourselves as this will help us in our jobs. I got motivated by Zam as he graduated in June 2020 during this pandemic, and everything is possible with your determination.

