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# Industrial Talk 03

Where successful seniors share their experience to motivate others

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## UTM Alumni Says

### General Introduction About the Talk

Rayhan Rafi

On Tuesday, December 29th, Technology and Information System (TIS) conducted the Industrial Talk (IT) again, which is the third Industrial Talk. But there was a difference from the previous IT. In the previous IT, we were presented with one speaker. But in this third IT, we were presented with 4 different speakers from different companies, and all of them are Alumni of UTM. They are Batrisyia, Binti, Azman, and Shah.

Shah currently works in TM One company as Social Media Data Analyst, Mohamad Zamarul Akmal bin Mohd Hussin in PPG Coatings company as a Data Engineer, and Teo Wen Long as a Software Engineer in Qumon Intelligence, and Tan Yong Keong who work in Micron Semiconductor Asia as a Data Science Engineer. Guided by senior lecturer in the School of Computing UTM, Dr. Johanna Ahmad as moderator, this IT takes up Inspiring Work Experience and Covid 19 Pandemic Challenge as a topic. Quite different from the previous IT one, this IT leads more on QnA between the moderator and the speaker. This talk went on for about an hour, starting at 10.00AM MYT.

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### The Purpose of the Talk

Abdullah Mohammed

The purpose of Industrial Talk 3 was to motivate students through an interview with former students who had studied at the UTM university. For example, the student. Tan Yong Keong he liked competitions and used to compete in any competition in his field at the university to strengthen his skills, he worked for one and half year as Data Science Engineering in Singapore. Qistina worked at TM One company in Kuala Lumpur as a social data analyst. Mohamad Zamarul Working in data engineering in PPG Coatings.

Each one of them told their inspiring story of how and when he got the job. This is really a catalyst, and that will push a lot of students to strive to get what they want.

Tan Yong Keong said that what motivates him to continue is that he wants to continue and invent something that helps science and the world to develop. Mohamad Zamarul said he likes to improve himself by learning new skills every day, and this is what drives him to keep going and not failing in his work. Regarding to Qistina she said as Mohamad Zamarul said additionally, she said that she loves what she does since she started, and this in itself is a strong motivation to continue.

### What Happened In Order

Anas Ehab

Ms. Johanna started the talk by introducing each one of the alumnus, starting by Tan Yong, going through Qistina Batrisyia, and finishing off with Mohamed Zamarul. Each of the seniors said their current position and what program they studied in UTM, after that Ms. Johanna gave a broad introduction about herself. When everyone was done introducing their selves Miss Johanna included.

Ms. Johanna started asking each of the seniors how they secured their jobs and asking follow up questions some of those questions were

What kind of questions was asked in the interview for your jobs? Or asking the seniors to explain their projects. Then Ms. Johanna started asking different questions to the seniors some of these questions were

How do you manage to learn a lot of programming languages?

What kind of tips would you give to the new students so that they increase their chances of getting a job after they finish their degree?

What kind of tips you would give for students who don't like programming?

How did you gain the confidence in yourself?

Finally Ms. Johanna started a Q&A session where they took questions from the students some of the questions the students asked were

What CGPA did the seniors get in their BSc?

What they do in their free time?

What programming language is mostly used in real life jobs?

Is there a chance that when we graduate we might end up working in a career different than the one we studied in the university?

What were their experience in the first year in the university?

After the seniors answered most of the questions asked by the students. Ms. Johanna marked the end of the talk and asked each one of the seniors to give their last words.

## Conclusion

Muhammed Angwin

So the conclusion that can be made is that this Industrial Talk is very different from the previous Industrial Talk, such that the Industrial Talk this time moderated by Dr. Johanna focuses more on Q&A, and invites more speakers, which are UTM alumni who have worked, with different professions, and of course different companies. And in the Industrial Talk this time, the speakers told a lot about their experiences, what they learned when they were at university, how they improve their abilities, motivate themselves, how they can get their current job, the projects they are working on in their current company, and also their tips for new students. And what is expected from this Industrial Talk is that new students will be more enthusiastic, more confident, and more disciplined in the future, so that they can finish college without difficulty, and get the job they want.

## Reflections

Anas,

- 1) The strengths of this industrial talk would be that we had speakers that, being recent graduates, are more close to us. For the weaknesses, I think the talk could have been organized in a better way.
- 2) I got the chance to learn about the experience of students like me that went through the journey that I'm currently going through, these students being successful motivated me that I can be like them, I got general information about what kind of question are asked in the interview for a recent graduate.

Abdullah,

- 1) Industrial Talk 3 was great and the strength that I liked is, Dr. Johanna's eloquence and the way it divided the talk for each student, as well as her ingenuity. As for the only weakness, it is the lack of information about the graduating students.
- 2) I learned from this meeting a lot of things, including the struggle to reach the goal, and also competing for training. I was motivated more by the fact that the speaking students are from my university, and after a short period of graduation they got a job.

Angwin,

- 1) I really like this industrial talk, because they have many advantages over previous industry talks, with very cool speakers, they are UTM fresh graduates who got a job. This industrial talk also raised a very good topic.

- 2) I am happy that I can learn a lot from this Industrial Talk, it makes me more motivated to be more confident and to be more active. And because those who spoke were UTM alumni, they mentioned a lot about their former campus life, this made me very excited.

Rafi,

- 1) Different between the previous, this third Industrial Talk become a new attraction. With a great Alumni and Moderator, this talk would be better if it was organized more attractive and not boring.
- 2) From those three speaker, I can learn many thing. Such as motivation, how we gain our confidence, and also actually many things that we can do during this global pandemic.



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