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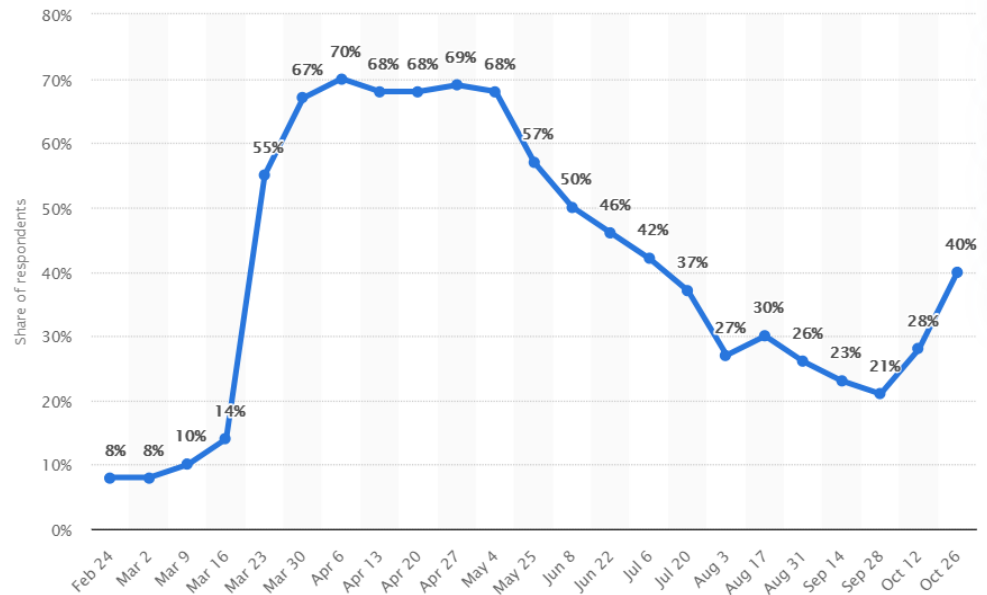
COVID-19 PANDEMIC

C COVID-19 is the official name for the coronavirus disease 2019. Over 70 million cases had been confirmed worldwide by mid-December 2020, and the disease had claimed more than 1.6 million lives. The pandemic has put health systems under severe strain, and the global race to develop safe and effective vaccines continues.

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected us all and caused many organizations to change the way they are working. On March 2020, all of the face-to-face meeting had been postponed by the organizations.

Now, some of them are still working from home and some of them are going to work as usual but they must follow the SOP given by the government and always practice social distancing. This order is given to ensure and stop the virus from spreading.

There are also many people who loses their job during this pandemic and they need to search for other job to survive. It is really heartbreaking seeing that they have to struggle to survive during this pandemic. That's why we need to be grateful if we still have job and get employed during this pandemic.



Source : <https://www.statista.com/statistics/1110166/malaysia-avoiding-going-to-work-during-covid-19-outbreak/>

STATISTICS >

SHARE OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN AVOIDING GOING TO WORK DURING COVID-19 OUTBREAK IN MALAYSIA FROM FEBRUARY TO OCTOBER 2020

A ccording to the statistics by R. Hirschmann on 26 October 2020, about 40% of Malaysian respondents said that they had decided to stopped going to work during the pandemic of COVID-19 at the moment. The government has announced a partial lockdown until December 6 to avoid the spread of the virus.

SHARING SESSION >

SCHOOL OF COMPUTING ALUMNI

O n December 29, 2020, Technology and Information Systems (SECP 1513), School of Computing, UTM has organized an alumni sharing session for the topic "Inspiring Work Experience and Covid-19 Pandemic Challenge". The purpose of this session is to share insight with the juniors and let them acknowledge the path that will be encountered imminent. Juniors should be taught to grab every possible opportunity in whatever situation and environment. And most importantly, a message to juniors is that juniors should be equipped with various soft skills despite having a good knowledge to be more successful.

ABOUT THIS TALK >

1. OPENING & GREETING

The moderator, Dr. Johanna Ahmad showed welcoming greets to all the participants in the virtual beginning of the virtual talk in Cisco Webex. While awaiting invited guests(the alumni) to the session, participants, mainly first year undergraduates, were given an attendance form in the form of Google form.

2. BRIEF SELF-INTRODUCTION

There were four invited alumni for the sharing session, they are Teo Wen Long, Qistina Batrisyia binti Azman Shah, Mohamad Zamarul Akmal bin Mohd Hussin and Tan Yong Keong. Unfortunately Teo Wen Long was absent for personal reason. Tan YK (Tan Yong Keong) was the eldest senior among them (2019 graduates). Tan YK holds Software Engineering degree while both Qistina Batrisyia and Mohamad Zamarul own Data Engineering degree. The moderator Dr. Johanna made an add-on afterwards by sharing her brief Phd journey and some recommendation.

3. Q&A SESSION

Some questions were given to the fellow alumni such as "How do you secure your job?" and Tan YK being the first interviewee, stated that he participated in various competitions and reap wonderful benefits such as presentation skills, professional skill and soft skill. Apart from that, he mastered some technical skill from being a freelancer. Due to some achievement he gained, he was given the job interview he desired and internship.

4. ENDING

Last words were given before dismissing from meeting to all the participants concerned and also acknowledge from moderator & thanks to the three speakers today that can positively impact and inspire juniors with regard to their experienced sharing about the pathway they went through.

Source : <https://utm.webex.com/utm/jdr.php?RCID=229f04aabeec42d8b14d786986de897f>

SUMMARY >

ALUMNI SHARING SESSION

Inspiring Work Experience & Covid19 Pandemic Challenge held on 29 December 2020 was beneficial to UTM students. First of all, I learned that how to get an ideal job in the future. Participation in competition is important to improve skill and enhance soft skill. Performance and contribution is also important to get hire. Besides that, from this talk, I learned that when programming become something meaningful and it can help others, we will love it. Then, the ways to become more confident were shared by speakers. They agreed that confidence can be train by participate competition and volunteer to present in front of people. Moreover, I knew that the difference of study life and career life are our free time and the result of make a mistake. Furthermore, I learned that the importance of CGPA and we not need to afraid of failure when participating competition. The ways to stay motivated were learned from this talk ,it is important to love our job and we need to eager to create or develop new things. The senior lecturer, Dr Johanna Ahmad shared that a way to stay motivated is drinking a cup of coffee. Lastly, I learned that we should enjoy our university life and start to participate competition in our first year to improve our soft skill.

REFLECTIONS >

WHAT DID WE GET

1. In my opinion, this session was a successful and beneficial talk. The moderator and three speakers shared their ideas clearly and interesting. However, the weakness of this talk was the duration of talk was only 1 hour. It was not enough to make sure all the questions of audience was answered by speakers clearly.
2. I learned that soft skill is important for our career life in future. Thus, I should participate competition to enhance my soft skill. Besides that, I need to love programming and computer science to stay motivated in my future task either in school or job.

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