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KUCHING: UCSI University Sarawak Campus has selected 10 students from its Faculty of Hospitality and Tourism Management (FHTM) to intern at Hokkaido Tourism Management (HTM) Japan.

The internship is an annual collaboration programme between the university and HTM to nurture talents and skills in hospitality and tourism industry.

According to a statement from the university, the students have been assigned to various positions for the period of four months across HTM's properties including Niseko Central, Ki Niseko and Kumo Restaurant.

Throughout the programme, students have had the opportunity to work with industry experts while building interest in pursuing their careers within the hospitality and tourism industry.

"On top of gaining technical knowledge, the students have also received valuable exposure, life lessons, and friendships that they can maintain for the rest of their lives," it said.

The students have attributed UCSI's internship programme for enabling them to experience an enriching experiential learning experience during their industrial attachment.

"For them, this is indeed a good way to start their careers as they embark their journey in the Hospitality and Tourism field.

"UCSI University will continue to work with top and keen industry partners to foster real-life learning. Industry-academia collaboration is a strategic move of the faculty to ensure quality and relevance of FHTM's programmes," it added.

UCSI and Hokkaido Tourism

Management (HTM K.K) will be extending their Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for another term this year, it said.

Since its first inception in 2012, the faculty has continued to send its students for the winter and summer programmes with the exception during the Covid-19 period

Meanwhile, HTM Japan's chief executive officer Greg Turner said that the organisation will be

recruiting the faculty's students for a period of 24 weeks for the summer internship programme starting in June.

UCSI Sarawak Campus' May 2023 intake is now open for registration.

For further information, call 082-596965, visit www.facebook.com/ucsisarawak or go to its landing page at apps.ucsiversity.edu.my/ucsiswk/index.aspx.



A group of students pose for a photo during their internship in Japan.

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