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## Dean's Message

#### **Professor Dato Dr Ravindran Jegasothy**

It is again my pleasure to pen a few words for the Faculty Newsletter. It has become vogue now to have newsletters as an indication that the Faculty is in communication with each other and with others outside. An entrepreneur told me that selling textbooks is a dying profession. When you think deeper into this phenomenon, you realise it is true as the conventional books as we know it will probably go out of fashion soon. As mentioned in a medical education conference, all the knowledge of the last 2000 years is now in your hands to be instantly filtered and recalled through the gadgets like the smart phone! Our newsletter soon may go out of fashion to be replaced by other social media platforms. As long as it is feasible, we intend to come out with further issues to share views with all staff as well as with our adjuncts and the public. Let us not forget our Biomedical Science colleagues who performed admirably over this past year. They work very hard despite the constraints of staff numbers. The academic staff from Anglia Ruskin University with whom there is a dual-degree programme commended the Biomedical Science programme as the most improved programme in the university.

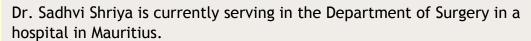
Our campus is now looking more complete with the Ballroom functional. Our staff had an enjoyable time at the recent Staff Appreciation Night and Family Day held in conjunction with the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the university. We finished the first quarter on a strong note with a successful MQA/MMC inspection visit which concluded that all areas of concern were resolved. This puts us on a strong footing to face the next accreditation in 2020. Happy reading!

## **Achievements of our International & Local Students**

"My MAHSA degree has finally been recognized in Mauritius. I'll be now allowed to sit for the pre-housemanship exam. It has been a long wait. The results for my entrance exams are out. I cleared. Finally, I will join the hospital in the coming months. I would like to thank the Faculty for the continuous support. The MBBS course in MAHSA is now recognized by Mauritius. My best regards to the Medical Lecturers in MAHSA University."

## Dr. Sadhvi Shriya Bhujun (2016 Graduate)

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"It's been eight weeks since I started working officially and getting paid. I began with Obs/Gynae and was doing caesarean section by the second week. It was exciting and interesting in comparative to theory. I will always remember the Obs/Gynae training we got in MAHSA and how it has enhanced my interest in O&G currently. Thank you for the training"

Dr. Candida is presently completing her internship in Kenya





## Dr. Rennifrida Charles (2016 Graduate)

"This is to let you know that I have successfully completed my internship/housemanship program here in Tanzania. I am currently working on my MO license which should be out in a week or two. Thanks to my mentor for the mentorship throughout my years at MASHA and my best regards to all the beloved lecturers who taught me medicine. I can't wait to make you all proud. Happy New Year 2018."

Dr. Rennifrida Charles is now a Family Medicine doctor in a private hospital in Tanzania.



### Basic Statistics In Medicine And Health Related Sciences: A Workshop with hands on application using the SPSS Statistical Software

A basic course in Statistics was organized by the Department of Community Medicine, Faculty of Medicine for Staff of MAHSA University. The course was open to all University Staff and department of Physiology, Biomedical Sciences and Engineering Department staff registered for the course. There were 19 participants and the department collected RM 1500 for the course which was collected by the Academy.

#### Course

The subjects discussed during the course included Overview of Statistics, Setting started with SPSS and t-test, ANOVA. It was hand on course on SPSS, so the students were told how to enter data, data cleaning and then doing various tests on the data. The staff involved included Assoc. Prof Dato' Prathapa Senan, Prof Hematram Yadav, Dr. Sowmya, Dr Aung Ko Ko Min and Dr. Meram. Overall the participants were very satisfied with the course and the staff were encouraged to organize similar course in the future.

4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

Venue
MAHSA University
Computer Lab,
Level 4 Pharmacy Block

Class in session during the hands on course for statistics





Participants of the SPSS basic course in Statistics

# Biomedical student, Ms. Hasniza, ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> at the National Level of ASEAN Virtual Business Plan Competition

Hasniza Binti Azman, a 4th Year student from the 6th batch of Biomedical Sciences (BMS) of MAHSA University has glorified the University and the Nation by her excellent performance in the 'ASEAN Virtual Business Plan Competition' at Intekma Resort, Shah Alam on 10th May, 2018. Hasniza teamed up with her friends from Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) and developed a unique business project, 'i-wellness'. She and her esteemed team presented the i-wellness 'ASEAN Virtual Business project at the Plan Competition' and successfully emerged with 3rd rank in the National level competition (Malaysia). This was the culmination of their exemplary teamwork, skilful aptitude, and admirable spirit.

Their i-wellness project couples a humane as well as a practical aspect through the integration of medical health professionals from various expertise and with the aim to improve healthcare services in Malaysia. Since the health of a country is the foundation of its overall development, there is always a need for innovations to improve and upgrade it. Such fresh innovative young minds like Ms. Hasniza should definitely be appreciated as they are the future hope of our Nation

This remarkable success will inspire all the aspiring talented individuals in MAHSA University to strive hard towards their goals. This outstanding achievement has the added responsibility on Ms. Hasniza and her team to now represent Malaysia, and of course MAHSA University and UKM, at the International strata of this competition to be held in the University of New England, Sydney, Australia on 5th July, 2018.





## **Upcoming Events**

- Assessment of Learning 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2019 FOM, MAHSA University, SPC
- 2. Surgical Review for Clinical Students
  June, 2019
  Hospital Sugai Buloh
- Workshop on Advancements in Ultrasound 21<sup>st</sup> June, FOM, MAHSA University, SPC
- 4. Primary Care Workshop 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> of July, 2019 FOM, MAHSA University, SPC

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