

Quality industry experience

HAVING provided quality business education for more than 40 years, Tunku Abdul Rahman University College's (TAR University College) has a track record in educating and developing business leaders in Malaysia.

Such gleaming reputation is the result of the University College's Faculty of Accountancy, Finance and Business' (FAFB) commitment to delivering the best teaching and adhering to the highest academic standards.

FAFB faculty members regularly encourage students to participate in many industry competitions to broaden their knowledge and gain exposure to the challenges of the working world.

For many years, FAFB students have been achieving awards and accolades in many high-profile industry competitions, cementing the reputation of TAR University College.

These include wins in the Deloitte Tax Challenge, EdgeWiz Campus Investment Challenge 2015 and ICAEW Regional Business Challenge 2015.

In the Deloitte Tax Challenge, TAR University College participants have been crowned champion five times in the Individual category and once in the Team category for seven years up to 2014.

Last year, this outstanding record of victories continued with TAR University College students being crowned champion in the Team category while earning first runner-up as well as a merit prize in the Individual category.

The champion team members who won the grand prize comprised Thiban Raj Arumugam, Rupini Kangasothy, Cheang Weizheng and Tai Fern Jian.

Meanwhile, the first runner-up in the Individual category was Chee Jun Ning and the merit award went to Jovynn Yeong.

These winning students, who are currently pursuing the Bachelor of Commerce (Hons), attributed their notable wins to their course and the dedication of their lecturers.

"We were having our final year examinations during the final stage of this competition. It was taxing at first but we soon realised that our examination revisions were of great help to us," says Rupini.

The champion team from TAR University College that represented Malaysia in the inaugural Deloitte Tax Challenge Southeast Asia Region this year also emerged as the champion, beating teams from Singapore,

Thailand and Indonesia.

Besides the Deloitte Tax Challenge 2015, TAR University College students dominated in the EdgeWiz Campus Investment Challenge 2015, which attracted a total of 5,000 participants from 70 higher learning institutions.

The objective of this intervarsity competition was to create a financially savvy generation by providing a platform on which students can practise their trading skills hands-on.

TAR University College made a clean sweep by winning top prizes in six categories, namely Top Campus, Top Team, Top Individual, Lecturer with Best Performing Team, Lecturer with Most Teams and Best Investment Rationale.

Yuan Ting Jing, the champion in the Individual category, who is also a Bachelor of Finance and Investment (Hons) student, made an astonishing RM2.8mil from an initial seed of RM100,000.

Besides this, Mark Woon Tian Kit, who is pursuing his Diploma in Business Studies (Finance and Investment), was named the winner for the Best Investment Rationale award.

A team of six Bachelor of Commerce (Hons) students from TAR University College emerged as first runner-up in the Institute

of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW) Regional Business Challenge 2015.

TAR University College president Datuk Dr Tan Chik Heok is very proud of the overall achievements of these students.

"Last year was a remarkable year for our FAFB students with these tremendous achievements. Our students will truly be an asset to the world of business as they have been well-trained with a top-notch business education.

"The recognitions for our business programmes from global and local professional bodies are an outstanding testament to TAR University College's high academic standards that also reflects the overall quality of our holistic education," he says.

TAR University College is hosting its Open Day from March 1 to 20 from 9am to 5pm at its main campus in Kuala Lumpur and branch campuses in Penang, Perak and Johor as well as faculty branches in Pahang and Sabah.

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TAR University College students Thiban Raj Arumugam (third from left), Rupini Kangasothy (fourth from left), Tai Fern Jian (fourth from right) and Cheang Weizheng (third from right) comprised the champion team of the Deloitte Tax Challenge 2015. Here, they are displaying their trophies and mock cheque with president of TAR University College Datuk Dr Tan Chik Heok (fifth from left) and dean of FAFB Assoc Prof Say Sok Kwan (extreme right).