

# StarSpecial

## HIGHER EDUCATION

# Scholars hone leadership skills

WHILE Nilai University offers several types of scholarships, the Department of Student Affairs started a scholars club for all scholars to be groomed as future leaders in their respective communities.

Wong Zi Hao, Puviarasu Setra Rasu and Kavita Senaratna – recipients of the Nilai University's scholarships are committee members of the Scholars Club.

Wong, a Year Two Diploma in Aircraft Maintenance Engineering student is the current president. In his capacity, he plans to organise more activities with his committee members,

"As a scholar, I also have the privilege to tutor my course mates, so I suggested we could study together. This helps me focus on my studies too. I like having a study buddy; we keep each other on track," shared Wong.

While Puviarasu, a sophomore student pursuing the Bachelor of Science (Hon) in Biotechnology took up the role as an orientation counsellor, as he progressed from foundation to a degree programme, the role expanded and he eventually became a team leader. This taught him about leadership, time management and sharpened his communication skills. Also, he held roles such as the Security and Safety Head for the 2018 FunRun.

Kavita from Sri Lanka is also pursuing the Diploma in Aircraft Maintenance Engineering and holds the position of project manager.

Her capacity allows her to explore and



Scholarship holders with Nilai University vice-chancellor, Prof Dr Roslan Zainal Abidin (seventh from left) and bursar Andrew Ting (eighth from left).

recognise her ability in managing expectations between her fellow scholars and event organisers.

Another scholarship recipient is Chan Jia Zian, also pursuing the Diploma in Aircraft Maintenance Engineering.

"The Diploma of Aircraft Maintenance Engineering offered by Nilai University is affordable. Furthermore, it incorporates the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) Part 66 Category B1 and B2 syllabi in its programmes," he explained.

Abi Roshinee Kamalan received the High Achievers' Scholarship (HAS) while pursuing

the Foundation in Science to pursue her Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Accounting and Finance.

Tan Min Shen, meanwhile, received the Merit Scholarship. He has always had a curious mind and in his late teens, he completed a project on the Bernoulli's Principle, which intensified his interest in aeroplanes.

Nilai University offers six types of scholarships. They are the High Achievers' Scholarship, the Merit Scholarship, Sports Focus Centre – Fencing Award, Extra-Curriculum and Sports Excellence Award (ECSEA), Enrichment for Life Award (EFL)

and Education for All (EFA).

The quantum of tuition fee waivers and terms varies according to the scholarship. Nilai University has dedicated a weekend on Feb 15 and 16 for students and parents who are keen to consult the education counsellors on the requirements and application process for these scholarships.

Nilai University offers recognised programmes with five levels of qualification, kicking off with a foundation in business and science, subsequently progressing to a diploma, degree, masters and the highest achievement – a doctorate.

The faculties offer specialised programmes in various fields of study.

Some specialised programmes in biotech and hospitality management incorporate business elements as core courses.

Nilai University has also carved a name for itself within the aviation industry.

The academic pathway for its established programme in aircraft maintenance engineering allows students to complete the Advanced Diploma in Aircraft Engineering Technology with a top-up degree, Bachelor Engineering (Hons) Aircraft Engineering from Kingston University in the UK within three and a half years.

■ Call 06-850 2308 for an appointment or log on to [www.nilai.edu.my](http://www.nilai.edu.my). Education counsellors are available seven days a week except on public holidays.