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*Welcome Message by
Professor Dr Ian Pashby*
Group President



Sept

Making Waves

The Official Newsletter of The Ship Campus

This time of the year – I still call it summertime even though from the point of view of the weather it is 'summer' every day in Malaysia, is traditionally the less busy time of the academic calendar. In fact, in the UK students have a 3-month break in their studies between the final semester of one year and the start of the next one. Not so for many students in Malaysia, Peninsula College's included, the learning, and the teaching go on. The plus side of this is that study programmes are finished earlier than they might otherwise be. I know everyone would dearly like to take a break, to have a short vacation but with the MCO in full swing that hasn't been possible. The last 18 months have been a dark tunnel for us all but there is now light at the end of the tunnel.

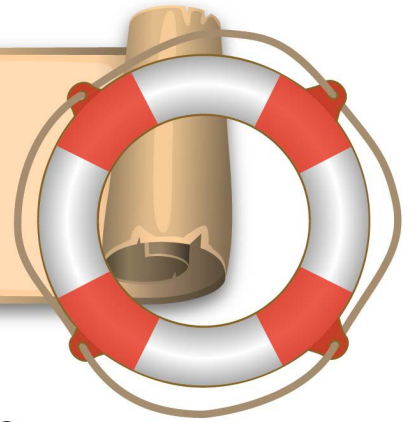
Vaccination rates in Malaysia are increasing steadily and more activities are being allowed. Talk is that, fingers crossed, face to face teaching might be approved by MOHE before too long. There has been no official announcement on this but we are preparing the processes we will need in order to reopen The Ship Campus to both students and staff as soon as we are able. I am pretty sure that being fully vaccinated will be a condition of return so I would encourage anyone who hasn't yet been 'jabbed' to get it done as soon as you can.

Another exciting development is that Peninsula College is now fully approved by the Ministry to recruit International students – we have gone Global! It will take a while, and a lot of hard work, but in future we will be adding foreign students to the Peninsula family, something that will broaden the experience of students and staff alike.

Athasha, one of our degree students, has shared some of her thoughts in this newsletter about living through the MCO. I was interested to note that she has taken on some pets, as it happens, my family has done the same and it is our first ever pet. All the family are very much enjoying having her around. The only thing I would say is that taking on a pet is a commitment and should be a serious decision – a pet is for life, not just for MCO.

New Staff in August

Welcome Aboard



We'd like to extend a very warm greeting to these three individuals as we welcome them to the PCN family.



Name : Ms. Latha A/P Haridass
Department : Academic (Business & Management)
Designation : Senior Lecturer /
Teaching & Learning Coordinator

Ms. Latha is from Kulim, Kedah. Her area of specialisation is in Educational Development, Training and Education Management.



Name : Ms. Wong Chyn Yea (Rain)
Department : Marketing
Designation : Customer Service & Marketing Executive

Ms. Wong (Rain) is from Penang. Her background is in Sales and Marketing and Customer Service. Her interests are learning languages and travelling. Her hobbies include arts and crafts and cooking.



Name : Ms. Nafisah Misriya Bt Shahul Hamid
Department : Academic (Computer Science)
Designation : Lecturer

Ms. Nafisah Misriya is from Penang. Her area of specialisation is in Security and Cryptography (blockchain technology). Her experience includes software development and project development. She is also a Certified ASP.NET Specialist.

Latest News

Government Subsidies for Mobile Data Plans and Electronic Devices for Tertiary Students

The Malaysia Ministry of Higher Education (MOHE), in conjunction with various telecom and electronics providers, has created various discounted data plan and device packages specially to aid students whose families are from the B40 income group. Details of this initiative, called the “Pakej Pelan Data Dan Peranti Untuk Pelajar IPT” has been broken down and summarised in the table below for your convenience.

As a student, you can apply directly for some of these packages yourself, other packages require the college to apply on your behalf. Should you require further information, you can check out the MOHE website, or speak to a representative from the college’s marketing department.



Specifications

Vendor	Product/Service	Processor	RAM	Storage	RRP	Disc Price	Payment Terms	Who Can Apply	Application Link
Maxis	20GB mobile data bundle	Unlimited internet on whitelisted apps				RM35	Full payment up front	Higher Institutes	
	Sharp Dynabook Satellite Pro L40	Intel Celeron 5205U		128GB SSD	RM2,170				
	Sharp Dynabook Satellite Pro L40	Intel Celeron 5205U		256GB SSD	RM2,420				
U Mobile	GX50 Postpaid Bundle	Unlimited calls and date, 10GB hotspot			RM50	RM40	Monthly	Students	
	GX38 Prepaid Bundle	Unlimited calls and date, 12GB hotspot			RM38	RM35	Monthly		
Dell	Inspiron 14 5410 laptop	Intel Core i5-11300H	8GB DDR4	512GB SSD	RM3,798	RM3,115		Students	
	Inspiron 14 5415 laptop	AMD Ryzen 5 5500U	8GB DDR4	512GB SSD	RM3,498	RM2,869			
	Inspiron 15 3505 laptop	AMD Ryzen 3 3250U	8GB DDR4	512GB SSD	RM2,298	RM1,885			
	G15 5510 Gaming laptop	Intel Core i5-10200H	8GB DDR4	512GB SSD	RM4,098	RM3,361			
	Inspiron 3891 Compact Desktop	Intel Core i5-11400H	8GB DDR4	1TB HDD	RM2,598	RM2,131			
	Dell 24" Monitor - S2421H	FHD 1920x1080 @75Hz			RM1,099	RM550			
Huawei	Huawei Matebook D15	Intel Core i3-10110U	8GB DDR4	256GB SSD		RM2,339		Students	
	Huawei Matebook D1 5	Intel Core i5-10210U	8GB DDR4	512GB SSD		RM2,749			
Lenovo	Lenovo V14 Gen 2 (ALC)	AMD Ryzen 3 5300U	4GB DDR4	128GB SSD	RM2,199	RM1,999		Students	
	Lenovo V14 Gen 2 (ITL)	Intel Core i3-1115G4	8GB DDR4	128GB SSD	RM2,399	RM2,199			
	Lenovo V14 Gen 2 (ALC)	AMD Ryzen 3 5300U	4GB DDR4	256GB SSD	RM2,250	RM1,899			
	Lenovo V14 Gen 2 (ITL)	Intel Core i3-1115G4	4GB DDR4	256GB SSD	RM2,371	RM1,999			
Acer	Acer Aspire 3 A315 23A	AMD Athlon 3020e	4GB DDR4	256GB SSD	RM1,599	RM1,469	12 month payment plan available	Students	
	Acer Aspire 3 A315 23R	AMD Ryzen 3 3250U	4GB DDR4	256GB SSD	RM1,799	RM1,669			
	Acer Aspire 5 A514 54	Intel Core i3-1115G4	4GB DDR4	256GB SSD	RM2,199	RM2,080			
	Acer Aspire 5 A514 54	Intel Core i5-1135G7	4GB DDR4	512GB SSD	RM2,799	RM2,650			
	Acer Aspire 5 A514 54G	Intel Core i5-1135G7	4GB DDR4	512GB SSD	RM3,099	RM2,969			
	Acer Aspire C22 1650 AIO	Intel Core i3-1115G4	4GB DDR4	256GB SSD	RM2,249	RM2,139			



Merdeka Day Celebrations

On 31st August 2021, Malaysia celebrated its 64th as an independent nation from British colonial rule. We've certainly come a long way through the last 6 decades, and despite the challenging times, we're still united in our hope that our country will continue on its path to be a technologically, economically and socially developed first world nation one day.



Merdeka Day Celebrations

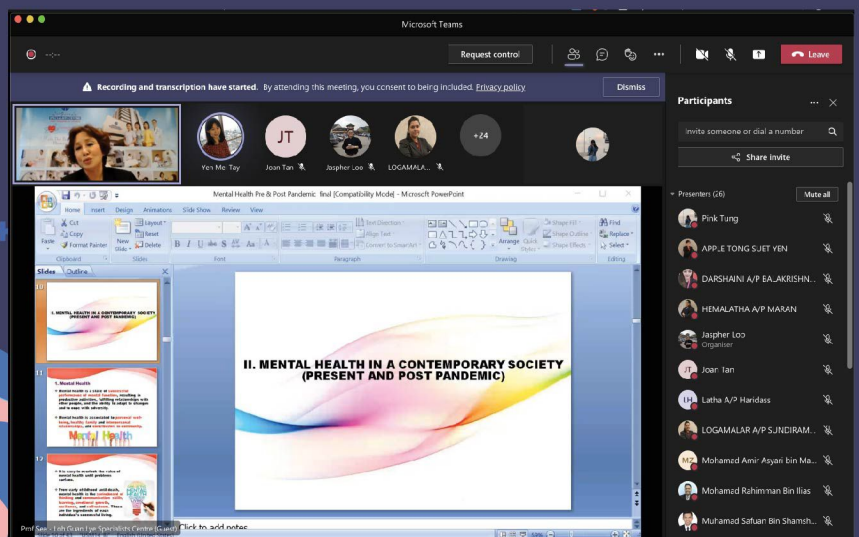
Mental Health and Wellness Webinar



On 20 Aug, we had Dato' Prof. Dr. See Ching Mey from Loh Guan Lye Specialists Centre join us in a webinar on how best to handle stress and your mental health. The third Movement Control Order (MCO 3.0) has been extended time and time again, and the number of Covid cases in Malaysia has gotten from bad to worse. During these volatile and uncertain times, it's perfectly understandable that anyone might cave in to their compounding stress and frustrations.

But according to Dr. See, happiness really is a state of mind. If we only allow ourselves to be happy once things go back to "normal", we might be in an unhappy state for a very long time as no one knows how long the pandemic and its effects will last. Whilst this may not be the answer people want to hear, there are ways to make the best of things:

- Focus on things that are within your control
- Learn to appreciate what you currently have and to count your blessings
- Reflect on yourself (introspection) and the things around you (extrospection) to gain insights into the bigger picture
- Do things that you enjoy in order to release your brain's happy chemicals (e.g. endorphins from exercise)
- Avoid bad habits that lead to addictions (addiction is defined as the vicious cycle of Compulsion, Craving, Consequences and loss of Control)
- Handle things at your own pace





Application of Computer Science Webinar

In today's information and technology driven world, one of the hot topics always being discussed is computer science, but what exactly is it and why is it important? Grace Tok Bee Choo (senior lecturer) from Peninsula College and Adri Gautama (business development manager) from Cisco Indonesia sat down with over 120 attendees to define what computer science is all about and to deliberate its merits and relevance in modern times.

In a nutshell, computer science is the study of computers, computational systems and algorithmic processes. However, unlike electrical and computer engineers, computer scientists deal mostly with software and software systems; this includes their concept, design, development, and application.

According to Grace, computer science is a great field of study for students because it greatly improves problem solving skills (among other things), which is a very essential and transferable skill to have.

Furthermore, there are many attractive job prospects because of the evolving technology, government, consulting and financial landscapes, which has caused an employment boom in computer science in these sectors.

Adri stated that organisations must have good computer scientists so that technology, people and processes can complement each other to maintain system integrity and security.

He further added that large companies like Cisco don't just value technical knowledge and skills, but also soft skills and grit as well. You only need at least 3 SPM credits to qualify for a computer science course.



Application of Computer Science in this Digital Era

- This session is open to all students 16 years and above
- Electronic certificates for each participant

13 August 2021
00.00am - 00.00pm
Meeting ID: xxx xxx xxx
Speaker:

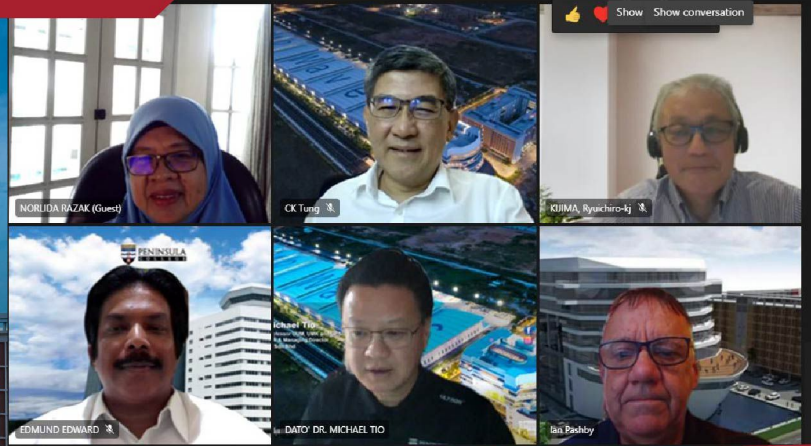
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PCN Board of Governance



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In any large and well established corporate entity, there is always a board of governors who are essentially the legal guardians and overall administrators of the organisation. They are tasked with directing, monitoring and regulating the company, as well as appointing competent and reliable chief executives to execute their plans and policies.

The Board consists of Peninsula College's senior management as well as prominent and experienced industry leaders which include Dato' Seri (Dr.) Michael Tio, Datuk Ruben Emir Gnanalingam Bin Abdullah, Ryuichiro Kijima and Dato' Sr Norlida Binti Abd. Razak

The college's motto "Your Employability, Our Priority" is the guiding beacon which the board utilises to determine what courses of action are needed to ensure that our students are able to secure their dream careers the moment they graduate.

Student e-Sport Tournament

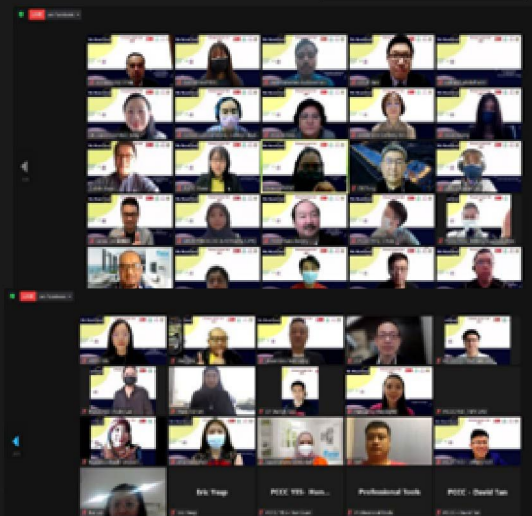
PCN's Student Council successfully held an e-Sport tournament based on the popular first person shooter game, Call of Duty Mobile, on 18 August 2021. This friendly competition was organised to help the students relieve their stress during remote study, create bonding among the team members and have a bit of fun. A total of 12 teams signed up for the competition, and the champions pocketed a cash prize of RM200, the 1st runner up collected RM150 and the 2nd runner up received RM100.



Penang Virtual Career Fair

Peninsula College, in collaboration with Penang Youth Development Corporation (PYDC) and supported by the Penang State Government, participated in the Virtual Career Fair – Explore, Connect and Get Hired, from 26-29 August 2021. This programme was officially launched by YB Soon Lip Chee, Penang State Exco for Youth and Sports. More than 50 companies participated in this event and there were about 5,000 job vacancies on offer, meaning that there was a gold mine of opportunities ready for the picking.

For those who might've missed this event, fret not, you're still able to view all available positions on the Ministry of Human Resource's website <https://www.myfuturejobs.gov.my/>.



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Our very own TSC branded mooncakes have arrived, and they're so popular that we can't keep them from flying off the shelves! We've already sold over 1,400 boxes, but there are still a few dozen boxes left up for grabs, so pick up that phone today if you'd like to reserve one for yourself.

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Academic Services

Part of PCN's charter is to make students feel valued and as comfortable as possible during their entire educational journey with the college. Should you feel that you have any confidential matter that you need to discuss with someone in private, we have qualified lecturers and counsellors available for appointments throughout the week. Rest assured that we will always provide an open avenue for you to express your thoughts and feelings freely, regardless of whether you'd like to talk about your choice of subjects or the stresses of remote learning.



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**Peninsula College Branded
T-shirts and Face Masks Now on Sale**

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RM35/pc

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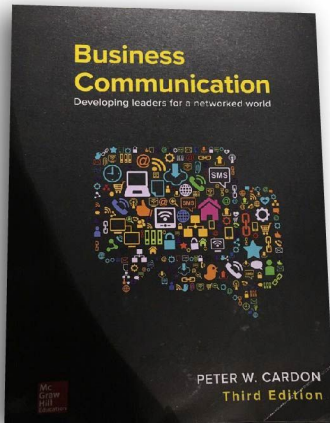
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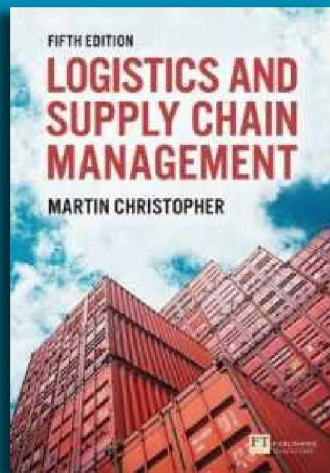
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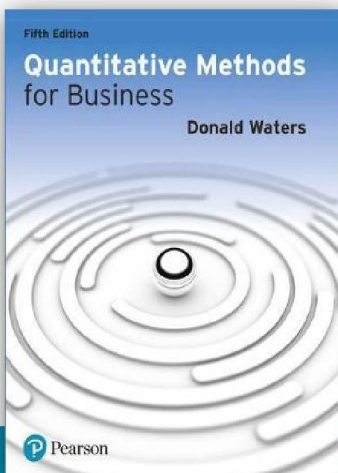
- Title : Business Communication: Developing Leaders for a Network World
Author : Peter W. Cardon
Course Code : DIB1011
Program : Diploma in Business Studies
Summary : The Business Communication field is at a crossroads as communication technologies are reshaping how people communicate in the workplace. This book puts students at the centre of business communication through the author's unique focus on credibility and practicality, forward-looking vision built on traditional concepts, and practitioner and case-based approach.

Link :



- Title : Logistics and Supply Chain Management (5th Edition)
Author : Martin Christopher
Course Code : DLM1024
Program : Diploma in Logistics Management
Summary : The UK's bestselling book on logistics and supply chain management. Effective development and management of supply chain networks helps businesses cut costs and enhance customer value. This updated 5th edition is a clear guide to all the key topics in an integrated approach to supply chains.

Link :



- Title : Quantitative Methods for Business, 5th Edition
Author : Donald Waters
Course Code : DOA1005
Program : Diploma of Accountancy
Summary : This revised edition continues to provide a simple and practical introduction to an area that students can find difficult. It shows how to apply quantitative ideas to the real problems faced by managers. The book also includes numerous exercises and examples that help students understand the relevance of quantitative ideas to business.

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Diploma in
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Travel and tourism industry is a robust sector that contributes over RM86.14 billion to the Malaysia economy. With over 26 million tourists visiting Malaysia annually, our colourful and multicultural nation is a sparkling gem that piques the curiosity of global visitors. As the sector grows, there will be a greater emphasis to expand and improve tourism products and services.

Our programme will impart not only relevant subjects such as travel-related business, marketing as well as tourism product and destination development, but also important life skills such as communication and public speaking.

This programme is designed to impart up-to-date knowledge for students to be competent in retail travel sales, operational know-hows alongside supervisory skills specialising in tourism operations.

Our curriculum is developed in collaboration with notable industry players to ensure it aligns with current needs of the industry. Students will also be exposed to practical training to enhance their employability.

Sharing Insights

While the world battles a never-ending battle against the **COVID-19** pandemic, we all have our fair share of everyday difficulties. Many of us are finding it increasingly difficult to combine deadlines with homeschooling, online lectures with household chores, and differentiating professionalism with personal space as the borders further disintegrate. Thankfully, there are some things that we could do to at least put some fun into our lives.

Amongst the things that I have done during the pandemic is adopted two beautiful kittens, as I've been told by my lecturers that having pets is one of the many ways to keep our minds distracted from the plain walls that surrounds us daily. And true to their words, having a pet made me more energetic when it comes to dealing with online learning, working from home and doing house chores. Truth be told, I wasn't really eating healthily ever since the pandemic began as every day moved like a blur. After adopting them, I became more responsible when it came to self-care, cleaning up my room (can't have them leaving "treasures") and managing my mental health.

Another thing that I've done to cope during the pandemic (other than staying home, of course), is to hold movie nights or game nights with friends - all done virtually. With the advancements of technology, we've managed to watch movies together from the comfort of our homes while still being "there" with our friends. From watching Shrek and Fight Club, to playing Gartic Phone and Call of Duty: Mobile - I get to enjoy the virtual presence of my friends (from college and elsewhere).

In terms of learning new skills, I guess the two skills that I've picked up is making homemade cat food (which ended up being a small business with the clients being a few of my close friends) and video-editing, a needed skill to settle our Enterprise and Innovation assignment. Oh, and somehow picking up the art of waking up on-time for classes and work (heh), that's about it from me.

Final word of advice: Do something nice for yourself today. Find somewhere quiet, sit in stillness, and breathe. Put your problems on pause. You deserve a break, especially if you're dealing with mental health issues as too much of it could lead you to being burnt out.

by Athasha



Student Submissions

Would you like to share your thoughts or opinions about your educational journey or anything college related? Please feel free to submit your write-up (150-250 words) to our marketing department before the 25th of each month and it will be included in the next newsletter.



Quote of the Month

**“If you only walk on sunny days,
you’ll never reach your destination.”**

- Paulo Coelho

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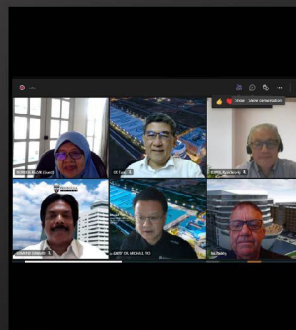
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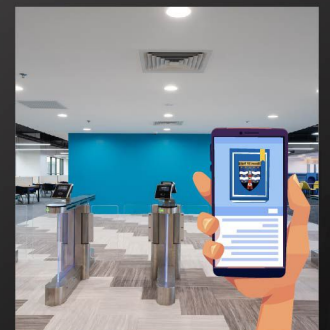
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