

REPORT ON PERFORMANCE OF SUNWAY STUDENTS

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The results of the Leicester University Sunway students in the examination taken this June were very pleasing. Overall they performed as well as, and in some cases better than, the students taking the exams at Leicester. As regards the individual subjects the position was as follows:

1. LAW

a) First Year

The pass rate for the Sunway students was 82.2%, i.e. 2% higher than last year. Those who failed get a second chance in September, when most are expected to pass.

A total of 201 students set the exams at either Sunway or Leicester. Of the 45 Sunway students, no less than five were in the top ten of the combined list.

The outstanding performance, however, was that of Miss Ooi Huey Ling. She headed the combined Sunway/Leicester list with an aggregate more than 20 marks higher than her nearest rival. She scored the top marks in Contract and in Tort (in which Sunway students were the only ones

to gain First Class marks). Her performance in Tort won her the Toller Hales & Colcutt prize of £100, awarded by a firm of Solicitors in England. An excellent performance, which led to her being given one of the Leicester University Sunway Scholarship (worth £1,000 per annum)

b) Second Year

The Sunway students who joined the 2nd Year at Leicester last October are also continuing to do well. 31 of them took the second-year LL.B. exams at Leicester this year. 28 passed all five papers, a pass rate of 90.3%. The pass rate for non-Sunway students was 85.0%. The three Sunway students who each failed just one paper will resit this in September. They will then almost certainly proceed to the final year of the course.

The best individual performance in this group of Sunway students was by Mr R Jayakumar Nayar, who came second out of the 155 students sitting the exams, with First Class marks in Criminal Law and International Law (in which subject he was the top student).

2. ENGINEERING

The picture here is of a very good overall performance by the Sunway students as compared to the Leicester-based students. 14 of the 18 Sunway students passed all papers in June – a success rate of 78%. All four who failed passed the September resit.

In all papers and coursework the average mark of the Sunway students was equal to or higher than the Leicester students. This led the Leicester Board of examiners to minute the following comments on the Sunway students:

"Generally the marks (of the Sunway students) are very good and clearly all these students will be a welcome addition to our second year."

"The Examiners were impressed with the overall quality of the scripts from the Sunway College students and offer congratulations to both students and staff."

11 of the Sunway students were in the top 20 of the combined Leicester Sunway list.

On an individual level the best performance was by Willey Liew Yun Hsien, a Sabah Scholar, who came 3rd in the combined list. A Leicester University Sunway Scholarship was awarded to Kee Yang Hooi, who was the next best Sunway student.

3. ECONOMICS

The Economics students also obtained good marks, with Chai Yet Lee being among the top 5 students in Economics papers, and also receiving a Leicester/Sunway scholarship.

The strong performance of the Leicester/Sunway students this year led to the University Scholarships Committee granting three scholarships rather than the expected two. The generally high standard achieved is a tribute not only to the undoubted hard work of the students themselves, but also to the skill, dedication, and commitment, of the lecturers. They have all set an excellent example for future years to follow. It augurs well for the development of the link between Leicester and Sunway, which will be able to build on these strong foundations.

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