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The Integration of Soft Skills in English Camp Activities

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English Camp program is designed to develop soft skills in which students are not able to gain during the normal study duration. Even though English camp is known to be a success among students, studies that look into the development of soft skills equipped in it are rather limited. Due to this, the soft skills incorporated in the English camp have remained unknown. Therefore a study has been carried out to gather information about soft skills that are consciously or unconsciously embedded into the English Camp program. This article is to describe a survey conducted with 114 students at a Malaysian university. Of all the seven main skills introduced by The Ministry of Higher Education Malaysia, the findings revealed that Teamwork skill had been frequently integrated in the English Camp activities, different from Information Technology Management skill, which had been minimally used. Finally, the data points to the need for future studies on the integration of Entrepreneurship skill in the English Camp activities.

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INTRODUCTION

The present challenging economic environment and the fast growing number of students passing higher education system intensifies the competition for established positions in professions. Thus, having knowledge of academic courses alone is no longer sufficient for new graduates to gain employment. They have to equip themselves with graduate attributes that will enhance their employability. These attributes, which is also known as soft skills in Malaysia, are the set of qualities and skills predetermined by a university that students should develop and acquire from the institution which later contribute to their career (Bowden et al., 2000; Kementerian Pengajian Tinggi, 2006). As proposed by Everson (1999), equipping students with soft skills could make the difference in obtaining and retaining the jobs which they have been prepared for.

Realizing how soft skills competency can be the key to graduates employability, the Malaysian Ministry of Higher Education (MOHE) developed a soft skills module which was introduced to the public universities in 2006. The module highlighted seven soft skills which need to be incorporated into the curriculum; communication skills, critical thinking and problem solving, teamwork, lifelong learning and information

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