FEST student Randha Adam secured a slot in the finals of the APJC NetAcad Rider Competition

Ibrahim Bassam

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The APJC (Asia Pacific, Japan, and Greater China) NetAcad Riders competition is an interactive networking skills contest that enhances classroom learning, unites students from across the region, and promotes further technology education and training. This is an international competition where several students from the Asia Pacfic region take part in this competition.

This competition is organized by Cisco Networking Academy and is a great opportunity for Networking Academy students to learn valuable Networking/IT skills through a series of online exams and simulation activities using Cisco Packet Tracer. Owing to the COVID pandemic situation, the competition is a virtual competition this year.

Two students of FEST, Ibrahim Bassam and Randha Adam took part in this prestigious competition. The competition is comprised of three rounds and Randha has managed to reach the final round, which would be held on the 24th of May 2022.

We congratulate Randha on her win and wish her all the best for the final round. We will be cheering her on to win this competition.

Message from HOD Computer Science

The Faculty of Engineering Science and Technology is one of the leading education providers in the areas of technology and computer science. We are the first to offer Bachelor's degree programs in the areas of computer science, and Information Technology.

Our Bachelor degree programs aim to produce high-quality graduates who are competent in their fields and, at the same time, are well prepared for higher studies.

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Our Computer Science and Information Technology curricula remain bench marked to the industry requirements with International certifications like CISCO incorporated into our curriculum. Our graduates will graduate with an international CISCO certification along with their degrees so that they are ready to take on jobs in the networking industry.

Our Bachelor of Computer Science degree will include heavy programming in the state of the art programming languages like python and R. They will undergo rigerous training in machine learning and electronics subjects, which are incorporated into our curriculum.

Students in Computer Science will also learn how to create simple robots with basic intelligence. Students will get hands-on experience in building robots and after graduation they will be able to simple robots that can perform simple tasks.

We have produced over 200 graduates over the past seventeen years. We are proud to say that most of our graduates are in high technical positions in the Maldives and some of our graduates are working abroad. Some are even pursuing PhDs computer Science or information techology in reputed Universities.

Alumni success stories

I am Mohamed Thoyyib, I work as a chief technology officer of WOLFCOM® Enterprise. My work involves engaging with law enforcement, military, and public & private security organizations to help these institutions solve complex problems using modern/smart technologies. I served in the military for 15 years years, and I have always had a passion to work for the military.

I completed my Advanced Diploma and Bachelor's Degree in Information Technology from the Maldives College of Higher Education (MCHE), now known as The Maldives National University. The education I received from MCHE helped me to plan my career goals and laid the foundation for my success today.

After completing my degree from MCHE, I continued my desire for learning and attained an Honors Degree in Computing from the University of Portsmouth (UK), a Master's Degree, and a Doctorate Degree in IT from the Assumption University of Thailand

My first IT job is a Data Administrator job at the Maldives Police Service, The job involves managing crime and criminal records. The biggest part I believe that attributes to my success is my passion for learning new technologies, problem-solving, and building resilient teams. Having the curiosity to learn how things work is extremely important.

You're not expected to be a competent database administrator when you are fresh from a University, but your problem-solving skills developed while you were studying will help you to be successfil in the industry.

Working in the field of IT, you must constantly challenge yourself to be better, and develop a problem-solving mindset to become a good leader or a contributor.

Computer Science, Information Technology & Engineering is such a versatile field that has opportunities in almost any industry. Internships are an important tool in helping you find the type of company and role that matches your interests and career goals.

Find a good mentor that can encourage and help you become a professional technologist is an advise I will give to all graduating students.

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