

# Returning to the best

SINCE its inception in 2006, Wawasan Open University (WOU) has had the honour of facilitating and witnessing the graduation of more than 1,200 students from the university's 45 undergraduate and postgraduate programmes.

Many of the alumni have returned to continue their studies with WOU and among them are Pandian Saranganbanly and Edwin Lim Chii Wei.

"The availability of digital devices such as handphones, tablets and laptops allows me to easily study and review my course materials," says Pandian, a finance executive at Maybank who graduated in 2013 with the Bachelor of Business (Hons) in Management.

"With WOU, I can study anytime, anywhere. Thanks to WOU's recognition and programme accreditation, I have also received the MyBrain15 scholarship to pursue my master's studies."

Now in his third semester as a Commonwealth Executive Master of Business Administration (CeMBA) student at the university, Pandian shares that all the subjects learnt in the programme are related to his career.

"This master's programme covers all aspects of higher management, such as human resources, risk management and customer service. It has further enhanced my thinking skills, added value and structure to the operations I am involved in, and taught me how to eliminate unnecessary processes that don't add value," he says.

Edwin Lim, a graduate of the Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Liberal Studies, has found his calling as an educator and left the sales profession to serve in the Prince of Wales Island International School.

"I've always had an interest in this particular area because with education, you can change a community or make a difference in an individual's life," he says.

"The liberal studies programme suited my needs and I am thankful for the tutors who



Edwin Lim Chii Wei.

Pandian Saranganbanly.

took the initiative to provide useful resources and information that enhanced the quality of my assignments and writing, which is important to my work.

"That's why I have chosen to continue my studies with WOU by pursuing the Master of Education."

Besides the CeMBA and the Master of Education programmes, WOU also offers three other industry-relevant master's programmes for working professionals who want to enhance their tertiary qualifications and career prospects.

These programmes are the Master of Business Administration in Construction Management, the Master of Business Administration in Manufacturing and Production Management, and the Commonwealth Executive Master of Public Administration.

Enrolment for the July intake is ongoing. Interested individuals who register by June 21 have the opportunity to benefit from the Return to Study Allowance and other attractive tuition fee rebates.

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