

Lifelong education enhances career

LIOW Zen Min enrolled in Asia e University (AeU) in January last year to pursue the Master of Education, specialising in early childhood education.

Being a believer in lifelong learning, she says, "My dream and ambition is to become a specialist in early childhood education and a motivational speaker.

"I wish to inspire women to overcome their hardships, live independently and have the determination to pursue their dreams."

Having completed the Bachelor of Commerce and Management at Lincoln University in New Zealand, Liow wanted to pursue a postgraduate programme at a reputable university that would accommodate her working life.

She is an entrepreneur who is currently running two businesses – the first involves teaching young children to be independent readers and the second is a school for special needs children located in Kulai, Johor.

Her days are usually packed

with work, studies and spending time with her family.

"Every evening after work, I spend time with my daughter going through her schoolwork. I will then do the housework and prepare teaching materials for the classes at school. It is after this is done that I start on my assignments and that takes up the whole night," she says.

"I chose AeU because it provides me with the flexibility to study anywhere and anytime, which allows me to structure my learning around my busy life," she says.

"Although I am a fully online student from Johor, I attend most of the AeU seminars at the Kuala Lumpur campus. The seminars are interesting, help me develop a deeper understanding of my studies and enable me to network with professors, academic facilitators and other coursemates," says Liow.

Despite her busy schedule, Liow manages to submit her assignments on time. She scored GPA 3.33 in her first semester, GPA

4.00 in her second semester and GPA 3.92 in her third semester. She has completed her fourth semester exam and is now waiting for her results. She has two more semesters of the programme left to complete.

Liow says, "I have benefited from this programme because the theories I learnt are relevant and applicable to my work.

"I am also pursuing my goal of earning a valuable Master in Education to enhance my career and, at the same time, fulfil my ambition."

Liow is grateful to those who support her in her education, including her family and the university's professors, lecturers, academic facilitators and staff.

"In the future, I hope to inspire people around me, especially single mothers and those who are less fortunate, to not give up but strive to achieve their dreams in life," she says.

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