AeU supports the National Transformation initiatives as called upon for the New Economic Model (NEM) of Malaysia. In recognition of its pioneering role in spearheading e-learning in the country, AeU has been appointed as the ‘Malaysia Gateway University’ for the development of international online and distance learning. This is one of the Entry Point Projects (EPP 6) under the Economic Transformation Program (ETP).

AeU has developed an independent infrastructure called: Malaysia Education Online (MEdO) which provides a platform for expanding international distance learning activities. On offer are programmes leveraging on the collective expertise of Malaysian universities, colleges, polytechnics and other training institutions. MEdO is the gateway for Malaysian tertiary educational bodies to extend their global reach whilst maintaining their independent identity and uniqueness.