AeU helping single mum achieve dream

Low Zen Min is determined to fulfil her ambitions of becoming a specialist in early childhood education as well as a motivational speaker.

The Johorean is a strong believer of lifelong learning, which is why she enrolled at Asia e University (AeU) as a Master of Education student specialising in early childhood education in January last year. She gained her first degree, a Bachelor of Commerce and Management, from Lincoln University in New Zealand.

“I was looking for a postgraduate programme from a reputable university where I could study without having to give up working.”

“I came across AeU on the Internet. It seemed like the most ideal open distance learning institution for me to pursue my studies.”

Although Liow is a fully online student, she also attends AeU seminars in Kuala Lumpur.

“The seminars are interesting and helped me develop a deeper understanding of my studies. At the same time, it enabled me to network with professors, academic facilitators and course mates,” said Liow, adding that the programme gives her the flexibility she needs to structure learning around a tight schedule.

Being a single mother with two daughters aged 6 and 7, Liow needs to manage her time well.

“I have to multitask to manage my home and ensure my children are looked after, on top of working and studying.”

Liow currently runs a business teaching young children to be independent readers.

“I began training my daughters to become independent readers since they were 1½ years old.”

Liow also manages a school for special needs children in Kulai, Johor.

“I am also a part-time lecturer at Southern University College in Johor.”

Liow said she is keen on inspiring women, especially single mothers, on how to overcome hardships, live independently and stay determined about pursuing their dreams.

“My daughters are my greatest motivation in life. Besides that, I am also thankful and grateful to my mother for her support.”

“Despite a hectic schedule, I submitted all my assignments before their deadlines and scored a grade point average (GPA) of 3.33 in my first semester, 4.0 in my second semester and 3.92 in my third semester,” she said.

Liow said she benefited a lot from the programme because the theories she learnt was applicable to her work.

“I am also grateful to all the professors, lecturers, academic facilitators and staff members who were friendly and helpful in my studies.”

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