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□ THE New Straits Times and the Malaysian Association of Private Colleges (Mapco) Scholarship Programme will be offered to deserving students to pursue their studies in local private colleges after the release of the SPM and STPM results next year.

The courses include information technology, engineering, business, accounting, finance, marketing, hotel and catering, hospitality and tourism, mass communication and built environment at diploma and degree levels as well as Master's programmes.

To date, 16 colleges will be offering scholarships under the programme. They are Asia Pacific Institute of Information Technology (APIIT), Binary College, HELP Institute, INTI College, Kolej Bandar Utama, KDU College, Metropolitan College, Nilai College, Pusat Teknologi dan Pengurusan Lanjutan (PTPL), Sedaya College, Sepang Institute of Technology, Stamford College, Sunway College, Systematic Education Group, Taylor's College, and Taylor's School of Hospitality and Tourism.

For details, call Wan Sook Han or Sumita Surendran at 03-56362641, or e-mail [nst-mapco.sp@taylors.edu.my](mailto:nst-mapco.sp@taylors.edu.my), or visit [www.studymalaysia.com/mapco](http://www.studymalaysia.com/mapco).

□ THE Rakan Muda Team Malaysia — a partnership between the Ministry of Youth and Sports, Global Vision and Sedaya College — is looking for 15 Malaysians between the ages of 16 and 25 to be delegates for its *Intellectual Mission to Canada 2002*.

Applicants are required to write an essay of between four and five pages on ONE of the following questions:

1. Sustainable development, development that is ecologically sound, non-destructive and non-exploitative to the local communities, is of growing importance in today's world of shrinking resources. What plan of action do you suggest for the Prime Minister to ensure that Malaysia's scarce resources are managed in a sustainable fashion?

2. Over the next few years, as Malaysia moves towards Vision 2020, the following issues will be of growing concern: technological advancement in regards to the use of cyber-connected, photonic, wide-bandwidth communications tools, the issue of increasing human lifespans through manipulating proven genome technologies, and increased dependence on nuclear medicines and nuclear energy. Outline a plan of action that you would suggest to the Prime Minister as to how to ensure that these technologies are harnessed for the benefit and not the detriment of Malaysian society.

3. The National Information Technology Council of Malaysia promotes the notion that knowledge and information will be the most

valuable assets in the economy, and it is for this reason that Malaysia needs to maintain a competitive edge in the Knowledge Economy. What plan of action would you suggest to the Prime Minister to ensure that Malaysia's human capital will be of world-class calibre, and be able to compete in the world of ICT?

4. With the growing influence of the Western world, an East-West fusion of cultures is becoming more and more common. Some would say that with the advent of this evolution, that core threads of culture are being threatened. What plan of action would you advise the Prime Minister to take to ensure that the cultural heritage and mosaic that are unique to Malaysia are preserved?

5. The world is becoming more of a Global Village each day. With boundaries (economic, political, cultural, etc) between countries continuing to shrink, the role and relationships of nations and alliances are constantly evolving and changing. Develop an action plan as to the role that you foresee for Malaysia as it climbs the international stage in the coming years.

The closing date is Jan 25. Send the essays to:

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□ THE Chevening Rolls Royce Scholarship is available to managers from Malaysia — as well as China, India, Singapore, Vietnam and Korea — who work in the airline, aerospace and marine power generation industries to study for the MBA at the Cranfield School of Management, UK in the next academic year.

The award includes tuition fees and living costs for the residential year at Cranfield. In addition, Rolls Royce will provide a mentor to assist scholars.

The deadline for applications is March 29.

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