7.7 Suggestions for Programme Relevancy towards Industrial Links

Table 7.7 shows the responses given by the IIUM graduates regarding the relevance of the programmes to the needs of industry. In general, many graduates (12.3%, n=526) agreed to the idea of improving the teaching methods used. Among the responses received are:

"More experienced lecturers that can give learning process in the best method, not just giving lecture in boring class."; "More case studies from the real problems that have been faced by real companies"; "Implement two ways teaching method".

In addition, the responses given by the IIUM graduates with regards to meeting the needs of the industry were for the programmes to enhance the practical training experiences (8.9%, n=382). The suggestions given were:

"Visit to see real technologies that are used in the industries."; "To have more practical training period."
"More practical training and hands-on training"

Besides enhancing practical experiences, the graduates also suggested enhancing soft skills and competency (7.0%, n=299). Excerpts of the suggestions include:

"Self-confident and try something new, also learn it"; "Everything I had learn here is relevant with need of industry. however it better to put skill for some specific subject that need more skill."; "Communication and leadership skills"; "new aspects need to be emphasized to the industry are more on communication skills and softskills, in order to encourage student to be a leader and also make student more confident."

There are also recommendations for the existing subjects or courses to be revised (5.9%, n=253). Among the views given are:

"The course of Professional Practice should be longer for those who intend to pursue in conveyancing"; "Revise the subject every

*semester"; "I guess some subjec
important subjects"*

The graduates also suggested that the
more on Islamic values and Ethics (3
include: *"Incorporate the Islamic valu
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society and Islamic knowledge"; "Islami
to medical student".*

Moreover, other suggestions includ
technical skills, greater exposure to
grading the facilities, improving teach
More Students Activities as well as n

Table 7.7: IIUM Graduates' Suggestions on Programme

Suggested Programme towards Industrial Lin
Practical Training
Revise the Subject/Course
New Courses
Emphasise more on Islamic values and Ethics
Emphasise more on Technical Skills
Soft skills and Competency
Exposure to Current Issues
Prolonged Internship
Maintain/Upgrade the Facilities
Improve on Teaching method
More Students Activities
Others/Irrelevant comment
No comment
Overall