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Posthumous doctorate for former UUM vice-chancellor

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SINTOK: Universiti Utara Malaysia's (UUM) fifth vice-chancellor Brig Jen Prof Datuk Dr Ahmad Fawzi Mohd Basri, who died in May, was bestowed a posthumous honorary doctorate in development management by the university.

Institut Kefahaman Islam Malaysia (Ikim) honorary fellow Ustaz (Dr) Muhammad 'Uthman El-Muhammady received the other honorary doctorate at the university's 18th convocation yesterday.

Dr Ahmad Fawzi served as UUM vice-chancellor for four years. He died of heart complications on May 23 at the age of 56. His widow Datin Aishah Ibrahim received his scroll from the ruler of Kedah Sultan Abdul Halim Mu'azdam Shah.

Of the 6,263 graduates from the university this year, 71 were foreign students, of whom 43 were from Thailand and 16 from Indonesia.

UUM vice-chancellor Datuk Dr Nordin Kardi said the university's student population had grown tremendously from 380 when in was established in 1984 to 22,951 this year.