

A Nigerian International Student

Biodata

Yusoof is a second-year college student in Malaysia. He is an international student from Nigeria, and has been living in Malaysia for almost two years. He is an outgoing, extroverted person and likes to hang out with his friends.

Background

Yusoof is a bright student in his college. He is one of the highest achievers in his class. Most of his friends in Malaysia are from Nigeria and other Africans currently living or studying in Kuala Lumpur.

Dilemma

Yusoof visited his college counselor because of what he perceived to be discrimination exhibited by his Malaysian peers in college and society. His college peers would constantly look down on him, and call him bad words because of his ethnicity. Earlier this year, he and his friends wanted to rent an apartment near his college, but were not allowed to do so because of their ethnicity. The owner of the apartment thought they could be potential “troublemakers”, and Yusoof and his friends had to settle for an apartment that is further away from their college. Because of these incidences, Yusoof prefers to stay in his apartment.