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An MOU between Al Ain University and 4 companies in **Engineering and Technology fields**







In pursuit of its strategy to establish partnerships with the industrial sector to enhance the educational process, Al Ain University (AAU) has entered into Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) with four major companies in the engineering and technology domain, namely: Timex Company for Corporate Solutions Technology and Technical Consulting, Beta Information Technology Company, Desty Logix Company for Business Solutions Technology, and Milio Environmental Consulting Company. The MOUs were signed by Prof. Ghaleb El-Refae (AAU President) and executives from each of the four companies: Eng. Mohammed

Hassan (Executive Director of Timex Company), Eng. Mohammad Alyan (Director of Corporate Development of Beta Company), Eng. Mohammad Alyan (Executive Director of Desty Logix), and Eng. Lubna Senan (Executive Director of Milio Company).

The primary goal of these MOUs is to provide practical training opportunities for engineering students across various fields and to organize workshops focused on entrepreneurship in all engineering disciplines. This will help students stay up-to-date with the labor market and enhance their knowledge and skills in the areas of engineering.

















Efficient Participation from Al Ain University in UAE **National Sports Day**





With the theme of «Emirates brings us together,» the Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University (Al Ain Abu Dhabi Campuses), in collaboration with various companies, arranged a sports day to mark the UAE National Sports Day.

Several sports activities, including a walkathon, Taekwondo, tug-of-war competitions, and football, were organized to provide entertainment and leisure time to students. The primary objective of this event was to instill a competitive spirit among students, encourage activity and

movement, and offer them enjoyment during their academic pursuits. Additionally, the participation of People of Determination was given special attention to integrate them into society and foster their talents, and they positively engaged in various activities.

Prof. El Refae expressed his gratitude to the Deanship of Student Affairs for organizing the National Sports Day every year, emphasizing that Al Ain University values sports and entertainment as much as academic pursuits.



Al Ain University Organizes a Career Development and Training Fair





The Career Development and Training Fair, which was organized by the Alumni Office in cooperation with the Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University in its two campuses (Al Ain and Abu Dhabi) received a remarkable turnout from university students looking for training and employment opportunities and building a successful career.

Prof. Ghaleb El Refae, President of Al Ain University, opened the exhibition at Al Ain Campus, accompanied him Prof. Ibtehal Abu Rezeg, Vice President of Development and Follow Up and Dean of Student Affairs, while Prof. Amer Qasem, AAU Vice President (Abu Dhabi Campus), opened the exhibition at the Abu Dhabi Campus, and they emphasized the importance of this exhibition as an ideal platform for enhancing communication between various institutions and human cadres.

Various external entities participated in the exhibition, such as the social, educational, training, sports, health, real estate, exhibitions, conferences, law, contracting and engineering sectors.

















AAU President Inaugurates the Third AAU Book Fair 2023





Professor Ghaleb El Refae, the President of the AAU, inaugurated the third AAU Book Fair of 2023 at the Al Ain campus, which was organized by the Khalifa Library. The event was attended by deans, faculty members, students, and administrative staff.

The book fair lasted for two days and featured participation from local

publishers and suppliers, such as the University Book House in Al Ain, Panworld from Sharjah, and Emirates Heritage Center in Al Ain. Visitors had the chance to see and purchase valuable and latest publications related to IT and engineering, pharmacy and health sciences, law, education, humanities and social sciences, business.



AAU recognizes outstanding students for the First Semester 2022-2023



In the presence of Prof. Ghaleb El Refae, AAU President, the Deanship of Student Affairs celebrated the honoring of distinguished students for the first semester of the academic year 2022-2023.

Prof. El Refae congratulated the outstanding students and their families, pointing out that the honoring ceremony for the outstanding students is one of the most important events that are organized and



to which the University pays great attention, in order to support and nurture the outstanding students as the real wealth of the nation. He urged the students to make more efforts to continue to excel, stressing that excellence requires intense efforts and serious work in order to reach it, praising the role of parents in supporting their children with the appropriate environment for creativity and diligence.

















A dialogue session in the presence of Her Excellency Naameh Al-Mansoori



On the occasion of the International Day of Social Justice, the Deanship of Student Affairs and the College of Law, in cooperation with the Federal National Council, organized a dialogue session entitled "Voluntary Work and its Relationship to the Consecration of the Idea of Social Justice" presented by HE Naameh Al Mansouri - A Member

of the Federal National Council and a pioneer in work voluntary, and was moderated by Dr. Tayel Al Shayyab - from the College of Law, and in the presence of Prof. Amer Qasem, AAU Vice President (Abu Dhabi Campus), Deputy Deans, Academic staffs and students. Her Excellency Naameh Al Mansouri elucidated the concept of volunteerism.



The Alumni Office and the Deanship of Student Affairs improve communication with the AAU alumni





In conjunction with the Deanship of Student Affairs, the Alumni Office at Al Ain University (Al Ain Campus) organized an Alumni Gathering to improve communication with graduates and gain insight into their experiences after completing their studies. The event was attended by several dignitaries, including Prof. Ghaleb El Refae, the President of AAU, Prof. Ibtehal Abu Rezeq, the Vice President of Development and Follow Up, the Dean of Student Affairs, College Deans, academic and administrative staff, and AAU Alumni.As a part of this event, a panel discussion moderated by Prof. Abu Rezeq featured several AAU graduates sharing their experiences and success stories.

















The CoB organizes the 6th Environmental Day under the slogan Climate Change (Challenges and Opportunities)







Under the supervision of Dr. Musab Tabash and Dr. Shorouk Al-Ater from the College of Business, the Sixth Annual Environmental Day was held at Al Ain University's College of Business. The event was themed «Climate Change: Challenges and Opportunities» and was attended by Prof. Ghaleb Al-Refae, the AAU President.



Enhancing the Culture of Volunteering Among students





The College of Business, in cooperation with the Al-Hilal Student Club from the Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University (Al Ain Campus), organized an event titled «Your Volunteering is Sustainable» on International Volunteer Day. The event was attended by Dr. Zafar Hussain, Dean of the College of Business, along with several members

of the academic staff, students, and members of the local community. The purpose of the event was to raise awareness about the goals of volunteer work and its positive impact on the volunteer. The event also aimed to educate the local community about the objectives of the Al-Hilal Student Club's participation.

















AAU students took part in the Arab Leader Preparation Program held in Egypt.



 $Khazina\,Ali\,Al-Amiri, from \,the\,College\,of\,Education\,and\,Human\,Sciences,$ and Doaa Ahmed Ibrahim, from the College of Communication and Media, were both involved in the "Arab Leader Preparation" training program at Luxor University in the Arab Republic of Egypt. The Leadership Development Institute in conjunction with the Association of Arab Universities organized the program. The AAU's participation came within the framework of enhancing cooperation and exchanging

knowledge between Arab nations was exemplified by the involvement of the two students. The aim of this effort is to cultivate a new generation of capable Arab youth who can take on leadership roles in their respective universities and countries. By providing opportunities for these individuals to interact with peers from different universities and immerse themselves in new experiences, the university aims to enrich their skills, broaden their horizons.



COP participates in the UAE National Pharmacy Students' Congress 2023



Al Ain University's College of Pharmacy students took part in the twoday UAE National Pharmacy Students' Congress 2023. The congress involved talks by industry professionals and accomplished pharmacists, interactive workshops, and engaging competitions. The workshops were divided into four categories: Leadership in Training and Policy Writing, Pharmaceutical Marketing, and Clinical Skills, all of which were led and conducted by proficient professionals. The students were honored with numerous awards based on their participation in two workshops and two competitions. The objective of their participation was to enhance their skills and teamwork abilities.

















Theatrical performance to promote the Human Brotherhood



The Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University (Abu Dhabi Campus) staged a theatrical performance in cooperation with the College of Education, Humanities and Social Sciences, entitled "Sympathy is a Path towards Human Fraternity" to celebrate the International Day of Human Fraternity, with the participation and supervision of Dr. Samer



Abdel Hadi - Associate Professor of Educational Psychology. Students from different colleges participated in the show, which played roles that illustrate the importance of empathy between people and presented scenes about empathy and its impact on the development of human relations between individuals.



The Deanship of Student Affairs participates in a Cleaning **Campaign in Al Ain**







The Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University/ Al Ain Campus participated in a cleaning campaign in Al Ain organized by the Friends of the Environment Association in Al Nabagh City, titled "Sustainability - Environmentally Friendly Energy." A number of students and faculty members volunteered for this campaign with the aim of educating university students about the importance of the environment.

















Al-Hilal Student Club Participates in the «Sustainability of Gardens» Initiative

Al-Hilal Student Club, under the Deanship of Student Affairs/ Al Ain Campus, recently participated in an initiative called «Sustainability of Gardens,» in collaboration with Al Ain Municipality.

The event was attended by a large number of Al Ain residents, and the participating club members educated them about the club's goals and its role in promoting sustainability as a contribution to 2023 being declared the Year of Sustainability in the United Arab Emirates.







During the month of innovation, Aoun's team displays their innovative creations

Al Ain University's Deanship of Student Affairs took part in an innovation event hosted by the Federal Authority for Identity, Citizenship, Customs & Port Security - AL AIN. The objective of their participation was to assist in achieving the desired goals of discovering talent and expertise, creating innovative initiatives, and consolidating the country's status as a global center for innovation.

The Aoun Community Service Team (Red Crescent Club) took part in the dedicated innovation platform by showcasing students, innovative projects in front of both government and private institutions.



Workshop Series entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Office"

The College of Engineering at Al Ain University (Abu Dhabi Campus) organized the first student-to-student workshop series entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Office" presented by student Omar Al-Kindi and moderated by Mr. Yazan Al-Ahmad, lecturer and coordinator of internships at the College of Engineering.

The aim of the workshop is to teach students from different colleges the importance of the Microsoft Office and the most important features of the Word processing program, Microsoft Excel, and the PowerPoint presentation through the direct application on computers.



















A training session to improve students' abilities in getting ready for exams

The Deanship of Student Affairs, in cooperation with the College of Education, Humanities and Social Sciences (Abu Dhabi Campus), organized a workshop entitled "Exam Preparation Skills" presented by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Al-Khazaleh - an academic professor, in the presence of a number of students and members of the administrative and academic staff

The workshop covered two axes; the first axis included each of the study in terms of its concept, importance, and the steps of (preparation, focus, and revision) inside and outside the classroom, reasons, methods of studying when studying fails.







Group Coaching Session entitled: Build your Future

The College of Engineering organized a Group Coaching Session entitled: Build Your Future at Al Jawhara Theatre, presented by Dr. Ziad Hunaiti, a qualified coach from the University of Cambridge, UK. Moderated by Dr. Mohammad Daoud, the session covered coaching concepts and definitions, methodologies, and applications.

During the session, Dr. Hunaiti provided an example coaching session on achieving study and work goals in the UK. This allowed students to gain a proactive approach toward effective planning for their future. Attendees also had the opportunity to ask questions and discuss their ideas and inquiries.



AAU Students visit Mohammed Bin Rashid Library in Dubai

The Al Ain University's Khalifa Library arranged a trip to the Mohammed Bin Rashid Library situated in Dubai, which was opened in June 2022 and is renowned as the largest library in the area, housing 1.5 million printed books, two million digital books, and one million audio books. The excursion was attended by numerous students and managed by Dr. Sawsan Taha, an Assistant Professor at the College of Communication and Media, and Ms. Chrismalyn D. Fortuna, a library assistant. The attendees conveyed their appreciation to the AAU library for organizing such an essential visit.



















Seminar Entitled "The Importance of **Geotechnical Investigation Reports**"

The College of Engineering at Al Ain University (Abu Dhabi Campus) organized a seminar entitled "The Importance of Geotechnical Investigation Reports" moderated by Dr. Abdulla Sharo and Eng. Esraa Hijah.

The seminar was presented by Eng. Ghina Faour, the head of geotechnical engineering department in the NSCC International contracting company, and it was attended by engineering faculty and students.







Workshop entitled "From Idea to Action Plan"

The Deanship of Student Affairs (Abu Dhabi Campus), in cooperation with the College of Business and under the supervision of Dr. Reham Muqtash, organized a workshop entitled "From Idea to Action Plan" presented by Mr. Sherif Abdel Hadi, "Consultant and Business Developer" on the occasion of the International Day of Creativity and Innovation and coinciding with the month of innovation in the UAE.

The workshop aimed to explain how to choose an idea, evaluate its suitability for the market, study the possibility of its expansion, and then implement and develop the project. The workshop also helped to discuss the challenges facing startups and what are the criteria that help startups succeed.



Workshop on academic writing and successful publication

The Khalifa Library at Al Ain University (AAU) conducted a workshop on academic writing and successful publication, which was led by Dr. Anupama Kapadia, the Editor in Chief at Enago. The workshop was moderated by Dr. Abdoulaye Kaba, the Library Director, and was attended by numerous faculty members and students. The session focused on various aspects of research paper writing, such as identifying predatory journals, choosing the appropriate journal for the paper, preventing desk rejection of the paper, interacting with the editors, and responding to reviewers' comments.

















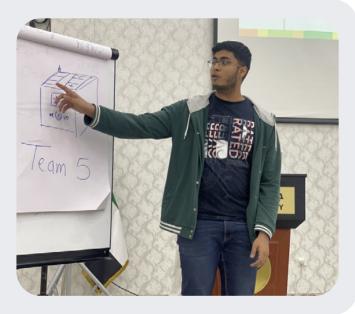


AAU organizes ICAMP Workshop

On the occasion of the month of innovation, the Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University's Abu Dhabi Campus organized a workshop on innovation called ICAMP. The workshop was led by Dr. Noha Hamada (Deputy Dean of Student Affairs), Ms. Lina Abu Libdeh (Director of the Center for Entrepreneurship, Innovation, and Small Business Development), and Ms. May Tahboub from Injaz Al-Emarat.

During the workshop, students were encouraged to collaborate and present various inventive ideas and solutions related to sustainability. These ideas included products and services that could be transformed into commercial projects. The students presented their ideas through a series of engaging presentations.







Workshop about the effective use of Scopus database

As part of information literacy activities, Khalifa Library at Al Ain University organized for the students and faculty members a workshop about the effective use of the Scopus database. The workshop was delivered by Mr. Wael Mansour, Customer Consultant for Elsevier, and moderated by Dr. Abdoulaye Kaba, Library Director. During the workshop, Mr. Mansour discussed different search strategies, identifying and selecting appropriate journals, comparing journals, and how to effectively use journal performance through Scopus journal metrics. The workshop was attended by the Deans, faculty members, and students.



Virtual Webinar on Sustainable Energy **Finance**

The College of Engineering at Al Ain University (Abu Dhabi campus) held a virtual webinar entitled "Accelerating the Energy Transition-Sustainable Energy Finance." and it was moderated by Dr. Omayma Motaleb Mukhtar. The virtual webinar was presented by Eng. Tarig Ahmed, a Program Officer in the Project Facilitation and Support Division leading the Climate Investment Platform from International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) side. The webinar discussed how to achieve sustainable development goal number 7 as one of the most important goals of the 17 SDGs established by the United Nations, which ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy for all and is targeted to be achieved fully by 2030.

















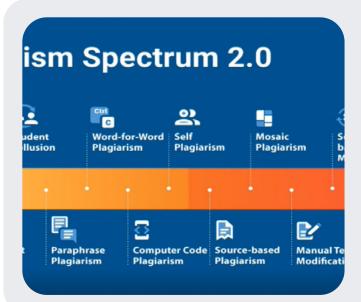


Al Ain University Celebrates "Isra and Miraj" Day

Al Ain University's Deanship of Student Affairs at the Al Ain Campus arranged a special occasion to mark the Isra' and Mi'raj anniversary. The event was attended by the AAU President, Prof. Ghaleb Al-Refai, deans, administrative and academic staff, external guests, and students. The celebration comprised of a religious ambiance full of compassion and generosity, where symbolic gifts were distributed. Prof. Ibtehal Abu Rezeq, Vice President for Development and Follow-up Affairs and Dean of Student Affairs, stated that the celebration was organized to commemorate a significant event and to draw lessons from it. The university is committed to partaking in all religious events to raise awareness within the student community.







A workshop about academic honesty and avoiding plagiarism

A workshop on academic integrity and avoiding plagiarism was organized by the Khalifa Library at Al Ain University (AAU), presented by Mrs. Samantha Bennett from ProQuest- Dubai, moderated by Dr. Abdoulaye Kaba, Library Director, and attended by several faculty members, students, and librarians. During the workshop, the presenter discussed plagiarism and its impact on academic performance, as well as best practices on how to avoid plagiarism.



The College of Engineering organizes an event entitled Treasure Hunt

Under the guidance of Dr. Abdulla Sharo and Eng. Esraa Hijah, the College of Engineering at Al Ain University (Abu Dhabi Campus), as part of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), hosted an interactive event called "Treasure Hunt with AutoCAD" for all university students. The main objective of this event was to involve students from various faculties in a Civil Engineering related task. The participants were required to interpret an AutoCAD map of the university campus, locate specified places, and retrieve a sticker from each location. Each sticker represented a different Civil Engineering field, and the participants needed to identify which image corresponded to which field. After obtaining all the stickers in the correct order, they were eligible to enter a raffle draw and win.



















A Student visit to Abu Dhabi Media City

In cooperation with the Deanship of Student Affairs, the College of Communication and Media at Al Ain University's Abu Dhabi Campus organized a student visit to Abu Dhabi Media City on World Radio Day. During the visit, students and academic staff were given a tour of the center's departments and facilities. They learned about the work environment, best practices, modern technologies, and systems used in the media field. The students were also able to view what radio stations operating under Abu Dhabi Media City offer and became familiar with the mechanisms of using radio tools by entering the radio facilities, visiting the archives, and implementing a practical application in one of the recording studios. They were also introduced to the tools used by the director of radio programs to produce information materials for dissemination via radio space.







A Field Visit to National Dairy "Hayatna"

The College of Pharmacy, Nutrition, and Dietetics program at Al Ain University (Abu Dhabi Campus) arranged a field trip for its students and academic staff to visit the "National Dairy Hayatna" dairy factory.

During the visit, students were given a comprehensive tour of the factory, allowing them to observe the various processes involved in the production of different dairy products. They also had the opportunity to learn about the evaluation techniques used, which encompassed both subjective and objective methods.



A Filed Visit to Mediclinic

The College of Pharmacy at Al Ain University (Abu Dhabi campus) organized a field visit to Mediclinic for faculty members and students from the College of Pharmacy.

The visit included a tour around the hospital departments, and a $presentation about the dietitian \, roles \, in \, the \, hospital, where \, the \, students$ got some experience in food service management in hospitals, and got the chance to know more about the different catering practices, such as food receiving, storage, preparation and serving in the hospitals.



















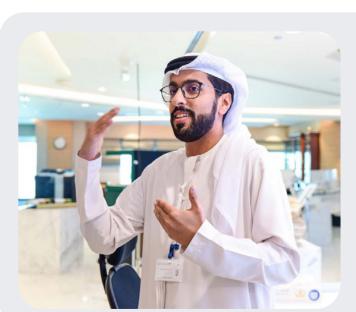
A Field Visit to Boehringer Ingelheim **Pharmaceutical Company**

The College of Pharmacy at Al Ain University (Al Ain Campus) organized a field visit to Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceutical Company for pharmacy students.

The students were introduced to the General Manager of Gulf IP Boehringer Ingelheim and had a tour around the company, where they visited its various departments including the Competence department, Communication department, Marketing department, Sales department and Digital marketing department.







Students visit the National Center of Meteorology

The deanship of Student Affairs/ Abu Dhabi Campus organized a visit to the National Center of Meteorology in recognition of the Year of Sustainability. The visit aimed to raise awareness about the critical issue of climate change and its impact on local and global communities. During the visit, students were given a tour of the center's facilities and departments, where they learned about the work environment, best practices, and modern technologies and systems used in the field of meteorology. The program also included a comprehensive explanation of meteorology, climate, humidity, rain-seeding processes, and earthquakes, as well as a visit to the innovative four-dimensional scientific dome.



The College of Engineering organizes a field trip to "Metaverse"

The College of Engineering in Al Ain University (Abu Dhabi Campus) organized a field trip for the Engineering students to Metaverse in cooperation of Misitry of Interior, under the supervision of Dr. Yazeed Ghadi, Dr. Mohammad Daoud, and Eng. Esra AlNashash.

The attendees were given a brief overview of the Metaverse and its potential applications, and the forum included seminars on various topics related to the Metaverse, such as its potential for improving government-citizen communication, its use in online gaming and virtual reality, and its applications in fields such as tourism and medicine. The forum also emphasized the importance of individual participation in developing the Metaverse.



















The CoE crowned the championship in the Football League after winning with six goals

The Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain Campus organized a college football tournament from 20-23 February 2023. The tournament featured participation from three teams representing the College of Engineering, two teams representing the College of Pharmacy, and one team each from the College of Business and the College of Education, Humanities, and Social Sciences.







Media students crowned the championship in the Football League (AD Campus)

The Deanship of Student Affairs at Abu Dhabi Campus organized a college football tournament from 20-23 February 2023.

In a spirited ambiance, the final match of the football tournament took place between the College of Engineering and the College of Communication and Media.

The match was graced by the presence of the AAU Vice President, Prof. Amer Qasem, and Dr. Nuha Hamada, Deputy Dean of Student Affairs. The College of Communication and Media team emerged victorious with a well-deserved win, scoring 9 goals to 6.



The College of Business has earned their victory in the Badminton Championship

The Deanship of Student Affairs/Al Ain Campus organized a badminton tournament with the participation of students from all colleges. In the male category, Abdul Sattar from the College of Business won first place, and second place was secured by Ali Abdullah Rasak, also from the same college. Among the female students, Mona Sharif Al-Sayed from the College of Education won first place, while Aseel Mamoun Kanaan from the College of Business won second place. The Deanship of Student Affairs honored the winners and distributed

















gifts, including cups, gold and silver medals, to the winners.

