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Al Ain University Celebrates the UAE's 53rd National Day











Al Ain University celebrated the UAE's 53rd National Day at its Al Ain and Abu Dhabi campuses, launching a diverse range of heritage-inspired events and activities reflecting the Spirit of the Union.

The celebrations were attended by Prof. Ghaleb El Refae, President of the University; Prof. Amer Qasem, Vice President of the University (Abu Dhabi Campus); Prof. Ibtehal Abu Rezeq, Vice President for Development and Follow-Up and Dean of Student Affairs; and deans, deputy deans, faculty and staff members, university students, and visitors from outside the university.

The festivities included a variety of heritage performances, such as military band shows, yola performances, and traditional dances, which expressed the joy of the Emirati people on this special occasion and reflected their loyalty and gratitude to the wise leadership. The celebrations also featured a national parade, an art exhibition showcasing traditional paintings, falconry displays, camels, and horses. Additionally, there were stations for henna painting, traditional Emirati cuisine, and old-fashioned games that embodied the rich heritage and culture of the UAE.



















Al Ain University Participates in Raising the UAE Flag





The Al Ain University family celebrated UAE Flag Day, which falls on November 3, at its Abu Dhabi and Al Ain campuses in an atmosphere of pride and honor, reaffirming their loyalty and dedication to the nation. The flag was raised at the Al Ain campus by the University President, Prof. Ghaleb El Refae, and at the Abu Dhabi campus by Prof. Amer Qasem (Vice President - Abu Dhabi Campus). Celebrating Flag Day

reflects the highest values of peace, justice, and tolerance, embodies national identity, and reinforces loyalty to the wise leadership of the United Arab Emirates. Al Ain University is committed to celebrating Flag Day annually and engaging in various national events and occasions in the country as an expression of love for the homeland and gratitude to the nation's founders.















An MOU with Zhejiang Institute of **Geology in China**





The College of Engineering at Al Ain University has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Zhejiang Institute of Geology in the People's Republic of China, a first-tier public institution under the Zhejiang Provincial Government. The institute specializes in theoretical and applied geological studies, integrating advanced scientific research with practical applications across multiple geological fields. It is committed to developing innovative geology and natural resources solutions and is distinguished by its international collaborations with various academic and research institutions. The signing ceremony occurred at the Abu Dhabi campus, attended by a high-level Zhejiang Institute of Geology delegation, including senior officials who traveled specifically from China to the UAE to finalize the agreement. The MoU was signed on behalf of Al Ain University by Prof. Abdullah Ahmed Al-Shara, Director of the Civil Engineering Program, and on behalf of the Zhejiang Institute of Geology by Dr. Gu Hongwei, Director of Green Development in Mining Research. The event was witnessed by Prof. Amer Qasem, Vice President of the University, along with department heads, directors, and faculty members from both sides.



Innovation Day: Uniting Minds to Drive Sustainable Solutions





In collaboration with the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center, the College of Business at AAU (AD Campus) organized "Innovation Day" under the supervision of Dr. Wejdan Farhan and the faculty members of the innovation courses. AAU Vice President Prof. Amer Qasim attended the event and began with a welcoming speech from the Deputy Dean of the College of Business, Dr. Iffat Sabir. Following the opening, attendees toured an exhibition showcasing student projects in an interactive format. Each student group presented an innovative project that combined creativity with practical application, featuring physical prototypes aimed at sustainable solutions. The exhibition sought to promote creativity-based learning by highlighting AAU students' creative solutions and demonstrating their potential to tackle real-world sustainability challenges.

The event also included a seminar led by a guest speaker from Sandooq Al Watan, who provided students with valuable insights into sustainable innovation. The seminar covered current trends, challenges, and the impact of innovative practices on sustainable development.

















Al Ain University Secures First Place in the "Cyber Battle" **Competition at ADIPEC 2024**







Kinan Hassan, an outstanding cybersecurity student, won first place in the "Cyber Battle" competition organized by ADNOC during ADIPEC 2024 in Abu Dhabi, demonstrating exceptional skills and expertise. The "Cyber Battle" competition was designed to test participants' cybersecurity skills through real-world challenges. It attracted top talents from universities across the UAE, but only 15 participants qualified for the final stage.



Al Ain University Teams Shine at 42 CTF: The Ultimate Cyber Showdown, Securing 2nd and 3rd Place





Two teams from Al Ain University achieved remarkable success at the 42 CTF: The Ultimate Cyber Showdown. The competition, organized by RedTeam Hacker Academy in collaboration with 42 Abu Dhabi, brought together students and professionals across the UAE to tackle challenging real-world cybersecurity scenarios.

The "Null" team, consisting of Jumaa Alhameli, Hamza Salem, and Omar Khalayleh, secured 2nd place, while the "OxCAFFEE" team, featuring Kenan Ismail Hassan and Mo'ath Ibrahim Owheeb, earned 3rd place. Both teams demonstrated exceptional skill and determination in solving complex cybersecurity challenges.

The event offered participants an excellent opportunity to showcase their ethical hacking, malware analysis, and vulnerability exploitation expertise. The competition served as a platform for students to test their cybersecurity knowledge in real-world scenarios and gain valuable hands-on experience.

















Al Ain University Students Participate in Promoting the **Values of Tolerance**



On the occasion of International Tolerance Day, students from the Tolerance Club at the Deanship of Student Affairs (Abu Dhabi campus) attended the "Tolerance: A Steady Approach and a Sustainable Legacy" event by Mohamed bin Zayed University for Humanities. The

event brought together students from tolerance clubs across various universities in the UAE. The event featured three discussion sessions: the first addressed the values of tolerance in the vision of the late Sheikh Zayed.



A Health Event Titled "Diabetes and Quality of Life" in **Celebration of World Diabetes Day**





The Deanship of Student Affairs, in collaboration with Mediclinic Hospital (Al Ain Branch) and City Pharmacy, hosted an awareness event celebrating "World Diabetes Day" under the theme "Diabetes and Quality of Life." The event focused on raising awareness about diabetes, its prevention, and enhancing the quality of life for individuals managing the condition.

As part of the program, a health educator shared practical tips on maintaining a healthy lifestyle to prevent diabetes. Additionally, Dr. Mohammed Amin Al-Zubair, an internal medicine specialist, delivered an informative lecture covering the causes, signs, symptoms, types, treatments, and preventive measures for diabetes.

The event also provided free medical consultations for attendees living with diabetes. Doctors assessed their health conditions and offered treatment recommendations. Blood sugar testing devices were distributed to participants to encourage regular monitoring.

















The Student Council at Al Ain University Discusses **Student Issues and Future Initiatives**



The Student Council at Al Ain University held its regular meeting with members representing various colleges to discuss key student issues and future initiatives. The meeting addressed the council's plans to

enhance student activities, support communication between students and the university administration, and review proposals for improving university services.



An Awareness Workshop on the Engineer Registration System in cooperation with Al Ain Municipality







The Deanship of Student Affairs, in collaboration with the Department of Municipalities and Transport at Al Ain Municipality, organized an awareness workshop for the College of Engineering students titled "Engineer Registration Workshop." Engineer Rawda Al Amri and Engineer IHmaid Al Yamahi conducted the workshop, which Dr. Essam Al-Azoni moderated from the College of Engineering.

















Media Students Explore Media Innovation and Technology at Yas Creative Hub





For the first time, students from Al Ain University's College of Communication and Media at the Abu Dhabi campus visited Yas Creative Hub, including tours of the Creative Media Authority (CMA) and CNN Studios under the supervision of Dr. Farah Saboune.

Yas Creative Hub is a vibrant space where media talent and passion

converge. The visit offered an incredible opportunity for AAU students to engage with the welcoming CMA team, who provided valuable insights and support at each tour stage. Students learned about CMA's dedication to nurturing media talent, including its workshops, volunteer programs.



Al Ain University Students Visit Elderly Care Home in **Sharjah to Strengthen Community Bonds**



The Volunteer Club and Social Club at the Deanship of Student Affairs -Abu Dhabi Campus at Al Ain University organized a student visit to the Elderly Care Home under the Social Services Department in Sharjah. The visit was supervised by Dr. Samer Abdulhadi and Dr. Nahla Al Shalabi from the College of Education, Humanities, and Social Sciences. The visit aimed to strengthen connections between students and the elderly



and to explore the range of healthcare, therapeutic, and recreational services provided to residents at the center. The visit's program included interactions between students and the elderly residents, where they engaged in conversations, listened to life stories, and shared experiences, adding a profound human element to the students' journey. The students also presented small gifts to the elderly.

















A Workshop on Sustainable Green Concrete





Al Ain University recently collaborated with Zublin Construction LLC to organize an impactful workshop titled "Practical Applications of Sustainable Green Concrete" at the company's headquarters. The workshop was led by Dr. Omar Najm, a faculty member in the civil engineering program and an expert in sustainable construction practices. Zublin Construction showed great interest in hosting the workshop to enhance its performance across various projects. Dr. Najm provided valuable insights into the latest advancements in sustainable concrete technology, focusing on practical applications such as the use of recycled materials and alternative binders.



A Workshop Titled "Journey to Success"





The Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University (Abu Dhabi campus) organized a workshop titled «Journey to Success,» presented by certified trainer Zainab Abdulrahman, with the participation of a group of students under the supervision of Dr. Nahla Al-Shalabi.

The workshop focused on setting personal goals and effectively achieving them. Emphasis was placed on ensuring that goals are «SMART» - Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Timebound. The workshop also introduced the concept of the awareness map for goals and discussed methods to enhance personal $understanding\ of\ objectives\ and\ progress\ toward\ them.$

After the workshop, the significance of motivation and continuous support was highlighted as essential elements for achieving goals, reinforcing individuals, ability to stay committed to their journey towards success and realizing their aspirations.

















Al Ain University Students Achieve Top Positions in the 2024 Zayed Charity Marathon

Al Ain University students showcased outstanding performances in the Zayed Charity Marathon at Erth Abu Dhabi. Abdulrahman Khaled Al-Qubati, a student from the College of Law (Al Ain campus), secured first place in the 10-kilometer race for the age group (20-24). Khaled Al-Musaabi, from the College of Communication and Media (Abu Dhabi campus), achieved fifth place in the 3-kilometer race for the same age group, while Hamza Al-Absi, a student from the College of Pharmacy (Abu Dhabi campus), came in 14th place in the 5-kilometer race.







A delegation from AAU visit the Sharjah **Book Fair**

A delegation from Al Ain University, including its campuses in Al Ain and Abu Dhabi, visited the Sharjah International Book Fair 2024. The visit was organized by Khalifa Library in collaboration with the Deanship of Student Affairs and the university's colleges.

The visit provided an opportunity for faculty members and students to engage with the world of books, knowledge, and culture. During the visit, faculty members actively assisted librarians in selecting and purchasing books. The trip aimed to enable students to explore prominent literary and cultural publications, discover local and international publishing houses participating in the fair, acquire books aligned with their interests.



CoP students visit "Gulfood Conference" and Future Foods

Faculty members and students from the College of Pharmacy, Nutrition, and Dietetics programs at the Al Ain and Abu Dhabi campuses participated in a visit to the "Gulfood Conference," held in Dubai. This event provided a valuable experience for food science and nutrition students, offering them a unique opportunity to learn more about producing various healthy food products and understanding industry manufacturing practices. During the visit, students also toured the Gulfood exhibition locations, observing how different food products are developed and evaluated using various subjective and objective techniques.



















StudentsfromtheCollegeofCommunication and Media visit Al Arabiya Tv

In an effort to enhance the practical experience of students from the College of Communication and Media at Al Ain University, the college organized a field visit to the headquarters of Al Arabiya News Channel in Dubai for students enrolled in the Digital Journalism Writing and Art of Public Speaking courses.

The students were accompanied by Prof. Abdulkarim Al Zayani and Dr. Rania Abdullah, allowing them to observe the operations of one of the leading news channels in the Arab world.







Al Ain University Participates in the **Orientation Meeting for Tolerance Clubs**

Under the patronage of His Excellency Sheikh Nahyan bin Mubarak Al Nahyan, the Ministry of Tolerance and Coexistence organized an orientation meeting for Tolerance Clubs in Dubai as part of the annual National Festival of Tolerance and Coexistence. This initiative aims to promote the values of tolerance and coexistence within the university community and develop students, skills through training workshops and various opportunities that open new doors for them to participate in both national and international events.



Challenge Games to Promote Sports and Health Awareness

The Deanship of Student Affairs—Al Ain and Abu Dhabi campuses, in collaboration with students from the Physical Education and Health course under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Majed Al-Saleh, organized a special event titled «Challenge Games.» The event included various sports activities, competitions, and fun games.

The event aimed to raise awareness about the importance of sports and its positive impact on overall health. It also highlighted the role of healthy nutrition in improving individuals, quality of life. The event also featured innovative student projects promoting proper nutrition concepts and healthy lifestyle practices.



















An Educational Trip to Louvre Abu Dhabi

The AAU Library organized an educational and cultural trip to Louvre Abu Dhabi, with the participation of 20 students from various colleges and under the guidance and supervision of library staff. The trip aimed to broaden the students' perspectives and introduce them to the depth of art, history, and diverse global cultures. During the tour, students explored all museum galleries, which display artworks and artifacts from various historical periods, ranging from ancient times to the modern era. The tour included insights into ancient civilizations > cultural evolution and achievements, giving students a chance to interact with valuable pieces, including sculptures, paintings, and rare artifacts. The students expressed their admiration and gratitude to the AAU Library for organizing this enriching experience, which added significantly to their knowledge and cultural awareness.







Boxing Championship at Kalba Beach Games

Abdullah Al-Suwadi, a student from the College of Engineering, secured second place in the lightweight category at the boxing championship held during the Khorfakkan Beach Games. He reached the finals after overcoming tough competition from distinguished participants representing various local and international clubs and teams, such as Al Ain Club, Al Shamkha Club, Kalba Club, Fujairah Club, the Bahrain National Team, and Abu Dhabi Club. Abdullah expressed his happiness with this achievement, considering it a significant milestone in his sporting journey.



A "Hike" Trip to Hatta: Breaking the Study **Routine and Creating Fun Moments**

The Deanship of Student Affairs at Al Ain University, at both its Al Ain and Abu Dhabi campuses, organized a hiking trip to the Hatta. The students enjoyed a unique experience, embarking on thrilling adventures amidst nature, exploring Hatta's mountain trails and their diverse challenges suitable for different fitness levels. Students expressed their happiness in joining the trip, which offered them a chance to acquire new skills, build strong friendships, and enhance cooperation and teamwork. This event is part of the recreational and sports activities that Al Ain University is keen on organizing to support a comprehensive educational experience.

















