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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Last week the University was very busy with many activities including a visit by Professor Newton to help us with the preparation for the review of Arts and Science programmes. On 2 and 3 May the University participated in the Bahrain Exhibition for Training & Education Pre-Employment 2016 at the Sheraton hotel. The exhibition was under the patronage of Sheikh Khalid Bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, Deputy Prime Minister of Bahrain. The official opening was on Tuesday, 3 May, inaugurated by HE Jameel bin Mohammed Humaidan, the Labour and Social Development Minister. On 5 May, an entrepreneurship day was organised by Professor Saad and involved many external distinguished speakers and a workshop. On the afternoon of the same day, the graduation committee met to prepare for the graduation ceremony on 23 May.



We have had some important external visitors this week including the Oxford Business Group, the Oil and Gas Year Report, and the President of Benadir University in Somalia, to discuss opportunities for collaboration.

The review panel for Arts and Science will be in the University this week from 1:00pm on Sunday to check the documentation including course portfolios and tour the University. The formal review will start on Monday and will last 3 days. I rely on your cooperation to demonstrate professionalism and high standards. We have worked so hard to achieve full confidence for our 3 programmes and it is within our remit. The Dean of Arts and Science and colleagues from the college, the QAA Centre and across the University with great support from Professor Newton and Dr Bassam worked day and night to be well prepared for the review. My advice to colleagues is to demonstrate leadership and teamwork, confidence and honesty in answering the questions, passion to support our programmes and students and innovation in our practices. Quality should be at the heart of what we are doing and we should be able to demonstrate it through evidence. Let's hope for full confidence for the 3 programmes and celebrate our success in due course inshallah. Let's make ASU shine.

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What's New?





ASU PARTICIPATES IN BAHRAIN EXHIBITION FOR TRAINING AND EDUCATION PRE EMPLOYMENT EXPO

On 2 and 3 May 2016, Applied Science University participated in the Bahrain Exhibition for Training & Education Pre Employment Expo 2016 at Sheraton hotel which was held under the patronage of His Excellency Shaikh Khalid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, Deputy Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Bahrain. The two-day event aimed to provide training, education and employment opportunities for Bahrainis that match their interests and career aspirations



The Exhibition was inaugurated by HE Jameel bin Mohammed Humaidan, Labour and Social Development Minister in the presence of Prof Ghassan Aouad, President of the University and Mr. Abdulla Alkhaja, Director of Administrative and Financial Affairs and a number of VIP guests.

The exhibition attracted secondary students, university graduates, and jobseekers along with training and recruitment managers. During the exhibition, ASU showcased its academic programmes and provided career advice to interested participants and visitors and was praised by the minister and the visitors for its reputation among other private universities and the quality of the programmes it provides.

ASU ENTREPRENEURSHIP DAY

The university, in line with accreditation requirements, held a whole day session to discuss ways and methods to embed entrepreneurship in its programmes. An audience of more than sixty members of staff and students gathered for this purpose. The discussion was led by Prof Ghassan Aouad, Prof Saad Darwish, Dr Chris Coutts, Dr Atif Al Shabarawi, and Dr Abdul Hassan Al Dairi. The event was interactive and the three presenters gave an excellent profile of the “Entrepreneurship University”. Staff and students reflected high commitment and desire to embed entrepreneurship in our curricula.



At the entrepreneurship development level, a key role of training is to develop tools and programmes that support the creation of an entrepreneurial culture.

Small Enterprise Development Programmes work to strengthen entrepreneurial management skills through capacity building and training resources that foster adoption of good workplace practices in micro, small and large enterprises. In the future, our university is aiming to focus on entrepreneurial skills development as an extension of the employability skills."



RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT THE GLOBAL GOALS OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Dr. Mohammad Alaa Hussain Al-Hamami, Assistant Professor at Management Information Systems Department, and member of ASU Community Engagement Office participated in the meeting that was organised by UN Bahrain for social media influencers, in collaboration with the Social Media Club. The aim of the meeting was to support and raise awareness about the Global Goals of Sustainable Development.



ASU SUPPORTS INJAZ: COMPANY OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

On 3 May 2016, on behalf of ASU, Prof Saad Darwish, President's Advisor for Special Projects, attended INJAZ 8th Company of the Year Competition & 2016 Annual Appreciation lunch at the Diplomat Radisson Blu Hotel. This year, 17 teams from 14 secondary schools and 2 from Universities participated in the competition.

The competition event witnessed youth participants showcasing their entrepreneurial achievements and concluded with crowning of the winner of the "High School Company of the Year", and the winner of "University Company of the Year".



As part of INJAZ Bahrain appreciation and gratitude to all its partners, an appreciation lunch was also held to recognize and honor all supporters and volunteers who participated throughout the year 2015/2016. Faouzia Ghazal, ASU student, from the Department of Business Administration in the College of Administrative Sciences, was praised by HH Skeikha Hessa Al-Khalifa for her work being a volunteer in INJAZ programmes.

DR ADEEB HAMDOON SULAIMAN'S APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR BY ACSE



The Asian Council of Science Editors has appointed Adeb Hamdoon Sulaiman Ambassador for the year 2016.

As an ACSE Ambassador, he is now part of a global community of enthusiastic individuals working to build and promote the objectives of The ACSE. Congratulations!





MRS. RUQAYA MOHSIN ARBITRATE IN TAMKEEN “A9EEL IN SCHOOL” COMPETITION

Mrs. Ruqaya Mohsin, Director of Marketing and Public Affairs had the honour to arbitrate as a judge in A9eel Programme which is launched by Tamkeen in cooperation with the Ministry of Education.



This programme targets government high school students to adopt a positive work attitude and become employees of choice. It highlights and promotes strong work ethics among Bahraini youth and their families, private sector employees, business owners, decision makers in Human Resource Departments and the Bahraini society as a whole.

On Tuesday, 3 May 2016, 22 schools from across Bahrain participated in the “A9eel in School” programme for the academic year 2015/2016. Each school team had to present an original project to the panel, with the aim of showcasing what they learned from the programme. The final award ceremony will be held on Tuesday 10 May 2016 at Bahrain Trade Center to announce the winning teams.



Mrs. Ruqaya’s contribution to A9eel’s competition is a unique experience as the new generation of skilled young Bahrainis is being prepared to face the professional and moral challenges of all times. Moreover, It helps them to be prepared to face global competition, earned with scientific competence, a strong determination and work ethics rooted in Bahraini tradition.

OBJECT-ORIENTED PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE WORKSHOP

An Object-Oriented workshop was conducted by Dr. Ashraf Abazeed from the Computer Science Department at the labs of Arts and Science College. Dr. Abazeed has shown advanced features of Java when he covered the topic “Object-Oriented in Java Programming Language” where Encapsulation, Inheritance, Polymorphism, Abstraction are introduced, used and illustrated.



Twelve students attended the workshop with participation and hands on training. It is a first step to think about getting jobs where Java outscores everyone. Students can get a lot of job opportunities by learning Java programming language, they can develop core Java based server side application, J2EE web and enterprise applications, and can even go for Android based mobile application development.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things.”

Mother Teresa



REMINDER OF THE WEEK

Academic Programmes

Undergraduate Programmes

Bachelor in Business Administration
Bachelor in Accounting
Bachelor in Accounting and Finance
Bachelor in Management Information Systems
Bachelor in Political Sciences
Bachelor in Computer Sciences
Bachelor in Graphic Design
Bachelor in Interior Design
Bachelor in Law

Postgraduate Programmes

Master in Law
Master in Commercial Law
Master in Human Resource Management
Master in Accounting and Finance



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