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Message From the Editor

Welcome to the 17th issue of the 7th volume of the President's News Digest.

In this issue Prof. Ghassan Aouad , President the University will address the subject of :-
“ Graduation Ceremony 19th of February 2022 “



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من روائع الشعر العربي

Message from the President Graduation Ceremony 19th of February 2022

Many thanks for a fantastic evening on the 19th of February 2022 and many congratulations to Prof Waheeb and all of you for a memorable graduation ceremony. Our graduates and their parents were really pleased and HE Dr Sh Rana bint Isa bin Daij Al Khalifa, Secretary General of the HEC and Deputy Chairperson of the HEC Board of Trustees stayed with us until the end and she was pleased I think with what we have done. Many thanks to the graduation committee and extra staff and students who helped us to achieve this. Many thanks to Ms Ayat for organising all the committees' meetings. Our one and only MC and the graduation ceremony coordinator Ms Ruqaya worked exceptionally hard with her team over the last few weeks, I am grateful to her and everyone who made this ceremony a great success. In addition, Dr Mohamed Yousif, Mr Abdulla and Mr Mohammed Nassar, Mr Baha, Mr Yusuf, and many others have also worked very hard, I am grateful to all of them. ASU is now unstoppable and I am looking forward to more achievements. Tomorrow is another day, and we need to get prepared for the London Day on Monday.



Written By
Professor Ghassan Aouad
The President of Applied
Science University

My speech at the ceremony

Your Excellency Dr Sh Rana bint Isa bin Daij Al Khalifa, Secretary General of the Higher Education Council, Deputy Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the Higher Education Council, patron of the ceremony

Your Excellency, Professor Waheeb Al Khaja, Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Your Excellency Prof Paul Ivey, Deputy Vice Chancellor of London South Bank University

Your excellencies

Distinguished Guests

Colleagues from ASU and LSBU

Graduands and their parents and families and friends

Ladies and Gentlemen

A very good evening to all of you

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Today is a very special day for all of us who gather here as we celebrate in a fantastic setting the graduation of our 13th and 14th batches. It is also pleasing to see the first cohorts of our hosted British Programmes graduating tonight. A big congratulation to all of you - it is evident that all of your efforts have finally paid off.

You have made us proud and seeing you graduate with joy in the presence of your parents, families and friends gives us the utmost satisfaction. We feel the many hours of hard work disappear when we see our graduands' smiles and excitement as they embark on a new stage in their lives. Many thanks to all your professors, instructors, and administrators who have supported you all the way throughout your journey – their dedication and desire to see you succeed should never be forgotten.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank HE Dr Sh Rana for her patronage and great support; it is an honour to have you here with us tonight. In addition, I would like to congratulate Mr. Sameer Nass, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Prof Waheeb Al Khaja, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Professor Paul Ivey, Deputy Vice Chancellor of London South Bank University and to thank them for their support and encouragement. Great achievements are the result of the collaboration and labours of many and to those working for the success of the Applied Science University, I sincerely thank you.

To conclude, just as the tide ebbs and flows, tomorrow is another day and we won't rest until we make our University one of the best universities in the region. We are on a clear mission driven by the principles of excellence and innovation - let's all keep up the good work!

Again, many, many congratulations to all our graduands, their parents, families and friends.

Thank you and God bless you all

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The College of Arts and Science Students' Participated in the Third Scientific Students' Conference

On Thursday February 10th, the Students of the College of Arts and Science participated in the Third Scientific Students' Conference, 10/02/2022.

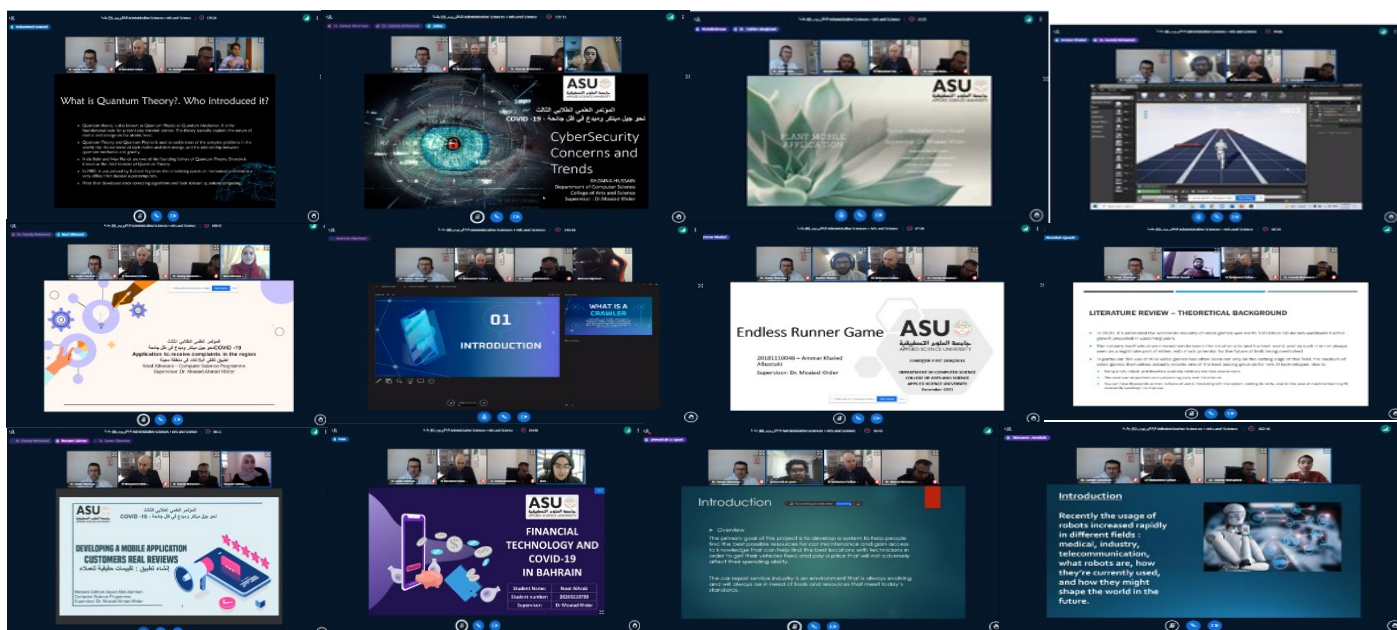


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The conference was under the Patronage of Prof. Ghassan Aouad the President and was organized by the Deanship of Research and Graduate Studies, with the attendance of the President and 40 researches who presented their presentation

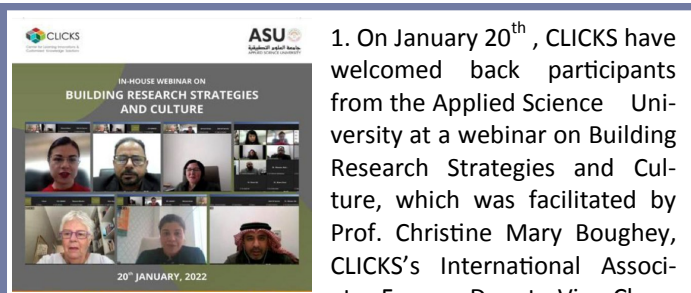
Students from the Department of Computer Science presented several topics including: Artificial Intelligence, Games and Mobile application development, Cybersecurity and others. The audience and the jury appraised the level of the college students and their commitment to participate in this conference for the third time.

The College was represented by the Acting Dean Prof. Ayman AlDmour and the college staff were very excited because of the 12 out of 40 participations came from the college students. This high level of participation shows and emphasizes on the importance of research in the college programmers as well engaging the student to participate in different activities to reflect their skills and capabilities.



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Series of 3 Webinars Conducted by CLICKS



1. On January 20th, CLICKS have welcomed back participants from the Applied Science University at a webinar on Building Research Strategies and Culture, which was facilitated by Prof. Christine Mary Boughey, CLICKS's International Associate, Former Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academic & Students affairs, Rhodes University, South Africa.

The webinar focused on the need to build both structure and culture. Participants analysed the context in which they are located (the department, faculty, institution) in order to identify the strategies, they can pursue to build and enhance research capacity and production.

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3. As part of the Academic Staff Development activities, a series of webinars have been conducted by CLICKS. The webinar series titled "Structuring & Managing Research Projects" was organised for the Applied Science University in the Kingdom of Bahrain on the 16th-17th of February 2022.

The two-day in house training on Structuring and Managing Research Projects organised for the ASU Academic Department was a success. Having provided fruitful ideas and engagements for Academic staff to implement upon organising future research projects.

Participants learned throughout the two-day workshop, how to apply project management principles to typical types of research projects within academia.

CLICKS have expressly thanked Dr. Faiza Zitouni, Assistant to the VP for Academic Affairs and Development, and Adel Al-Samman, Assistant Professor, Head of Academic Staff Development Unit, for all the support.



2. As part of the Academic Staff Development activities, a series of webinars have been conducted by CLICKS.

The webinar series titled "Action Research in Higher Education" was organised for the Applied Science University in the Kingdom of Bahrain on the 27th of January 2022.



The webinar was facilitated by Fernando F. Padro, Associate professor (Pathway Programs), University of Southern Queensland's (USQ) Toowoomba Campus in Australia.

The webinar acquainted participants with action research, where they explored their research question in its practical and theoretical dimension. It provided participants with tools, strategies, and approaches for doing research in the classroom. Participants have discussed how to plan action research and write up a report about their findings.



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ASUrise: Congratulations to Cohort 7 Advance-HE Fellows

The ASUrise board meeting took place on 13th Feb 2022, chaired by Professor Hilal Al-Bayatti. The board awarded 4 out of 13 of our colleagues who have successfully completed the Advance-HE Fellowship across the University to mark its commitment to enhancing the student experience and delivering exceptional teaching and learning through our own ASUrise Accredited scheme- *Cohort 7 of the academic year 2021-2022*.

This great achievement would not have been possible without the great and continuous support from Professor Waheeb Al-Khaja, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Professor Ghassan Aouad, President of the University.

Our beloved University always raises the bar with great achievements, and we are all proud to be part of ASU, *Many Congratulations to our new members of the Advance- HE Fellowship, including:*



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Ms. Maheera Faisal
ASUrise Administrator

Ser.	Name	Category
1	Ms. Hanan Radhi	AFHEA
2	Dr. Rouya Bassem Hdeib	FHEA
3	Dr. Rashed Ahmed Rashed Ismaeel Alrasheed	SFHEA
4	Dr. Hamdy Mahmoud Hamdy Mohamed	SFHEA



Quote of the Week

“ We become what we think about”

– Earl Nightingale

من روائع الشعر العربي

قَدْ كَانَ شَاهِدَ دَفْنِي قَبْلَ قَوْلِهِمْ
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- الشاعر أبو الطيب المتنبي