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## Message From the Editor

Welcome to the 37<sup>th</sup> issue of the 7<sup>th</sup> volume of the President's News Digest.

In this issue **Prof. Ghassan Auoud** , **President the University** will address the subject of :-  
"EduData Summit Report (8-10 June 2022)"



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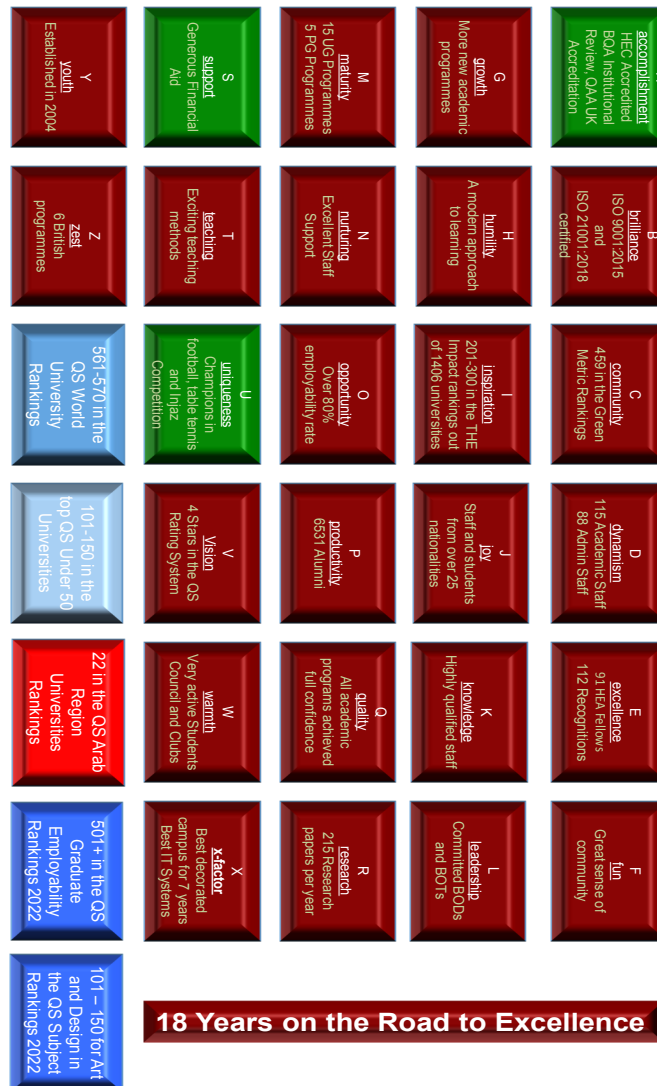
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## A Diagram from the President The ASU Alphabet of Success (Updated)



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The ASU Alphabet of Success (Updated)

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## The ASU Alphabet of Success (Updated)

<b>A</b> <u>accomplishment</u> HEC Accredited BQA Institutional Review, QAA UK Accreditation	<b>B</b> <u>brilliance</u> ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 21001:2018 certified	<b>C</b> <u>community</u> 459 in the Green Metric Rankings	<b>D</b> <u>dynamism</u> 115 Academic Staff 88 Admin Staff	<b>E</b> <u>excellence</u> 91 HEA Fellows 112 Recognitions	<b>F</b> <u>fun</u> Great sense of community
<b>G</b> <u>growth</u> More new academic programmes	<b>H</b> <u>humility</u> A modern approach to learning	<b>I</b> <u>inspiration</u> 201-300 in the THE Impact rankings out of 1406 universities	<b>J</b> <u>joy</u> Staff and students from over 25 nationalities	<b>K</b> <u>knowledge</u> Highly qualified staff	<b>L</b> <u>leadership</u> Committed BODs and BOTs
<b>M</b> <u>maturity</u> 15 UG Programmes 5 PG Programmes	<b>N</b> <u>nurturing</u> Excellent Staff Support	<b>O</b> <u>opportunity</u> Over 80% employability rate	<b>P</b> <u>productivity</u> 6531 Alumni	<b>Q</b> <u>quality</u> All academic programs achieved full confidence	<b>R</b> <u>research</u> 215 Research papers per year

18 Years on the Road to Excellence

## The ASU Alphabet of Success (Updated)

### 18 Years on the Road to Excellence

<b>S</b> <u>support</u> Generous Financial Aid	<b>T</b> <u>teaching</u> Exciting teaching methods	<b>U</b> <u>uniqueness</u> Champions in football, table tennis and Injaz Competition	<b>V</b> <u>Vision</u> 4 Stars in the QS Rating System	<b>W</b> <u>warmth</u> Very active Students Council and Clubs	<b>X</b> <u>x-factor</u> Best decorated campus for 7 years Best IT Systems	<b>Y</b> <u>youth</u> Established in 2004
<b>Z</b> <u>zest</u> 6 British programmes	561-570 in the QS World University Rankings	101-150 in the top QS Under 50 Universities	22 in the QS Arab Region Universities Rankings	501+ in the QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2022	101 – 150 for Art and Design in the QS Subject Rankings 2022	

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## Congratulations on your Promotion!



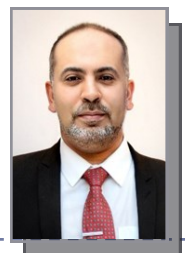
Dr. Murad Al Tarawneh



Dr. QAIS MAAITAH

## Department of Design & Arts: Meetings with Various Stakeholders – June 2022

The Interior Design and Graphic Design Programmes held several important meetings with students, graduates, employers and advisory board members during the last two weeks of June 2022. These meetings consisted important part of the preparation for the new study plans for the two programmes for the upcoming academic year 2022/2023. Stakeholders have been informed about the fantastic accomplishments that were achieved on both the university's and department's levels throughout the current academic year. Moreover, they have been also informed about the benchmarking outcomes of the two programmes and the new draft study plans. Thorough discussion took place in each meetings to obtain opinions and recommendations from the various stakeholders by which the programmes can enrich their study plans and curricula. One of the fantastic inputs is that the employers in particular praised the interns and graduates of both programmes, describing them as highly skilled and very much prepared for the relevant labour market.



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Head of Department of Design & Arts and Academic Staff in Depart-

Internal attendees were; Professor Ayman Aldmoor – Acting Dean of the College of Arts and Science, Dr Udai Al-Juboory – Vice Dean, Dr Mohamed Abdeldayem – HoD of Design & Arts, Dr Nader Sonbol – Coordinator of the Programme of Interior Design, Dr Mohamed Yasser Abbar – Coordinator of the Programme of Graphic Design, and other colleagues of the academic staff members in the department.

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## ASU Engineering Day 2022: "Be an engineer for a day" A successful event



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The College of Engineering held the Engineering Day for the academic year 2021/2022 on June 30<sup>th</sup> under the theme "Be an Engineer for a day". The event took place at the ASU campus from 4:00 to 7:00 pm, with an aim to introduce participants to a variety of engineering programmes and activities offered by the college and provide a platform for interaction between the College and professionals from the industry. The theme driving the Engineering Day this year has been unique and successful from every standpoint. The College hereby proudly shares with you its outcomes.

Playing a video about innovation and creativity by London South Bank University set the stage for a great event delivery. The opening speech was delivered by the talented MC, Ms. Ruqaya Mohsen, followed by a welcoming speech by Professor Ghassan Aouad, President of ASU; where he thanked the high school students, enrolled students, graduates, guests from Bahrain Society of Engineers, professionals from the industry and ASU academic and administrative members of staff for attending the event. Prof. Aouad also spoke about the importance and uniqueness of studying engineering, the benefit of studying a British-awarded degree while being in Bahrain, and the recent achievements of ASU .



An informative speech by Dr. Marwan Aouad, Acting Vice Dean at the College of Engineering was delivered shedding the light on the College's success story. Dr. Marwan introduced the four British engineering degrees at ASU set up in collaboration with the prestigious LSBU: BEng (Hons) Architectural Engineering and BEng (Hons) Civil Engineering, and the newly offered programmes, BEng (Hons) Electrical and Electronic Engineering and BEng (Hons) Mechanical Engineering. This gives the high school students a variety of specialties to choose from depending on the passion and interest.

Dr. Marwan also highlighted that the college realized two major accomplishments last year: LSBU has done a comprehensive periodic review and has given us high commendations on the quality of the programmes that were delivered. The second major achievement is the alignment of the Civil and Architectural programmes with the National Qualifications Framework of BQA in Bahrain. These two achievements have added a tremendous value to the strength and quality of the engineering programmes offered by ASU.

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The Acting Vice Dean speech was followed by a video celebrating the College's students centered activities and events during this year such as London Day, educational trip to Dubai EXPO 2020, site visits to Emaar's project at Dubai and different significant projects locally, attending BSE general engineering conference, projects' exhibition during the 9th Career Day, the visit of Summer internship supervisors to the engineering interns at different companies, London Sum



Mr. Arafat Hussain, Head of Finance Department has also delivered a speech about the financial incentives. Adam Faheem, civil engineering graduate of 2021 delivered an inspiring speech by sharing his great experience studying a British engineering programme at ASU, and starting his career in a highly reputable company. Engineering students and graduates who put efforts in the project's exhibition were honored by the President of ASU in appreciation for their active participation in the college's events mer School..etc.



Around 50 participating students from about 15 governmental and private schools had the opportunity to play the role of an engineer for a day, participate in experiments and workshops at the engineering labs and design studios, visit the project's exhibition, and meet with the College's staff who teach in the engineering programmes, as well as current students and graduates, and learn more about the British education system and the engineering programmes offered by ASU in parentship with LSBU.

Participating students have found the Engineering Day both beneficial and enjoyable. They expressed gratitude toward ASU for offering this unique opportunity at the campus. The tremendous cooperation of the Public Relations and the College of Engineering staff members and the dedication of a great amount of time and efforts to organize this unforgettable experience were highly recognized.

Many thanks to all participants who have contributed to the success of this event. We look forward to seeing those prospective students "future engineers" at ASU next September.

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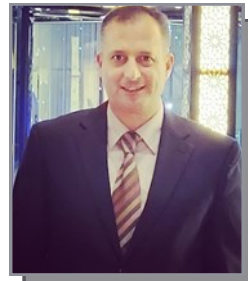


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## Students' Internship Completion: Civil and Architectural Engineering Programmes



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During the summer semester of AY 2021-2022, 34 students from the College Engineering, 15 students from the Civil Engineering Programme and 19 students from the Architectural Engineering Programme, have successfully completed their internship. Communication with over 40 companies has been conducted early on to identify firms with internship opportunities for students of Level 5 in the Civil and Architectural Engineering Programmes. The college emphasizes that practical experience in a professional setting is essential to the comprehensive development of the students' skills, knowledge, and abilities

The students have spent over 120 hours in highly ranked construction companies and consultancy firms. Dr. Faiza Zitouni and Dr. Hamdy Alsayed have been leading, supervising, assisting and managing the students' activities during the internship. An industrial supervisor was assigned to each student to provide ongoing supervision, support and training and to evaluate the student during his/her placement. We have been informed by the industrial supervisors during the site visits that all ASU students have attended regularly at the internship place, showed punctuality and strong work ethic, followed the rules and regulations, and adhered to health and safety instructions as provided by the University and the Internship place. The industrial supervisors have evaluated the students based on their performance at the work place using the ASU evaluation forms and the ASU Student Internship Policy (ACAD 15). All students were required to submit a final report and other documents as requested by QAAC. Finally, the students were evaluated by the University Academic Committee consisting of the module leader and two academic staff.



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This internship has actually reinforced the students' learning by giving them the opportunity to gain practical experience in applying academic concepts. In addition, the internship enabled the students to understand their own strengths and weaknesses in the workplace, work with people from other cultures, and have the confidence to make the transition from the classroom to the workplace comfortably.

The acting head of the Internship Unit visited the students at the day of the certificates delivery at NASS Contracting. Mr. Ahmed Al Jabri, Administration Manager, has met with the students and handed them the internship completion certificates. Mr. Ahmed has discussed with the students their gained experiences, recommendations and feedback on the work place. The participating students have confirmed their appreciation and satisfaction for the great opportunities that have been offered to them by the industry to work on unique projects in Bahrain. The students acknowledged the strong practical skills and experiences they have gained in the field of Civil and Architectural Engineering.





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## Mini English Lesson – Idioms/Idiomatic Expressions

*An idiom is an expression, word, or phrase that has a figurative meaning conventionally understood by native speakers. This meaning is different from the literal meaning of the idiom's individual words.*

Idiomatic expression	Meaning	Example
<b>Call it a day</b>	To stop working for the rest of the day	I'm really tired. <u>I'm calling it a day.</u>
<b>Cost an arm and a leg</b>	To be very expensive	The car <u>had cost him an arm and a leg.</u>
<b>Feel under the weather</b>	To not feel well	I won't go to work today. <u>I'm feeling under the weather.</u>
<b>See eye to eye</b>	To agree with someone	They finally <u>saw eye to eye</u> on the work project.
<b>Spill the beans</b>	To reveal a secret	Come on! <u>Spill the beans!</u> You know you can trust me!



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## Quote of the Week

“Everything you can imagine is real.”

- *Pablo Picasso*

## من روائع الشعر العربي

أَتَطْلُبُ مِنْ أَحْ خُلُقًا جَلِيلًا  
وَخُلُقُ النَّاسِ مِنْ مَاءٍ  
مَهِينٍ فَسَامِحٌ إِنْ تَكَدَّرَ وَدُ خَلٍ  
فَإِنَّ الْمَرْءَ مِنْ مَاءٍ وَطِينٍ

- صفي الدين الحلي